

### Dies In Crash

The second fatality among Coast League ball players occurred Sunday near Merced, when Clyde Nance, Missions pitcher, was killed in an auto crash near Merced. Danny Williams, Portland outfielder, died as the result of auto injuries in the South last week.



CLYDE NANCE

### STAR BASEBALL PLAYER KILLED IN MERCED CRASH

Clyde Nance, Pitcher For San Francisco Missions, Pinned Under Auto

A promising baseball career was shattered and a young wife was left a widow when Clyde L. ("Farmer") Nance, 22, pitcher for the San Francisco Missions in the Pacific Coast League, was killed in an automobile accident near Merced yesterday afternoon.

Nance was driving from his Fowler home to San Francisco with T. J. Patton, Tullock business man, when he attempted to pass another machine which in turn swerved to pass a third automobile. Nance was forced from the highway and his car overturned in a ditch.

**Skull Crushed**

than a half hour later in a Merced hospital.

Patton was only slightly injured. The youthful pitcher started his professional baseball career by joining the Beaumont Club of the Texas League in 1926. He was with the Cleveland Indians part of 1927 and 1928, but was sent to the Missions in mid-season last year. In the past two months he won nine straight games and lost the tenth. He was expected to be one of the mainstays on the Mission staff this season.

Besides the widow, Nance's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernes L. Nance of Fowler survive him.

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