

Collision at Chicklade

An accident occurred on the main Exeter-London Road at Chicklade on Friday, involving the total loss of a car and a motor lorry. Ronald Charles Wilshere of 29 Higher Mandlin Street, Barnstaple was driving a motor lorry laden with wireless cabinets when he had engine trouble, and whilst awaiting the arrival of another lorry from the direction of Exeter parked his lorry on the side of the road, ready for it to be towed.

A car driven by Richard Christoforides of 29 Crooked Usage, Finchley, London N3 accompanied by his brother Benhamin Christoforides of 48 Porshester Gate, Bayswater, London W1 was proceeding in the opposite direction when it came into collision with the lorry. Both vehicles caught fire and were completely burnt out. The occupants of the car were injured and taken to Salisbury Infirmary, where they were detained. NFS [National Fire Service] units were summoned from Tisbury, Mere and Warminster.

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