Surname	Allen
Forename(s)	Raymond Francis
Initials	RF
Age	20
Honours/Awards	
Date died	18/11/1918
Rank	Second Lieutenant
Regiment	Royal Air Force
Unit/Squadron	
Service Number	
Cemetery/Memorial	Wallasey (Rake Lane) Cemetery
Grave Reference	10. R.C. 65.
Further Information	Son of Belina Allen, of "Glenroy," Sunningdale Rd.,
	Wallasey, and the late James A. Allen. Educated at Maris
	Stella Convent School, New Brighton and Liscard High
	School.
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News Report

Fatal Aeroplane Accident

We regret to record the sad news that Second-Lieutenant Raymond Francis Allen was killed in an aeroplane accident at Shorncliffe on November on November 18th. The deceased officer, who was only 20 years of age, had been manoeuvring in a return flight, when something went wrong with the machinery. The pilot tried to ;and – flying low, when the machine nose-dived, and both the pilot and Lieut. Allen were killed. He joined up with the Denbighshire Hussars Yeomanry in October, 1915, and after two years' service obtained his commission in November, 1917. He was drafted to Italy last January with the 1-8th Royal Warwickshire Regt., and was transferred to the Royal Air Force in August at Ready. He was home on Sunday, November 17th, and returning to New Romney, Kent, was killed the following day. 2nd Lieut. Allen was educated at Convent High School, New Brighton. Liscard High School and St. Francis Xavier's College, Liverpool, completing his studies at Mount St. Mary's College, Chesterfield. He was a good all-round sportsman, and the eldest son of Mr and Mrs James A. Allen, "Glenroy," Sunningdale Road, New Brighton, to whom much sympathy has been extended in their sad bereavement.

<u>The Funeral</u>

The interment took place on Tuesday at Rake Lane Cemetery, and was preceded by Requiem Mass at S.S.. Peter and Paul's Church, New Brighton, celebrated by the Rector, the Rev. Father Mullins, who also performed the last rites at the graveside.

References and Acknowledgments

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