

Earl Burke, the 13-year-old son of Mrs. Martin Burke of Tolna, was accidentally shot and instantly killed last Sunday. He, with three companions, had gone out hunting that day. Towards evening they started homeward and on the way they saw some geese in a slough. They got out of the rig and took a few shots at them but did not get anything. Returning to the buggy, young Earl exclaimed, "I should have had one of them." He then started to get into the buggy, when the gun was discharged, the shot taking effect in the front of the neck and pursuing a backward and upward course. The only theory formed as to the cause is that the hammer caught in something as he was climbing into the rig. The gun was so close that the shot made only a small hole where it entered, and marks on his neck showed that the gun had hit the bottom of the buggy and bounding back, the end of the barrel cut a half moon shape bruise on his neck. The death of young Earl is a hard blow to his relatives, and doubly so, since it is remembered that his father met his death in an unnatural manner a few years ago. The funeral was held Tuesday from the Ottofy church, Father Hart of Hope, conducting the services. A large number were present to pay respect to the memory of the deceased. The sympathy of a whole community is extended to the grief stricken relatives.