

**TWICE BEREAVED IN  
24 HOURS**

**TRAGEDY OF SOLDIER  
BROTHERS**

**BIRMINGHAM FAMILY'S  
LOSS**

Within 24 hours of the death in a military hospital, of Gunner Frederick James Harper, Royal Artillery, his brother, Private Walter Middleton Harper, Monmouthshire Regiment, died in hospital of wounds received in action. Both men were sons of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Harper, of Harborne Road, Warley Woods. Gunner Frederick was 28 years of age, and his brother was 33.

Frederick, who leaves a widow and a six-year-old daughter—they live in Beakes Road, Bearwood—was educated at Oldbury County High School, and was afterwards employed on the horticultural side of the Birmingham Parks Committee. He joined the Forces in 1940.

Walter, whose widow is at present living in Scotland, volunteered for military service in 1939. He was educated at King Edward's High School, Birmingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Harper have another son serving in the Air Force as a pilot, one daughter in the Wrens, and another son in the Birmingham City Police Force.

Widow's Loss