

Lancaster Twp. Boy Is Killed By Flying Metal

Charles Stephen Patrick (Pat) Edgar, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Edgar, met a tragic death in the Fourth Concession of Lancaster township, about 9 o'clock Saturday morning.

John Fourney and his father, George Fourney, were preparing to saw wood and Pat. Edgar walked around the machine with the intention of rendering assistance. When he was approximately six feet away, the balance wheel exploded, a flying piece of metal struck the right lower jaw, killing him instantly. Dr. T. O. McLaren, Lancaster, was summoned and declared death due to an accident and decided an inquest unnecessary.

This is the second sudden death in the family within a few weeks, as another son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar, Flying Officer Alexander William Edgar, of the R.C.A.F., was presumed dead on December 4, 1943, having previously been reported missing.

Born On East Front

Pat Edgar, as he was familiarly known, was born on the East Front, Bainsville, and passed his 16th birthday last March 17. He was a bright young man and his untimely death came as a shock to friends.

Besides his sorrowing parents, he leaves a sister, Mrs. John R. Fourney, Lancaster.

The Funeral

The funeral was held Monday afternoon from the home of George Fourney to Knox United Church, Lancaster, where the service was conducted by Rev. G. E. Evans, assisted by Rev. John A. Smith. Hymns sung during the service were "The Old Rugged Cross," a favorite of the young man; "The Lord's Prayer" and "Come Let Us Sing of a Wonderful Love." Mrs. T. O. McLaren presided at the organ.

Pall bearers were six young friends—Calvin Carr, William Mitchell, Keith McGregor and Donald Snyder, Bainsville; Alex. McGillivray, Cornwall; John Calder, Martintown.

Flower bearers were Malcolm McNaughton, Bruce Ross, Milton McDonald, Earl Wightman, Clifford Wightman, Rae McCallum, Earl McDougald.

Attending the funeral from a distance were Mrs. A. W. Edgar, Belleville; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Palfrey, Montreal; Mr. and Mrs. S. MacLeod, Longueuil; Mrs. Stephen Edgar, grandmother, and John Snyder, Smith Falls. Many relatives and friends were present from Martintown, Williamstown, Lancaster, Bainsville and other sections of the community.

A wealth of lovely floral tributes were placed about the casket by relatives and friends, evidences of the sorrow felt at the death of the young man under such distressing circumstances. The family received a great many messages of condolence.

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