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**Air Mechanic 2nd Class  
George Victor Webster  
1886-1918**



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## INGERSOLL MAN KILLED AT LEASIDE

**G. V. WEBSTER, VICTORIA STREET  
IN AIRPLANE ACCIDENT WHICH  
OCCURRED ON TUESDAY NIGHT  
—PILOT SERIOUSLY INJURED.**

Toronto, March 26.—Second Air Mechanic G. V. Webster, No. 73702, of Ingersoll, Ont., was killed, and Second Lieut. P. Messenger, Guildford, England, was seriously injured in an airplane accident which occurred at the Leaside airdrome shortly after five o'clock tonight.

According to information received from headquarters the cause of the fatality was apparently an error in judgment on the part of the pilot in losing flying speed at a low altitude and not flying at a sufficient height to recover control.

The accident occurred just outside the airdrome, the machine being piloted by Lieut. Messenger, and Mechanic Webster being carried as a passenger. The latter's parents live on Victoria street, Ingersoll. Messenger was taken to the base hospital, Gerrard street east, in a critical condition.

The remains of the late Mr. Webster will arrive in Ingersoll this afternoon and the funeral will take place from the family residence, Victoria street, on Sunday afternoon.

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Air Mechanic 2nd Class George Victor Maxwell Webster was a son of John and Emma Louisa Webster of Ingersoll.

George joined the Royal Flying Corps and was tragically killed as the result of an airfield accident.

He rests in the Ingersoll Rural Cemetery.

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