

Sharon Reporter: One of the most terrible accidents in the history of our county occurred early last Thursday morning at Sherbrooks, when Erle Anderson, one of Steele county's most prominent retired farmers, met his death by being scalded in such fearful manner that death resulted in 34 hours.

On Thursday morning, August 11, Erle Anderson had steamed up his threshing engine and was ready to move into the field to start the season's run, when he noticed that a clean-out plug, with which he had had considerable previous trouble, was leaking, took a wrench and tried to tighten it. He was sitting under the boiler, almost squarely in front of the plug which, when he applied the wrench, stripped its threads and came out. He was blown from under the engine and scalded from head to foot. He got to his feet and ran several hundred feet to his home and medical attention was called immediately. Everything possible was done to relieve his sufferings and to save his life, and for a time after the first twenty-four hours had passed, some hope was had for his recovery. However, complications developed and it was thought best to bet him to a hospital and the attempt was made. He was taken in an enclosed car to be placed on the train at Pickert, but passed away at 4:30 P. M. before arrival there.