Mary Bert White Fatally Stricken At Church Service Popular With Younger Set In Hugo And Idabel

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Death came suddenly Thursday night to Mary Bert White, during a revival meeting at the First Baptist church. She is the 19 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred White.

Miss White had just walked to the pulpit with her mother to transfer their church letters here from Idabel. As she took the hand of the minister, Rev. W.E. White, she swooned, and never regained consciousness.

Dr. John and Dr. Harris, who were summoned immediately, pronounced the cause of death to be some form of heart trouble.

Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon in the First Baptist church, with the Rev. W.E. White officiating. The exact hour had not been announced at press time today. Interment will be in Mount Olivet Cemetery.

Popular in School

Mary Bert graduated from Hugo High school last spring. She numbered many of the younger people of Hugo among her friends.

She was born in Ft. Towson, Feb. 4, 1918.

Surviving are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred White; three sisters, Mrs. Athena Elliot, Hugo, and Freddie and Nancy Lee White; a brother, Corral White, Hugo.