

Frank Lacina Is Killed

Wellknown Farmer Living Northeast of Gilman is Accidentally Shot

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CLIMBING THROUGH FENCE

Lifeless Body is Found With a
Gunshot Wound in the
Breast

Gilman community was deeply shocked on learning Monday that Frank Lacina, 48, of Highland, five and a quarter miles northeast of Gilman, well known in Gilman, was accidentally killed by a gunshot wound in his breast.

Mr. Lacina left his home shortly before noon Monday and took his shotgun with him. Dinner time arrived and he had not returned and did not respond when called. Search was made for him, and he was found about 1:30 by his son Erciel, and son-in-law, Louis Paul, his lifeless body lying across a fence, and the gun nearby on the ground with one empty shell in it. A doctor was summoned but it was of no use.

It is supposed that Mr. Lacina accidentally discharged the gun as he attempted to climb over or through the fence, with the deplorable result. Coroner M. J. Miller of Garwin was called and decided that the unfortunate man's death was purely accidental.

The funeral, with services at the home, were held at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, while the Dispatch was at press, with Rev. H. L. Wissler of Chester Center in charge, assisted by Rev. B. L. Wiley of Newburg.—Gilman Dispatch.

Anyone who knew Frank Lacina could not help esteeming him as a man of most honorable character and kindly heart. Among his neighbors and friends he was always ready and willing to do all and more than could be reasonably expected of one, thereby gaining the warm and lasting admiration of all.

Mr. Lacina was a member of Gideon lodge No. 608, A. F. and A. M., and the Order of the Eastern Star of Montour.

Frank Lacina was born at Oxford Junction June 1, 1884, and came to Highland township, Tama county, in 1892. Jan. 20, 1909, he was married to Stella Lacina, and this union was blessed with three children—Erciel, Irma, now Mrs. Louis Paul, and Loren. Mrs. Lacina and all the children survive. He is also survived by two brothers, John Lacina of Tama, and J. P. Lacina of Highland, and four sisters, Mrs. Anna Shebeck of Gainsboro, Saskatchewan, Canada; Mrs. Arthur Johnson of Ferndale, Wash.; Mrs. Shaffer, Marshalltown; Mrs. George Dolezal, Highland.