Road Fatality

Accident Near Ballysimon

One Man Killed—Four Injured

John O'Regan, farmer, aged 26 years and unmarried, residing at Killonan, near Limerick, was fatally injured when he was pitched from the creel of a lorry on to the road at Milltown near Boher at approximately 7 o'clock on Sunday evening.

It appears that the lorry, which was a Ford-10 motor vehicle, converted into a small lorry, had a creel attached. Driven by Henry Pond, Ahane, it was on its way out from Limerick and while travelling towards Boher the side of the creel suddenly gave away and O'Regan and four other passengers were thrown heavily to the ground. The deceased sustained a fractured skull, while the other passengers sustained cuts, bruises and shock.

They were all rushed to the County Infirmary where John O'Regan succumbed to his injuries and the other four were detained. They are Michael Casey, Ballysimon; John Madden, Killonan; Patrick O'Dwyer, Ballysimon; and Gerard Hanrahan, Blackboy Pike, Limerick. On enquiry on Monday it was learned that they had a comfortable night and the condition of each has improved. They will be x-rayed within the course of a day or two.

An inquest touching the circumstances of the death of John O'Regan was opened in the Co Infirmary on Monday afternoon by Mr J S McNeice, solr, Deputy Coroner, at which evidence of identification, as well as medical evidence, was given

Dr Bridget Crawford, House Surgeon, Co Infirmary, submitted evidence that she carried out a postmortem examination of the deceased and found that the cause of death was due to haemhorrage and laceration of the brain, following a star-shaped fracture of the right temporal bone.

The inquest was adjourned pending directions from the Attorney General.

The Coroner and Sergeant Farren tendered sympathy to the relatives of the deceased.

Condition of the Injured

On inquiry at Barrington's Hospital to-day it was ascertained that the injured have been X rayed, that they were quite comfortable, and were not as seriously injured as thought at first.