

Two Women Die In Headon Crash Of Automobiles

Miss Anita Andreas,

Mrs. Gus Momsen Dead

—Two women were killed and four persons injured in a three-car crash on the Mesa highway about six miles west of El Paso last night.

The dead:

Mrs. Gus Momsen, 56, of 2801 Silver street.

Miss Anita Andreas, 36, of the Upper Valley near Anthony.

Seriously injured in the collision were Mr. Momsen, 57, husband of the dead woman, and their daughter, Margaret Momsen, 26.

Two Slightly Hurt

Mr. Momsen's injuries included a broken right leg, possible fracture of the left leg, six broken ribs, bruised chest, several cuts on his legs and hands, and possible internal injuries. His condition was "fair."

Miss Momsen was reported resting comfortably. Her injuries included a broken nose, severe cuts on the face, several dislodged teeth, and a possible fracture of the pelvis.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Childress of 523 West Missouri street received bruises, but did not require hospitalization.

The accident occurred near a roadside park at 10:45 p. m.

Crash Headon

Miss Andreas was driving west in a 1950 Plymouth coupe when her car struck the left front fender of a 1949 Chrysler convertible, driven east by Mrs. Childress.

Miss Andreas' car bounced off the Childress car and smashed headon into an eastbound 1951 Chrysler sedan driven by Mr. Momsen, deputy sheriffs reported. The engine of the Momsen car was rammed into the front seat.

Mrs. Momsen died at El Paso General Hospital at 11:30 p. m.

Miss Andreas died at the same hospital at 1 a. m. She was alone

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in her car when the crash occurred.

Mr. Momsen and Miss Momsen were taken to Hotel Dieu.

Three other persons in the Childress car escaped injury.

Mrs. Momsen, the former Alline Portis, was born in east Texas and had resided in El Paso for the last 35 years. She belonged to the Catholic Daughters, Woman's Club, and Woman's Department of the Chamber of Commerce.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Momsen is survived by a son, Gus Momsen III; the injured daughter, Margaret; another daughter, Mrs. Art Cunningham of Phoenix, who was en route to El Paso; a sister, Mrs. V. C. Tardy of El Paso; and a brother, Albert Portis of Wichita Falls.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Kaster and Maxon Mortuary.

Miss Andreas, member of a pioneer family, was born in El Paso. She attended Radford School for Girls. She was a member of the Junior League and active in Red Cross work.

She resided with her mother, Mrs. Herman Andreas, and operated the family farm near Anthony. Besides her mother survivors are a brother, Herman Andreas Jr. of New Orleans; and a sister, Mrs. Tommy White of Houston.

Funeral arrangements are pending with Harding and Orr Funeral Home.