

[Eckler, Richard]

Three Pedestrians Are Fatally Injured in Utica Area When Hit by Cars

Three pedestrians of [the] Utica area were motor fatality victims, and one was badly injured last night. The dead are Albert Moser,...Mrs. Marietta Davis,..... [and] Richard Eckler, [74?] of Schuyler, who died at the home of his son, a victim of injuries suffered when struck by a car on Route 5, east of Utica, Sunday.

Eckler died yesterday, but Dr. James W. Graves, Herkimer County coroner, was not called into the case until today. He ordered an autopsy and declared there would be a complete investigation "because of the serious question of liability." Dr. Graves said he is called the inquest for Monday.

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Richard Eckler was the son of Allen and Eliza Ann Guyvitts Eckler and was born at Van Hornesville June (13?), 1863. He attended the Van Hornesville schools and followed farming as an occupation until 1909 when he moved to Herkimer and was employed as a teamster for several years for the Standard Furniture Company until failing health compelled him to retire and since then he has made his home with his daughter, Mrs. Claude [Alfa] Ellis, East Main St., Mohawk.

He was married to Jennie Weaver at Van Hornesville Mar. 11, 1894 and attended the Universalist Church at Van Hornesville.

Besides his widow he is survived by the following children: Mrs. Claude Ellis, Mohawk; Mrs. Harry Eckler, West Schuyler; Clarence Eckler of Glens Falls; a sister, Mrs. W.J. Shumway [Alfa, wife of Walter] of Fort Plain, and six grandchildren.

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