

## Brief Illness Fatal To E. B. Jeffress, Sr.

Eison B. Jeffress, Sr., former Cooper countian, died at a hospital in Jamestown, N. Y., Thursday, May 20, after a short illness. He had gone to Jamestown for a summer of fishing and recreation after having spent the winter with a daughter, Mrs. William Carver at Deerfield, Ohio. Previous to that he had made his home with his son, E. B. Jeffress, Jr., and family, at Miami, Fla.

Funeral rites were held at Jamestown Saturday, and temporary burial was made there.

Mr. Jeffress was born Sept. 21, 1876, near Pilot Grove. His parents were the Rev. John Richard Jeffress and Isabel Laurie Jeffress. He was the youngest of ten children, of whom Charles E. Jeffress, Kansas City, formerly of this county, is the only survivor. The deceased brothers and sisters are: James T. Jeffress, Robert H. Jeffress, J. Ross Jeffress, William Jeffress, Mrs. T. A. Caton, Mrs. Joseph Barnhart, and Mrs. Homer C. Davis, of Cooper county, and Mrs. W. H. Cochran, Arlington, Va.

Mr. Jeffress was twice married; both wives preceded him in death. His first wife was Miss Alice Haerle of Boonville, to whom he was married Nov. 29, 1899. She died Nov. 5, 1918. Their three children survive, Mrs. Estella (William) Carver, of Deerfield, Mrs. Jewell Rogers, New Castle, Pa., who was with her father when he died; and E. B. Jeffress, Jr., of Miami. He also leaves a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren. A sister-in-law, Mrs. J. Ross Jeffress, lives at Houston, Mo., and there are a number of nieces and nephews in this community, as well as at Kansas City and in the east.

Mr. Jeffress operated farms in the county for many years, leaving here in 1950. He was a member of the Boonville Baptist Church.

## BCHS Group To Lake On Picnic

Sixty-five members of the student body at Boonville Catholic High School held a picnic yesterday at the Lake of the Ozarks.

The group made the trip in a school bus driven by Horace Johns. The bus was driven by Harry

Atlantic collision between the destroyer Hobson and the carrier Wasp.

A shift of helicopters carried many of the seriously injured ashore to the Newport naval hospital across the bay from here as the 32,000-ton Essex class carrier moved toward port.

There was no immediate explanation of the explosions but one report said high octane gas was involved.

Grant said the fire evidently was caused by two explosions. One before the general quarters alarm was sounded and one afterward.

Grant said: "five guys went to the hatch and I saw them pulling on it. Suddenly a terrific explosion shook the ship and blew the hatch in. The five guys just vanished."

Grant said the hangar suddenly filled with smoke and that there must have been 30 or 40 men around, some choking and some coughing and others "just plain screaming."

Grant said "we all gripped another's hands and lead man made his way to an opening to the starboard side forward."

"My ankles are raw and bleeding," he said, "but that is nothing, nothing at all compared to what happened to some of my buddies."

Grant said the fire crews fought the blaze almost as soon as it started and were still fighting it at the time the carrier docked at Quonset.

The carrier reached port at 12:31 p. m., more than six hours after the estimated time of the explosions.

## Illness Fatal To Miss Addie Wood

CLARKSBURG — Miss Addie Wood, 85, lifelong resident of Monticau County, died at 9:30 p. m. Thursday at her home in California after being in ill health since she suffered a broken hip Jan. 9.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the First Baptist Church at California of which she was a member. The Rev. Elmo Purvis officiated. Burial was in the new city cemetery.

Miss Wood was born and grew up on a farm near here. She spent her life here until moving to California in 1919. One sister survives.