THE LONELY FARM

Second Tragedy of Fetterhill Family

Nearly seven years ago the small cottage at Fetterhill known as the Lonely Farm was associated with a grim tragedy which made it well-known throughout the whole country.

The house afterwards remained empty for a while, after which Mr. and Mrs. William Jenkins went there to reside. Mr. Jenkins was an ex-soldier without a pension, and for nearly six years before his death (which took place less than a year ago) he never did a day's work, being physically incapacitated. Following a long illness he died last Spring, and was buried at Clearwell. He left a widow and two boys, Jim and Reg. To pile up the widow's sorrow Jim fell off a 14-ft. wall at the old steel works a few weeks ago sustaining nasty cuts and injuries. He recovered somewhat from this accident, only to be hurried off on January 24th to the Isolation Hospital at the Wilderness with diphtheria, from which he succumbed last Friday at the age of five. Much sympathy has gone out to Mrs. Jenkins in her sorrow.

Whilst many manifestations of sympathy and regret the body was laid to rest in Clearwell Cemetery on Monday, the Vicar (the Rev. W. A. Congdon) officiating.

The bearers were Messrs. Don. Nash, Cire Cole, Jack Waite and Leonard Fowler, and the side-bearers were Messrs. Horace Thomas, Ken. Cork, Alf. Jones and Jeff. Jones.

The chief mourners were: Mother and brother Reg, and Grandad, Uncle Vic. and Auntie Annie, Uncle Pete and Auntie Mabel, Uncle Rob., Auntie Lil., Uncle George, Auntie Lil., Cousin Harry and Auntie Maud.

Wreaths were from: Mam and brother Reg., Grandad, Uncle Jess, Rob. and all at Sling, Uncle Pete and Auntie Bess, Aunty Lil, Uncle Herbert and Bill, Staff and Scholars of Ellwood Council Schools, Ellwood Methodist Sunday School, Auntie Maud, Uncle George and Harry, Auntie Nellie and Uncle Bill, Auntie Annie, Uncle Vic and Bobby, Mr. and Mrs. Cole and family, (Sling), Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler (Sling), Betty Gwynne (Sling) Pearl Jones, Jack Jones, Jeff. and Mrs. Fowler and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. Mannell, Mr. and Mrs. Alan Cook, Mr. and Mrs. George Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Miles, Mr. and Mrs. J. Nash, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Smith and family, Ivor, his school pal, Billy Hinton.

The relatives of the dead little boy wish to thank everyone who showed them kindness and sympathy in their very sad loss.