

Hannaford Enterprise: Re-  
ports from China received by the  
United States government state  
that among the Americans and  
Europeans killed is one Mr. Vat-  
ne. It is feared that this is Vil-  
helm Vatne, son of Mr. and Mrs.  
Tonnes Vatne of Sverdrup. Mr.  
Vatne was graduated from the  
Cooperstown high school in the  
spring of 1910 and soon after  
started for China where he had  
accepted a position as teacher in  
one of the mission stations in the  
interior. Nearly all his pupils  
are reported killed and also the  
wife of the missionary with whom  
he was staying. The fact that  
some of the people of the station  
escaped shows that Mr. Vatne  
also could have got away if he  
had chosen to run away from  
danger and leave the helpless  
women and children behind. But  
the splendid man that he was he  
stayed at his post with those who  
needed his help.