REED, Raymond William 19 January 1945

Designation	Accident Location	Accident Due to
Repairer	Broad Arrow	Struck by passing train

Raymond Reed was 47 years of age when he was fatally injured in the afternoon when he was struck by the north-bound Leonora train approximately 9 miles (14.5km) North of Broad Arrow on the Kalgoorlie - Leonora line. Although an ambulance with a doctor in attendance picked him up he died before reaching Broad Arrow. Raymond lived at Broad Arrow with his wife Eleanor and children Ronald, Olive and Dorothy. He is interred at Kalgoorlie Cemetery.

FAMILY NOTICES

KALGOORLIE, Sat. Dragged under the cowcatcher of the northbound Leonora train yesterday afternoon 47-year-old fettler Raymond William Reed, of Broad Arrow, received fatal injuries. With three others, Reed was working on the line. When the train approached Reed stood on one side of the line, his mates on the other. What happened when the, train reached the men is not known, but Reed was struck and dragged beneath the train which was *then* stopped. Sister Dillon, an Army nurse on leave, who was a passenger on the train, rendered first aid. Dr. Hodby and Constable Green accompanied a St. John ambulance to the scene of the accident, about 34 miles from Kalgoorlie, but Reed died, before reaching Broad Arrow. He had received severe lacerations to the left leg and right arm and head injuries.

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Fettler Fatally Injured.

KALGOORLIE, Jan 19. Raymond William Reed (47), fettler, married, of Broad Arrow, was fatally injured this afternoon when he was struck by the north-bound Leonora train. A St John ambulance left Kalgoorlie about 3 o'clock and picked up the injured man but he died before Broad Arrow was reached.

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Death and Funeral Notices

REED.— The friends of the late Raymond William Reed, late of Broad Arrow, loving husband of Eleanor, beloved father of Ronald, Olive and Dorothy, beloved brother and brother-in-law of William, Jack (A.I.F.), Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Reed and Hughie (Kalgoorlie), beloved uncle of Edward and Harold (Kalgoorlie), son-in-law of Mrs. F. Woodward, senr. (Egan street), brother and brother-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. F. Woodward (Perth), Mr and Mrs. Norton (Bayswater), Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey (Fremantle), are respectfully informed that his remains will be removed from W. Strother's Private Mortuary Chapel, 18 Hannan street, Kalgoorlie, THIS (Monday) MORNING, at 10 o'clock, for interment in the Anglican portion of the Kalgoorlie Cemetery. W. Strother, Funeral Director, Kalgoorlie, Boulder and Coolgardie.

REED. W.A.A.S. of Railway Employees.
Members of the above union are respectfully requested to follow the remains of our late member, Raymond William Reed. Cortege will move from W. Strother's Private Mortuary Chapel, 18 Hannan street, THIS (Monday) MORNING, at 10 o'clock, for the Kalgoorlie Cemetery.
Geo. Templeman, Secretary.

Coroners' Inquest

Fettler Fatally Injured

A fatal accident occurred north of Broad Arrow and 34 miles from Kalgoorlie yesterday afternoon, when a fettler was struck by the north-bound Leonora train and dragged under the cowcatcher for several yards. The deceased, Raymond William Reed (47), married, of Broad Arrow, was working with a gang of three other men and, as the train approached, the party separated, Reed walking to the opposite side. The men appeared to be standing at a safe distance and at this stage it is not clear how the accident occurred. The St. John ambulance, accompanied by Constable Green and Dr. Hodby, left Kalgoorlie at 3 o'clock and, on arrival at the scene of the accident, found that Reed had been rendered first aid by Sister Dillon, an army nurse, who was a passenger on the train. He was placed in the ambulance but died before Broad Arrow was reached. Reed's injuries included severe lacerations to the left leg, the right arm and head. The coroner has been notified and a post mortem examination ordered. The train was delayed for over two hours.