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Rochester friends and relatives of Miss Nellie VanBLARICOM, 46, who moved from this city to California about five years ago, received the sad news of her death at Alhambra, Sunday afternoon at 2:10 o’clock. Death resulted from a complication of diseases from which the deceased had been bedfast for the past year.

Nellie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry VanBLARICOM, was born on a farm in Rochester township in the year of 1880. Miss Van Blaricom was educated in the county schools and after graduating took up the study of music. For many years she followed the profession as an instructor in piano. The deceased in early life united with the local Evangelical church and was an active worker in this organization. Upon taking up her residence in California, she transferred her church letter into the Methodist church.

Besides the parents the deceased leaves one sister, Mrs. Carl STALEY, of Huntington Park, California

The funeral of Miss Van Blaricom will be held at the Methodist church at Alhambra, Tuesday afternoon, and interment will be made in a cemetery of that city.

Mrs. Ephriam SMITH, aged 81 years, who has resided in Henry township practically all of her life, passed away at her home in Akron, Friday afternoon at 4 o’clock. Death resulted from complications inherent with advanced years. The deceased had been dangerously ill and bedfast since Dec. 12th.

Mrs. Ephriam Smith, daughter of John and Rebecca BARNES, was born on a farm in Henry County, Ind., in 1845. In early life she was united in marriage with Ephriam SMITH, who survives. No children were born to this union. Besides the husband, two brothers, James [BARNES] and Isaac BARNES, and one sister, Mrs. Mary WIDEMAN, survive.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at 2 o’clock at the Nichols chapel with the Rev. Alvin ESHELMAN of Ft. Wayne, officiating. Burial was made in the Nichols cemetery.

Tuesday, January 4, 1927

Mrs. John RAYMER, former resident of this city, died at her home in Akron, Monday evening after having suffered three months illness from cancer of the throat. For many years the deceased resided in the Mt. Olive neighborhood south of this city.

Clarissa [HICKLE], daughter of Samuel and Harriet HICKLE, was born on a farm in Ross county, Ohio, in July 16th, 1855. Forty-three years ago she was united in marriage to John RAYMER, and to this union three children were born who survive with the husband. The children are Mrs. Harry HOWARD of Akron, and Charles [RAYMER] and Edward RAYMER, both of this city. The deceased leaves two sisters, Mrs. C. M. REYNOLDS of Star City, and Mrs. Joseph HOUGH of Hallsville, Ohio. Mrs. Raymer was a member of the Christian church at Akron and also the Rebekah lodge.
The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o’clock at the Akron Christian church with Rev. W. C. ASCHANHORT officiating. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery, Akron.

Rev. F. C. MOON, of this city, has received word of the death of his brother, Charles MOON, which occurred last Friday in Seattle, Washington. Death was due to paralysis from which he had suffered for two years. The deceased was the son of Martin H. and Ellen MOON and was born and raised near Denver, Indiana. He is survived by his wife and seven children. Funeral services were held Monday and burial was made in Seattle.

The third death resultant from apoplexy occurred at Fulton early this morning when George ULCH, aged 71, passed away shortly after 5 o’clock. Mr. Ulch, who had been enjoying his usual good health for the past several months, arose a few minutes before five o’clock and was stricken with apoplexy while building a fire in the kitchen stove, death resulting in about 20 minutes after the attack.

Mr. Ulch was engaged in the shoe and harness mending business in Fulton for the past number of years. Besides the widow he leaves one son, Edward [ULCH], who resides at Kokomo, Ind. Funeral arrangements were not available as this issue went to press.

Funeral services were held from the Lucerne Christian Church at 10 o’clock this morning for Orville PATTERSON, 15, the third member of his immediate family to die within three years. Orville passed away on New Years Day from complications caused by influenza and quinzy. He had been ill but a few days. Three years ago a brother, Loren [PATTERSON], was killed instantly when he fell into a circular saw and a short time later the father died. Orville was a member of the junior high school of Lucerne. He is survived by his mother, two brothers and four sisters, all at home.

The students of the North Liberty high school today attended in a body the funeral service for Glenn SCHEARER, 14, a sophomore who was instantly killed Sunday afternoon when his flivver speedster overturned in a ditch pinning him down and breaking his back. The accident was caused when a nut dropped from a radius rod. Robert HOMAN and Ray WOLFROM passed the scene later and stopped to examine the wreckage. They discovered Schearer’s lifeless body beneath the vehicle. He is survived by his parents and three brothers and sisters.

Everson A. ATKINSON and family left this morning for Economy to attend the funeral of his mother, who died in Shreveport, La., on New Year’s Day. Death was due to complication incident to old age.

Wednesday, January 5, 1927

John MOW, 66, veteran Lake Manitou fishermen’s guide, dropped dead at 2:10 p.m. Wednesday afternoon while visiting at the home of his niece, Mrs. Rex ROUCH on Race Street. Death was due to heart trouble Coroner Herbert ZIMMERMAN stated after holding an inquest. Mr. Mow had been under the care of a physician for the past five years because of a weakened condition of the heart.

Mr. Mow, who lived in a cottage near the Colonial Hotel on the north shore of Lake Manitou, walked to this city this afternoon at attend to some urgent business affairs. When he
reached the home of his niece after sitting down in a chair Mr. Mow asked for a glass of water, Mrs. Rouch complied with the request.

A short time later Mrs. Rouch who was washing dishes with her back to her uncle heard him say, “Gee, I have an awful pain in my heart.” Before Mrs. Rouch could turn around Mr. Mow had passed away. During their conversation Mr. Mow had stated that he had been feeling very bad during the past three days and should not have undertaken the walk to this city but it was imperative that he do so.

Mr. Mow, who was the son of Adam and Martha PRESTON MOW, has been a life long resident of this county. For many years he was a carpenter, but during the past 20 years has acted as a fishermen’s guide at the lake. At nights during the past two years he has operated the refreshment stand at the Colonial Hotel.

During the Peru flood Mr. Mow was one of the first men to volunteer to aid the people of the inundated city. To his skill as an oarsman many Peru people now owe their lives. Mr. Mow was a veteran of the Spanish-American war enlisting with the company which was recruited in this city.

Mr. Mow is survived by two brothers, Bert [MOW], who is the city street commissioner, and Zeneth [MOW], who lives on farm west of this city. His wife died on August 23, 1914. Mr. Mow was a member of the local Moose Lodge. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

Walter SIPE, owner of Walt’s Chili Parlor on the Barrett cement road talked with Mr. Mow just an hour before he died. Mr. Mow at that time stated he was feeling badly but that he had to walk to Rochester. Mr. Sipe advised him not to undertake the walk if he felt in that manner. Mr. Mow visited at the home of Simon BAILEY for an hour Tuesday evening. While there Mow said he had been troubled with pains in the region of his heart during the past three days.

Mrs. Benjamin F. STARKEY, who for many years resided on a farm near Leiters Ford, passed away at 12:30 Wednesday morning at the home of her son, W. T. Starkey, of Culver, Ind. Death followed three weeks of suffering from heart trouble. The Starkeys moved from a farm near Mulberry, Ind., to Aubbeenaubbee township several years ago.

Mary Frances [LOVETT], daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George LOVETT, was born on November 24, 1850. In early life she was united in marriage to Benjamin F. STARKEY, and to this union one son was born. The husband preceded the deceased in death a little over a year ago. Besides the son, W. T. STARKEY, the deceased leaves two granddaughters and one brother, George LOVETT, who resides at Milford, Indiana.

The funeral will be held at the son’s home in Culver on Friday afternoon at 2 o’clock with the Rev. SERVIES of that town officiating. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery at Leiters Ford.

An address on a Kewanna high school commencement invitation mailed several years ago was the means recently whereby three Fulton county residents were able to share in the $12,000 estate of a brother who died in Denver, Colo., on December 9, 1926 and whom they had given up as dead as they did not hear from him in over ten years.

George W. VanKIRK, 70, a former resident of Kewanna, was found dead in his bed at Denver, Colo., hotel on December 9. He left an estate of $12,000. The coroner questioned many of Mr. Van Kirk’s acquaintances but none knew of any immediate relatives. A public administration was then appointed to take charge of his assets.

The administration while going through Van Kirk’s personal effects found the
commencement invitation which had been sent by Miss Frances WILSON of Kewanna, to her uncle. The administration wrote to Miss Wilson, who is now Mrs. Isaac NIXON, telling about the death of her uncle and the value of his estate.

Relatives at once ordered the body returned here for burial. Mr. Van Kirk was unmarried and is survived by a brother, John [VanKIRK], of Leiters Ford, and two sisters, Mrs. James WILSON and Miss Belle VanKIRK of Kewanna.

The remains of George VanKIRK, aged 65, who passed away at Denver, Colo., on December 19, were brought to the home of his sister, Mrs. James WILSON of Kewanna last Saturday. Funeral services were conducted Sunday at Kewanna followed by burial in the I.O.O.F. cemetery at Leiters Ford. Mr. Van Kirk is survived by another sister, Miss Belle VanKIRK of Kewanna, and a brother, John VanKIRK of Leiters Ford. The deceased had been in the West for a number of years having resided at the Denver Hotel for the past 12 years. He is well remembered by many residents of Aubbeenaubbee and Union townships. Dr. and Mrs. George VanKIRK of Kentland and Dr. and Mrs. Albert VanKIRK of Frankfort, who were relatives of Mr. VanKIRK, attended the funeral.

Thursday, January 6, 1927

Mrs. Mary FORD, 82, plaintiff in a number of law suits in the Fulton circuit court because of alleged fraudulent signing of her name to mortgages by her only son, Henry [FORD], of Detroit, died Tuesday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Nancy HIRE of Burket.

Seven other heirs, children of William VanKIRK, will receive money from the estate of George VanKIRK, who died in Denver, Colorado, on Dec. 9, it was learned today. Mr. Van Kirk left an estate valued at $12,000. As he had four brothers and sisters, the seven children of William Van Kirk will divide $3,000. The children of William Van Kirk are Harry [VanKIRK] and Mary [VanKIRK] of Chicago, Irwin [VanKIRK] of Hoover, Edward [VanKIRK], Amberg, Wis., Mae [VanKIRK] of Mishawaka, William [VanKIRK] of South Bend and Geneva [VanKIRK] of Bruce Lake.

Friday, January 7, 1927

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. BUTLER spent Thursday in Peru where they attended the funeral of Mr. Butler’s uncle, George St.CLAIR, aged 76. Mr. St.Clair, who was well known in this city, died Monday night following a major illness.

Saturday, January 8, 1927

[no obits]

Monday, January 10, 1927

John A. MOW was born in Marshall county, Indiana, July 7, 1860, the son of Adam and Martha PRESTON MOW, and at his death, which was sudden, but had been slowly progressing the crisis for the past ten years, which occurred at 2:00 o’clock on the afternoon of January 5, 1927, was 66 years, 5 months and 12 days old.

The writer of this brief sketch having known John Mow for a period of forty years, and
having met him during the space of time in most every phase of acquaintance-friendship and business transaction, no higher compliment can be paid him than that he was honest. He regarded his “word” as his daily passport, and I believe that it carried him through in the hearts and esteem of this community to the end, and merited leniency toward the accounting of whatever short coming and error recorded to his discredit, both here - and There.

On August 21, 1915, his wife, Emma WOODRUFF MOW, with whom he lived many happy and congenial years of married life, passed away. Since that time he sought the life of a recluse, acting as a guide for tourists and vacationist fishermen and was an acknowledged authority on the habits and location of all fish and game that inhabited the picturesque Tippecanoe and Lake Manitou.

In 1898 when the entire population of the United States had but one topic of conversation, that of war with Spain, he enlisted in Company B, one hundred and fifty-eighth Indiana Vol. Infantry, a company that was recruited of young men from the city of Rochester. As the writer recalls the ovation given this company on the morning it marched away to entrain for Indianapolis and Chattanooga, Tennessee, John Mow, is seen in the first “set of fours” tall, erect, and every inch a soldier. Southern climate, to a man from the north, played havoc in those days, and many who left the city of their birth, strong and vigorous, came back, robbed and ruined physically. One of these was John.

Of his family, who have lived in this city for near a half century, there remain but three, Harvey A. [MOW] and Zenith [MOW] of this city and Mrs. Amanda LINN of Lansing, Michigan, his father and mother, two brothers, Charles [MOW] and George [MOW] and a sister, Mrs. John WOODFIELD, having passed on during the past twenty years.

He held membership in the Loyal Order of Moose, whose enrollment held him in high esteem, and Camp Skinner Post Spanish-American War Veterans. Six comrades of the latter organization and his Company being present to bear his flag draped casket to the silent acres of the Odd Fellows Cemetery.

Tuesday, January 11, 1927

Harry CHAMBERLAIN received a telegram this morning which apprised him of the death of his aunt, Mrs. Mary STANNARD, which occurred at the home of her son, Charles BENNETT at Amboy, Ill. Mrs. Stannard, who was 68 years of age, moved from this county to Illinois about forty years ago. The cause of her death was not stated in the telegram.

The deceased was a daughter of Alexander and Margaret CHAMBERLAIN. Alexander Chamberlain was the founder of the town of Rochester, laying out the various divisions and plots in the early part of the 19th century. About forty years ago Mary CHAMBERLAIN was united in marriage to Ernest BENNETT of Sublette Ill., and to this union two sons were born, who survive, Ernest [BENNETT], Jr., an attorney of Chicago, and Charles BENNETT, a railroad conductor, residing at Amboy, Ill. Several years following the death of her first husband, Mrs. Bennett united in marriage to F. STANNARD, of Lafayette, no children being born to this union. Mr. Stannard preceded the deceased in death several years ago. Mrs. Mary Chamberlain Stannard was a member of Baptist church and the Order of the Eastern Star.

About four years ago Mrs. Stannard visited old friends in this city which included the late Mrs. Maria BITTERS, Mrs. Frank TERRY, Mrs. John PYLE and her nephews Harry [CHAMBARLAIN] and Jesse CHAMBERLAIN. Funeral arrangements were not given.
Mrs. Sarah THOMPSON, age 80, died at three-fifteen Tuesday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Oscar HEETER, seven miles east of Rochester on the Fort Wayne road. Death was due to heart trouble and complications from which she had suffered for several months.

The deceased is survived by her husband, W. O. THOMPSON, two daughters, Mrs. HEETER and Mrs. Ernest BREEN of Rochester and one son, John THOMPSON, of Columbus, Ohio. Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at 1:30 o’clock from the Christian Church in Mentone.

Rochester friends received word Tuesday of the death of N. B. HOFFMAN, which occurred at eight o’clock Sunday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred ROBINSON in Lafayette. Mr. Hoffman was 67 years of age and had been ill only one week.

Mr. Hoffman, who was a carpenter in Peru for many years, later moved to Lake Manitou and occupied a cottage on Kofels Point. Mrs. Hoffman died less than a year ago. At the time of her death they lived in what is known as the Joe LEVI property at the corner of Eleventh and Pontiac. He is survived by two brothers, John G. HOFFMAN, of Hennesly, Oklahoma, and Isaiah HOFFMAN, of Colorado. The body will be brought to Rochester Wednesday. Funeral services to be held at two in the afternoon at the Mt. Hope church with Rev. Samuel STRANG officiating and burial will be made in the adjacent cemetery. The deceased was a member of the K. of P. lodge in Peru and the Christian Science church in this city.

Earl Dan ROUCH, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles ROUCH, was born Nov. 30, 1926 and departed this life Jan. 8, 1927, age 5 weeks and 4 days.

Wednesday, January 12, 1927

John Overly THARP, age 86, veteran of the Civil war, died Tuesday night at the home of his son, Albert Tharp, who lives seven miles east of Rochester in the Bethlehem neighborhood. Mr. Tharp was ill only one day having been stricken with paralysis early Tuesday morning.

The deceased was born on August 16, 1840 in Ross county, Ohio, and at the outbreak of the Civil war enlisted in Company D, 53 Ohio Volunteer Infantry and was severely wounded in the battle of Gettysburg and was confined to a hospital practically until the close of the war. For the past thirty years he has lived in Rochester and Richland townships. He is survived by the widow and two sons, Newton [THARP], of South Bend, and Albert [THARP].

Funeral services will be held at the Bethlehem Baptist church Thursday afternoon at 1:30 with Rev. C. POLEN, of Lakeville, in charge. Burial will be made at Richland Center.

Mrs. T. W. CIRCLE, of this city, has been called to North Manchester by the death of her sister, Mrs. Kathrine WRIGHT, age 69, wife of Rev. A. L. WRIGHT.

Thursday, January 13, 1927

William H. [COUGHENOUR], age 66, died at four o’clock Thursday morning at his home south of Leiters Ford in the Sharon neighborhood following a three weeks illness with pneumonia. The deceased was the son of Joseph and Lydian [COUGHENOUR] and has lived all his life in Fulton County.
Mr. Coughenour is survived by his wife, who was formerly Miss Mollie RARRICK, and four children, Mrs. Ruth FIELDS, of South Bend, Clark [COUGHENOUR], Fred [COUGHENOUR] and Harry [COUGHENOUR] at home. Funeral services will be held at 1:30 Sunday afternoon at the Sharon church with Rev. H. L. ADAMS in charge.

[NOTE: William H. COUGHENOUR, 1861-1927; Mary COUGHENOUR, his wife, 1867-1933, both buried in Moon Cemetery. - Wendell C. and Jean C Tombaugh, Fulton County Indiana Cemeteries, Aubbeenaubbee Township]

Jeptha CROUCH, world famous horseman and the former owner of the LAFAYETTE STOCK FARM north of this city on Federal Road 31 which was known for many years as the Dr. RANNELLS farm, died at his home in Lafayette last Friday. He had been suffering with influenza for a few days when his heart suddenly became involved and death followed.

The deceased was the founder of the famous Crouch & Son stock farm that did more to advertise Lafayette throughout the United States and Europe than any other institution, except Purdue University.

Funeral services were conducted from the farm the family home in Lafayette Monday afternoon. Dr. W. R. GRAHAM, pastor of the Central Presbyterian church officiated, and burial was made in Springvale cemetery.

Plymouth, Ind., Jan. 13 (INS) -- Faced with another grilling in connection with the death of Russell WEST, 20 year old orphan whose life she had insured for $1,000, Mrs. Emma J. WERNER, well-to-do widow, shot and killed herself at her home three miles northeast of Culver today.

Her suicide and farewell note precipitated Coroner Ralph E. JOHNSON into a probe of what he believed this afternoon may develop into one of Indiana’s greatest insurance crimes with at least four lives involved.

The note, Coroner Johnson stated, laid the blame of Russell’s death on a man whose name was withheld because he was not yet under arrest. A state-wide search for the man already was under way, according to the coroner.

The outcome of the analysis of the vital organs of young West may lead to the opening of three graves, the coroner said.

The graves that may be opened are those of Ralph WEST, brother of Russell, and those of Mrs. Werner’s father and husband.

“I have learned that Mrs. Werner collected $1,000 insurance upon each of these deaths,” Coroner Johnson informed INS. “The body of Russell West was found Tuesday morning at the bottom of the stairs in the Werner home. The youth was reported to have been suffering from influenza and from heart trouble. A bruise at the back of his neck pointed to a possible injury he had suffered in his fall. It was reported he had died suddenly while coming down stairs.”

The coroner’s routine inquiry soon developed circumstances he said which caused him to delve more deeply into the case. It was found that the boy’s brother, Ralph, had died last September and that Mrs. Werner had collected $1,000 on his death.

“Mrs. Werner grew uneasy yesterday when I questioned her closely about the previous deaths,” Coroner Johnson said.

Mrs. Werner arose this morning, secured a 20 gauge shotgun, tied string around the trigger, placed the gun against her breast and pulled the string. The roar of the gun awakened her son-in-law, George SHURLOCK of Indianapolis and her 14 year old son, Elmer [WERNER].
The death note left by Mrs. Werner was made public this afternoon by coroner Johnson:

“Don’t blame Elmer for any of this as he don’t know anything about it. Slim done it all. He killed Russell too. I know for I seen them after it was done. He will kill me now I know but I will beat him to it. Forgive me all.”

The authorities were mystified as to the identity of the man “Slim.”

The body of Mrs. Werner is now lying at the morgue in Culver.

Prosecuting Attorney Fred McClurg was called to Plymouth to take part in the investigation. He could not be located this afternoon to give any details of the finding.

It was understood that what started the investigation was the fact that a strap was found around the West boy’s neck and that it was pulled tight enough to strangle him.

Rochester friends have been informed of the death of Sprague Nichols at his home near Marion, Ind., which occurred Wednesday morning. Mr. Nichols is the brother-in-law of Miss Fanny Thomas who was formerly county nurse here.

Robert Stuart Ward, five years old son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ward, of St. Joseph, Michigan, died January 5, after an illness of several weeks.

He leaves his parents, four brothers, Edward [WARD], Jr., and Chester [WARD] of New London, Wis., Raymond [WARD] and Maurice [WARD] and one sister, Virginia [WARD], at home. Funeral services were conducted at two o’clock Saturday afternoon at the Beardsley Funeral home in Highland cemetery. Little Robert was a grandson of James Ward, and the late Christian Maier, formerly of Rochester.

Friday, January 14, 1927


“The analysis of Russell’s vital organs showed a large quantity of arsenic in his stomach,” Coroner Johnson said.

Mrs. Werner shot and killed herself when the coroner probe into Russell’s death was extended to include three other mysterious deaths in Mrs. Werner’s family circle in the last two years. Evidence was produced that Mrs. Werner collected $1,000 insurance each on the deaths of Ralph West, and on the deaths of her father and husband.

“The bodies of the other three men will not be exhumed, coroner Johnson said, “since the suspect has committed suicide. The man “Slim” referred to in Mrs. Werner’s death note was undoubtedly a myth to offset evidence.”

“We have secured a written confession from Elmer [WERNER], 14 year old son of Mrs. Werner, that his mother caused the death of Russell West by beating, choking him and by feeding him poison. The boy gave us an account of a fight between Russell and Mrs. Werner just before the boy’s death in which stove pokers and hatchets were used,” the Coroner said.

Mrs. Grace Coy, mother of the West boys, charged that both of her sons were murdered.

“Russell met with foul play,” Coroner Johnson said, “but there is no proof as yet that his brother and Mrs. Werner’s father and her husband were slain, although Mrs. Werner benefitted financially on both deaths.” Mrs. Werner left an estate valued at nearly $30,000.

The funeral of the latest victim of the tragedy on the Werner farm will be held tomorrow afternoon.
Plymouth, Ind., Jan. 14 - Elmer [WERNER], the 14 year old son of Mrs. Emma J. WERNER, of Culver, who Thursday morning committed suicide at her home, rather than face a probe into the death of WEST, her 20-year-old ward, broke down under a severe grilling and made a signed confession about the lad’s neck, stating that his mother had killed West, using a leather strap to accomplish the deed.

The victim’s viscera which was sent to South Bend for a chemical analysis, was found to contain a large quantity of arsenic, according to the report received late Thursday evening by Coroner Ralph JOHNSON.

Elmer’s confession, which was given to Coroner Johnson, follows:

“I, Elmer Werner, being duly sworn upon oath according to law, deposes as --- that on the morning of January 11, 1927, he and his mother, Emma J. Werner, were doing the chores at about 5:30 a.m. His mother went to the house and there she and Russell WEST got into a fight, according to his mother’s statement to him. Russell took up an iron poker and struck her. She took it from him. He then picked up an ax. She took that from him and hit him with it. Russell then went up stairs. She followed him. He came down. She followed him, and in a scuffle Russell fell down stairs. His mother then put a belt around his neck and drew it tight. Elmer came into the room about this time and saw his mother push the body back into the stairway. She then called a doctor, put on her gown and went to bed.

Signed - Elmer Werner

[NOTE: Emma J. WERNER, Nov. 27, 1880 - Jan. 13, 1927; John WERNER, May 18, 1878 - June 29, 1924 - both buried Culver Masonic Cemetery. -- Wendell C. and Jean C. Tombaugh, Marshall County Cemeteries, Union Township]

Saturday, January 15, 1927

Correction: N. B. HOFFMAN, who died last Monday [at] Lafayette, was not a member of the local Christian Science Church as was previously stated in the News-Sentinel. Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman were both believers of this church but never attended services here while residents of this city.

Andrew BLACK, 89, father of Dal BLACK, died Friday night at his home in Fulton. He had been ill but three days. Mr. Black was a farmer for many years. Deceased is survived by four sons and one daughter. Funeral will be held at the Fulton U. B. church Sunday afternoon, and burial will be made in the Fulton cemetery.

Mrs. Sarah BARNES, aged 83 years, a pioneer resident of Fulton county, died at her home in Athens Friday at 5:10 p.m. Death resulted from a stroke of paralysis which she suffered seven days ago. The deceased had been a resident of Athens for the past twelve years moving to that village from the vicinity of Akron, where most of her life was spent.

Mrs. Sarah BARNES was born in this county on March 1st, 1842. By her first marriage three children were born, Riley McINTYRE of Rochester, Mrs. M. ZOLMAN of Mentone, and Maggy BALLLENGER of this city. Several years after the death of her first husband the deceased was united in marriage to Adam BARNES and to this union the following children survive: Lily Mae MOORE, of Berring Center, Michigan, William [BARNES] and Roy BARNES of Athens, Jacob [BARNES] of Rochester, and James BARNES of Wabash.

The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o’clock at the Church of God at Athens. Rev. SLAYBAUGH of Akron will have charge of the services and burial will be made in the Nichols cemetery northeast of Athens.
Monday, January 17, 1927

A telegram received late Sunday by Rochester friends brought the news of the death of Melvin BUSENBURG of St. Bennett, Montana. Death which followed several months of suffering from a cancerous condition, occurred Sunday evening at his home. Mr. Busenburg formerly resided on a farm in Newcastle township, later moving to Rochester. About twenty years ago he left this city for Oklahoma, later moving to Montana.

Melvin, son of Peter and Vina BUSENBURG, was born in Newcastle township in the year of 1863. He was united in marriage to Miss Minnie FINK, and to this union one son, Guy BUSENBURG, was born, who now resides in Oklahoma. Following the death of his first wife several years ago, Mr. Busenburg was later married to Miss Ann BYBEE, who with the son, Guy, survive. The deceased was a member of the Baptist church and the I.O.O.F Lodge. Mr. Busenburg is survived by the following brothers and sisters, Mrs. Harley PENTCOST, of Indianapolis, Mrs. Thorton MARKMAN, address unknown, Johnathan BUSENBURG, of South Bend and Elmer BUSENBURG of San Diego, Calif.

The funeral will be held at the Baptist church this city on Friday afternoon with the Rev. Jas. NIVEN officiating. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Mishawaka, Ind., Jan. 17 (INS) -- Friends of Mayor Joseph C. BRADY may view the body Wednesday at the First Baptist church where it lies in state until the funeral hour at two o’clock. The Masonic lodge will have charge of the services.

Brady, 46 years old, died Sunday evening after an extended illness which originated before the election in 1925 when he defeated Mayor Dunkin CAMPBELL, democrat, overwhelmingly. Brady made the race to please his friends. His health failed rapidly after he took office.

When the illness grew more serious Brady went to Mayo Bros. at Rochester, Minn., but found no relief. He was brought home and his condition grew worse. His death had been expected for the last 10 days.

Brady was born at Syracuse, Ind. He left a widow and two children. He was in the shoe repairing business but entered politics actively when republicans needed a man to defeat Campbell who has since become county treasurer. Brady was a prominent Baptist church worker. He was also a Knight Templar. He also was active in the chamber of commerce, Modern Woodmen lodge, country club and Eastern Star.

Walter MICHAEL, city controller, becomes mayor. Brady was an old baseball player having been a star hurler in his younger days. He organized a ball club that won 25 out of 26 games played with the best teams in Indiana and Illinois.

Besides the wife and children, the deceased leaves three sisters, Mrs. J. Frank KUMLER, of this city, Mrs. Earl MILLER, of Hot Springs, Arkansas, Mrs. Paul S. EMRICK of Lafayette, and one brother, Norman BRADY, of Waukegan, Ill.

Mr. Brady, while a resident of this city was employed at the Stoddard Shoe Factory and upon the removal of that industry from this city soon departed to Mishawaka where he took up his employment.

John [D.] DeVORE, aged 66 years, prominent and well-known farmer who resides in the Bearss neighborhood, five miles southwest of this city, was instantly killed at 12:12 p.m. today, when the acetyline tank which he was refilling exploded.

Mr. DeVore shortly after the noon hour started to refill the acetyline tank which is
situated several feet from the home. The tank in which the carbon gas is contained sets several feet above the ground, necessitating the use of a ladder in making the recharge. Mr. DeVore had mounted the ladder, with a new container of carbon which he had purchased in this city an hour previous, and had almost completed the recharging process when it is believed smouldering fire in the pipe, which he was habitually smoking, ignited the carbon fumes causing the terrific explosion.

The impact of the blast was so intense that his body was hurled 15 feet from the tank. Neighbors who were attracted to the scene by the deafening noise, carried the victim into his home. Physicians were summoned and upon examination stated that death had been instantaneous. It was found a skull fracture at the base of the brain was the cause of death, while other injuries consisted of a broken jaw bone, two bones in left forearm broken, left shoulder fractured, bones in left leg broken, right arm badly mutilated and a deep gash in forehead.

Mr. DeVore had resided in the Bearss neighborhood for the past twenty-five years and had made a host of friends throughout the entire county. The deceased was born in 1861 in Alsace, Lorraine, when that principality was under French rule, coming to the United States when he was 16 years of age. He is survived by his wife, and two step-sons, Lyman WEBER, of South Bend, and Ralph WEBER, who resides near the DeVore farm.

Funeral arrangements will be announced in Tuesday’s issue of The News-Sentinel.

Coroner Herbert ZIMMERMAN, in his report filed today, pronounced death due to a fractured skull, caused by an accidental explosion.

John Overly THARP was born August 16, 1840 in Ross County, Ohio, and died at his home near Rochester, Ind., January 11, 1927, age 86 years, 5 months and 24 days. He was married to Mary M. GRATWOOD July 25, 1872 and to this union six children were born, four having preceded him in death.

He enlisted as a soldier in the Civil War in Co. H, 33 Inf. and was wounded at Stone River, lying on battle field for three days before relief came - wounded at Gettysburg. He united with the Christian church about 20 years ago and was a member of the Methodist church at his death. He was faithful to his Lord and Master, found delight in his service. . . . .

He leaves to mourn his loss, wife, two sons, Newton [THARP] of South Bend and Albert [THARP] of Rochester, and two grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at the Bethlehem Baptist church. Rev. C. FIELDS in charge assisted by C. S. BARKMAN. Burial in the Richland [Center] Cemetery.

The funeral service for Andrew BLACK, pioneer resident of Liberty township which were held Sunday afternoon from the Fulton United Brethren Church, was largely attended. Mr. Black is survived by his wife, one daughter, Elizabeth [BLACK], at home, four sons, Shirley [BLACK], of Delong, Dal [BLACK], of this city, and Oris [BLACK] and Doe [BLACK], of Fulton. Burial was made in the Fulton cemetery.

Tuesday, January 18, 1927

Mrs. Daisy ZARTMAN, aged 52 years, died at her farm home a few miles northeast of Macy, at 4:30 Tuesday morning. Death was due to a cancerous infection from which the deceased had suffered for several years.

Daisy [POWELL], daughter of Isaiah and Susan (SEIDNER) POWELL, was born in this state on May 4, 1871. Several years ago the deceased was united in marriage to Josiah
ZARTMAN, who preceded her in death. To this union three children were born. Mr. Zartman was a member of the Methodist church. The deceased is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Freda MARTIN of Tyner, Ind., and two sons, Walter [ZARTMAN] of Greentown, Ind., and Dewey [ZARTMAN], of Macy. She also leaves three sisters, Mrs. Milo NORMAN of Macy, Mrs. Ida WILKINSON and Mrs. Chloe WRIGHT, both of Roann, and two brothers, Charles POWELL, of Macy, and Orlando POWELL of Pleasant Hill.

The funeral will be held Thursday at 1 p.m. in charge of Rev. J. H. RICHARDSON, of the Macy Methodist church. Burial will be made in the Plainview cemetery.

John [D.] DeVORE, 66, who was accidentally killed at his farm home, four miles southwest of this city, Monday noon, January 17th, was born on December 1st, 1861, in Lorraine, France. He came to the United States with his parents 63 years ago.

On Dec. 19, 1900 he was united in marriage to Mrs. Leora [OSBORN] WEBER, who with two step-sons, Lyman [WEBER] and Ralph WEBER, survive. The deceased was a member of the I.O.O.F. lodge, Cook county, Chicago, Ill., and came to this city several years ago, where he joined the encampment of the local order of I.O.O.F. The deceased was also a member of the Gleaners organization and quite active in all agricultural activities in his community and township.

The funeral will be held at the farm home Wednesday afternoon at 2 p.m. with the Rev. R. H. CROWDER officiating. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Wednesday, January 19, 1927

Frank DILLON, 81, former postmaster of Rochester, and former sheriff of Fulton County, who has lived in recent years at Long Beach, Cal., died of heart trouble suddenly Monday night at Phoenix, Ariz., where he and Mrs. Dillon had gone to spend the winter. News of the death was received in Rochester this morning, coming from Wrsaw where a daughter, Mrs. W. A. WEICK, resides.

Mr. and Mrs. Dillon moved to Rochester from Akron when he became sheriff of the county. Mr. Dillon was born in North Carolina but when four years of age came with his parents to near Akron. When 18 he enlisted as a private in the 4th Indiana battery and served two years, having marched with Sherman to the sea. Afterwards he became a blacksmith in Akron and in 1892 he and Mrs. Dillon moved to Rochester following his election as sheriff, being the first republican ever to hold that office. He afterwards took an active interest in politics and was appointed postmaster of Rochester. He also was active in the building line as he constructed many homes and business blocks in the city. Fifteen years ago the Dillons moved to Warsaw where they resided six years, and then moved to Long Beach for permanent residence.

Besides his wife and daughter he is survived by three brothers all living at Greensburg, Ind. He was a member of the McClung Post of the G.A.R. serving once as commander and was also a member of the I.O.O.F. Lodge.

Funeral arrangements are unknown here.
Jeremiah F. HANNA, age 77, died at 11 o’clock Wednesday morning at his home at 510 Clay street following an illness with complication of diseases. Mr. Hanna had been in poor health for the past two years but his condition had only been serious three weeks. He was born in Starfield County, Ohio on July 26, 1850 and moved with his parents to the Salem neighborhood west of Rochester when a young man. Fifty-three years ago he was married to Miss Harriett PARCEL, and resided in the Salem neighborhood until 1896 when they moved to Rochester. For several years Mr. Hanna followed the carpenters trade and later operated grocery stores on Fourteenth street and at the corner of Sixth and Fulton. When a young man he became affiliated with the Evangelical church but later changed his membership to the Pilgrimage Holiness church.

Surviving the deceased are the widow, three daughters, Mrs. W. H. ROENOKE, of Fort Wayne, Mrs. J. W. BOHLEY, of Indianapolis, and Mrs. John BECKER, of Rochester and two sons Harvey F. HANNA, of Detroit, Mich., and Robert HANNA, of Rochester. There [are] three brothers, Charles [HANNA], Richard [HANNA] and Leb HANNA, of Logansport, and four sisters, Emma DEFORE and Ella HANNA, of Logansport, Nevada HANNA, of Royal Center and Delphi HATFIELD, of Wisconsin.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 1:30 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John BECKER, 51 Fulton Avenue, with Rev. M. O. HERMAN in charge and burial will be made in the Salem cemetery.

Thursday, January 20, 1927

The body of Melvin BUSENBURG, who died Sunday at his home in Fort Benton, Montana, arrived in Rochester Wednesday. Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at two o’clock at the Baptist church with Rev. NIVEN in charge and burial will be made in the I.O.O.F cemetery. The body will lie in state at the Val Zimmerman funeral parlors from 10 until 12 Friday morning.

Friday, January 21, 1927

Mrs. Frank HOFFMAN received a telegram Friday informing her of the death of her aunt, Mrs. Margaret HOLMES BATES, which occurred Thursday at her home in New York City. Mrs. Bates, who was 87 years of age, had only been ill a few days, death resulting from heart trouble.

Mrs. Bates was formerly Margaret ERNSPERGER, daughter of Christopher and Julia Ann ERNSPERGER, and spent her girlhood in Rochester where for many years she taught school. She moved from here to Indianapolis but for the past 25 years has resided in New York City. She leaves one son, Charles Austin BATES, who is quite prominent in advertising work in New York City and is the author of a number of books. Mrs. Ella BERRIER, of near Loyal, and Mrs. A. H. REITER, of this city are also nieces. Mrs. Bates is the author for a number of books, many of which are in the local library. One of her most famous books, “Hildegard” a book of poems which is dedicated to her son. The first book to be published by Mrs. Bates was entitled “Manitou” the plot of which was centered around Rochester and Indianapolis. The deceased, who was a charter member of the Browning Society in New York City and Ohio and an honorary member of the Indiana Society chose for her last book which was published but a few weeks ago “Browning Critiques.”

[The News-Sentinel, Friday, January 21, 1927]
George McGRIFF, age 50, died at eight o’clock Thursday evening at his home north of Culver following an illness with complication of diseases. He had been in poor health for the past two years but his condition did not become serious until a few days ago. Surviving are the widow, four children and two brothers, Lon McGRIFF, of Rochester, and D. J. McGRIFF, of Argos.

Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at two o’clock at the Christian Church in Akron [Argos?] and burial will be made in the Maple [Grove] cemetery in Argos.

Saturday, January 22, 1927

[no obits]

Monday, January 24, 1927

Cal HOOVER returned to his home in this city Friday after having been called to Mikana, Wis., by the death of his mother, Mrs. Sarah HOOVER, 83, which occurred on Sunday, Jan. 16th at Eagles River, Wis. The funeral was held Wednesday at Mikana. Deceased was a former resident of this city, her husband, Andrew [HOOVER], having preceded her in death 15 years ago. Upon leaving Rochester, Mrs. Hoover made her home with her son, Robert [HOOVER], who resides at Eagles River.

Miss Frances Lorraine COPLEN, 19, died at 2 o’clock Sunday afternoon at the home of her parents, Charles R. and Eva SMITH COPLEN in the Bethlehem neighborhood after several years illness caused by a complication of diseases.

The deceased was born July 9, 1907 on a farm near Talma. She was a graduate of the Talma grade school but was unable to go to high school because of her physical condition. Miss Coplen is survived by her parents, five sisters and four brothers.

The funeral services will be held from the Mt. Hope United Brethren Church Tuesday at 2 p.m. with Rev. S. C. DAVISSON in charge. Burial will be made in the Mt. Hope cemetery. Miss Coplen was a member of the Bethlehem Baptist Church.

Tuesday, January 25, 1927

Charles BOGGESS, 74, prominent Mentone citizen and the father of Mrs. Delbert EWING, passed away suddenly Monday morning at his home. He died while sitting in a chair. Mr. Boggess had suffered several paralytic strokes but on Monday morning seemed in his usual state of health.

Mr. Boggess had lived in Mentone for several years having retired from his farm near Mentone where he had resided for some time. Surviving are his widow, three daughters, Mrs. EWING, Mrs. MEREDITH of Chicago, and Miss Eva BOGGESS of Fort Wayne, one son and one grandson who makes his home with his grandparents.

The funeral will be held at the Boggess home in Mentone Wednesday afternoon at 2 o’clock with the Rev. SWEENEY in charge of the services. Burial will be made in the Center cemetery a few miles distant from Mentone.

The body of Frank DILLON, former postmaster of this city and at one time sheriff of Fulton county who died last week in Phoenix, Ariz., will be returned to Rochester for funeral and burial. Mrs. Dillon is unable to accompany the body here at the present time due to very
ill health. She plans to accompany the body to Rochester as soon as her health permits. Mr. Dillon was the owner of a crypt in the local mausoleum.

Wednesday, January 26, 1927

The remains of Frank DILLON will arrive in Rochester at 1:38 o’clock p.m. Thursday, and taken to Val Zimmerman’s undertaking parlors. At that place the body will lie in state Friday morning and up to the hour of the funeral at 2:00 p.m., same place. All citizens desiring to pay respects to the memory of the deceased may call at Zimmerman’s parlor. Service in charge of Rev. CROWDER and probably McClung Post G.A.R.

Thursday, January 27, 1927

John W. WILSON, age 57, prominent farmer living three and one-half miles east of Kewanna, dropped dead at ten o’clock Thursday morning at his home. Mr. Wilson has been ill for the last week with lagrippe but his condition had not been considered serious. Death was due to angina pectoris according to coroner Herbert ZIMMERMAN, who was called.

Mr. Wilson was born in Boone county May 29, 1870 the son of Lavina and James WILSON. Thirty-seven years ago he was married to Miss Jennie McKAY and ten years later moved to Fulton County where they have since resided. He was a member of the Prairie Grove United Brethren church east of Kewanna.

The deceased is survived by his wife, one daughter, Mrs. Sarah FITZ, of South Bend, and five sons, James [WILSON], of Royal Center, George [WILSON] and Howard [WILSON] of Kewanna, Earl [WILSON], of Akron, and Clifford [WILSON] at home. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

William Henry COUGHENOUR, son of Josiah and Lydia COUGHENOUR, was born in Fulton County, Indiana, Jan. 4, 1861. He departed this life at his home Jan. 13, 1827, age 86 years and 9 days.

He was united in marriage to Mary RARRICK, Jan. 16, 1895. To this union was born 5 children, Ethel [COUGHENOUR], Ruth [COUGHENOUR], Fred [COUGHENOUR], Perry [COUGHENOUR] and Clark [COUGHENOUR]. His life was one of labor and toil, upon the farm he cared for until two weeks ago, when the Reaper put his hand of Disease upon him. One daughter, Ethel FUNK, preceded him in death 2 years ago.

He was a good father, and husband, patient in life’s tasks. Honest in his dealings and a neighbor whose life will live in hearts that today bow to sorrow with loved ones who will miss his form and spirit. . . . .

He leaves to mourn, his wife, one daughter, Ruth FIELDS of South Bend, Fred, Perry and Clark at home, one brother, Charles COUGHENOUR of Egeland, N. Dakota, three granddaughters and one grandson. . . . .

Funeral services conducted at Sharon M. E. Church by Rev. H. L. ADAMS of Leiters Ford.
Friday, January 28, 1927

Mrs. Ellen HARRIS, 79, died at her home on the county line road seven miles southeast of Culver at 2:15 Friday morning of complications incident to old age. She had been bedfast for the past three years.

The deceased [Ellen S. KIRKPATRICK] was born in Marshall county on March 10, 1847 and was one of a large number of children born to Mr. and Mrs. Ezra KIRKPATRICK. Mr. [J. Wesley] HARRIS, who was a Civil War veteran died four years ago.

Mrs. Harris is survived by eight children, Charles [HARRIS], Celina, O., William [HARRIS], Watseka, Ill., Roy [HARRIS], Paipot, Can., Nelson [HARRIS], Sheridian, Ore., Mrs. Stella COOPER, Sunshine Valley, N.M., Fred [HARRIS] of this city, Mrs. Nora STATEN, Sedan, N. M., and Lavissa [HARRIS] at home.

The funeral services will be held at the Washington Church northeast of Lake Maxinkuckee at 2 p.m. Sunday, the cortege leaving the home at 1 o’clock. Burial will be made in the Washington cemetery

Rev. Noah KESSLER pastor of the Whippoorwill Evangelical Church will deliver the funeral oration. Mrs. Harris was a member of the Christian church at Maxinkuckee.

Saturday, January 29, 1927

John DICKERHOFF, age 74, prominent farmer, died Friday afternoon at his home three miles south of Akron following a lingering illness with cancer. Mr. Dickerhoff had spent practically all of his life in Henry township, and was a member of the Highland Brethren church.

He is survived by his wife, who was formerly Kathrine PRICE, three sons, Awileee [sic] [DICKERHOFF], Joseph [DICKERHOFF] and Fred [DICKERHOFF], of Akron, and five daughters, Mrs. Cora HARPER, of Rochester, Mrs. Emma KROFT and Mrs. Bessie KREIG, of Akron, Mrs. Susan CLARK, of South Bend, and Miss Doshia [DICKERHOFF], at home. Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at the Highland Church, southeast of Akron, with Rev. SWIHART in charge. Burial will be made in the Gaerte cemetery.

Monday, January 31, 1927

Mrs. William H. NUTT, age 80, died at ten-thirty Sunday morning at her home at 1320 Monroe street after a six weeks illness following a stroke of apoplexy. Malvina LIPSCOMB, daughter of John and Jane LIPSCOMB, was born in Fairfax, Virginia on December 6th, 1846 and on December 24th, 1874 was married at Crawfordsville, Ind., to William H. NUTT. Mr. and Mrs. Nutt have lived in Rochester for the past 10 years, having moved here from Remington, Ind. She was a member of the Christian church in this city.

The deceased is survived by her husband; two sons, Oliver I. NUTT, of near Rochester, Roy NUTT, of Kewanna; two daughters, Mrs. William GRAY, of Fulton, and Mrs. Frank NEWCOMER, of Indianapolis; three sisters, Mrs. Chas. NUTT, of Portland, Oregon, Mrs. Phillip HATHAWAY, of Springfield, Missouri and Mrs. Wm. McCOLLOUGH, of Fowler, Ind; one brother, Saleb LIPSCOMB of Springfield, Mo. There are 14 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 at the Christian church with Rev. W. C. ASCHANHORT officiating. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.
Mrs. Daniel SHERIDAN, 49 who lives four miles north of Kewanna, died Sunday noon at the Cass county hospital in Logansport where she had undergone a major operation last Thursday. Mrs. Sheridan is survived by her husband and two children, Mary [SHERIDAN] and Michael [SHERIDAN], both at home, and ten brothers and sisters, all living in the Kewanna community with the exception of one.

Funeral services will be held at the Baptist church in Kewanna, Tuesday afternoon with Rev. GILMER in charge. Interment will be made in the Kewanna I.O.O.F. cemetery.


The populace of this city was given a genuine thrill early Sunday morning when the body of Ray “Foxy” FLYNN, aged 25, was found dead along the roadside at a point about one mile east of the Cornelius farm, which is located two and one-half miles north of this city on State Road [US] 31. Flynn had been shot through the heart with a 38 caliber revolver bullet.

The gruesome discovery was made shortly after 8 o’clock Sunday morning when Estil ROWLES, son of Frank ROWLES, who resides about four miles northeast of this city was on his way to Rochester. Rowles stated the body was lying about two feet from the ruts of the roadway. After ascertaining the man was dead Rowles drove into this city and reported his discovery to Sheriff Fred CARR. Summoning Coroner Herbert ZIMMERMAN the local officers went to the scene.

Flynn was lying flat on his back with his right arm swung over his face, and his right leg crossed over his other leg. A large handkerchief was tied loosely around his neck. This was presumed to have been placed there by the party who fired the fatal shot, as the handkerchief was not the property of the slain man. No foot prints were found along the roadway at this point. The person or party committing the deed evidently had carefully laid the body along the roadbed, while standing on the running board of an auto. Lawrence KETCHMARK, center on the R. H. S. Zebras team, upon returning to his home which is just a mile and a half east of the old Cornelius farm, noticed an object laying in the road but thought it was a pile of old clothes. This was unquestionably the body of Flynn and the time Ketchmark passed this spot was 2:30 Sunday a.m., he having just returned from playing basketball with the Zebras at Crawfordsville. Ketchmark, when interviewed this morning, stated he did not meet any cars along State Road [U.S.] 31 or on the side road which leads to his home.

An autopsy was held at the Zimmerman Bros. undertaking parlor Sunday morning which disclosed the bullet that killed Flynn had been fired from a distance of perhaps six to eight feet. The shot entered his left side just above the heart, severing a large artery, thence it ploughed its way on its diagonal course through the sternum and finally imbedded itself in the flesh below the vicinity right arm pit. The theory of suicide which was first advanced by some was soon discarded as the overcoat which Flynn wore was not burned or seared by the shot, as would have been the case had he killed himself.

Flynn, who was a butcher by trade, had been employed by the Ball Ice Co., for the past several months. On Tuesday of last week he was released from the county jail when he had completed serving a term for contempt of court for failure to make payments for the support of his divorced wife and two young children who now reside in Hebron, Ind. It was also learned today that three weeks ago he was arrested at East Chicago at which time he was accompanied by two 18 year old Rochester girls.

The officers are at work on several clues, one of which the eternal triangle looms up as a
possible motive, and in this connection the names of the well-known Patchett sisters, Miss Fern [PATCHETT] and Mrs. Harold SHANNON and the latter’s husband, are slated for a probing by the officers working on the case. Harold SHANNON is being sought at Medaryville, Ind., by the Sheriff of Winamac, today. If apprehended he will be summoned before Prosecutor Fred McCLURG.

Another clue which pertains to a larceny charge which was perpetrated in this city several weeks ago in which several local characters are under surveillance, is being checked up, it being the presumption that Flynn might possibly have been too well informed concerning the matter to make it comfortable for those implicated in this felony.

A stranger was seen with Flynn by Harvey WAYMIRE, local telegraph operator, Saturday evening about 8:30. They were walking east on Eighth street. Waymire stated he had never seen the man before and did not obtain any particular description of the man. The last time Flynn was seen according to all evidence now available, was at 9:30 p.m. Saturday night when he was standing with a stranger on the sidewalk directly west of the Court House. Sarah FELTS, who resides on corner of Bancroft and 13th street was passing along that side of the public square and saw the two who were engaged in conversation. Like Waymire, she could not give a minute or clear description of the stranger. From this time on and until midnight was the period in which the local man was shot, it was estimated by Coroner Zimmerman, who stated when Flynn was found that death had occurred between eight and nine hours previous.

Zimmerman stated at noon today he would probably hold the coroner’s inquest sometime Tuesday. This official desires the presence of Harold Shannon at this investigation and it is believed the Winamac Sheriff will bring the needed witness into custody by tonight.

The body of the murdered man was taken to the home of his parents, Leander and Remanada FLYNN, in East Rochester this morning. Besides his parents the murdered man is survived by a divorced wife and two children, one brother, Leonard [FLYNN], and two sisters, Mrs. Jake GOOD and Mrs. Willie LIGHTFOOT. Funeral arrangements have not as yet been arranged.

Tuesday, February 1, 1927

Mr. and Mrs. Cora VANDERGRIFT left Tuesday morning for Milwaukee, Wis., where they were called on account of the death of their three-months-old grandson, Walter [VANDERGRIFT], who was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Quincy VANDERGRIFT. Death occurred at 11 p.m. Monday after an illness of several weeks. The father is a member of the Milwaukee police force. The child will in all probability be buried in Milwaukee.

Information has been received in this city of the death of Mrs. Grace TRACY at her home in Los Angeles, Calif. Mrs. Tracy was formerly Grace HORTON of this city. Those surviving her death are one sister, Lenora HORTON of Hollywood, Calif., an uncle, Dr. Wm. HECTOR of Chicago, and two cousins, Louis MOORE of Hollywood, and Mrs. Cornelius BLUE of Fort Wayne, all of whom were formerly of this city.

Mrs. Sarah YOUNG, aged 81, of Delong, died Monday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Minnie McMANNUS, in Oak Park, Illinois, following a months illness with heart trouble. Mrs. Young has lived for the past 25 years at Delong, moving there from Ohio, and was spending the winter with her daughter in Oak Park when taken ill.

Surviving the deceased are three daughters, Mrs. McMANNUS, Mrs. Anna SMITH, of
North Manchester, and Mrs. Alphea ULLEN, of Glendale, California. The body arrived in Delong Tuesday afternoon and was taken to the Al TONER home. Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at two o’clock at the Methodist church in Delong with Rev. E. L. ADAMS of Leiters Ford, in charge.

Wednesday, February 2, 1927

Mrs. Samuel BROWN, 56, long a summer resident at Lake Manitou, died at her home early today following a second stroke of apoplexy. She suffered the first stroke three and one-half years ago while at “Oakdale,” the Brown cottage at the lake, and had been an invalid since that time. The fatal stroke came suddenly at six o’clock last night while her husband was at Vincennes, Indiana.

She failed to recover consciousness prior to her death at dawn this morning, but one of her two sons, Harold E. BROWN, of Martinsville, managed to reach her bedside before her death. Her other son, Tad BROWN, of South Bend, and the husband reached here this afternoon.

Funeral services will be held at the Indianapolis home at two o’clock Friday afternoon with burial at Crown Hill cemetery. Rev. Elmer JONES of St. Paul’s Methodist church here will have charge of the services.

Mrs. Brown was prominent in Methodist church circles before her illness. The Browns have spent their summers at Lake Manitou for the last fourteen years.

Her son, Tad Brown, has been one of the leading amateur golfers in Indiana for several years.

Thursday, February 3, 1927

[no obits]

Friday, February 4, 1927

Mrs. Ella NEW HENTHORN, 68, who lived almost all of her life in Rochester, and was one of the best known women in the community, died Thursday evening at the County hospital at Peru. She had been seriously ill for about a week. Death came as the result of complications.

She was born in the Green Oak neighborhood, the daughter of - - - - and Betsy ROSS NEW, September 29, 1858, and resided until a few years ago - - - - she was a sister of the late Isom NEW, a veteran of the Civil War. During her lifetime she always took an active interest in community affairs, was a writer of some ability and had a wide acquaintance in this part of the state. She was a member of the D.A.R. and always took a part in that organization’s activities.

February 3, 1913 she was united in marriage with Eli M. HENTHORN, at Rochester, and shortly afterwards they moved to Garden City, Kansas. While a resident of Rochester she belonged to the Christian Church but at Garden City she became a member of the Congregational Church. Then they moved back to Rochester for a year then moved to Peru and have resided there for the last six years.

There will be a short service at the Drake Chapel at Peru at one o’clock Monday with the D.A.R. Chapter in charge. The body will then be brought to Rochester for the funeral and burial. Announcement of a time will be made in Saturday’s issue.
Saturday, February 5, 1927

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Ella NEW HENTHORN, of Peru, will be held Monday afternoon at 2:30 at the Christian Church in this city and burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Monday, February 7, 1927

Mrs. Jennie [HAY] OSBORN METZGER, age 65, who lived two miles east of Kewanna, died at ten o’clock Saturday night at Woodlawn hospital following an illness of four weeks with complications. Mrs. Metzger, who was a life long resident of Fulton county, was born at Leiters Ford, the daughter of John and Mary HAY, on Sept. 13, 1861. After the death of her first husband, William OSBORN, the deceased lived for many years in Rochester and in June 1925 was married to William METZGER, of Kewanna.

Surviving are three children, Charles [HAY] and Bert HAY, of Bakersfield, California, and Mrs. Ada F. WIDMER, of Long Beach, Calif. She also leaves three brothers, Mel [HAY] and George HAY, of Bakersfield, Lee HAY, of Denver, and four sisters, Mrs. Verna EMBREY, of San Francisco, Mrs. Fannie CAPLE, of Folsom, South Dakota, Mrs. Alice BATZ, of Los Angeles, and Mrs. Sadie FANSLER, of Bakersfield.

Funeral services will be held at the Rochester United Brethren church at one o’clock Wednesday afternoon with Rev. S. A. WELLS in charge and burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery at Leiters Ford.

Henry BUSH, age 79, died Saturday evening at his home in the Bruce Lake neighborhood following a few days illness with paralysis. Mr. Bush, a well known stock buyer, was born in Germany and came to this country when a young man. For the past 21 years he has lived in Fulton county, coming here from Chicago. Mr. Bush is survived by his wife and one son, Al BUSH, of Chicago. The body was taken to Chicago today for funeral services and burial. Mrs. Bush, who is an invalid, was taken today to the home of her son in Chicago in an ambulance and will make her future home there.

Daniel BAKER, Sr., 79, died Sunday afternoon at his home near Bruce Lake, where he had resided for many years. He is survived by the widow and five sons, Frank [BAKER], Henry [BAKER] and Otto [BAKER] of Bruce Lake, Orville [BAKER], of Fort Wayne, and George [BAKER], of Ohio. Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at two o’clock at the Bruce Lake Reform church and burial will be made in adjacent cemetery.

Robert Clyde ENGLE, one-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter ENGLE, died Saturday morning at the Engle home near Monterey. Death was due to pneumonia.

Tuesday, February 8, 1927

Mrs. Emmaline DRUDGE, who passed her 80th birthday last Sunday, one of the well known pioneers of this community, died Tuesday morning at nine o’clock after suffering only 24 hours with pneumonia. She resided at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Herman METZLER on 12th street. She was the wife of Jeremiah DRUDGE, wealthy farmer of Newcastle Township who died January 9, 1910. Mrs. Drudge inherited his estate and was reputed to be the richest woman in Fulton County.
Mrs. Drudge had been an invalid for the last two years and on Monday she developed pneumonia after which she rapidly became worse and sank rapidly to the end.

Emmaline ZOLMAN, daughter of Amos and Jemima ZOLMAN, was born in Knox County, Ohio, February 6, 1847, but has resided in this community since 1862. She was united in marriage Jan. 1, 1869. She was a member of the Church of God.

Mrs. Drudge is survived by two sons, Amos [DRUDGE], of Rochester and Charles [DRUDGE] of southwest of the city, and one daughter, Mrs. METZLER, one brother, Bruce ZOLMAN of Newcastle township and one sister, Mrs. Suzanne CRAFT of Frederickstown, Ohio.

Funeral at the Methodist Church Thursday at two o’clock with Rev. R. A. CROWDER and Rev. Dan SLAYBAUGH of Akron in charge. Burial at the Nichols Cemetery.

After having passed the crises from an attack of pneumonia that had threatened his life for two weeks, Everett SHOBE, who was believed on the road to recovery, suffered from a sudden attack of pleurisy Monday night which is believed to have gone to his heart and proved fatal. He died at 7:45 Tuesday morning at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herb SHOBE, 913 Jefferson Street. He would have been 21 years of age tomorrow. The young man was very popular in the city, was well liked by everyone that knew him and his untimely death has caused unusual mourning among his friends and relatives.

Everett was born near Green Oak February 9, 1906 and moved to Rochester with his parents. He attended high school here and afterwards worked at his father’s garage. He was a member of the Baptist Church.

He is survived by his parents and two sisters, Mrs. Floyd CHRISTMAN and Miss Hattie SHOBE, both of this city.

Funeral Thursday afternoon at two o’clock at the Baptist Church with Rev. NIVEN in charge.

William Adams MARTIN, 80, of LaPorte, President of the Rochester Gas Company, and father of Gordon MARTIN, died at his home in LaPorte Monday morning after a lingering illness of about a year. He was one of LaPorte’s best known pioneer citizens and was also well known in Rochester where he has had business interests for many years, since he founded the gas company here.

Mr. Martin kept up active interest in his many business affairs until about ten months ago when illness compelled him to retire. He was president of the John Hilt Ice Co., director in the First National Bank, director in the First Trust & Savings Bank, president of LaPorte Gas & Electric Co., and president of the Greencastle Gas & Electric Company. He devoted a large part of his time all his life to church activities being a member of the First Christian Church. He was interested in the Ruth Sabins home being president of the board.

Mr. Martin was born in Berrien County, Michigan and later came to LaPorte where he first worked as a clerk in a clothing store at a salary of $200 a year.

He is survived by two sons and two daughters. Funeral services at the home Wednesday afternoon at 2:30, the Rev. G. M. LONG pastor of the First Christian Church in charge.
Wednesday, February 9, 1927

Frank J. LEY, 80, former resident of Wayne township, is dead at his home in Earlimart, California. Mr. Ley had been ill for a month and because of his advanced age, death was not unexpected. The deceased is survived by nine sons and daughters, which include Alfred LEY of Kewanna and Father E. A. LEY of Wabash, who for many years had charge of Saint Ann’s Catholic Church at Kewanna. The remains will be brought to Marion where services will be held from the Holy Family church at Gas City next Friday at 9:45 a.m.

Thursday, February 10, 1927

Harvey [KLISE] and Byron KLISE, of this city, have received word of the death of their brother, LeRoy KLISE, age 68, which occurred Saturday at his home in Fresno, California, following an illness of two years with dropsy. Mr. Klise moved from Rochester 23 years ago to Marion, Ind., where he resided until a year ago when he went to California. Burial was made in California. Mrs. William WINE, of South Bend, formerly of this city, is a sister.

Jack [HOGUE], nine year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry HOGUE west of the city, died Wednesday night at the St. Joseph hospital in Mishawaka following a mastoid operation. Besides the parents he is survived by two sisters, Kathryn [HOGUE] and Harriett [HOGUE]. Funeral services and burial will be in Mishawaka. The Hogue family recently moved to Rochester from Mishawaka having purchased the Priest dairy.

Friday, February 11, 1927

[no obits]

Saturday, February 12, 1927

Elmer J. BUCHANAN, 64, cashier of the First State Bank at Kewanna and a brother of Attorney Peter Buchanan, died at the Robert Long Hospital in Indianapolis at 7 p.m. Friday after a four months critical illness caused by dropsy and heart trouble.

Mr. Buchanan has been in poor health for the past three years. Four months ago he was forced to give up all employment. He went to the Cass County Hospital in Logansport for treatment at that time. Early this week Mr. Buchanan was moved to the Robert Long Hospital. The deceased was a son of James and Anna BUCHANAN and was born on a farm near Basil, Ohio, on April 3, 1862. When he was two years of age Mr. Buchanan’s parents moved to this county settling on a farm in Wayne township. In 1883 Mr. Buchanan was married to Flora V. WEMYND of Logansport.

Mr. Buchanan for years was prominent in business and political circles in Wayne and Union townships. For many years he operated the elevator at Grass Creek retiring when he was elected trustee of Wayne township in 1898. His services were rewarded by the voters by a second election as trustee. At the conclusion of his second term Mr. Buchanan entered the Kewanna bank. Mr. Buchanan is survived by his wife and two brothers, Charles [BUCHANAN] of Grass Creek and Peter [BUCHANAN]. The deceased was an active member of the Kewanna Methodist Church and at the time of his death was secretary of the Kewanna Masonic Lodge. The body will arrive in Kewanna from Indianapolis this afternoon. Until then no funeral arrangements will be made.
Devon Earl [MILLER], two-day-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob MILLER, 710 East Tenth street, died early Saturday morning. He is survived by his parents and number of brothers and sisters. The child was buried this afternoon in the Odd Fellows cemetery.

Monday, February 14, 1927

The second death to occur in this city through an act of violence within the past three weeks, was brought to light early Sunday morning with the finding of the body of Arthur “Buck” McNEELEY, on the topmost point of big hills which lie southeast of this city. McNeeley, aged 46, who for the past several weeks had been brooding over ill health and the lack of employment, took his own life by shooting himself through the right temple with a cartridge fired from a .22 calibre, single shot rifle.

Early Saturday morning McNeeley, who resided at 1212 South College avenue, went to the home of his neighbor, Mrs. BLINN, and borrowed a rifle, stating he desired the weapon for the purpose of killing some birds for the family cat. With the gun tucked under his arm McNeeley was seen to start out in a southeasterly direction toward the VanDIEN crossing.

When Mrs. McNeeley returned to their home from some household duties she had been engaged in at the Geo. V. DAWSON home, she was surprised to learn from the children that her husband had not been home for dinner. As the hours passed by her concern in McNeeley continued absence increased, and a search was instigated by the children and neighbors but to no avail. Early Sunday morning she appealed to Sheriff Fred CARR for assistance in the location of her husband’s whereabouts.

Carr upon probing into this case was informed by three Nickle Plate section men, Clarence BRENN, Nate EYTCHESON and Jacob BARNES, that they had seen McNeeley along the right-of-way of this railroad near the big hills located at the southeastern edge of this city. The local officer at once proceeded to the hills where after a few moments of searching he found the body of McNeeley which was lying on the highest point of this range of hills.

The barrel of the rifle was still clutched tightly in the dead man’s left hand, indicating he had placed the muzzle of the gun against his right temple and pulled the trigger of the weapon with his right hand. Coroner Herbert ZIMMERMAN was summoned to the scene and a few moments later the body was brought to the local morgue.

The coroner’s report showed death resulted by a self-inflicted wound from a cartridge fired from a .22 calibre rifle. The deed it is believed was committed about 11 o’clock Saturday morning. Arthur, son of Rev. Samuel and Lucinda McNEELEY, was born at Argos, Ind., on July 27th, 1880. He had been a resident of Rochester practically all of his life, working at various sorts of manual employment, up until the more recent years when ill health which at times bordered on a mental derangement, forced him into retirement. The deceased is survived by his aged mother, a wife and four children, Dean [McNEELEY], Dale [McNEELEY], Evelyn [McNEELEY] and Blanche [McNEELEY]. A brother, John McNEELEY, resides at Akron. Funeral arrangements will be announced in Tuesday issue of the News-Sentinel.

Mrs. Lucinda POWNALL, wife of H. H. POWNALL, died at her home five miles southeast of Rochester at two o’clock Saturday afternoon following a lingering illness of cancer of the stomach. Surviving the deceased are the husband and two daughters, Mrs. Charles CARRUTHERS of Logansport, and Mrs. Jake BRUBAKER, of Rochester.

Funeral services will be held at the United Brethren Church in this city Tuesday morning at 10:30 with Rev. N. C. McCAY, of Logansport officiating. He will be assisted by Rev. S. A. WELLS and burial will be made in the Fulton cemetery.
Funeral services for the late E. J. BUCHANAN will be held Tuesday afternoon at two o’clock at the Kewanna Methodist church. Burial will be made in the Kewanna I.O.O.F. cemetery. The body will lie in state at the church from one until two.

Tuesday, February 15, 1927

Norma Jean [SMITH], infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph SMITH, died at ten o’clock Tuesday morning at the Smith home four miles east of Rochester on the Fort Wayne road following a two days illness with bronchial pneumonia. The child was born on January 21st. Surviving are the parents and a sister, Mary Louise [SMITH]. Funeral services will be held at ten o’clock Wednesday morning at the home with Rev. SMITH of Athens in charge and burial will be made in the Mt. Hope cemetery.

The funeral of Arthur “Buck” McNEELEY, who on Saturday morning ended his life by shooting himself with a rifle, was held at the McNeely residence, at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon. The services were in charge of Rev. Jas. W. NIVEN of the First Baptist church. Burial was made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Mrs. Harry KISTLER, of Adamsboro in Cass county, a former resident of Rochester, died very suddenly at her home there Monday evening after an attack of apoplexy. Four days ago they buried her father who had been ill for some time previously. Her maiden name was Nettie WALKER and she was the daughter-in-law of the late Lou KISTLER, former meat market man here. Mrs. Lucy KISTLER went to Adamsboro this morning. The Kistlers lived here for some time when Harry KISTLER was employed by Swifts.

Wednesday, February 16, 1927

Word received this morning from the Leiters Ford correspondent brought the news of the death of Mr. James HOTT, aged 69 years, who resided in the Bruce Lake neighborhood. Death occurred at 7:45 Wednesday morning following several months illness from a dropsical condition. The deceased has resided in this locality for several years, following the occupation of farming. Besides the widow, he is survived by the following children, Mrs. Elva MILLER, of Culver; two daughters, Ada [HOTT] and Grace [HOTT] who are married and reside in Kansas City, Mo., and Kentland, Ind., respectively, Nobline [HOTT] and Pearl [HOTT] at home; three sons, Omer HOTT of St. Joe, Mich., Milo [HOTT] of Culver and Charlie [HOTT] of Bruce Lake. Funeral arrangements were not available as this issue went to press.

Thursday, February 17, 1927

Peter ZERBE, 73, a life long resident of Tiosa, died at his home at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday after a several years illness due to complications incident to old age. He had been bedfast but two weeks. Mr. Zerbe was a plasterer for many years later buying a small farm near Tiosa. The deceased was born on a farm in Pennsylvania on August 2, 1853, and was the son of Jacob and Rosanna ZERBE. When he was a small boy his parents moved to this county. His only survivors are his wife and one brother, George [ZERBE], of Monticello.

The funeral cortège will leave the Zerbe home at 1 p.m. Friday for the Lutheran Church at Tiosa where the services will be conducted by the Rev. Paul MADER. Burial will be made in
the Richland Center Citizens Cemetery. Mr. Zerbe was a member of the Tiosa Lutheran Church.

Absalom A. KISTLER, age 72, died at four o’clock Thursday morning at his home in Akron following a serious illness of six weeks with heart trouble. He was born in Pennsylvania and came from that state to Akron 48 years ago. He was a retired lumberman and farmer.

The deceased is survived by his wife who was formerly Hattie [B.] STRONG, and three children, Charles KISTLER of Chicago, Mrs. Evan A. WHALLON, of Akron, and Miss Margaret KISTLER at home, and a number of brothers and sisters living in Pennsylvania with the exception of one sister, Mrs. Alice LEININGER, of Beaver Dam. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

Friday, February 18, 1927

Mr. and Mrs. William COOK, of this city, received a telegram this morning which brought the news of the death of the latter’s brother, Ray WARNER, aged 36, who resided in Buchanan, Mich. Death, which was caused by a serious attack of the flu, resulted early Friday morning.

Mr. Warner was for several years a resident of Argos, and his mother and two brothers still reside in that town. Mr. and Mrs. COOK will leave for Buchanan, early Saturday. The funeral will be held at the Warner home at Argos Sunday afternoon.

Prof. A. L. WHITMER, received word Friday of the death of his wife’s father, John D. FULMER, 80, which occurred Thursday night at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. A. WHITMER in Mishawaka. Besides the two daughters he is survived by one son, George FULMER, of South Bend. Mrs. A. L. WHITMER has been at her father’s bedside for the past week.

Joseph VINSON, age 72, former resident of this city, died at the home of his granddaughter in Peru Thursday morning following an illness of eight weeks with complications. The deceased was born August 24, 1854 and on March 27, 1877 was married in Rochester to Miss Elizabeth SWISHER.

Survivors are the widow, one daughter, Mrs. L. E. LOUGLAS [sic] and two sons, Arthur L. [VINSON] and Arthur [sic] P. VINSON, two brothers, John VINSON of Wabash, William VINSON of Roann and one sister, Mrs. Frank MILLER of Indianapolis. Funeral services will be held at the W. S. DRAKE funeral chapel in Peru Saturday afternoon at two o’clock and interment will be made in the Mount Hope cemetery.

Saturday, February 19, 1927

Mrs. William PARKER, 59, died at her home at 1418 south Jefferson St., at 11:30 p.m. Friday after a long illness caused by cancer which became acute six weeks ago.

Arminda Jane HISEY was born on July 27, 1867, in Union County, Ohio, the daughter of John C. and Nancy HISEY. She moved to this city with her parents 40 years ago.

For many years Mrs. Parker operated a millinery store on north Main street through which medium she gathered a large circle of friends in Fulton county who will be grieved to learn of her death.
Nine years ago the deceased was married to Mr. Parker in this city. Surviving are her husband, aged parents who made their home with her, and a brother Bert [HISEY], of this city.

Funeral services will be held from the home at 2:30 p.m. Monday with Rev. James NIVEN in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Monday, February 21, 1927

John William ANDERSON, age 69, died Saturday evening at 9:30 at his home in Leiters Ford following a two years illness with heart trouble and dropsy. Mr. Anderson was a retired farmer and had lived for many years in the Leiters community.

The deceased is survived by his wife who was formerly Addie BUNN, two sons, Charles [ANDERSON] of South Bend and Max [ANDERSON] of Leiters Ford, and two daughters, Miss Ida ANDERSON of Plymouth and Mrs. Arthur WOOLINGTON of Leiters Ford.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 at the Leiters Methodist church with Rev. H. L. ADAMS in charge, and burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery there.

Word has been received in Rochester of the death of Phillip DEMONT which occurred Saturday at his home in Michigan City. The Demonts were former residents of this city.

Mrs. Lydia COOPER, 75, of Denham who was brought to the Woodlawn Hospital seven weeks ago for treatment, died at the institution at 1:45 p.m. Friday. Her condition on arrival was such that an operation could not be performed.

Charles SCHINDLER Monday noon received a telegram informing him of the death of his father, Joseph SCHINDLER, 78, which occurred at 10:45 Monday morning at his home in West Carlson, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Schindler and family will leave Tuesday for West Carlson to attend the funeral.

Tuesday, February 22, 1927

Miss Malissa PARKER this morning received a telegram telling of the death of Mrs. Clara SUDERS which occurred at 3 a.m. Tuesday in a hospital at Mishawaka, following an operation which was performed several days ago. Mrs. Suders will be remembered by many of the older residents of Rochester.

J. C. BEERY, who resides northwest of this city received a telegram early Tuesday apprising him of the death of his brother, Charles H. BEERY, which occurred at the Berry home in Stillwater, Oklahoma, Monday night. Death followed a relapse from an attack of the flu.

Mr. Beery, who was 75 years of age, had formerly been a resident of Rochester, later moving to Akron where he was engaged in the mercantile business. Besides his wife and an adopted daughter he is survived by the following brothers and sisters, all of whom reside in this county: J. C. BEERY, F. L. BEERY, Mrs. R. N. BERRIER and Mrs. Thos. NEFF.

Funeral arrangements were not given, but it is presumed by the local relatives that the services and burial will be at Stillwater, Okla.
Mrs. Marion REITER this morning received a letter from relatives in California announcing the death of Charles KOCHENDERFER, 68, which occurred in Glendora on February 14. Death was due to paralysis. Mr. Kochenderfer for many years operated a grocery store in the room now occupied by the United States Bank and Trust Company. In 1876 the deceased married Miss May SHIELDS, daughter of the late Jesse SHIELDS who, with one son, Frederick [KOCHENDERFER], of Chicago, survive. Burial was made at Glendora.

Wednesday, February 23, 1927

Virgil TRENT, 66, retired farmer who lived in Denver and who was deaf, was instantly killed late Tuesday afternoon when he was run down by a Nickle Plate freight train as he was walking the track.

Trent had been working at his farm two miles north of Denver and started to walk home using the Nickle Plate tracks as a path. The engineer of the freight stated after he had struck Trent that he blew the whistle of his locomotive several times as a warning but Trent because of his deafness could not hear the blast.

The members of the train crew took the body back to Denver where it was removed to the Kline Undertaking Parlors. Identification could not be made for over four hours due to the mangled condition of Trent’s body which had the head, both arms and one limb severed. Trent’s identity was established through a pair of glasses which he was wearing and by his pocketbook.

On account of the condition of the body burial was made at 11 o’clock Wednesday morning. Mr. Trent is survived by two sons, Rex [TRENT] and Robert [TRENT] of Peru, and by a sister, Mrs. Margaret GARD of Denver with whom he lived.

The coroner of Miami county was called immediately after the accident and today rendered his decision as to Trent’s demise stating death was caused by a crushed skull.

Mrs. Eliza E. ARNOLD, 78, a pioneer resident of Fulton county died at 2:30 o’clock Wednesday morning at her home at the corner of Jefferson and Seventh streets. Death was caused by complications incident to old age. Mrs. Arnold has been bedfast since Thanksgiving Day.

The deceased [Eliza E. SIBERT] was born in Carroll county, Ohio on February 2, 1849. She came to this county with her parents, Samuel and Eliza SIBERT fifty years ago, settling on a farm near Tiosa.

Mrs. Arnold was married to Joseph ARNOLD who preceded her in death in 1903. Up until ten years ago Mrs. Arnold lived on a farm in Richland township. The funeral services will be held from the home at 2:30 p.m. Friday with Rev. James NIVEN in charge. Burial will be made in the Mausoleum. She was a member of the Tiosa United Brethren church.

Mrs. Arnold is survived by a son, Samuel [ARNOLD] of Tiosa, and two daughters, Mrs. Henry ENSTMINGER of this city, and Mrs. Martha LAULAUMORE of Jackson, Michigan, and one brother, Brady SIBERT, of Indianapolis. All the members of the immediate family were at the bedside when Mrs. Arnold passed away.

Mishawaka, Ind., Feb. 23. – Mrs. Lovina SUDERS, 79, 416 E. Third street, died Tuesday morning at 4:15 o’clock, in the St. Joseph hospital after an illness of one year with complications.

She was born in Franklin county, Pa., Dec. 24, 1847, and moved here more than 51 years ago. As Lovina C. PALMER she was married to John SUDERS May 27, 1868, who died in
She is survived by two grandchildren, Austin [SUDERS] and Catherine SUDERS, both of this city.

Funeral services will be held from the First Presbyterian church Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o’clock. The Rev. J. A. BURNETT will officiate and burial will be in the City cemetery. Mrs. Suders was a member of the First Presbyterian congregation.

The body was taken to the Sprague chapel and will be removed to the church at 1 o’clock Wednesday afternoon where it may be viewed until the hour of the funeral.

Relatives of Mrs. C. I. CLEMANS, formerly Miss Clara BURNS, received the sad news of the death of her father, John BURNS, which occurred in a Gary hospital at 7:15 Tuesday evening. Death resulted after several months of illness from diabetes.

On last Sunday, Mr. Burns, who was visiting at the home of his nephew, Mr. and Mrs. William BRIGHT, of Akron, suffered a most severe attack of the disease and his daughter was summoned from Gary. Mrs. Clemans at once removed her father to a hospital in Gary, Ind., in hopes that an operation might prolong his life, however physicians stated the patient was not strong enough to undergo the ordeal.

Mrs. C. I. Clemans was the only child of the deceased. Mr. Burns formerly lived in Rochester for a number of years, later moving to Montana and for the past several weeks has been residing at the home of his daughter in Gary. Funeral arrangements will be announced in Thursday’s issue of the News-Sentinel.

Thursday, February 24, 1927

Funeral services for the late John BURNS, who died Tuesday evening at a hospital in Gary, will be held at eleven o’clock Friday morning at the Methodist church in Akron with Rev. W. J. NIVEN, of Rochester, officiating. Burial will be made in the Nichols cemetery northwest of Akron.

Mabel Marie KROFT, seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony KROFT, three miles southeast of Akron, died early Thursday morning at the Kroft home following a three weeks illness with pneumonia. Surviving are the parents and three brothers.

Funeral services will be held Saturday morning at the home with Rev. SWIHART, of Roann, in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery at Akron.

Friday, February 25, 1927

William H. DEARDORFF, aged 85 years, prominent pioneer of Fulton county, died Friday evening at his farm home directly west of Athens where he has resided for a number of years. Death resulted from high blood pressure from which ailment the deceased had been rendered an invalid for the past four years. Mr. Deardorff was perhaps one of the best and most favorably known residents in the eastern part of Fulton county.

William Henry, son of Isaac and Rebecca DEARDORFF, was born near Canton, Ohio, August 14, 1842. The father died when William was but six years of age and at the age of 14 the young lad started out to face life’s burdens single handed. On Sept. 10, 1861, Deardorff enlisted with the 19th regiment of Ohio volunteers. He fought in several of the leading battles of that conflict and was taken prisoner in the year of 1863 serving a long period of time in the Libby and Andersonville prisons. Later he was released from prison through an exchange of
prisoners and continued in the service until he was honorably discharged on Feb. 4, 1865.

After the war he was engaged for seven years in the government service in the western states. Mr. Deardorff then returned to Rochester where on July 30, 1876 he was united in marriage to Sarah Jane KOFFEL. For 15 years he followed the painters trade in about Rochester, later removing to a farm just west of Athens, where the remainder of his life was spent.

William Deardorff was a member of the Masonic Lodge and the Royal Arch Masons, this city, and the McClung Post G.A.R. He leaves one daughter, Mrs. Charles GOOD, of Ft. Wayne, and two sons, Fred [DEARDORFF], of Wayland, Michigan, and Floyd [DEARDORFF], at home. Mrs. Deardorff preceded her husband in death on Nov. 19th, 1925.

Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m. at the farm home west of Athens, with the Rev. Jas. W. NIVEN officiating.

Funeral services for Lon A. HELM, former resident of this city who died Thursday at his home will be held at 2:15 Saturday afternoon at the Hoover Chapel in this city with Rev. M. O. HERMAN in charge. Surviving Mr. Helm are two daughters, Mrs. Blanche LYNN, of Chicago, and Mrs. Anne FILER, of Seattle, Washington.

Saturday, February 26, 1927

[no obits]

Monday, February 28, 1927

[no paper]

Tuesday, March 1, 1927

Mrs. Lydia OVERMYER, age 59, and a resident of Fulton County practically all her life, died Monday night at ten o’clock at her home four miles west of Leiters Ford in the Zion neighborhood, death being due to cancer and complications. Mrs. Overmyer had been in poor health for several years but her condition had been serious for only the past two weeks.

The deceased [Lydia OWENS] was born in Starke County on September 25th, 1864 the daughter of David and Sarah OWENS, and in 1886 was married to Schuyler OVERMYER.

Mrs. Overmyer is survived by her husband and four children, Mrs. Bessie JOHNSON, of Culver, Lloyd [OVERMYER], of Bruce Lake, Clyde [OVERMYER] and Hardy [OVERMYER], of Leiters Ford.

Funeral services will be held at one o’clock Thursday afternoon at the Zion Church with Rev. McKINLEY, pastor of the church, officiating. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Wednesday, March 2, 1927 to Friday, March 4, 1927

[no obits]
Saturday, March 5, 1927

South Bend, Ind., March 5. - Mrs. Mary E. WITTERS MOGLE, age 73, of 529 South 29th street, died in her home yesterday morning at 2:40 o’clock after an illness of a year.

Mrs. Mogle was born in Cass county, Indiana, near Logansport, July 26, 1853. She had lived in South Bend 24 years, coming here from Rochester, Ind. Surviving Mrs. Mogle are her husband, William H. MOGLE, whom she married Jan. 21, 1880 in Logansport; one daughter, Mrs. Cora DAVIS, of Brooklyn, N.Y.; one son, J. A. MOGLE, of South Bend; three sisters, Mrs. Thomas BAILEY, of Rochester; Mrs. Stephen D. LEAGUE, of Logansport and Mrs. Amanda KISSINGER, South Bend; two brothers, William WITTERS, Rochester, and David WITTERS, LaPorte, Ind., seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at 2 o’clock in the residence and at 2:30 o’clock in the River Park Methodist Episcopal church, Rev. Robert ROSS-SHANNON, the pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Highland cemetery.

Mrs. Mogle was an honorary member of the Ladies of Maccabees.

Monday, March 7, 1927

Charles F. BUCHANAN, 62, well known farmer, living three miles north of Grass Creek, died at ten o’clock Saturday night at his home. Death came as the result of a nervous break down which he suffered following the funeral of his brother, E. J. BUCHANAN, who passed away three weeks ago. He had been ill for three years but it was only recently that he became worse rapidly. Both men were brothers of Peter J. BUCHANAN of Rochester.

Mr. Buchanan lived on the old home place, he being born and lived there all of his life. His parents were James and Marie BUCHANAN. He was married to Rose HILL. He was a member of the United Brethren Church at Grass Creek.

He is survived by his wife, three daughters, Martha [BUCHANAN], who is married and lives at Los Angeles, Mrs. Geo. RENTSCHLER of near Fulton, Lela [BUCHANAN], at home, and one son, James [BUCHANAN], of Elwood.

The funeral will be held at ten o’clock Tuesday at the United Brethren Church at Grass Creek. Three weeks ago in the same hour his brother was buried. Burial in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery at Kewanna.

Tuesday, March 8, 1927

Mrs. Margaret EWING has received word of the death of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Thomas B. NICODEMUS, 48, which occurred in Spokane, Washington Monday morning. The cause of her death is not known.

The deceased [Bessie RICHARDSON] was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis RICHARDSON and lived in the Athens neighborhood until ten years ago when her husband moved to the western state to reside. Mrs. Nicodemus is survived by her husband, three daughters, Minta [NICODEMUS], Georgia [NICODEMUS] and Wanda [NICODEMUS], and one brother. The body will in all probability be interred in Spokane.

Jacob HARTLE, 80, well known farmer who lived near Leiters Ford for a number of years, died this morning at his home near Ora, in Pulaski County. Death came as the result of Brights disease. He was one of the pioneers of that section of the country. He was born June 11, 1847 in Ohio, the son of Jacob and Hester HARTLE. June 20, 1923 he and his wife
celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.


The body will be taken from the country home at 10 o’clock Thursday morning and the funeral will be held at the Leiters Ford Methodist Church at 11 o’clock with Rev. H. L. ADAMS officiating. Burial at the [Leiters Ford] I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Wednesday, March 9, 1927 and Thursday, March 10, 1927

[no obits]

Friday, March 11, 1927

Relatives here have received word of the death of Jean MILLER, three year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. M. MILLER, of Chicago, which occurred Sunday night following an illness with hemorrhages of the brain. Burial was made Tuesday in Chicago. Mr. Miller formerly of this city is an instructor in the Hyde Park high school.

Lyman J. SAVAGE, aged 68 years, died at his home in Macy Thursday evening at 8 o’clock from paralysis from which he had suffered for more than a year. For many years Mr. Savage has been a prominent business man in Macy conducting a furniture, jewelry and undertaking establishment.

He was the eldest son of William and Hannah (YOST) SAVAGE, and was born near Wagoners Station, June 30, 1858. His entire life has been spent in Allen township, Miami county.

Nov. 1, 1879 he was united in marriage with Emma Frances FARRAR, who died in 1905. To this union were born four children, Edith [SAVAGE], Thaddeus [SAVAGE], Roscoe [SAVAGE] and Helen [SAVAGE]. Edith and Thaddeus died during their youth.

Mr. Savage has been a member of the Macy Christian church for many years. He is survived by his son and daughter, Roscoe SAVAGE of Youngstown, Alberta, Canada, and Mrs. Frank AMBLER of Hammond; five grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Frank TALMAGE, of Detroit, and Mrs. William McMAHAN, of Hammond; and two brothers, Thomas Y. SAVAGE, of Macy, and Lucien SAVAGE of Wagoner’s Station.

The funeral will be held at the Macy Christian church Sunday afternoon at 1 o’clock, conducted by Rev. E. W. AKEMAN, and assisted by Rev. J. H. RICHARDSON. Interment in Plainview cemetery.

Mr. Savage was a member of Lincoln Lodge No. 523, F. & A. M., and also the Macy O.E.S.

Mrs. Otto WAGONER left Thursday morning for St. Louis, Mo., where she was called on account of the death of her brother, Tom MYLET, aged 40, wealthy land, coal and oil operator who dropped dead Wednesday evening in the lobby of the Statler hotel in St. Louis.

Mr. Mylet for many years was employed as a clerk in the Julius Falk clothing store at Peru after he had been a partner in the Mylet Brothers department store. Ten years ago he went to Missouri where he became interested in the coal and oil business.

Mr. Mylet was born in Rush county, the son of Patrick and Helen MYLET. When a
youth he moved to Peru with his parents. He is survived by five brothers and two sisters. The body arrived in Peru today. Services will be held from the St. Charles Catholic church Saturday morning at 9 o’clock.

Mrs. Sarah Jane FINLEY died at her home, 263 West 15th street, Peru, Thursday morning at 7:30 o’clock from heart trouble following an illness of seventeen days. The deceased was born in October 30, 1843, her age being 83 years, 4 months and 10 days.

She was united in marriage with Nathan FINLEY in Fulton county, March 10, 1868. The husband and the following children survive: Ora FINLEY, Mrs. Minnie BROOKS, Harrison FINLEY and Newell FINLEY of Huntington.

The deceased was a member of the First Evangelical church of Peru. The burial will be in Mt. Hope cemetery, Peru, but the time and the place of the funeral have not been arranged.

Adam BECK, 68, an employee of the city of Logansport, was fatally injured at noon Friday when he was caught in some machinery at the place where they were unloading coal for the city electric light plant. The top of Mr. Beck’s head was crushed. He leaves a widow and one child.

The funeral of Pleasant BYBEE, 36, son of Mr. and Mrs. John BYBEE, former trustee of Union township, but who are now residents of South Bend, was held at the Kewanna Baptist church Friday afternoon and burial was made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery at that place. The Rev. A. A. KAY had charge of the services.

The deceased passed away Tuesday evening at the Soldiers Home, in Danville, Ill., last Tuesday evening after an illness of long duration. Mr. Bybee had seen several years of service in the U. S. Navy. The body was brought to the home of John HUDKINS, of Kewanna, a near relative of the Bybee’s where it was held until the hour of the funeral.

Saturday, March 12, 1927

Francis WYNN, 73, a life long resident of Fulton County, died at six o’clock Saturday morning at his home one mile north of Rochester on Federal Highway No. 31, following an illness of five years with complications.

Mr. Wynn was born on May 27, 1854 in Madison County and moved to this county with his parents when a small boy. His wife, who was formerly Florence MACKEY, died in 190. [sic] The deceased was a member of the Saints Church of this city and the I.O.O.F. Lodge at Richland Center.

Surviving are three sons, Arley WYNN, of Rochester, John WYNN, Vancouver, B.C., and Ora WYNN, of Chicago, and one daughter, Mrs. Lloyd FLETCHER of Winamac. There are three sisters, Mrs. Nichols ROBBINS, of Mishawaka, Mrs. Schuyler BRAMAN and Mrs. Harrison MARTIN, of Rochester.

Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at 2:30 at the Saints Church in this city, and burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery at Richland Center.

Mrs. Lucinda ADAMS, 52, died at her home on Rural Route 2, Akron, shortly after 5 o’clock Saturday morning. The deceased had been ill for several years with a complication of disease.

Mrs. Adams [Lucinda LEGG] was born in Torrent, Kentucky on January 18, 1875 and was the daughter of Andrew J. and Jane LEGG. The only survivor of the deceased is her
husband.

After short funeral services Tuesday afternoon from the home three miles west of Silver Lake the body will be shipped to Kentucky for burial. Mr. and Mrs. Adams until two years ago resided on a farm in the Bearss neighborhood for 10 years. They have a host of friends in that community.

Kenneth LUCKENBILL, who shot Ray FLYNN in self defense on the night Flynn and YOUNG attempted to hold him up near Gilead, Saturday morning made a sworn statement in the office of Prosecutor Fred McCLURG in the presence of his father, Lon LUCKENBILL, and a number of local officers. This statement is being withheld at the present time by police. This statement probably will be released sometime next week. Prosecutor McClurg stated today that he believes the auto banditry cases will have to be tried in Miami County.

The mystery surrounding the killing of Ray (Foxy) Flynn who was found murdered on a lonely road north of this city on the morning of January 29 by Lawrence KETCHMARK center of the Rochester High School basketball team as he was returning from a game at Crawfordsville, was solved Friday evening through the confession of two men as was the theft of $400 worth of fur from Jay GINTHER on December 13 and numerous holdups in this county the past two years.

The confessions were obtained from Chester (Burnsie) YOUNG, who was arrested at Winamac Friday morning by Sheriff Fred CARR and Glen Howard BUTT 26, who was taken into custody Friday morning by a detective of the South Bend police force as he was working at the Studebaker Automobile Company where he has been employed since January 19. Butt's arrest was made at the request of Detective Cy Stout, of Plymouth, a Pennsylvania railroad detective who has been working on the case.

The confessions from the two men which implicated Oscar "Doc" BALLenger, 23, and who is now in jail, were obtained after hours of grilling on the part of Prosecutor Fred McClurg and Sheriff Danny HAINES and Prosecutor Abe LINCOLN of Columbia City, and Pennsylvania railroad detectives, Cy STOUT and L. H. RUPLEY of Columbia City.

The confessions which were obtained from Young and Butt is a story which could be the basis of a novel. The stories told by the young men are unbelievable were it not for the fact that evidence obtained by the six officers substantiates them in every detail. As a result of the arrests two men, Young and Butt, are being held for auto banditry. Ballenger is charged with being an accessory after-the-fact in the banditry case and Verne SPOHN, 23, was arrested Friday morning at his home in East Rochester for grand larceny.

Flynn, according to the confessions of Butt and Young was killed on a main traveled highway near Gilead, Indiana, about 8:00 p.m., January 28, as he attempted to holdup Kenneth LUCKENBILL, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles LUCKENBILL, who lives two miles south of Gilead on a farm just 40 rods from the home of Glen Butt's mother.

Butt in his sworn confession which appears in another column of this issue, stated that he made arrangements with Glen OVERMYER in the Gilliland poolroom here on the afternoon of January 28 to use his car that evening. About 6:15 Butt says he got the Overmyer car near the M. & M. Department Store on West Seventh street and later met Young and Flynn on East Ninth street.

According to Butts they started out to look for a likely looking victim for a holdup. The trio then drove east as far as Athens where they turned south and at a point two miles south of Gilead, or a distance of approximately 20 miles from this city, they came upon Luckenbill who was walking from the Winona Interurban station to his home. Luckenbill had been
working in Michigan and had come home to spend the week end with his parents.

Butt then stated that Ray Flynn said, “There goes a fellow. I wonder if he has any money.” Butt cautioned against holding up any person there as he said it might be a friend or relative of his. The two men however disregarded Butt’s warning and jumped out of the Overmyer car, Flynn first arming himself with a .45 calibre revolver which was in a pocket of the car and which Butt says was not loaded.

Getting out of the car Flynn and Young, one on both sides, Butt says Flynn ordered Luckenbill to “to stick ‘em up.” Luckenbill dropped his luggage and as he raised his right hand above his head drew a .38 calibre revolver from his left hip pocket and started to fire. Five shots were emptied from the revolver by Luckenbill either the third or fourth one striking Flynn. The fifth was fired at Young who was by this time retreating toward the Overmyer car.

Luckenbill then ran to his home about three-quarters of a mile away. After Luckenbill had left, Butt stated that he and Young helped Flynn into the car when the victim of the gunfire stated, “I have been shot. I cannot see.” On the return trip to this city which was made through Macy, Young rode in the back seat with Flynn and supported him.

While making the trip here Butt and Young said they debated as to whether to take Flynn to a doctor but for fear of questioning decided not to do so. Their negligence will in all probability result in a charge of first degree murder being lodged against them which means the electric chair. Medical aid could have been procured at Macy where Dr. CARTER resides.

After returning to this city Butt then related that Young and he parked the Overmyer car on East Fifth street. Butt says both got out of the machine, he going to the Gilliland poolroom where he again met Overmyer and told him what had happened. Butt says he told Overmyer to be sure and determine if Flynn were dead before he disposed of the body. Butt also says he told Overmyer if it were him he would take Flynn to his home in East Rochester and notify his relatives.

Butt then related that Overmyer afterwards told him that he returned to his car and found that life was extinct in Flynn. Driving north of Rochester Overmyer dumped the body out along the roadway face down. Later when the body of Flynn was discovered a blue bandanna handkerchief was found around his neck tied in the manner of a highwayman.

While the officers would not state today how they secured their lead which lead to the solving of the murder mystery it is said that information was obtained from Overmyer who is now in jail at Columbia City doing 30 days time on a public intoxication charge. Another reason assigned for the tip as to murder was procured from Young while in an intoxicated condition. Butt had often stated, “that he was afraid Young would get drunk and spill his guts.”

The confessions of Young and Butt are identical with the exception of one point as to just where Flynn passed away. Butt says he does not know but thinks it was near Macy while Young who was riding with Flynn states that he was still alive when they left him in the car by himself on East Fifth street.

The question of jurisdiction in the matter where it shall be vested with Fulton or Miami county authorities depends to a great extent upon the place where Flynn passed away even though the attempted holdup did occur in Miami county.

Fulton county authorities however are going forward in their attempt to bring the four men to justice and probably Overmyer will be included in this list later. The Fulton county grand jury will be summoned Monday by Judge R. R. CARR. They will be given detailed instructions to sift the murder, fur theft, and holdups to the bottom.

The Miami county authorities stated this morning that they did not care to handle the case against the five men and only would if they were forced to by point of law. The Miami county
prosecutor stated that the Fulton County authorities had cleared up the mystery and he believed that they should prosecute the guilty parties.

There is still a possibility that Miami county authorities will have to take charge of the case and this move may be forced on the state by attorneys for the defendants who may raise the question of jurisdiction when the cases are called.

As yet none of the four men now held in the jail here have been arraigned. The charges of auto banditry against Young and Butt as well as the grand larceny charge against Spohn have been filed in the court of justice William EWING. Ballenger is being held on a vagrancy charge which will be changed sometime today to that of being an accessory. The four men will be arraigned probably Monday or Tuesday after which their cases will be bound over to the Circuit court. Judge CARR it is thought will ask high bonds in each of the cases.

Luckenbill, the young man who killed Flynn is not held responsible by the authorities in any manner. He impressed the sheriffs with his straight-forward story Friday. The officers stated that he should receive a medal for his courage in protecting himself even after being covered by the holdup gun.

Luckenbill stated that he was glad the mystery was solved as the suspense of being the possible cause of Flynn’s death has hung heavily on his mind during the past six weeks.

Luckenbill also said that he had suspicioned Butt as being a member of the gang which held him up but as he was a neighbor he never voiced his thoughts.

Following the shooting a .45 calibre revolver was found in the roadway near where the holdup occurred. This was turned over to the sheriff of Miami county who later gave the gun to Sheriff CARR who now has it in his possession.

Luckenbill will come to this city late this afternoon or this evening. He will be questioned by local officers in an effort to make their cases against the four and possibly five defendants much stronger. Every effort is being made by Sheriff CARR and Prosecutor McClurg to make their cases against the defendants impervious.

Every one of the four defendants has talked and so has Overmyer. The four men taken into custody here were separated by the detectives and never given an opportunity to see each other until after their confessions were obtained. The story about the murder and fur theft is now complete.

Flynn, Overmyer, Young and Ballenger are well known to Rochester police officers. They have been in trouble here on numerous occasions and all have done or are doing time on various charges. Butt, of all the gang, seems to be the only one who has never been in trouble before.

The full story of the fur theft has not as yet been given out. Some rumors say that Overmyer shipped the furs to Nebraska where they were sold and others say that the pelts have been buried. Local officers during the past six weeks have dug around in several fields where it is thought the furs might be buried after they had received various tips.

Spohn can only be charged with the fur robbery which is a grand larceny count which carries with it a sentence of 8 to 10 years in the penitentiary. Overmyer knew the uses to which his car was being placed according to Butt who stated that Overmyer had asked him on several occasions to accompany them on their various robberies and holdups, but he stated he had always refused.

What charge will be placed against Overmyer has not as yet been determined. He will be given another severe grilling today by Columbia City authorities. The charge of auto banditry carries with it a sentence of from 10 to 25 years while that of first degree murder is either the chair or life imprisonment.

Butt is the adopted son of the late William BUTT who met a tragic death about two years
ago at the Whisler crossing on the Winona Interurban Company trolley track near Chili when his
automobile was struck by a car and he and his daughter-in-law were both instantly killed. Butt’s
name was orignially [Glen Howard] MOORE.

Monday, March 14, 1927

Charles DIXON, about 65 years of age, died at his home one mile southwest of Rochester on
the Winamac road Monday afternoon. After lunch Mr. Dixon layed down to take a nap and at two
o’clock was found dead by his wife. Death was due to heart trouble from which he had suffered
for a number of years.

Surviving are the wife and one sister, Mrs. Thomas TOUGHMAN, east of Rochester. Further
particulars will be given in Tuesday’s issue.

Sidney B. GREEN, residing one and one-half mile east of Tiosa, passed away at six o’clock
Friday evening of old age complications. He was born November 4, 1844. His wife is dead and he
made his home with his son, Luther [GREEN]. His other children are: Mrs. Otto ALEXANDER,
Culver, Ind., Mrs. Carl ONANAMER, Coming, Ark., Mrs. Emma STELAHART, Stites, Idaho,
Della JEFFIRS, Mentone and Mrs. Nellie EATON Burket, Ind. Funeral services were held in the
Christian church in Tiosa at 2:30 Sunday afternoon, with burial in the Reichter cemetery.

South Bend, Ind., Mar. 14. -- Mrs. Emma BURGER, 42, a resident of South Bend for four
years, died at 3 o’clock Friday afternoon at her residence, 1210 E. Haney avenue, of Bright’s
disease following an illness of two days.

Mrs. Burger was born in Silver Lake, Ind., in 1884, and was married to Egbert L. Burger,
July 22, 1914, in North Manchester, Ind. She moved here from Claypool, Ind.

The deceased is survived by her husband, Egbert L. BURGER; her mother, Mrs. Ben WEST;
three sisters, Miss Alva MONTEL, Mrs. Effie OBERHOLSER, and Mrs. Iva RHODES; and two
brothers, Roy [MONTEL] and Artie MONTEL.

A prayer service will be held at the residence at 6:30 o’clock Saturday evening, with the Rev.
J. Clyde FORNEY, pastor of the First Church of the Brethren, officiating. Funeral services took
place at the First Church of the Brethren at North Manchester at 2:30 Sunday afternoon. Burial
was made in the Manchester cemetery.

Tuesday, March 15, 1927

Mrs. Jacob MYERS has received word of the death of her brother-in-law Isaac GROAT of
Deedsville which occurred at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Sam DINGMAN of Peru, Sunday
afternoon.

Wednesday, March 16, 1927 and Thursday, March 17, 1927

[no obits]
Friday, March 18, 1927

Wabash, Mar. 18. - The death of Harley WEESNER, 44, former part owner of the Owen Harvey and Weesner Implement company of Wabash, occurred at seven o’clock Wednesday evening at his home in the Bradley apartments on Canal street as a result of a stroke of paralysis with which he was stricken Tuesday morning at 11:00 o’clock. Mr. Weesner had been resting in his room during the morning and the stroke came unexpectedly. He was rendered totally helpless and was able to only indicate that he be carried to his bed. He was assisted by a neighbor who lives next to the Weesner apartment. His wife was summoned immediately she is employed but even by the time of her arrival the stricken man had lapsed into unconsciousness from which he never rallied. [sic]

Harley Weesner was born in 1883 in Wabash county to Eli and Olive WEESNER. The Weesner family lived here for ten years before moving their residence to Fulton county where they made their home for 12 years. They returned to Wabash at that time. Mr. Weesner was one of ten children, five of whom are now living.

Mrs. Martha Luella CLARK, aged 39 years, for several years a resident of the Monterey neighborhood, passed away at her home Thursday morning. Death was contributory to child-birth. The deceased [Martha Luella CHATMAN] was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank CHATMAN. In early life she joined the Christian church to which faith she clung until death, she was also a member of the Gleaners lodge. Besides the husband and eight children, Mrs. Clark is survived by a brother, Omer CHATMAN, of Winamac, and one sister, Mrs. Myrtle GRIFFON, residing in Florida.

The funeral will be held at the Lawton church Monterey on Sunday afternoon at 2 o’clock. Burial will be made at the Monterey I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Saturday, March 19, 1927

[no obits]

Monday, March 21, 1927

Henry MECHLING, age 75, a life long resident of Fulton County, died at 2:30 Monday morning at his home one-half mile east of Tiosa following an illness of two years with paralysis. The deceased was born in Allen County, Ohio on December eight, 1852 the son of Samuel and Eva MECHLING, and when two years of age moved to the farm where he lived until his death. Forty-nine years ago he was married to Miss Maria KNUSS, of Miami County. He was a member of the Gleaners lodge and Brethren lodge at Tiosa.

Surviving are the widow, one daughter, Mrs. Harry OSBORN, and one son, Delbert MECHLING, two grandchildren, Kathryn OSBORN and Lloyd MECHLING, one brother, Otto MECHLING, and one sister, Mrs. Mary CLOFFBERGER, both of South Bend.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at two o’clock at the Tiosa Brethren church with Rev. John CLARK, of North Liberty in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery at Richland Center.
Tuesday, March 22, 1927

William L. MINTER, who lived for many years on a farm near North Mud Lake, and a brother of Salone Minter, of Rochester, died Monday afternoon at 1:30 at the home of his son, U. S. Minter, in Peru, death being due to the infirmities of old age.

The deceased was born July 10th, 1840, his age being 86 years.

Surviving are three sons, U. S. MINTER, of Peru, Perry O. MINTER, of Cleveland, Ohio, and O. L. MINTER, of Lacarne, Ohio, one brother, Salone MINTER of Rochester, and a sister, Mrs. Sevilla WILLIAMS of Cleveland, Ohio. Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 at the Methodist church in Macy and burial will be made in the Macy cemetery. The Macy I.O.O.F. lodge, of which he was a member, will be in charge of the services.

Wednesday, March 23, 1927

[no obits]

Thursday, March 24, 1927

Alonzo R. SINGER, 53, died at his home eight miles west of this city on what is known as the SHEETS farm at 9:10 p.m. Wednesday as the result of injuries which he received six weeks ago in an automobile accident. Mr. Singer, who at that time lived on the YEAGLEY farm north of Akron, was returning to his home in his buggy when the vehicle was struck by a car driven by Ivan TUCKER, a farmer living near Beaver Dam.

Singer was thrown to the ground. He suffered internal injuries and in addition bad bruises about the head and shoulders. The injured man has been bedfast since the night of the accident.

The deceased was born on a farm near Kewanna on April 8, 1873, and was the son of James and Susan SINGER. He has lived in this county and in Kosciusko county his entire life.

Mr. Singer in 1894 married Miss Mary EASTERDAY who with two sons, Ira [SINGER] and Alonzo [SINGER], Jr., two daughters, Mildred [SINGER] and Edith [SINGER], two brothers, Frank [SINGER] of Akron, and George [SINGER] of Portland Oregon, and a sister, Dora [SINGER] of South Bend, survive. The children are all at home.

Funeral services will be held Saturday morning at 11 o’clock from the Rich Valley church in Wabash county. Burial will be made in the cemetery adjacent to the church.

Friday, March 25, 1927

The body of the late Helen FITZGERALD, pioneer resident of Fulton county, who died in Kooskia, Idaho, on March 12 will be brought back to this city for burial. The body will arrive in this city over the Erie at 1:38 p.m. Sunday after which it will be removed to the Presbyterian Church where services will be held at 2:30. Rev. Daniel S. PERRY, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of which organization the deceased was a charter member, will be in charge of the services. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.
Jonas W. STOCKBERGER, a young farmer residing on the County-line road about six miles north of this city, was severely shocked Thursday noon when he returned to his home for dinner and found his wife, Cora E. [STOCKBERGER], cold in death lying across the bed. Mrs. Stockberger appeared to be enjoying the best of health when her husband left her at eight o’clock that morning to go to the fields where he was engaged in shucking corn. Death is believed to have resulted from a severe heart attack, however Coroner SNYDER of Marshall county will hold an inquest at the farm home today.

Cora E. [DUDGEON], daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James DUDGEON, was born on a farm in Richland township on Feb. 22nd, 1893. Besides the husband the deceased is survived by two sons, Gorman Dean [STOCKBERGER], Norman Ray [STOCKBERGER], a daughter, Dorothy Lavon [STOCKBERGER], and her mother, Mrs. Cora DUDGEON of Richland Center. The deceased also leaves the following brothers and sisters, Arthur [DUDGEON] and Arley DUDGEON, Mrs. Carrie MATTHEWS and Mrs. Alta MILLER, all who reside in the Richland Center neighborhood.

The funeral will be held at Richland Center Saturday at 2 o’clock. Burial will be made in an adjacent cemetery.

Mrs. Sarah A. MYERS, age 85, died early Friday morning at her home five miles south of Leiters Ford, death being due to old age and complications. Mrs. Myers was born in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania in October ninth, 1842 the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John FOX. In November 14th, 1871 she was married to William A. MYERS who died a year and a half ago. She was a member of the Baptist church at Kewanna.

The deceased is survived by four daughters, Mrs. James H. HUNTER, of Toledo, Ohio, Mrs. A. E. FELDER, of Kewanna, Mrs. M. V. WIDDUP of near Rochester, Mrs. J. C. HUDKINS, of Kalamazoo, Mich., and one son J. F. MYERS of near Kewanna. There are two sisters, Mrs. Mary BOOK, of Kewanna, Mrs. Addie SINGER of Canon City, Col., and one brother, J. H. FOX, of Ingmer, Montana.

Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at two o’clock at the Baptist Church in Kewanna with Rev. - - - - - made in Kewanna.

Saturday, March 26, 1927

[no obits]

Monday, March 28, 1927

Mrs. Pauline BOWERS and Mrs. William ZELLERS have received word of the death of their sister-in-law, Mrs. Frank McQUEIN, age 50, which occurred Sunday night at her home in Springfield, Ill, following an illness of several weeks. Funeral services will be held in Springfield Wednesday.

Mrs. Henry MEYER, aged 63 years, passed away at her home 928 Franklin avenue Monday morning at 11:45, after several years of illness from pernicious anemia. The deceased had resided in Rochester practically all of her life and was always quite active in all social and church activities of this vicinity.

Mrs. Meyer [Ora A. BETZ] was the daughter of Richard and Rachel BETZ, having been born in this county on August 12th, 1864. The deceased was a member of the local Presbyterian church and was an active worker in this organization until incapacitated by ill
health. Mrs. Meyer is survived by her husband and one daughter, Miss Beyrl [MEYER], and a
brother, Gene BETZ, who resides at South Bend.

Funeral arrangements were not available as this issue of the News-Sentinel went to press, it is
presumed however the services will be held Wednesday afternoon.

Albert Eugene WEISER, 60, a resident of this city for many years where he followed the
occupation of a painter, died at 4:30 this morning at the home of his brother, Finley C. WEISER,
who lives on the STEFFY farm which is located on the east bank of Lake Manitou.

Death was caused by cancer of the stomach with which Mr. Weiser had suffered for the past
three years. Mr. Weiser seven years ago moved to South Bend where he followed his vocation. On
Christmas Day his condition became so grave that he came to this county to make his home with
his brother.

Mr. Weiser was born on a farm in Marshall county on March 23, 1858 and was the son of
Ransom and Amarada WEISER. He is survived by one son, Guy [WEISER], of South Bend, a
daugther, Mrs. Nellie LAMB of South Bend, two brothers, Finley [WEISER] and Stephen
[WEISER] of Culver and a half-sister Mrs. Lucy SEE of Argos. Mrs. Weiser, who was Miss
Emma NELLANS, died two years ago.

Mr. Weiser was a member of the Rochester Moose Lodge which will have charge of the
burial services.

Relatives in this city Sunday received a telegram telling of the death of Charles
MONTGOMERY, 40, which occurred at Jacksonville, Florida, this morning following an
operation for the removal of a kidney. Mr. Montgomery for many years was a resident of this city,
and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Commodore MONTGOMERY.

He is survived by his widow, two children, mother, who lives in Long Beach, California, and
three brothers, Wilson [MONTGOMERY] of Chicago, Guy [MONTGOMERY] of Los Angeles,
Cal., and Robert [MONTGOMERY] of Norwood, Ohio. The body will be shipped to this city for
burial. Funeral arrangements and obituary later.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Helen Amelia FITZGERALD, pioneer resident of Rochester, who
died in Koosiaka, Idaho, was held and then the body was committed to the earth. Rev. Daniel
PERRY of the Presbyterian Church, officiated at the funeral.

The body of Mrs. Fitzgerald was delayed in reaching Rochester on its long journey from the
West which caused the funeral arrangements to be changed and delayed twice. Owing to the
uncertainty as to when it would arrive the plans were altered to have just the grave ceremony here.
A church funeral had been held at Koosiaka under the direction of Mrs. Miles L. MARSH, a
granddaughter, and another ceremony at the train.

Victor BARNETT, a grandson managing editor of the Tulsa Okla, Tribune, was present in
Rochester and took charge of the burial. A large number of old friends and relatives of the
deceased pioneer attended the final rites.

Tuesday, March 29, 1927

Mrs. Blanche BROWN and son of Macy, were called to Tuscola, Ill., Sunday on account of
the death of Mrs. Brown’s father, B. F. TWIFORD, 72, who died of heart trouble. Mr. Twiford
had spent the past two years with his daughter and family at Macy and only recently went to
Tuscola and became ill upon his arrival there.
Coroner R. E. JOHNSON, of Plymouth, Saturday morning rendered his verdict in the death of Mrs. Cora E. STOCKBERGER who was found dead Thursday afternoon by her husband lying across a bed, when he returned from plowing a field. Coroner Johnson found that death had been caused by coronary embolism which is the hardening of the small arteries leading to the heart. Mrs. Stockberger had suffered with heart trouble for a number of years. Funeral services for the deceased was conducted from the Richland Center church Saturday afternoon with burial in the cemetery adjacent. Besides her husband, Mrs. Stockberger leaves three small children.

Friends of Mrs. Elgy RENTSCHLER, residing in Fulton and Liberty township were greatly shocked early Tuesday morning by the news of her death which resulted at 6:30 Monday morning. Death was resultant from childbirth. Mrs. Rentschler was apparently in good health and the illness which later proved fatal was of less than twelve hours in duration.

The deceased [Lola Mae CUNNINGHAM] was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William CUNNINGHAM and was born at Fulton on August 8, 1903. She had been a resident of the immediate Fulton vicinity all of her life and on March 8, 1924 was united in marriage with Mr. Elgy RENTSCHLER. Besides her husband and parents she is survived by a brother, John CUNNINGHAM, who resides at Peru. Mrs. Rentschler was a member of the United Brethren church of Fulton.

The funeral services will be held at the U.B. Church Thursday afternoon at 2 o’clock, with Rev. M. S. LAVENGOOD officiating. Burial will be made in the Fulton cemetery.

The body of the late Charles MONTGOMERY, who died in Jacksonville, Florida, Sunday night following an operation for the removal of a kidney, will arrive in this city at 10:35 Wednesday morning relatives were advised today. Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2:30 o’clock from the First Presbyterian Church of which organization Mr. Montgomery was a member. The delay in burial is occasioned by the fact that Mrs. Montgomery and two children, who reside in Everett, Washington, were unable to reach this city until Friday. Neither Mr. Montgomery’s mother, who lives in Long Beach, California, nor brother Guy [MONTGOMERY] of Los Angeles, Cal., will be able to come here for the funeral services.

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Henry MEYER, who died at her home 928 Franklin Avenue Sunday morning after a five years illness, will be held from the home at 2:30 p.m., Wednesday. The Rev. Daniel PERRY, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, will be in charge of the service. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Mrs. Mary McPHERSON, age 70, resident of Kewanna for the past 35 years, died at seven o’clock Wednesday morning following an illness of one year with cancer. The deceased was born on February 18th, 1857, in Michigan the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark WAKEMAN. Thirty-five years ago Mr. and Mrs. McPherson moved from Hebron to Kewanna where Mr. McPherson operated a drug store until his death nine years ago. Mrs. McPherson was a life long member of the Christian Church and of the Eastern Star.

Surviving are three children, Mrs. Mondo CULP and Charles McPHerson of Kewanna and Fred McPHerson of Lebanon. Funeral arrangements have not been made.
Thursday, March 31, 1927

Funeral services for the late Charles MONTGOMERY, who died last Sunday at Jacksonville, Florida, will be held at 2:30 Friday afternoon at the Presbyterian Church. The body can be viewed at the church from twelve until two.

Mrs. Julia Ann WILBER, age 84, died Wednesday evening at her home in Leiters Ford following an illness of several weeks. Death was due to old age and complications. Mrs. Wilber [Julia Ann RHINESMITH] was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William RHINESMITH and was a life long resident of Fulton county.

Surviving are four children, Mrs. Clara BAIRD, of Jonesboro, Ind., Clyde DIPERT, of Huntington, George HARRIS and Miss Nora DIPERT at home. Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at the home. Burial will be made at Leiters.

Friday, April 1, 1927

The infant daughter of Dr. and Mrs. George BROWER which was born shortly before midnight Thursday at Woodlawn Hospital lived but a short time. The baby had been named Betty [BROWER]. Burial was made in the Odd Fellows Cemetery at 2 p.m. Friday afternoon. Mrs. Brower who has been quite ill is somewhat improved today.

Saturday, April 2, 1927

Sydney A. STRONG, aged 57, a life-long resident of Akron, passed away at his home in that city at two o’clock Saturday morning, death resulting from heart trouble. Mr. Strong had been a sufferer of this disease for a little over a year although his condition was not regarded as serious until the past three weeks. The deceased for many years operated a mercantile business in Akron, and was prominently and favorably known by practically every resident in the eastern section of Fulton county.

Sydney A., son of Andrew and Sarah STRONG, was born in Akron in September of the year 1850. The deceased’s wife preceded him in death 15 years ago. Mr. Strong was a member of the Masonic and K. of P. lodges of the Akron chapters. He is survived by the following sisters and brothers: Mrs. A. A. KISTLER, Miss Deborah STRONG, and Mrs. F. W. STUDEBAKER, all of Akron; Frienda STRONG, E. O. STRONG, both of Akron, and W. S. STRONG of Dixon, Ill.

The funeral will be held Monday afternoon at 2:30 at the Methodist Church with the Rev. WEHRLY officiating. Burial will be made in the Akron cemetery.

Another of Fulton county’s pioneers was called by death Friday afternoon at 2 o’clock in the person of Mrs. Elizabeth MOORE, who resided on a farm east of Athens. Death resulted from complications inherent with advanced years. Mrs. Moore, who was 81 years of age, had been in ill health for the past three weeks.

The deceased has resided in Henry township practically all of her life, her husband, Isaac MOORE, having preceded her in death several years ago. Mrs. Moore is survived by the following children: William [MOORE], Charles [MOORE] and Clarence MOORE of Henry township, and Miss Retha MOORE of Newcastle, Ind.

The funeral will be held at the Athens U.B. church Monday morning at 10 o’clock. Burial at the Athens cemetery.
Word reaching Rochester relatives Saturday morning, apprised them of the death of George DAGUE, aged 73 years, which occurred at Denver, Ind., Friday night. The deceased had been in ill health for the past several years, although his condition was not regarded as alarming until the past week.

The deceased often visited in Rochester at the home of his son, O. W. DAGUE. The funeral will be held at the Dague residence, Denver, on Monday afternoon at 2 o’clock.

Frank McKEE, of this city, Saturday morning received a telegram informing him of the death of his niece, Mrs. Carrie MILLER KISHLINE, age 32, which occurred Friday night at her home in Detroit, Michigan. The cause of her death was not stated in the message.

The deceased was born in Rochester on May 20th, 1895 the daughter of John and Carrie MILLER, her mother dying at the time of her birth. She was raised in this city by her grandmother, Mrs. Martha McKEE, who died a few years ago. She was a graduate of the Rochester High school and of the South Bend Business College. For several years she was employed as stenographer for BEYER BROS. Company and in 1917 went to Washington, D.C. where she held a position during the world war is a stenographer in the office of the secretary of Labor. In 1918 she was married to Floyd KISHLINE, of Washington, D.C.

Surviving Mrs. Kishline is her husband, two sons and her father, John MILLER, of South Bend. No word has been received here as to funeral and burial arrangements.

Mrs. Eva WARNER, aged 82, died at her home in Macy Saturday morning at 12 o’clock after nine months of intense suffering from diseases incident to old age.

She was born at Germantown, Ohio, April 1, 1845, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David SHAFFER. When seven weeks old her mother died, and when two years of age was adopted into the home of Mr. and Mrs. John AYDELOTT who were very devoted to her.

Shortly after the Civil War she was united in marriage with J. W---lay WARNER and to this union --- children were born.

The deceased was a member of the Macy Methodist Church nearly all her life. She is survived by six daughters and two sons, namely, Alice [NEWTON] wife of Chas. NEWTON of Portland, O., Margaret [BOYD] wife of Albert BOYD of Elkhart, Della [GREGORY] wife of Wm. GREGORY of Fulton, Rose [LONG], wife of Uly LONG of South Whitley, Grace [BROWN] wife of Harry BROWN of Kokomo, Olive [EWER], wife of W. M. EWER of Macy, Walter WARNER of Macy and Adrian WARNER of Akron, Ohio.

Definite funeral arrangements have not been made but possibly will be Monday afternoon at the Macy M.E. Church. Burial will be at Five Corners Cemetery.

A case which has been pending since the latter part of the year 1924, was settled on March 25, 1927, when Roy E. HARDESTY of Hammond, a former resident of Akron, was awarded damages in the amount of $5,000 from Dr. John T. MARTIN of Mount Ayr, Indiana.

Soon after the death of Mrs. Hardesty in November, 1924, Hardesty brought a suit in the Newton County Court at Kentland, Ind., against Martin, for an alleged illegal operation performed on Mrs. Hardesty. Hardesty alleged that his wife died as a result of the operation.

The case was venued to the court at Rensselaer and later to the Crown Point court, where it was tried.

A jury was called to sit at the start of the case, but motions made by both sides put the case in the hands of the Judge.

Court decided in favor of the plaintiff, awarding him $5,000, one-half of the amount asked.
HANLY and HANLY of Rensselaer and BROWN and CHIPMAN were attorneys for the plaintiff, Mose LEOPOLD, and Geo. E. HERSHMAN, State highway Commissioner, were employed by the defendant.

Monday, April 4, 1927

Mrs. Elizabeth BIDDINGER, aged 75 years, one of Fulton county’s pioneer residents passed away Sunday afternoon at 4 o’clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Clarence Hinton in Newcastle township. Death resulted from a cancerous infection of the stomach, Mrs. Biddinger having been confined to her bed for the past four weeks.

Elizabeth [ROBERTSON], daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William ROBERTSON, was born on July 23rd, 1851 in New Jersey. She came to this state while still quite young and later married Jesse BIDDINGER, who preceded her in death in January 1924. The deceased was a member of the Leiters Ford Methodist church in which organization she took an active part throughout her entire life. The following children survive: Carl BIDDINGER, of Rochester, Cloyd B. BIDDINGER, of East Chicago, Don M. BIDDINGER, of Manila, Philippine Island, and Mrs. Clarence HINTON of near Rochester.

The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 at the Leiters Ford Methodist church with Rev. H. L. ADAMS officiating. The cortege will leave the residence at 1:30. Burial will be made in the Leiters Ford I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Mrs. Elizabeth PACEY, aged 90 years, passed away Sunday evening at 5:10 o’clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lou HOLZ, south of this city. Mrs. Pacey came to this city a little over a month ago from Buckley, Ill., to make her home with Mrs. Holz. Death resulted after a brief illness caused by complications accompanying advanced years.

Eliza [PACEY], daughter of George and Mary PACEY, was born in Lincoln, England, on Feb. 5th, 1837. On May 28, 1858 she was united in marriage to John PACEY, the ceremony taking place at Lincoln, England. The deceased with her husband soon took up their residence in Illinois. To this union the following children survive: Mrs. L. G. HOLZ, of this city, Mrs. W. W. SARGENT, of Nappanee, Ind., Mrs. Minerva JOHNSON of Lafayette, G. N. [PACEY], F. A. [PACEY], and W. J. PACEY, of all of Buckley, Ill., and H. E. PACEY, of Lafayette; ten grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. Her husband preceded her in death several years ago. The deceased was a devout member of the Methodist church, Buckley, Ill.

Brief funeral services will be held at the Holz home Tuesday afternoon at 3 o’clock with Rev. R. H. CROWDER officiating. The body will then be taken to Buckley, Ill., where on Wednesday afternoon at 2 p.m. services will be held. Interment will be made in the Glen cemetery at Paxton, Ill.

Mrs. Alice BROULETTE, aged 56, of 10437 Avenue G, East Chicago, wife of Charles BROULETTE, formerly a cigar maker and long a resident of this city, passed away Friday morning after an illness of three weeks duration. Death was caused by a nervous breakdown.

The Brouilettes left Rochester about twenty years ago, moving to Hammond. Mr. Brouilette is now deputy coroner of the East Chicago District.

The deceased is survived by her husband and three daughters, Mrs. Pauline THOMAS, Mrs. Marie LIODY [sic], of Calumet, and Miss Martha [BROULETTE], at home.
Mayer GRAY, 32, resident of Mentone, died at Woodlawn hospital shortly before midnight Sunday from the result of accidental injury which he suffered Saturday morning at 11:30 p.m. Gray, who is an employee of the Burns Bakery of Mentone, is survived by a wife and nine children, the eldest child being 13 years of age.

About twenty minutes after eleven Saturday morning, Gray left his home to walk downtown where he had intended to do some marketing for his wife. In passing the doorway of the Eberly Lumber Co.’s planing room, a piece of 2x4 timber about eight feet in length which was being ripped on the huge circular saw, caught in such a manner that a large section of the lumber was hurled with terrific force through the doorway. This flying timber caught Gray in the abdominal region, directly above his right hip. The force of the impact knocked him to the ground. Passersby rushed to the scene of the accident and assisted the injured man to his home.

An examination by local physicians showed he was suffering from severe intestinal ruptures, although the skin had no surface abrasions. The injured man was brought to the local hospital Saturday evening, where at midnight local surgeons after making an incision into the abdomen found such frightful injuries that an operation was deemed futile. The man gradually grew weaker from the internal hemorrhage until he passed away Sunday night.

Mr. Gray had been a resident of Mentone for a little over a year, coming to that city from North Manchester. Besides his wife and nine children, he is survived by his parents who reside in Virginia. Funeral arrangement will not be available until word is received from Mr. and Mrs. Gray.

Funeral services for Mrs. Floyd KISHLINE, formerly Miss Carrie MILLER of Rochester, who died Friday night in Detroit, Michigan following an operation, will be held at the home of her uncle, Frank McKEE, on College Ave., Tuesday morning at 10:30. Rev. W. J. NIVEN will officiate and burial will be made in the I.O.O.F Cemetery. The body will arrive in this city early Tuesday morning and will be accompanied by Mr. Kishline and his father.

Tuesday, April 5, 1927

Word reached this office today telling of the death of Leroy ARMSTRONG, who died last Sunday at his home in Lankershime, Calif. Mr. Armstrong, at the time of his death, was employed as a research director for the Universal Pictures Corporation. However most of his life was spent in newspaper work, he being the author of several novels. Perhaps the most prominent of his literary endeavors was the novel “The Outlaws,” which dealt with the pioneer life along the Wabash river. About fifty years ago, Armstrong came to Rochester from Plymouth, accepting a position on The Sentinel. The Newspaper at this time published in the rooms over Dawson & Coplen drug store. While engaged as a newswriter, Armstrong was united in marriage to a Miss LOUGH and to this union several children were born. It is believed by his old associates who reside here that his wife preceded him in death several years ago.

During his employment in this city his graphic write-up of the murder of John WALLACE by John VANDECAR, local citizens, brought state-wide commendation for the Sentinel and himself. Shortly following this episode in his colorful career he wrote and published a book entitled “Indiana.” The sale of this work was disappointing and a few years later he and his family moved to a western state. For several years he was managing editor of the leading paper in Salt Lake City Utah, and while in that city he wrote a series of articles which were published in the Saturday Evening Post.
No details of the funeral arrangements were available but it is presumed Mr. Armstrong will be buried in California.

Wednesday, April 6, 1927

Akron citizens and residents of Henry township were greatly shocked Tuesday evening by the report of the sudden death of one of that township's leading citizens, Jacob R. WAECHTER. Waechter, who is employed in Akron as a clerk, had returned to his home two and one-half miles south of Akron and immediately prepared to make a visit to the home of his half-sister, Mrs. Elizabeth EBER, who was seriously ill at her farm home.

Before Waechter could complete his preparations and a few minutes before seven o'clock he was stricken dead. The half-sister, Mrs. Eber, who had been ill for the past two months by a stroke of apoplexy, passed away at ten o'clock the same evening. These deaths occurring in the same family in so short a time made the relatives a burden of grief doubly hard and the entire community offers them its sincere sympathy.

Jacob [WAECHTER], son of Mr. and Mrs. George WAECHTER, was 58 years old having been born near Akron and resided in that vicinity all of his life. For the past several years he had been employed as a clerk in one of Akron's leading mercantile establishments. The deceased was a member of the Christian church and the Knights of Pythias lodge. Mr. Waechter is survived by his wife who was formerly Eva STRONG and two daughters, Mrs. Lorene PONTIUS of Elkhart and Mrs. Cleo COOK, of South Bend.

Besides the immediate family the deceased leaves two sisters, Mrs. S. KROFT, of near Akron, Mrs. Lewis LEININGER of Akron; a half-sister, Mrs. Lydia WOLFORD, of Fargo, N.D.; two brothers, Reuben [WAECHTER] and Cornelius [WAECHTER] who reside west of Akron. Mrs. Elizabeth EBER, at whose home Waechter was visiting Tuesday afternoon, was a half-sister of his.

The funeral will be held at Akron Thursday. More complete information concerning the services will be published in Thursday issue of the News-Sentinel.

Mrs. Elizabeth EBER, aged 72 years, passed away at her home 4 miles north of Akron at 10 o'clock Tuesday evening, death resulting after an illness of two months from paralysis. Mrs. Eber had been a resident of Henry township all of her life.

When quite a young lady, Miss Elizabeth [WAECHTER], daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George WAECHTER, was united in marriage to Phillip EBER, and to this union 11 children were born. Mr. Eber preceded her in death 15 years ago. The deceased is survived by the following children: Jacob EBER, of near Akron, Mrs. Vern HATFIELD, Akron, Mrs. Tressa SCHRAEDER, of near Akron, Mrs. Bertha DRUDGE of Silver Lake, Homer EBER, of Marion, Ohio, John EBER of North Manchester, Mrs. Anna SMITH of Wabash, Alva EBER of Illinois, George EBER of Alberta, Canada, an adopted daughter, Mata [EBER], at home. Lewis EBER, a son, preceded his mother in death.

The deceased also leaves a sister, Mrs. Lydia WOLFORD, of Fargo, N.D.; two half-sisters, Mrs. Lewis LEININGER and Mrs. Lydia KROFT, of Akron; and two half-brothers, Reuben [WAECHTER] and Cornelius WAECHTER of near Akron. Mrs. Eber was a member of the Progressive Brethren Church and was always an active worker in that organization.

The funeral arrangements were not availbale as this issue went to press.
Rochester friends have been informed of the death of Henry McCURDY, age 78, which occurred a few days ago at his home in Miami, Ind., following an extended illness. For many years Mr. and Mrs. McCurdy lived on a farm four miles southeast of Rochester.

Thursday, April 7, 1927

[no obits]

Friday, April 8, 1927

Peter FOLLMAR, 76, former prominent Monterey business man and Pulaski county democratic party worker who was very well known in Rochester and Fulton county died at 9 o’clock Thursday morning in Fort Wayne after an illness extending over a year but which had not kept him confined in bed at any time. Mr. Follmar for the past eight years has made his home with a son in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Follmar was born in Germany and was 76 years of age last August. He came to this country at the age of 8 years, the family located at Logansport, later coming to Pulaski county and locating on the old MARBAUGH farm east of Monterey.

Mr. Follmar was a Pulaski county commissioner for a number of years, a joint representative from Pulaski and Starke counties in the legislature 1913, a justice of the peace at Monterey. He was actively engaged as a saloon keeper and butcher for a number of years at Monterey.

Mr. Follmar was married four times, the three first wives preceding him in death. His first wife was Josephine KEITZER, to which union were born four children, of whom 3 survive: Victor FOLLMAR of Monterey, Sister ROBERTA of Fondu Lac, Wis., Mrs. Alvina HOFFMAN of Ft. Wayne, a son, Harry [FOLLMAR], was killed at Lima, O., a few years ago. Besides his widow, he is survived by three sons, Edward [FOLLMAR], Leo [FOLLMAR] and William [FOLLMAR], at home.

The body will be buried at Monterey Monday morning after funeral services which will be held from the St. Ann’s Catholic Church there at 9 o’clock.

Saturday, April 9, 1927

[no obits]

Monday, April 11, 1927

Mr. and Mrs. John BICKEL both about 60 years of age who lived on a farm four miles south of Roann were instantly killed Sunday after [sic] when their car was struck by an Erie passenger train No. 4 at a crossing 15 miles east of this city or three miles east of Disko.

The crossing is very treacherous one with a long curve from the west which is obstructed by high banks. The approach to the crossing is made by means of an overhead bridge which passes over the west bound track. Mr. Bickle who was deaf did not hear the warning blasts sounded by the engineer.

The Bickle machine was thrown on the embankment both occupants being killed instantly. The train was stopped and the crew rendered all aid possible. The aged couple were removed to their home in an ambulance. The coroner of Wabash county will hold an investigation today.
Mr. and Mrs. Bickel were prominent residents of the Roann community. They were returning from Silver Lake when the accident occurred where they had been spending the early part of the day caring for a sick relative.

Their only survivor is a daughter, Gertrude [BICKEL], who was unable to accompany her parents on the fatal trip because she had to sing in the choir of the Roann Methodist Church Sunday morning.

Tuesday, April 12, 1927

Funeral services for Mr. and Mrs. John BICKEL who were killed at the Midway crossing near Disko Sunday afternoon when their car was struck by a fast Chicago-N.Y. Erie passenger train, will be held Wednesday afternoon. The services will be conducted from the Roann Christian Church. Burial will be made in the Roann I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Wednesday, April 13, 1927

[no obits]

Thursday, April 14, 1927

Two aged Argos residents died early this week. Frank FINNEY, for many years a resident of the city, or near the city, succumbed following treatment at Kokomo. He has been suffering from cancer on the foot for some time and it became necessary to amputate his foot and later a part of the limb. He was undergoing further treatment at Kokomo when death occurred.

He has been living 2 miles east of Argos. He is survived by his wife and several children, all grown. The funeral was at the M.E. church of Argos, Thursday afternoon at 2 o’clock with burial in the Maple Grove cemetery.

Sam HELTZEL, for many years a resident of Argos, died at South Whitley, Ind., where he has lived for some time.

The body was sent to Argos where the funeral was held at 2 o’clock Thursday afternoon at the Grossman Chapel. He is survived by his wife and several children. Burial will be made in the Maple Grove cemetery.

Friday, April 15, 1927

Milton McCaughy, 74, of Milan, Michigan, former resident until three years ago of Wayne Township, and a former member of the Fulton county Board of Commissioners, died early Friday morning at his home. Death came as the result of kidney trouble. He recently had spent three weeks in a hospital at Lima, Ohio. Mrs. Margaret ELLIOTT of South Bend was with him for the last ten days.

Mr. McCaughy was born in Wayne Township, the son of David and Lavina McCaughy, and lived there all his life until moving to Mich. He was married to Miss Eva CEASE of Michigan. His occupation was that of a farmer. He was a member of the Presbyterian church and was well known over Fulton County.

He is survived by his wife, and four sisters, Martha [McCAUGHY] and Hannah McCaughy, of Rochester, Mrs. C. E. SMITH, of South Dakota, Mrs. Margaret ELLIOTT of South Bend and two brothers, Rev. W. H. McCaughy of Warsaw and John E.

The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at Milan, Mich., with burial in the cemetery there.

Mathias Milton SHIDAKER, age 81 years, and a Civil War veteran, died this morning at 4:15 at his home 4-1/2 miles southwest of Leiters Ford, death being due to old age and complications. He had been in poor health for the past two years but his condition had only been considered serious for the past two weeks. The deceased was born in Miami County, Ohio, on June 21st, 1845 the son of John and Mary SHIDAKER, and has lived in the Leiters community for 45 years. His wife, who was formerly Ellen CARROTHERS, died thirteen years ago. He was a member of the G.A.R. having seen 24 months of active service in the Civil War.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Jesse YOUNG, of Leiters Ford, Mrs. Hattie PLATZ of Defore, Ark., and Mrs. John MOLTER, of Kentland, Ind., and six sons, Jonas [SHIDAKER], Delbert [SHIDAKER], Rufus [SHIDAKER] and Russell [SHIDAKER], of Leiters Ford, George [SHIDAKER] of North Liberty and Joe [SHIDAKER] of Kentland, Ind., a brother, John SHIDAKER, who lives in Ohio and a sister, Mrs. Amanda SHERLAND at Lapaz, Ind.

Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at the Sharon church with Rev. H. L. Adams in charge, and burial will be made in the adjacent [Moon] cemetery.

Mrs. Nellie BLACKETOR has received word of the death of her uncle, Wesley SHRYOCK, of Fitzgerald, Ga. He spent his young life in Fulton County, was a veteran of the Civil War and was a warm friend of Acy MITCHELL, of this city. Mr. Shryock was 91 years of age. He leaves an aged wife, two sons, many grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Saturday, April 16, 1927

Funeral services for Cyrus BABCOCK, aged 83, who died Thursday at his home in Converse will be held Sunday afternoon at one o’clock at the Babcock home in that city. The deceased is the brother of Andrew BABCOCK and Dr. J. L. BABCOCK, both of this city. A number of Rochester relatives will attend the funeral.

Monday, April 18, 1927

Mrs. Malinda STAHL, age 65, and a life-long resident of the Leiters community, died Sunday evening at five o’clock at the Stahl home two miles southwest of Leiters Ford following an illness of three years with cancer and complications.

Mrs. Stahl [Malinda SALES] was born in Fulton County on February 15th, 1862, the daughter of John and Nancy SALES, and in 1881 was married to Benjamin F. STAHL.

The deceased is survived by her husband, two daughters, Mrs. Bessie TAYLOR, of Chicago, and Mrs. Edith HAY, of Denver, one son, Vernon STAHL, of Huntington, and two sisters, Mrs. Phillip LEWIS and Mrs. George MILLISER, of Leiters Ford.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at the Leiters Ford Methodist church and burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.
Mrs. Ella NORRIS DAULTON, age 76, former resident of this city, died Sunday at her home in Phoenix, Arizona, the result of injuries received several weeks ago in an automobile accident. The deceased was the daughter of William and Sarah DILLON and moved from this city to Phoenix about 20 years ago. She is survived by three children, Mrs. Luther STEWART, Albert NORRIS and John NORRIS, all of Phoenix.

The body will be brought to Rochester for burial, the body to arrive here at one-thirty p.m. Wednesday afternoon. Funeral services will be held on Thursday afternoon from the Hoover Chapel. She was a member of the Eastern Star and Rebekah lodges of this city.

Tuesday, April 19, 1927

Mrs. William SIDERS, aged 58 years, for many years a resident of the Bethel church neighborhood, 4 miles west of Fulton, passed away at her home Monday afternoon at 1 o’clock, death resulting after a year’s illness of cancer of the stomach.

The deceased was the daughter of Christopher and Mollie FORD, being born at Lima, Ohio in the year of 1869. Mrs. Siders’ first husband, John O’DELL preceded her in death a few years ago, and a little over a year ago she married to William Siders, who with the two sons, Delbert O’DELL of South Bend, and Clyde O’DELL of near Kewanna survive. Mrs. Siders came to this county when but 16 years of age, the trip being made from Ohio in a covered wagon. She was an active member and worker in the Bethel U.B. Church.

The funeral services in charge of Rev. Milo CORNICAN, will be held on Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o’clock at the Bethel U.B. Church. The Olive Branch male quartet will furnish the music. Burial will be made in the Salem cemetery two and one-half miles west of Fulton.

Frank ROSS was called to Tippecanoe this morning because of the death of his cousin, Lon ROSS, who was found dead in bed by neighbors who went to call him today.

Wednesday, April 20, 1927

Particulars of the death of Lon ROSS, age 67, in Tippecanoe, and a cousin of Frank ROSS, of Rochester, were learned here today. Mr. Ross, who was an expert cabinet maker and unmarried, passed away while alone in his work shop where he was later found by neighbors. He had been in poor health for some time and had been unable to lie down for the last five weeks. The deceased was born at Athens and had lived in Tippecanoe for the past fifteen years. His father died seven years ago.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at two o’clock at the Mt. Hope church at Athens with burial there.

David H. BAER, 310 South Williams Street, South Bend, owner of the West Side Hotel at Lake Manitou, died at 7 o’clock Tuesday morning. Mr. Baer, who has been suffering with cancer of the stomach for the past three years, was taken to the hospital for treatment eight weeks ago preparatory to an operation. His condition was such that an operation was considered unadvisable.

Mr. Baer was born in Brownstown, West Virginia on February 6, 1876 and was married in Springfield, O., in 1900 to Miss Clara STAPLETON who survives him as do two daughters Phyllis BAER and Mildred BAER, and one son, Robert BAER, all of South Bend, and two brothers, William BAER of Dayton, O., and Oscar BAER, of Columbus, Ohio.
Mr. Baer for many years lived in Goshen where he and his wife operated a hotel. Last spring Mr. and Mrs. Baer disposed of their Goshen hotel and purchased the West Side Hotel here of Frank MOSS. During the [time the] Baers were in charge of the hostelry they through their treatment of guests established a very thriving business.

The body of Mr. Baer was taken to South Bend Tuesday morning where it was, after being prepared for burial at the Orvis Parlors, removed to the home where funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon. Burial will be made in South Bend.

Thursday, April 21, 1927

Mrs. Eliza Ellen MILLER, aged 76 years, who has been making her home with her daughter, Mrs. Clell Haven, of 127 East 4th street, this city, passed away at ten o’clock Wednesday night. Mrs. Miller suffered a stroke of paralysis sometime during Tuesday night and was unconscious throughout Wednesday, gradually growing weaker until the end.

Eliza Ellen [ALSPACH], daughter of Samuel and Mary ALSPACH, was born at Newcastle, Ind., Sept. 2nd, 1860. She was united in marriage to John MILLER, a stone mason, who preceded her in death 18 years ago. The deceased is survived by three daughters, Mrs. C. W. HEIGHWAY, of Lapaz, Mrs. Lon WARE of Huntington, Mrs. Clell HAVEN, of this city, and one son, Mertie MILLER of this city. The deceased also leaves three sisters, Mrs. Arminta BIGGS, Mary [ALSPACH] and Elizabeth ALSPACH, all of Akron.

The funeral services will be conducted at the Haven residence Friday morning at 10 o’clock, the Rev. Sylvester WELLS, officiating. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Mrs. Earl WICKS of this city, late Wednesday received word of the death of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Ernest O’DAFFER, 33, of 1016 Franklin street, South Bend. Death, which resulted from a three months affliction of tuberculosis, occurred Wednesday afternoon.

The deceased, who was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John SHANANBERGER, had been a resident of South Bend all of her life. She was a member of the German Lutheran church and an active worker in that organization. The deceased is survived by her father, husband and several brothers and sisters. One son, Clarence [WICKS] aged 10 years also survives with the husband.

The funeral will be held at the O’Daffer home Saturday afternoon at 2 o’clock. Burial will be made in the Riverview cemetery.

Friday, April 22, 1927

Rochester relatives have been informed of the death of Ambrose EHERENMAN, about 75 years of age, which occurred Thursday at his home in South Bend following a long illness with paralysis. For many years Mr. Eherenman lived in Newcastle township, moving to South Bend 15 years ago. Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon, April 25th, at two p.m. from the Russell’s chapel in South Bend.

Mrs. Lenora MILLER, 80, widow of Simon MILLER, died at 4 p.m. Thursday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John GINN one mile west of Athens on the Harding Highway of complications incident to old age. The deceased, who is a sister of Tully MASTELLER of this city, has been ill for the past five years.

Mrs. Miller was born in Bloomingburg, Penn., on Dec. 18, 1846 and has lived in this
county on farms in Henry township practically her entire lifetime. In 1866 the deceased was married to Simon MILLER who preceded her in death 45 years ago.

The survivors, besides the daughter and Mr. Masteller, are two other brothers, Herbert [MASTELLER] of Hammond, and Clarence [MASTELLER] of Athens, and a sister, Mrs. David BURNS, of Bourbon. Mrs. Miller was a devout member of the Church of God.

Funeral services will be conducted from the Akron Church of God Sunday at 2 p.m. with Rev. James WATT in charge. Burial will be made in the cemetery at Akron.

Saturday, April 23, 1927

C. K. BITTERS received word yesterday from Indianapolis of the death of his oldest sister, Mrs. Belle DANIELS AVERY, which occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Clifford MILLER in that city at 10 o’clock a.m. Sunday. She has been a sufferer for the last few years with complications and is the first one of the eight children of William and Catherine BITTERS to depart this life.

The funeral services will be held in Indianapolis and the remains brought to the Akron cemetery where interment will be made Tuesday at one o’clock following a short service there.

Laura Belle BITTERS, oldest daughter of William and Elizabeth Catherine BITTERS, was born in the city of Peru, Indiana, Dec. 17th, 1857 and departed this life April 24th, 1927 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Catharine MILLER, 1102 Gale street, Indianapolis, where she spent the last several months of her suffering following a fall which seemed to add to her enfeebled condition and declining health for two or three years. After her birth in Peru her parents moved to Akron, where about 1885 she was united in marriage with the late Fred DANIELS a prominent citizen of that town to whom were born one daughter, Catharine [DANIELS].

Mr. Daniels died some forty years ago, after which she made a living for herself and child operating a boarding and rooming house in this city, particularly the JEFFERSON HOTEL. The daughter, Catharine, married Clifford MILLER of Indianapolis after which she made her home with them ‘till some ten years ago she married George F. AVERY, a business man of that city and together they enjoyed their home there and their summer home at Camp Chesterfield, Indiana.

She left surviving her her husband, George F. Avery, her daughter, Mrs. Catharine Miller, and grandson, George F. MILLER, of Indianapolis, and the following brothers and sisters: Dr. F. P. BITTERS of that city, C. K. BITTERS of Rochester, Mrs. A. A. GAST of Akron, Mrs. Sadie REID, Mrs. Frank DAY and C. C. BITTERS of Elkhart, Ind. Besides these a number of nephews and nieces and a host of friends who mourn her departure.

Alice Elizabeth [HENDRICKSON], five year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence HENDRICKSON, passed away at her home two miles west of Fulton Saturday afternoon following a four day illness caused by double pneumonia. The little child caught a severe cold last Tuesday which doctors were unable to check.

The deceased was born in Fulton county and besides her parents is survived by a brother Ray [HENDRICKSON] and sister Ruth [HENDRICKSON]. The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon from the Baptist Temple at Fulton if a relative arrives from a distant point.

In event the relative cannot reach Fulton by that time the services will be conducted Wednesday afternoon with Rev. T. O. WHITESELL of Wilcox in charge, assisted by Rev. J. G. BUTLER. Burial will be made in the Fulton cemetery.

The death of Alice Elizabeth is a distinct shock to the residents of Fulton where her
parents are well and favorably known. On Easter Sunday the little girl rendered a solo during the exercises at the Baptist church.

Mrs. Emma HARTER, aged 58, a pioneer settler of Miami county and well known to several Rochester citizens, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Delbert HARTER, east of Mexico, Indiana, Sunday evening, April 24th. Death resulted from complications inherent with advanced years. Funeral services will be conducted at the Harter home, at two o’clock Tuesday afternoon. Several people from this city will attend the funeral.

Mrs. M. M. BITTERS has received word from Mrs. George STRAUSS of Fostoria, Ohio stating that her husband [George STRAUSS] died Friday evening. Mrs. Strauss will be known by many of the older residents of the city as Miss Minnie FERGUSON. Mr. Strauss had been chief of police of Fostoria for the past 35 years. The funeral services were held today.

Ellen Pauline DOLTON was born in Coshocton county, Ohio, March 8th, 1852 and died in Phoenix, Ariz., April 15th, 1927, aged 75 years, 1 mo. and 7 days.

She was the daughter of Mr. and Sarah Ann DOLTON and the oldest of nine children, all of whom have preceded her to their reward. When about seventeen years old she with her parents moved to Marshall Co., Ind., where in 1873 she was united in marriage to Albert C. NORRIS. In 1885 they moved to Kewanna, Fulton Co., Ind., and in 1895 they moved to Rochester, Ind., where after several years of illness Mr. Norris was claimed by death in 1902. Shortly after her husband’s death she was called to Argos, Ind. to administer to the wants of her aged parents, her mother having an accident which caused her death. In 1906 she went to live with her daughter, Mrs. Luther STEWARD at Glenwood Springs, Colo., moving later with them to Albuquerque, N.M. To the union of her and Mr. Norris were born four children, the older of which died in infancy.

In 1910 she was united in marriage to Washington T. DOLTON of Hugoton, Kansas, where they lived on the farm northeast of town ‘till the fall of 1922, when they moved to Hugoton, where Mr. Dolton passed from this life in the fall of 1923. She lived alone except for her little granddaughter ‘till the fall of 1925 when she went for a visit to her daughter in Phoenix, Ariz.

About two months ago Mrs. Dolton slipped and fell and received injuries from which she never recovered and suffered excruciating pain ‘till her death.

She was a true Christian and a noble mother, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, altho in early life she was active in the Baptist Church. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star, being a charter member of the Chapter at Hugoton, also a Past Matron of the same Chapter. Also was she a loyal member of the Rebekah Fraternity. True and lovable as a mother, wife, and friend, always ready to aid and comfort those in need and sorrow. In passing this life she leaves to mourn their loss three children, Mrs. Luther STEWARD of Phoenix, Ariz., Wm. R. NORRIS, of Phoenix and Albert C. NORRIS of Hugoton, Kas., a niece, Mrs. Ralph RICHARDSON of California, nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild, besides many other relatives and friends.
Tuesday, April 26, 1927

Mrs. Nora FULTZ of this city has received word of the death of her sister, Mrs. Ella HOLMES HAIMBAUGH, age 68, which occurred Monday at her home in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin following a lingering illness with rheumatism.

The deceased was born in Fulton County on November 28th, 1859 the daughter of A. J. and Sarah HOLMES. Practically all of her life was spent in this county with the exception of the last few years during which time she has lived in Wisconsin. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Frank TRAINER, of Chippewa Falls, and Mrs. Wm. BOWMAN, of Rich Valley, Wis.

The body will be brought here for burial, arriving here sometime Wednesday and will be taken to the Fultz home at 1000 Monroe street. Funeral services will be held on Friday afternoon at 2:30 at the Methodist Church and burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Funeral services for Alice Elizabeth HENDRICKSON, five year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence HENDRICKSON of Fulton, will be held Wednesday morning at ten o’clock at the Baptist church in Fulton. Burial will be made in the Fulton cemetery.

Troy, Ohio, April 26. (INS) - Funeral services were to be held this afternoon for Mrs. Harriett MEYER, wife of Julian R. MEYER, former Rochester, Indiana newspaper man, who died here late yesterday from nervous shock.

Mrs. Meyer’s death followed an operation made necessary as the result of premature child birth. The body will be taken to Indianapolis, her former home, for burial Wednesday.

Mrs. Meyer was survived by four sisters and her mother. Three sisters live in Indianapolis. They are Mrs. Chester JACKSON, Mrs. Bud MATHEWS and Miss Vernon MANSFIELD.

Funeral services will be held again at the home of Mrs. Mathews, 3515 Winfred Avenue, at two o’clock tomorrow afternoon and burial will be in Crown Hill cemetery there.

Mrs. Meyer had worked in Indianapolis a number of years. She was employed at Rinks Cloak Co., at the time of her marriage three years ago.

Meyer was employed on the Indianapolis Times at the time of his marriage, leaving there to go to Dayton, and later came to Troy.

Mrs. Meyer’s mother is living in St. Louis at the home of another sister.

Wednesday, April 27, 1927

The will of the late Mrs. Lida B. STEVENS of Argos, one of the wealthiest residents of that city, she has made provision for the erection of a mausoleum in the Plymouth cemetery to house her body and that of her husband at a cost not to exceed $7000 or less than $6000. This structure is to be built by B. C. SOUTHWORTH and SON. The remainder of the estate is to be divided among her relatives.

Misses Martha McCAUGHEY and Hannah McCAUGHEY received word Wednesday morning of the death of their brother, Rev. William H. McCAUGHEY, age 77, a retired Presbyterian Minister, which occurred Tuesday at his home in Warsaw, Ind., following an illness of two weeks. Death was due to an inward hemorrhage.

Rev McCaughey was born in Wayne Township, Fulton County, on August 3rd, 1850. After completing a classical course in Hanover College he took a Theological course at the
Western Theological Seminary at Allegheny, Pa. Upon completion of his course at the seminary he was married to Miss Elizabeth McLAIN in Pittsburgh, Pa., who preceded him in death a few years ago.

His first pastorate was in Cross Creek, Pa., where he served eight years after which he accepted a call to the West Hope church in Philadelphia, Pa., where he was pastor for 14 years. After visiting the Holy land and traveling for a season in Europe he accepted a call to the Central Presbyterian church of Terre Haute, Ind., where he served eleven years. Since then he did not serve as a pastor but frequently supplied churches near his home. The title of D.D. was conferred on Rev. McCaughey at the Presbytery assembly in 1892.

The deceased is survived by four sisters, the Misses Hannah and Martha McCaughey of this city, Mrs. C. E. SMITH, of Clark, South Dakota, Mrs. Margaret ELLIOTT, of South Bend, and one brother John McCaughey of Grass Creek. Funeral services will be held Saturday at Warsaw, the hour of the funeral is not known. Burial will be made at Warsaw.

Thursday, April 28, 1927

M. A. SEARCH, well known former resident of Rochester, who left this city seven years ago to make his home in Los Angeles, died Wednesday afternoon at his home there according to a telegram sent by his son-in-law George LACKEY. The telegram stated that he had been ill for some time and was in a serious condition since Sunday. He will be buried in Los Angeles on Saturday afternoon.

The Search family lived in Rochester for several years and while he had no business he was well known. He lived at the corner of Main and Twelfth streets and later moved to a property on the Winamac Road. Afterwards he moved with his family to California.

He is survived by his wife and his daughter, Lavina [SEARCH], now Mrs. [Lavina] LACKEY.

William BIDDINGER received word Thursday of the death of his cousin, Mrs. Lily SHIVELY, age 58, which occurred early Thursday morning at her home in South Bend. Mrs. Shively was the daughter of Rev. James WALES, former circuit pastor for the Evangelical church of this district. Funeral services will be held at the Evangelical church in Rochester at two o’clock Saturday afternoon.

Word has just been received here by relatives of the death of Jonathan NAFE, 81, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Rosie POLLY, in Idaho. The cause of his death is unknown. He was buried there. Mr. Nafe was many years ago a resident of this community and will be remembered by many of the older citizens.

He leaves five children, John [NAFE] of Floride, George [NAFE] and Fred [NAFE] of Chicago, Mrs. POLLY, and Mrs. Lily LOWERY. He is an uncle of Earl [NAFE] and Eugene NAFE, and a brother of James NAFE.

Friday, April 29, 1927

Mrs. Albert WHEADON, 52, died at her home six miles southwest of Rochester at 6 o’clock Friday morning following a stroke of paralysis which she suffered Wednesday afternoon, while in the office of Dr. Harley TAYLOR. Mrs. Wheaton at the time she suffered the stroke was having the forefinger on her left hand dressed which she had injured in a corn sheller seven weeks ago. The deceased never regained consciousness after suffering the stroke.
Mrs. Wheadon [Mellie C. PURVIANCE] was born in Huntington county November 23, 1874, and had lived in this county for 20 years. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James PURVIANCE. Mrs. Wheadon is survived by her husband, daughter, Mrs. Walter TOWNSEND, and two sons, Paul [WHEADON] and Volney [WHEADON], a grandson, Robert J. TOWNSEND and a sister, Mrs. Watt KING of Van Buren.

Funeral services will be held from the Baptist Church at 2 p.m. Sunday with Rev. James NIVEN in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery. Mrs. Wheadon was a member of the Christian church at Warren.

Mrs. Mary RIDENOUR, 75, who has been an invalid for the past 13 years, died Thursday afternoon at 4:20 o’clock at the home of her sister, Mrs. Mary [sic] CAFFYN, 928 Main street. Death was due to complications incident to old age.

The deceased [Mary AWALT] was born in Newmarket, Buckingham County, Va., on December 2, 1851, and was the daughter of Adam and Mary AWALT. She came to this county from Arkansas with her husband the late Jas. C. RIDENOUR, 32 years ago. Her husband, who was a veteran of the Civil War, preceded Mrs. Ridenour in death 25 years ago.

Mrs. Ridenour is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Emma CaFFYN and Miss Kathrine AWALT, two nieces and one nephew. The funeral services will be held from the Caffyn home at 2 o’clock Saturday afternoon. Rev. S. A. WELLS will be in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Saturday, April 30, 1927

William H. WICKMAN, age 49, a farmer living west of Fulton, died at two o’clock Friday afternoon at a hospital in Logansport following an illness of over a year with cancer. He had been a patient at the Logansport hospital for the past five weeks.

The deceased was born in Germany in 1878 and came to this country when thirteen years of age. Three years ago Mr. Wickman moved with his family from Anchor, Ill., to a farm in Liberty township. He is survived by his wife, three daughters and one son. Short funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the home after which the body was taken to Anchor, Illinois for burial.

Anthony KROFT, 52, well known Henry township farmer passed away at 10 p.m. Thursday at Woodlawn Hospital. Mr. Kroft who has been ill for the past six weeks with a disease which puzzled doctors, was taken to the hospital 10 days ago where an operation was performed.

Mr. Kroft was born on a farm six miles west of North Manchester on May 6, 1874. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron KROFT. Mr. Kroft lived in Wabash county until 17 years ago when he purchased a farm three miles southeast of Akron where he has since resided.

The deceased is survived by his widow, who was Miss Anna DICKERHOFF, three sons, Joseph [KROFT], Edward [KROFT] and Merle [KROFT], four brothers, Ulysses [KROFT], Rutherford [KROFT], Simeon [KROFT] and Adolph [KROFT] and two sisters, Mrs. Sherman TIPPEY of Akron and Mrs. Henry HOOVER of Fargo, North Dakota.

The complete funeral arrangements have not been made pending word from relatives from distant points. The services however will be in charge of Rev. David SWIHART of North Manchester and burial will be made in the Akron Odd Fellows cemetery.
Tuesday, May 3, 1927

Stephen PYLE, 68, well known Rochester township farmer dropped dead this afternoon at his home two miles west of this city on the Burton road while sowing clover seed. Mr. Pyle’s lifeless body was found by his widow who at 1 p.m. happened to see the form of her husband lying on the ground while looking through a window of their home. Death according to Coroner ZIMMERMAN was caused by heart trouble from which disease the deceased had suffered for several years.

Mr. Pyle had just finished the third round of sowing clover seed in a field within a 10 yards of his home and had gone to the sack containing the seed to refill his feeder when he suffered the fatal heart attack. David WOLFE who lives on the adjoining farm saw Mr. Pyle’s body lying on the ground as he was driving to this city but thought he had just set down to rest.

Mr. Wolfe talked with Mr. Pyle at 11:45 a.m. at which time he told him that he was going to seed clover during the afternoon. It is thought the rather warm weather today might have super-induced the heart attack. Mr. Pyle was in Rochester Monday at which time he purchased the clover seed. He had apparently been in good health.

Mr. Pyle was born on a farm two miles southwest of Rochester, being the son of Mr. and Mrs. James PYLE. He has lived his entire life in this county. By occupation he was a farmer but at one time operated a hardware store in this city with his brothers. This establishment was later sold to STONER and BLACK.

The member of the Young Mothers widow who was Miss Dora ROBBINS a sister Mrs. Mary GOSS, and a brother Charles [PYLE] both of this city. [sic] Mr. Pyle was a member of the Gleaners Lodge and the Methodist Church of this city.

No funeral arrangements will be made pending word from relatives who live in California, who are believed to be enroute to this city to spend the summer.

Mrs. Lucinda (POWELL) SUTTON, aged 59, died Monday night at her home in Macy after suffering for the past 10 months with cancer of the stomach. The deceased was born on a farm near the Pleasant Hill Church in Perry township, Miami county, on Nov. 16, 1867 and was the daughter of William and Sarah POWELL. She has lived in Macy for the past eight years.

Mrs. Sutton is survived by her husband E. B. SUTTON who she married at Amboy on May 3, 1919, three sisters, Mrs. Jane BEMENDERFER of this city, Mrs. Mattie KING of Akron, and Mrs. John SOWERS of Macy, two brothers, Oliver POWELL of Wagoners Station and Lemuel POWELL of Macy and a step-daughter, Mrs. Everett FLAUGHER of Cleveland, Ohio.

The funeral services will be held from the Methodist Church at Macy Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. with Rev. Jerome ZECHIEL in charge. Burial will be made in the Plainview cemetery. The Macy chapter of the Order of Eastern Star of which organization Mrs. Sutton was a member will attend the services in a body. Mrs. Sutton was one of the most industrious and well liked women in Macy. She submitted to an operation for the removal of the cancer in a hospital a year ago but the treatment proved ineffective. In addition to her husband and brothers and sisters, Mrs. Sutton is survived by a number of nieces and nephews.
Mrs. H. E. BUTLER received notice today that her brother, A. G. UNCAPHER, of Grovertown, Md., died last night about 9 o’clock. Funeral Thursday 2:30 p.m. at U.B. Church at Grovertown where he has spent most of his life in the mercantile business.

Wednesday, May 4, 1927

James Calvin BECKER, age 66, well known retired restaurant and hotel man of this city, died at 6:30 Wednesday morning at his home on North Pontiac Street following an illness of five weeks with heart trouble and complications.

The deceased was born at Fostoria, Ohio, on July 29th, 1861 the son of Irvin and Lida Ann BECKER. Practically all of his life had been spent in Rochester where for many years he operated the ERIE HOTEL. He was a member of the I.O.O.F. Lodge.

Surviving are the widow, one son, Cal Reed BECKER, of Poplar Bluff, Missouri, and a daughter, Miss Alice [BECKER] at home. The day and hour of funeral has not definitely been decided and will be announced in Thursday’s News-Sentinel. Rev. D. S. PERRY will conduct the funeral services and burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Charles H. KURTZ, 73, well known farmer residing six miles southwest of Argos passed away at his home Monday evening shortly after 5 o’clock, death resulting from complications inherent with advanced years. The deceased is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ida KURTZ, and a son who resides in Indianapolis.

Mr. Kurtz was born in Germany on Feb. 16, 1854 coming to this country with his parents when still quite young. The funeral services will be conducted at the Kurtz home at 8:30 o’clock Thursday morning with Rev. HANER, of Argos, in charge. Burial will be made in the Kewanna cemetery.

Mrs. Rebecca STURGEON, aged 64 years, passed away at her home west of Richland Center, Tuesday, death resulting from cancer. Mrs. Sturgeon had been a sufferer from this disease for the past year.

The deceased was born Oct. 17th, 1863 on a farm near Tiosa and had been a resident of Fulton county all her life. She was a member of the Richland Center Church. Besides her husband, Isaac [STURGEON], she is survived by two children, Orland STURGEON, of Richland township, and Mrs. Zella REISH of Kent, Ohio. The deceased also leaves one brother, two sisters and four grandchildren.

The funeral will be held at Richland Center Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o’clock with the Rev. DEAN officiating.

Funeral services for Stephen PYLE, who dropped dead Tuesday afternoon while at work on his farm northwest of the city, will be held Friday afternoon at two o’clock at the home with Rev. R. H. CROWDER in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

South Bend, Ind., May 4 - Mrs. Etta RYNEARSON, 110 N. Olive street, died at 6:30 o’clock Monday evening at her residence following a three years’ illness.

Mrs. Rynearson was born in Akron, Ind., April 22, 1874 and had been a resident of South Bend for 10 years, having come here from Bourbon, Ind. She was married Nov. 22, 1895, to Louis RYNEARSON, who survives her.

She also is survived by two sons, Clell RYNEARSON and Cloise RYNEARSON, two daughters, Mrs. Myron REDÍNDO and Miss Mabel RYNEARSON, all of South Bend, and
one brother, Al BLYLER, of Elkhart, Ind.

The body may be viewed at the Forest G. Hay funeral home until Thursday morning when it will be removed to the residence where funeral services will be held at 2 o’clock Thursday afternoon, with the Rev. Wilmer C. GRAY, pastor of the Church of God, officiating. Burial will take place in Mt. Pleasant cemetery.

Mrs. Sanford Painter attended the funeral in Chicago Wednesday of her sister, Mrs. Christian RAPSCH, 70, who will be remembered by older residents of this city as Miss Carrie [KAMMERER], daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christian [KAMMERER]. Mrs. Rapsch died late Saturday night following a stroke of paralysis which she suffered when she fell down a stairs at their home last fall. Mrs. Rapsch spent her girlhood days in this city later moving to Logansport and thence to Chicago. She is survived by two sons, Roy RAPSCH of Chicago, and Christian LAWSON of Petosky, Mich., three brothers, William [KAMMERER] and Frank [KAMMERER] of this city and Henry [KAMMERER] of Logansport and her sister, Mrs. Sanford PAINTER.

Thursday, May 5, 1927

Funeral services for the late Jas. Calvin BECKER will be held Friday afternoon at 3:30 at the Presbyterian Church with Rev. D. S. PERRY in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Friday, May 6, 1927

William D. RALSTON, age 55, of Argos, and for many years a resident of Leiters Ford, died Thursday morning at 1013 - 18th Street, South Bend, where he had been for several weeks taking treatments. He had been ill since January suffering with cancer of the stomach.

The deceased was born in Mansfield, Ohio on December third, 1871 the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. RALSTON. In 1900 he was married to Miss Bertha BOWEN. While living in Leiters Ford Mr. Ralston operated a blacksmith shop, moving from to Monterey and then to Argos, where he owned a tire repair shop. [sic] He was a member of the K. of P. Lodge and Methodist Church.

Surviving are the wife and five children, Mrs. Gertrude GOCHENHOUR of South Bend, Marshall RALSTON of Chicago, and Gladys [RALSTON], Raymond [RALSTON] and will be held at ten o’clock Saturday morning at the Grossman chapel in Argos and burial will be made in the Maple Grove cemetery there. [sic]

Mrs. Mary Jane PRECHTEL, 74, died Thursday noon at her home in Tippecanoe township, Pulaski County, following a stroke of paralysis which she suffered a few weeks ago. Mrs. Prechtel was born in Ohio on November 7th, 1853 the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael OVERMYER.

Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at two o’clock at the Oak church and burial will be made in the Reed cemetery near Winamac.

Rochester friends were informed Friday of the death of Mrs. J. H. CURRAN, of Peru, which occurred Thursday night in Chicago, after a few weeks illness. Mr. and Mrs. CURRAN just recently returned from spending the winter in Long Beach, California, where on April second they celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.
For a number of years the Curran family lived in Rochester later moving to Peru. Funeral services will be held at 9:30 Saturday morning in Peru and burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Rochester.

Ernest Carrie KRAIECHER, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles KRAIECHER who live on a farm east of Leiters Ford died Thursday night the result of a few days illness with pneumonia. The child was born on November 28th, 1926. The child is survived by its parents and a number of brothers and sisters among them being a twin sister named Ernesteine Claire KRAIECHER. Funeral services will be held at the home at nine o’clock Sunday morning with Rev. H. L. ADAMS officiating.

Albert FLETCHER, age 56, of 1217 North Johnson street, died Thursday a.m. at 10 o’clock in his home after a week’s illness. He was born in Fulton county, Indiana, April 27, 1871, and came to South Bend one year ago from Culver, Ind. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lillian FLETCHER four children, Mrs. Ada HESS, Miss Dorothy FLETCHER and Miss Mable FLETCHER and Otto FLETCHER, all of South Bend; and four brothers, Lallas FLETCHER and Claud FLETCHER of Argos, Ind; Orso FLETCHER, of Plymouth, Ind., and Clayton FLETCHER, of Tiosa.

Burial will take place in Richland Center, Ind. Mr. Fletcher was a member of the Knights of Pythias in Culver.

Saturday, May 7, 1927

The following item will be of interest to many people in Fulton County, particularly around Macy and Akron, because Judge Stratton will be well remembered there. He was an uncle of Mrs. Roy JONES, of Rochester.

Funeral services for Judge Jerome Quincy STRATTON, who died at the family residence, 5123 Maplewood avenue, Hollywood, Friday afternoon, will be held this morning at 11 o’clock from the Church of Flowers, Woodlawn Memorial park, Glendale. Judge Stratton was a brother of the late Gene STRATTON-PORTER.

A native of the vicinity of Liberty Mills, Kosciusko County, Indiana, Judge Stratton came to California in 1921, retiring after many years of legal practice in Indiana and Kansas. He was 83 years of age. In addition to his widow, he is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Florence COMPTON and Mrs. Ada M. WILSON of Ft. Wayne, Ind., and three daughters, Mrs. Lee PATRICK and Miss Gertrude STRATTON of Los Angeles, and Mrs. James WHITE of Prescott, Arizona. In addition there are three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren, and a number of nieces and nephews. Of the latter, five are residents of California, these being Mrs. Jennette PORTER MEEHAN, Mrs. James S. LAWSHE, Miss Leah M. STRATTON and Howard MARSHALL, all of Los Angeles, and Roger WILSON of Pasadena.

The services this morning will be conducted by the Rev. Benjamin S. HAYWOOD of the Broadway Methodist church of Anaheim and the Rev. NEELY of Wilshire Methodist church of Los Angeles. Undertakers Gates, Crane & Earl of Hollywood will officiate. The pallbearers will include Frank A. THACKERY, Charles J. BENSON, Howard MARSHALL, James S. LAWSHE, Roger WILSON and Roy S. PATRICK.

Following his graduation from DePauw university and his admission to the bar in Indiana in April, 1868, Judge Stratton took an active part in legal affairs, serving as district attorney.
and later as judge. In 1884 he removed to Erie, Kansas, where he lived until he came to Los Angeles. During his legal career of more than half a century Judge Stratton participated in many of the important civil and criminal cases of both Indiana and Kansas. - Los Angeles, Calif., “Morning Sun.”

Monday, May 9, 1927

Mrs. William H. “Dad” COOK, 68, died at her home the Englewood Cottage on the south shore of Lake Manitou at 6:15 p.m. Sunday after a two weeks illness caused by flu and other complications. Mrs. Cook contracted a cold three weeks ago which developed into the flu.

The deceased was born in Tippecanoe County, Ohio, March 25, 1859 and was one of several children born to Mr. and Mrs. Johnson GREEN. Mrs. Cook has been a resident of this county for the past 20 years coming here from Chicago.

Survivors are her husband whom she married 10 years ago and two daughters and a son by previous marriages. Mrs. Margaret CONRAD of Chicago, Mrs. P. T. BROOKS of New Bedford, Conn., and William G. ERICSON of Toledo, Ohio, a brother, George W. GREEN of Fort Wayne and three grandchildren, Mrs. W. W. BOLTON, Chicago, Mrs. C. T. BROWN, Chicago, and H. CONRAD, Jr., of Los Angeles, Calif.

Mrs. Cook was a member of the Maccabee Lodge of Fort Wayne and the Women Relief Corps of this city. The funeral services will be conducted from the home at 10 a.m. Wednesday with Rev. R. H. CROWDER in charge. The body will be taken to Fort Wayne for burial.

Tuesday, May 10, 1927

Word was received here in a telegram to relatives late Monday of the death of Mrs. George A. [Effie] HILL at her home in Crawfordsville, with the announcement that burial would be made here at Rochester, her former home on Thursday. It was thought she died of cancer from which she had suffered for almost two years. Mrs. Hill was well known in this community having spent all her life here until her marriage, being a devout worker in the Presbyterian Church.

Effie SHELTON, was born March 11, 1879, the daughter of Will and Manda SHELTON at Rochester, Indiana. She was 48 years of age her last birthday. She was married to Rev. George A. HILL, minister.

She is survived by her husband, her mother who resided with her at Crawfordsville, two sons and a daughter. A number of other relatives reside in this community.

Funeral services will be held at Crawfordsville on Wednesday. The body will be brought to Rochester and on Thursday at two a short service will be held at the Presbyterian Church, Rev. D. A. PERRY officiating. Burial in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Mrs. Cyrena [E.] KINDER, 73, who was born in Middletown, Ohio, died at her home in Akron at 8:30 o’clock this morning following a several months illness due to complications incident to old age. The deceased however had only been seriously ill for five weeks.

Mrs. Kinder, who has lived in Rochester and Akron for the past 35 years, was first married to Silas POTTENGER, now deceased to which union six children were born all of whom are dead but one daughter, Mrs. James SEBRING of Akron. Following the death of Mr. Pottenger the deceased married John KINDER 32 years ago who also preceded her.
Survivors are Mrs. Sebring, and five step-children, Charles POTTENER of Dayton, Ohio, George [KINDER], Will [KINDER] and P.M. KINDER all of Akron, and Mrs. George EBER of Alberta, Canada, a granddaughter, Helen SEBRING of Akron, and two brothers who live near Middletown, Ohio.

Funeral services for Mrs. Kinder will be conducted from the Akron Methodist Church of which organization the deceased was a member at 2 p.m. Thursday. Rev. James WEHRLEY will be in charge. Burial will be made in the Akron I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Wednesday, May 11, 1927

Mr. and Mrs. Al KOFFEL, south of the city, have received word of the death of their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Alfred KOFFEL, which occurred Tuesday at her home in West Bend, Wis. Death was due to a cancer. Three weeks ago Mr. and Mrs. Koffel were here for a visit with his parents.

Thursday, May 12, 1927

Friday, May 13, 1927

Loren BRYANT, age 43, son of Mr. and Mrs. George BRYANT of near Talma, died Tuesday morning at ten o’clock at the Methodist Hospital in South Bend following an operation for appendicitis. Mr. Bryant had been ill for one week.

For many years the deceased was a teacher in the Fulton County schools moving to South Bend five years ago where he was employed as a carpenter. He is survived by his wife who was formerly Miss Fern RALSTON of near Rochester, his parents and three children, Donnabell [BRYANT], Marcella [BRYANT] and Emerson [BRYANT].

The funeral cortège will leave the Bryant home, 1148 E. Donald St., South Bend, Sunday afternoon at one-thirty, going to the Grace Methodist church where services will be held at two o’clock. Burial will be made at South Bend.

Saturday, May 14, 1927

Mrs. Matilda A. BLACKBURN, aged 73 years, a life-long resident of Fulton county passed away at her home Friday afternoon at 2 o’clock at Leiters Ford. Death resulted from cancer of the stomach the deceased having suffered from this disease for the past several months.

Mrs. Blackburn [Matilda A. BRUGH] was born on a farm near Leiters Ford on May 12, 1854, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis BRUGH. She was married in early life to Tom BLACKBURN, who preceded her in death 16 years ago. Mrs. Blackburn was a member of the Cloverleaf Rebekah lodge of Leiters Ford.

Two children and a brother survive. Fred BLACKBURN of Henry township, Miss Nora [BLACKBURN] at home, and A. W. BRUGH of near Leiters Ford.

[NOTE: Buried in Leiters Ford I.O.O.F. cemetery. - Wendell C. and Jean C. Tombaugh, Fulton County, Indiana Cemeteries, Aubbeenaubbee Township]
Monday, May 16, 1927

[no obits]

Tuesday, May 17, 1927

Mrs. Delta LEFFEL BLACKETOR of Detroit passed away at her home there Monday morning according to word received here by relatives. Death came as the result of cancer. The funeral will be held Wednesday. Mrs. Blacketor will be remembered in this vicinity as she formerly resided with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Jacob LEFFEL near Fletcher’s Lake.

Matilda A. BLACKBURN, daughter of Francis and Anna BRUGH, was born at Leiters Ford, Indiana, May 12, 1854, and departed this life at her home May 13, 1927.

She was united in marriage to Thomas J. BLACKBURN, Feb. 12, 1873. To this happy union 3 children were born, Nora D. [BLACKBURN], Mary M. [BLACKBURN] and Fred A. [BLACKBURN].

The husband and one daughter, Mary M., have preceded her to the world beyond.

She leaves to miss her love and her cheery life one daughter, one son, and brother, Anthony BRUGH and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Blackburn was a member of the M.E. Church at Union. She has fought a good fight, and has gone to receive her crown . . . .


Wednesday, May 18, 1927 to Friday, May 20, 1927

[no obits]

Saturday, May 21, 1927

Samuel WENTZEL, 71, a resident of Aubbeenaubbee township for the past 67 years, died at his home four miles south of Leiters Ford in the Sharon neighborhood Friday afternoon at 3 o’clock of complications incident to old age. The deceased had been bedfast for the past two weeks.

Mr. [Nathaniel S.] WENTZEL was born in Pennsylvania on February 27, 1856 and was a son of Edward and Louisa WENTZEL. When he was four years of age his parents moved to Fulton county. Forty-six years ago he married Miss Ida L. BITTERLING.

The survivors are the widow, two daughters, Mrs. Bert OVERMYER of Tippecanoe and Mrs. Harve GUISE and two sons Charles [WENTZEL] of Elkhart, and Arthur [WENTZEL] of South Bend.

A daughter, Mrs. Edna [E.] RALSTON, was killed 20 years ago when riding on a speeder on the Erie railroad which overturned and crushed her while enroute between Loyal and Leiters Ford with her husband who was a telegraph operator of the railroad at Loyal.

Funeral services for the deceased will be conducted from the Bruce Lake Reformed Church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o’clock. Rev. Paul MADER of this city will be in charge. Burial will be made at [Moon] cemetery.
Monday, May 23, 1927

Mrs. Barbara TUCKER, 73, died at her home near Lucerne on Sunday morning of paralysis of the heart. Coroner C. B. STEWART of Logansport was called and made a report of the death. The deceased is survived by her husband, Joshua TUCKER, seven sons, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, one brother, Thomas BAILEY, of this city and two sisters, Mrs. Susan CASTEL of Logansport and Mrs. Della HARRIGAN of Marion. The funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon from the Zion Methodist Church near Lucerne with burial in the adjacent cemetery.

Mrs. E. J. STEWART, 38, of Knox, died this morning at Woodlawn hospital where she was taken several weeks ago for treatment for a rare disease of the liver which refused to yield to medical aid. The body was taken to Knox this morning where burial will be made Wednesday.

Tuesday, May 24, 1927

Mrs. Susan LEAVELL a pioneer resident of the Tiosa neighborhood passed away at the home of her son Delbert Leavell of Argos Monday afternoon at one o’clock. Death resulted from a complication of diseases which accompanied her advanced age. The deceased’s condition had been regarded as serious since last November.

Mrs. Leavell was born in Ohio on February 19th, 1843 and was married to Henry LEAVELL in the year of 1867. Her husband preceded her in death 18 years ago. Mrs. Leavell was a devout member of the Lutheran church of Tiosa and was well known. The deceased is survived by the following children: Mrs. Anna BORDEN of this city, Mrs. Josoephine DEWALD of near Tiosa, Mrs. Frank UMBAUGH of Hammond, Mrs. Peter FISHER of Mentone, Mrs. Noah MILLER of Argos, Frank LEAVELL of Detroit and Delbert LEAVELL of Argos. One son and a daughter preceded the deceased in death.

The funeral services will be held at the Tiosa Lutheran church Wednesday afternoon at 2 o’clock with the Rev. Paul MADER of Rochester officiating. Interment will be made in the Reichter cemetery.

Mrs. Robert M. OSBORN, 1118 East Corby street, South Bend, for many years a resident of this city and county died at her home Monday evening at 10 o’clock. Death was caused by heart trouble. The deceased had been ill for the past five years.

Mrs. Cora OSBORN whose maiden name was [Cora] GIBBONS, was born on a farm near Richland Center 58 years ago. She was married on January 2, 1889. Seven years ago Mr. and Mrs. Osborn moved to Argos to reside. Two years later they moved to South Bend.

Survivors are the husband, two sons, Harry [OSBORN] of Tiosa and Jay [OSBORN] of South Bend, a sister, Mrs. Harvey OVERMYER, of this city, and a brother, Sherman [GIBBONS] of Valparaiso. Mrs. Osborn was a member of the Lowell Heights Methodist church of South Bend.

The body may be viewed at the Osborn residence until the time of the funeral, 12:30 p.m. Wednesday which will be in charge of Rev. BANDON of the Lowell Heights Church.

The remains will then be taken to Argos where services will be held from the Argos Methodist Church with Rev. BAGBY of Chesterton in charge. Interment will be made in the family lot in the Richland Center cemetery.
Wednesday, May 25, 1927

Mrs. Clarence MASTELLER, age 69, a well known resident of Akron and Athens vicinity, passed away at her home at four o’clock Tuesday evening. She has been ill for four years with a complication of diseases which accompanied her old age.

Mrs. Maste ller [Ruhama GRINDLE] was born near Akron April 14, 1858, the daughter of Abraham and Sophia GRINDLE. She was united in marriage with Clarence [B.] MASTELLER and was a devout member of the Presbyterian church.

Mrs. Masteller is survived by her husband, one daughter, Mrs. Harry JOHNSON, of Peru; two sons Harry [MASTELLER] and Justin MASTELLER, both of whom reside near Athens; one sister, Mrs. Chas. E. SMITH, and one brother, John H. GRINDLE, who reside at Akron.

The funeral services will be held at the home Thursday afternoon at 2:30 with Rev. SMITH of Athens in charge. Burial will be made at the I.O.O.F. cemetery at Akron.

Byron June [GREER], eleven month old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert W. GREER, died at 4:30 Tuesday afternoon at the Greer home, at 331 North Indiana Avenue following a three days illness with measles and complications. The child was born on June Seventh, 1926 and is survived by the parents, three brothers, Emerald [GREER], Fredrick [GREER] and Robert [GREER], and a sister, Mabel [GREER]. Funeral services will be held at ten o’clock Thursday morning at the home with Rev. S. WELLS in charge.

Thursday, May 26, 1927

Mrs. Nancy BACON, age 83 years, died at her home in Macy Thursday morning at three o’clock, death resulting from a several years illness incident to old age.

She [Nancy SUTTON] was the daughter of David and Martha SUTTON and was born near Indianapolis September 20th, 1843. The greater part of her life was spent in Fulton and Miami counties. At the age of 16 she was united in marriage with Thurtellus COLLINS, who died a number of years ago. Later she married to James BACON who preceded her in death several years. Mrs. Bacon was a member of the Macy Methodist Church. Surviving are three sons, E. B. COLLINS, of Danville, Ill., Azro COLLINS of Nebraska and Arthur BACON of Akron, Ind.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at two p.m. at the Macy Methodist Church with E. H. KENNEDY, of Silver Lake, assisted by Rev. Samuel ZECHIEL, in charge. Burial will be made in the Plainview cemetery.

Harold BABCOCK, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank BABCOCK, 142 North Jefferson street, who would have graduated from Rochester High School this spring had his illness, tuberculosis, not have prevented it, died this morning. He had been ill but six weeks.

Harold Babcock was born in Grant Park, Illinois on December 4, 1904. He has lived in this city for the past 10 years. While attending high school he specialized in commercial work. The deceased was employed at the office at the Armour & Co. plant last summer.

Mr. Babcock is survived by his father and step-mother, two sisters, Ruth [BABCOCK], who is a member of the 1927 class of the Rochester High School, and Mrs. Don SHEETS of Macy, and a brother, Leon [BABCOCK], at home. The deceased was a member of the Rochester Christian Church.

Funeral services will be held from the Christian Church at 2 p.m. Saturday. Rev. W. C. ASCHANHORT will be in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.
Friday, May 27, 1927

Mrs. Charles MARTIN, resident of Logansport and well known in Rochester, died in her home in that city at three a.m. Thursday morning. She was a sister of Mrs. Francis LOUDERBACK of this city. She had been ill for the last six months. She was the daughter of John and James [sic] RHODES.

She is survived by her mother, Mrs. John Rhodes, two brothers, Riley [RHODES] and Claud RHODES and Mrs. LOUDERBACK.

The funeral will be held at the residence at 2325 High street, Logansport at 10:30 Monday, May 30th.

Saturday, May 28, 1927

Mrs. Margaret REES of this city, who received a telegram Thursday apprising her of the death of her grandson, Stanley A. DeWITT, of Ardmore, Okla., later yesterday received a letter giving the details of his demise. Death occurred at 11:35 a.m. Thursday following an illness of several months from tuberculosis, the dread disease being contracted last January. The young man was well-known in Rochester having spent his summer vacations at the home of his grandparents for the past several years.

Stanley A., son of William and Edith DeWITT, was born in Rochester March 14, 1898. He moved to Ardmore with his parents when quite a young lad. Two and one-half years ago he was united in marriage to Miss Maude WHITE, of Ardmore. No children were born to this union. The deceased was employed in the purchasing department of the Santa Fe railroad company. He was a member of the Ardmore Presbyterian Church, and a Shriner in the Masonic Order of that city. Besides his wife he is survived by his parents, and one brother Garrett [DeWITT], all of Ardmore.

Rochester relatives of the deceased are Mrs. Margaret REES, grandmother; Charles [REES] and Myron REES, uncles, and Miss Margaret [REES] and Mable REES, aunts.

The funeral will be held at Ardmore, Oklahoma, Sunday afternoon. Interment will also be made there.

Daniel P. SEIFERT, 71, a brother-in-law of county surveyor James BURNS, died early Saturday morning at his home three miles northwest of Akron on what is known as the BURNS homestead following a years illness caused by cancer. The deceased was born on a farm in Whitley county on October 15, 1855 the son of William and Lydia SEIFERT. He has been a resident of Fulton county for the past 30 years. Mr. Seifert is survived by his widow, and two daughters, Mrs. Harry LILLENGREN of Minneapolis, Minn., and Elizabeth [SEIFERT] at home. He was a member of the Athens United Brethren Church. Pending word from Mrs. Lillengren funeral arrangements have not been made but in probability the services will be conducted from the Athens U.B. Church Monday afternoon.

Monday, May 30, 1927

[no paper - holiday]
Bruford [BORUFF], the 15 month old son of Mr. and Mrs. William BORUFF, of Kokomo, formerly of the Green Oak community south of Rochester, died Saturday evening at the Good Samaritan hospital in Kokomo the result of injuries received in an automobile accident south of Kokomo earlier in the day. The Boruff family was enroute to Indianapolis to spend the week-end with relatives when the accident occurred. Mr. and Mrs Boruff suffered serious cuts and bruises.

At 1:45 a.m. Monday, May 30, death called a well known resident of Rochester - Joel STOCKBERGER. Mr. Stockberger has been ill for two years and death was due to complications following a stroke of paralysis.

Mr. Stockberger who was 80 years of age was born in Perry County, O., Oct. 28, 1846. Forty-four years ago he moved here from Tiosa and for thirty years was engaged as a hardware merchant in Rochester.

Mr. Stockberger was a member of the Odd Fellows and Masonic lodges and was a member of the Lutheran church of Tiosa.

He is survived by his wife, two daughters, Fern EDWARDS of Minerva, Ohio, and Margaret PARSONS, Melrose, Mass.; seven grandchildren; four sisters, Mrs. Mary BYBEE of Hammond, Mrs. Amanda BLAIR of Rochester, Mrs. Eva SEE of Warsaw, and Mrs. Tiffie BROWN, of Pasadena; and two brothers, Dr. E. STOCKBERGER of Milford and Myron STOCKBERGER of Newton, Iowa.

Funeral services will be held at the home Wednesday 2:30 p.m. Rev. CROWDER will be in charge. Interment will be made in I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Frederick Thomas ROBBINS, 31, until three years ago a resident of this city, dropped dead at his home in Hollywood, California, Saturday night. His father, Charles ROBBINS, who was here visiting with his sister, Mrs. Stephen PYLE, was informed by long distance telephone. Mr. Robbins, who arrived here last Wednesday, left for Hollywood Sunday afternoon. The facts concerning Mr. Robbins death were not learned.

Mr. Robbins was born in this city on October 28, 1896 and was one of six children born to Charles and Elva ROBBINS. Surviving are the parents, four sisters, Clara Mae [ROBBINS], Angeline [ROBBINS], Mrs. Edgar BLIGH and Mrs. Walter PERRY, and a brother, Cyrus [ROBBINS], all of whom live in California. Funeral services will be held from the home at Hollywood either Friday or Saturday with burial in Forest Lawn cemetery at Glendale, California.

The deceased was one of the best known young men in Rochester, graduating from Rochester High School with the class of 1915. He made a name for himself as an athlete starring on both the basketball and track teams. Mr. Robbins then matriculated at Indiana University where he again was a stellar athlete.

At the outbreak of the World War Mr. Robbins, who was then a junior in Indiana University, enrolled in the naval aviation corps and was sent to Boston Technical for his ground school work. He was later sent to Pensacola and Miami, Florida for his air training. He won his chevrons as an ensign at Miami. Mr. Robbins was then sent abroad where he served two years with a detail which guarded the English Channel. His base was at Hull, England.

Mr. Robbins has been in bad health for the past nine years which was due to a shock which he received while in the aviation corps. Mr. Robbins was sent up with student aviator
at Pensacola to instruct him in flying. The student aviator who had control of the seaplane violated his orders to only do straight flying and attempted to do a tail spin. The student aviator dropped for over 500 feet before he could right the plane.

The shock from this harrowing experience Mrs. Robbins never recovered from. He was given treatment in various government hospitals and has been at a private sanitarium near Long Beach since July 8. Mr. Robbins for a year after his return from the war operated the Oakland and Reo agency at Peru. He was a member of the Elks Lodge at Peru and the Baptist Church, the Masonic Lodge and the American Legion Post of this city. Mr. Robbins was also a member of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity at Indiana University.

Bassell N. COLWELL, 79, died at his home, 556 East Eighth street at 11:25 a.m. Sunday from complications incident to old age. He had been ill about 10 years and bedfast for three. The deceased was born near Wabash on May 14, 1948 and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. William COLWELL. He came to this county 18 years ago from Kankakee, Illinois, settling on a farm east of this city. On September 4, 1886, Mr. Colwell married Katherine WINGART, at Toulon, Illinois, and she survives as does one son, James [COLWELL], of this city. Funeral services will be held from the United Brethren church at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday with Rev. S. A. WELLS in charge. Burial will be made in the Citizens cemetery.

Mrs. Thomas D. DAVIS, 45, passed away at Woodlawn Hospital Sunday morning at 1:10 o’clock. She had been taken to the hospital last Tuesday to undergo an operation for cancer from which malady she had suffered for 16 years, but her condition was so critical that the same could not be performed. The deceased was born in Washington county, Indiana, on July 18, 1881, the daughter of George and Mary JONES. For many years Mrs. Davis lived on a farm near Fulton moving to the GOULD farm south of this city three years ago. This spring the Davis family moved to a home at the corner of Elm and 14th streets. The survivors are the husband and a daughter, Imogene [DAVIS]. Funeral services were held this afternoon from the United Brethren church with Rev. S. A. WELLS in charge. Burial was made in the Citizens cemetery.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon from the United Brethren Church for Miss Fern Isabelle YEAZEL, 17, who died Saturday afternoon at her home on West Fourth street after an 18 months illness caused by tuberculosis. Death was a relief to the sufferer as her last four days had to be spent on a bed made of cotton batton.

The deceased was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred YEAZEL. She is the second member of the Rochester High School class of 1927 to die within the past week. Surviving are the parents, three sisters, Freida [YEAZEL], Blanche [YEAZEL] and Miriam [YEAZEL], one brother Milo [YEAZEL] and two grandmothers, Mrs. Jesse BECHTDAL and Mrs. Jesse YEAZEL.

Miss Yeazel was a devout member of the United Brethren Church of this city. Burial was made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery. Rev. S. A. WELLS was in charge of the services.

Peru, Ind., May 31. - John E. ZABST, retired merchant and well-known citizen of Peru, died at the home of his son at 350 North Broadway Saturday morning at 11:30 o’clock. Mr. Zabst had been ill since Sunday, death resulting from complications.

Mr. Zabst was the son of the late George ZABST and was born in Ohio August 22, 1851, his age being 75 years, 9 months and 6 days. He is survived by one son, Roy ZABST of this city and one sister, Miss Ocodia ZABST of Rochester.
The deceased had been a resident of Peru for the past 36 years, coming here from Fulton county. He was a member of the Methodist Church and Peru lodge of Odd Fellows. The remains were removed to the Hammond-Jackson funeral home for burial preparation and were to be returned to the home of the son Monday morning. Funeral services were held from the residence Tuesday morning at 10:30 o’clock and interment was made in Mout Hope cemetery.

Rev. H. E. BUTLER has received word of the death of his brother, Rev. George T. BUTLER, age 78, which occurred Sunday evening at 8:15 at his home in Trilby, Florida. Rev. Butler, a United Brethren minister, for many years was pastor of the Burton, Prairie Grove and Bethel Churches in Fulton County. He has lived in Florida between 15 and 20 years.

The deceased is survived by his wife, two daughters, Lily [BUTLER], of Florida, Mrs. Crinney ENGLISH, of Albion, Ind., two sons, Fletcher [BUTLER] and Burel [BUTLER], both of Albion. Burial will be made in Tampa, Florida.

Nancy Emma ORR, age 67, died Sunday after an illness of two years duration with complications at her home north of Akron. Miss Orr was born in Liberty, Ind., on July 26th, 1859, the daughter of Melville and Nancy SEARS ORR, has spent practically her entire life in Henry Township. She was a member of the Methodist Church at Akron.

Surviving are four brothers and two sisters: William M. ORR, of Rochester, Dr. C. W. ORR, Cincinnati, Ohio, Henry [ORR] and John ORR, Akron, Clara J. ORR, Akron, and Mrs. Edell FARMER, of Minneapolis, Minn. Funeral services will be held at the First Methodist church in Akron at two o’clock Wednesday afternoon with interment in the Akron cemetery.

Mrs. Hannah TRUE received a telegram Tuesday informing her of the death of her brother-in-law, Lee PENCE, which occurred Monday at his home in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Death resulted from a fall he received a few hours before his death. Mr. Pence is well known to a number of residents of this city.

Toddling away from the yard of the farm home, Walter [WHEATLEY], the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter WHEATLEY, who lives south of Akron, fell into a spring near the home and was drowned at noon Saturday. The child had been absent but a few minutes when members of the family started in pursuit of him. Going to the spring they saw indications that the baby had fallen within. The body was recovered immediately but efforts to revive the child failed. A severe bruise on the head indicated that he had struck a timber when he fell into the water. Persons who recovered the child from the waters of the spring state that its heart was functioning when they reached the body but they were unable to save its life. Walter was the youngest of a family of four children. The Wabash county coroner is conducting an investigation today.

Wednesday, June 1, 1927

Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard STONER, Mr. and Mrs. Frank HALDERMAN and Norman STONER have returned from Greenwich, Ohio, where they attended the funeral of their cousin, Mrs. Emma CRUM, who was killed in an automobile accident on the night of May 21 which also claimed the lives of two other women.

Mrs. Crum, whose husband was the Chrysler agent at Greenwich, Ohio, was riding
between her home and Plymouth, a village 9 miles north of Greenwich, when Mrs. Crum attempted to pass another car whose driver showed a disposition to race.

Both machines were traveling at top speed when Mrs. Crum drove around the car of her opponent while going at a clip of 80 miles an hour. Mrs. Crum a second after her victory lost control of her car and crashed into a maple tree at the side of the road.

The body of the Chrysler was taken of just as if a knife had been used to sever it. Mrs. Crum lived for two hours after the accident while the two women who were with her were killed instantly. A daughter of Mrs. Crum, who was in the ill fated car, was only slightly bruised.

Mrs. Crum was well known in this city and in Henry township where she had often visited with her relatives. She was a cousin of the late President Warren G. HARDING of Marion, Ohio.

Thursday, June 2, 1927

Rose HAY BRUGH, age 61, a well known resident of the Leiters Ford vicinity, was called by death last evening at 7 o’clock. Mrs. Brugh was ill only a few hours following a stroke of paralysis.

Mrs. Brugh was born near Leiters Ford on February 7, 1866 and has lived there practically all of her life. She was the daughter of James and Eliza HAY.

Surviving are her husband, Mr. A. W. BRUGH, three sisters, Mrs. Lucy PATSEL of Logansport, Mrs. Ella STURGEON of Dugger, Indiana, and Mrs. Emily PATSEL of Delong; three brothers, James HAY, George HAY of Givernon, Illinois, and Ellis HAY of Dugger, Indiana.

The husband, Mr. A. W. BRUGH is a brother (and the only surviving member of the family) of the late Mrs. Matilda BLACKBURN who was buried on May 15th. Mr. Brugh has been seriously ill for a number of months afflicted with paralysis.

The funeral will be held at the home at two o’clock Friday afternoon. Services will be conducted by Reverend H. L. ADAMS, and the burial will be made at the Leiters Ford cemetery.

Friday, June 3, 1927

Sylvester “Les” DAVENPORT, 73, a resident of Disko for over 40 years, died very suddenly Thursday morning while sitting in a chair at the home of his brother-in-law, Frank KERCHER, who lives in the north part of Akron. Coroner Herbert ZIMMERMAN was called to make an investigation.

Mr. Davenort had suffered with heart trouble for the past three months but not seriously enough to stop him from following his occupation that of a carpenter until last Saturday. Wednesday he had so far recovered that he decided to resume work and went to the Kercher home to spend the night.

Getting up early Thursday morning he had his breakfast and was sitting in a chair while Mr. Kercher who is also a carpenter placed a new handle in a hammer, when the heart attack occurred. Mr. Kercher fell forward from the chair to the floor. He had died before medical aid arrived.

The deceased was born in Ohio and came to this county 45 years ago. He is survived by his wife and two sons, Roy [DAVENPORT] and Earl [DAVENPORT] both of Fort Wayne. The funeral services will be conducted from the Church of God at Disko, of which
organization Mr. Davenport was a member, at 2 p.m. Saturday. Rev. Emma ISCENBERGER will be in charge. Burial will be made in the Roann cemetery.

Mrs. Louisa PETERS, wife of Chris PETERS, of Lake Bruce, passed away on Monday afternoon at 2:30 o’clock at her home after an illness extending over twenty-seven years from rheumatism. Friday of last week she suffered a paralytic stroke resulting in death Monday.

Miss Louisa JACEKISH was born in Chicago on January 21, 1857, and was 70 years of age. In 1873 she was married to Chris PETERS in Chicago and to this union were born ten children, all of whom with the husband survive. They are as follows: Henry [PETERS] of Harrison township, Pulaski county, Chris [PETERS] of Pulaski, Will [PETERS] of Monterey, John [PETERS] of Cincinnati, O., Charles [PETERS] of Culver and George [PETERS] on the home farm near Lake Bruce, Mrs. Emma WENTZEL of Leiters Ford, Mrs. Kate HUEBNEY of Kewanna and Miss Nellie [PETERS] at home.

The funeral was conducted on Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o’clock from the Greenland church, with Rev. KISTLER in charge of the services, assisted by Rev. HANSCHEW. Burial was made in the Greenland cemetery.

Miss Belle VanKIRK, aged 25 years, passed away at the home of her sister, Mrs. James Wilson, of Kewanna, shortly after five o’clock Friday evening. Death resulted from stomach trouble from which ailment the deceased had suffered for the past four months. Miss Van Kirk was born at Leiters Ford and had been a resident of that community practically all of her life.

The deceased was a member of the Leiters Ford Methodist church and was active in all church work. Besides her sister, Mrs. James WILSON, the deceased is survived by one brother, George VanKIRK, of Leiters Ford.

The funeral services in charge of Rev. N. C. BISHOP will be held on Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o’clock at the Kewanna Methodist church. Burial will be made in the Kewanna cemetery.

Word received early Saturday morning by Rochester friends of Donald BLACKBURN apprised them of his death which occurred at his home in Mishawaka Friday night. The deceased was a victim of tuberculosis, having suffered from this disease for the past several years.

Donald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed BLACKBURN, was born near Rochester 32 years ago, moving to Mishawaka in the year of 1925. He was employed as a clerk in one of Mishawaka’s stores. The deceased is survived by a sister, Miss Isabelle BLACKBURN, also of Mishawaka. His parents preceded him in death several years ago. Interment will be made at the Rochester I.O.O.F. cemetery Monday morning at 10 o’clock, where short funeral services will be held at the grave.

Monday, June 6, 1927
Death, early today, claimed one of Rochester’s leading citizens in the person of George H. WALLACE, who succumbed at the home of his son, Charles, 214 West 11th St., shortly after 2 o’clock a.m. Tuesday. The deceased was the victim of an acute heart attack, having been ill for the past three weeks from this disease. Mr. Wallace was 77 years and 3 months of age at the time of his death.

George Hildreth, son of James and Margaret WALLACE, was born on a farm in the Antioch neighborhood, 5 miles southwest of Rochester on Feb. 8th, 1850. He resided in this neighborhood until 12 years of age when he moved with his parents to Monterey, later taking up his residence in Rochester. On Jan. 2, 1873, he was united in marriage to Fannie M. CLARK, who preceded him in death on Aug. 18th, 1884. The deceased on Aug. 16, 1885 was remarried to Minnie M. HEDGES, who passed away on August 22, 1906.

Mr. Wallace received his education in the Fulton county schools and for several years following his graduation taught school in this township. For a period of 45 years he was engaged in the general merchandising and produce business in this city having had business locations in practically every block in the down-town district. The deceased had served several terms on the city council during his residence in Rochester and in more recent years was engaged in the real estate business with his son, Charles. Mr. Wallace was united in early life with the Methodist church and was a charter member of the K. of P. lodge.

Besides the following children, Mrs. Ruth BRESICK, of Preble, Ind., Harry [WALLACE] and Charles [WALLACE, of this city, the deceased leaves the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. C. W. CAMPBELL, of Hammond, Newton WALLACE of Richland Center, a half-brother, Bruce WALLACE of Elkhart, and a step-brother, Percy HAWKINS, of this city.

While funeral arrangements have not been definitely made, it is the family’s intentions to hold the services at the Baptist church, Thursday afternoon at 2 o’clock, with the Rev. James W. NIVEN in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Robert W. NEWELL, 78, a highly respected resident of Athens, who lived alone and who had served for two terms as county assessor was found dead Tuesday morning by his neighbor, Mrs. Milo HARROLD who missed him when he did not do his morning chores and went into the home to investigate.

Mrs. Harrold found Mr. Newell in his bedroom. It appeared as though he had just started to retire from the position of his body. Calling in the neighbors, Coroner Herbert ZIMMERMAN was notified to make an investigation. Death according to the coroner was caused by apoplexy which was super-induced by hardening of the arteries.

It is thought Mr. Newell died shortly after 10 o’clock Monday evening as he had been at one of the Athens stores until 9:30. While at the store he remarked to several of his neighbors that he was feeling fine. Mr. Newell however had been under a doctor’s care for several months having suffered with arterio sclerosis.

Mr. Newell was born on a farm near this city on July 27, 1848, the son of Samuel and Elizabeth NEWELL. He had lived in this county all of his life following the occupation of a farmer except for the eight years he served as county assessor. He was a Republican by politics.

The deceased had been married three times, all of his wives preceding him in death. His wives’ maiden names were Elizabeth JOHNSON, Elizabeth MILLER and Emma CLEMMONS. The survivors are three children, Mrs. Nellie KEIM of near Green Oak, Ray
Funeral services will be held from the Athens United Brethren church at 2 p.m. Wednesday with burial in the Mt. Zion cemetery. Rev. James NIVEN will be in charge of the services. Mr. Newell was a member of the Methodist church at Omega and the Odd Fellows lodge.

Wednesday, June 8, 1927

Prosecutor Fred McCLURG and Sheriff Fred CARR Wednesday investigated rumors which have been circulated in Aubbeenaubbee and Richland townships concerning the death of Mrs. Rose HAY BRUGH, aged 61, which occurred at 7 p.m. Wednesday June 1, at her home in Leiters Ford.

The rumor has it that Mrs. Brugh was killed by a blow over the head with a hammer which crushed her skull. It is said the fatal blow was struck by her husband, Anthony BRUGH, aged 62, who is now an inmate of the county infirmary. Mr. Brugh has been demented for some time.

The rumors about the death became so persistent in the two townships that officers were compelled to make an investigation. If there is enough evidence a court of inquiry will be requested by Prosecutor McClurg. It is said there may be others involved in the death.

Prosecutor McCLurg stated this afternoon  that if there was sufficient evidence he would ask Judge Carr for an order to have the body of Mrs. Brugh exhumed and an examination made of the same by two disinterested surgeons. The surgeons were to be given instructions to examine the skull very minutely. Mrs. Brugh was buried last Friday afternoon in the Odd Fellows cemetery at Leiters Ford.

Report has it that Dr. KELSEY of Monterey who was the Brugh family physician, and Alonzo LUCKENBILL, undertaker of Leiters Ford, who prepared the body of Mrs. Brugh for burial both have stated that there was no evidence of foul play. The burial permit which is now on file in the office of County Health Officer Dr. George E. HOFFMAN show the attending physician stated that death was caused by paralysis.

If the investigation proves conclusively that Mr. Brugh killed his wife little can be done with him as he has been sick mentally for a number of years. He could be placed in the ward for criminal insane at the Michigan City prison for the remainder of his days or in the violent ward at the Northern Indiana Hospital for the Insane at Logansport.

Thursday, June 9, 1927

Fulton county will be saved the heavy expense of exhuming the body of Mrs. Rose BRUGH, who died at her home at Leiters Ford on June 1 under alleged mysterious circumstances, through an error which was made last Friday when the corpse was placed in the wrong lot at the Leiters Ford Cemetery when it was buried.

Friday, June 10, 1927

Funeral services were held at Monterey Thursday afternoon for Robert Glen BEAUCHAMP, 16, who died Tuesday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert BEAUCHAMP. Death was caused by blood poisoning which developed from a carbuncle on the lad’s face which became infected. Besides his parents he leaves several brothers and sisters.
Mrs. Susan BOLLES, who for the past four weeks has been ill, succumbed this morning at 5:30. Death resulted from neuralgia, old age, and other complications which were caused by a stroke of paralysis which she suffered two years ago.

Miss Susan STEFFY, the daughter of Elizabeth and Benjamin STEFFY, was born in Ohio 76 years ago and moved to this vicinity while she was still very young. The deceased has spent practically all her life on a farm about five miles south of this city.

Fifty years ago the deceased was united in marriage with Wilson BOLLES who preceded her in death eleven years ago. Besides a great number of friends she leaves one brother, Frank STEFFY, of Rochester.

Mrs. Bolles was an active worker in the W. R. C. and a devout member of the Evangelical church.

The funeral will be held at the home of the deceased on the corner of Franklin avenue and 12th street on Monday afternoon at 2 p.m. Rev. HERMAN of Huntington will be in charge of the services and interment will be made in the Citizens cemetery.

William BALL, a resident of the south side of Lake Manitou, Saturday morning received word of the death of George TOMLINSON, 60, which occurred Friday evening at 7:30 o’clock at the home of his sister, Mrs. Dudley FOSTER, 934 North Bellview place, Indianapolis. Death resulted from a cancerous infection, the patient having been confined to his bed for the past three weeks.

Mr. Tomlinson was well known in this city, having spent the past eight summers at the “George Washington” cottage on Wolf’s Point, Lake Manitou. Prior to the ill health which caused his retirement from active duties the deceased was employed on the Indianapolis police force. The funeral will be held at the home of his sister, Mrs. Dudley Foster, Indianapolis, on Monday afternoon.

Friends in Akron have received word of the death of Ed SAUSAMAN who formerly lived in Henry township which occurred in California last Monday. Death was caused by a heart affliction. Mr. Sausaman was a printer by trade. Burial was made in California. Mr. and Mrs. Sausaman and son visited friends and relatives in Akron last summer and at that time he predicted that it would be his last visit to Indiana.

Mrs. Louisa RHINESMITH, aged 75 years, and for the past forty years a resident of the Grandview neighborhood, passed away at her home six and one-half miles northwest of Rochester, on Sunday evening at 5:30 o’clock. Death resulted from a stroke of paralysis which followed a cerebral hemorrhage the deceased suffered several days ago.

Louisa [BEEHLER], daughter of Charles and Barbara BEEHLER, was born in Tennessee on August 6, 1851. She moved to Indiana with her parents and was later united in marriage to Charles Edwin RHINESMITH. Besides the husband, the deceased leaves two daughters, Mrs Laura ABBOTT, at home, Mrs. Martha RUNNELLS, of near Richland Center; two son, Leon [RHINESMITH] at home, Arthur [RHINESMITH] of Milwaukee, Wis.; two brothers,
Charles [BEEHLER] and Louis BEEHLER of near Richland Center and one sister, Mrs. Henry RHINEHOLD of near Monterey.

The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o’clock at the Grandview church with the Rev. HANDSCHU, assisted by Rev. Phillip BEEHLER, officiating. Burial will be made in the South Germany Cemetery.

Tuesday, June 14, 1927

Calder ALSPACH, southwest of the city, has been informed of the death of his cousin, Mrs. Maude NESSERSMITH, age 46, wife of Ovel NESSERSMITH, died at her home near Logansport, Monday evening following a short illness with blood poisoning. Funeral services will be held at the home Wednesday afternoon at 2:30. Mrs. Nessersmith is well known here having often visited in the Alspach home.

Wednesday, June 15, 1927

Mrs. Henry HAAG, 60, the mother of seven children, died rather suddenly this morning at her home on Logan Street in Kewanna following a stroke of paralysis which she suffered an hour and half prior to her death. Mrs. Haag had been enjoying the best of health and her death was entirely unexpected.

The deceased was born near Culver the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel MEDBURN. She resided at Culver for five years after her marriage when she moved to Kewanna thirty years ago. Mrs. Haag is a member of the Kewanna Christian Church and the Eastern Star Lodge.

Mrs. Haag is survived by her husband, four sons, Roy [HAAG] in Caad [sic], Henry [HAAG] and Carl [HAAG] in Detroit and Ernest [HAAG], at home, and three daughters, Ruth [HAAG], Grace [HAAG] and Edith [HAAG] of Detroit. One sister resides in California. Two of Mrs. Haag’s sons are the owners of the Haag Brothers Circus.

The date of the funeral has not been set or will it be until word has been received from relatives in distant cities. The funeral services however will be held from the home with burial in the Odd Fellows cemetery at Kewanna.

Funeral services were held in Indianapolis Tuesday afternoon for George H. TOMLINSON who for many years lived in his home on the south bank of Lake Manitou. Mr. Tomlinson died Saturday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Anna FOSTER, 934 North Bellview Avenue, Indianapolis, following a six months illness caused by cancer. Mr. Tomlinson, who was sixty years of age, was a member of the Indianapolis police force for more than 26 years. Burial was made in the North Liberty cemetery.

W. G. GREEN of this city has received word of the death of his sister, Mrs. [Guy] B. MILLER, at her home in Detroit, Mich. Mrs. Miller was formerly Miss Myrtle [E.] GREEN. Funeral services will be Saturday afternoon at Bluffton, Ind., and burial will be made there.

Thursday, June 16, 1927

South Bend, Ind., June 16. - Mrs. Mamie Maybell BAMER, age 22, of 832 North Main street, died Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 o’clock in her home after a two months’ illness of pernicious anemia. She was born in Lafayette, Ind., May 16, 1905, and came to South Bend four years ago from Fulton, Ind. Her marriage to LeRoy BAMER took place Dec. 24, 1926,
in South Bend. Surviving Mrs. Bamer [Mamie Maybell SHEETS] are her husband, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton SHEETS, and two brothers, Harry V. [SHEETS] and Clarence E. SHEETS, of Fulton. Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at 2 o’clock in the First Baptist Church, Fulton. Burial was made in the Fulton cemetery.

At the home of A. F. Marsh BASH, southwest of Macy, Thursday morning occurred death of his daughter, Mrs. Phoebe Ellen BAKER, age 22, of South Bend. Death was due to tuberculosis of the throat from which she had suffered for the past year.

Mrs. Baker was born on July 10th, 1904 in Fulton County. In 1921 she graduated from the Macy High School, later attending the South Bend Business College. Upon completion of her business course she accepted a position as a stenographer in the St. Joseph County Court house where she was employed for several years. About two years ago she was married to Samuel BAKER.

Surviving are the husband, father, step-mother, two brothers, Ray [BASH] and Russel BASH, a step-brother, Harold KINDIG, and a step-sister, Mrs. Roscoe HATCH. Funeral services will be held at two o’clock Saturday afternoon at the Methodist church in Macy with Rev. James ZECHIEL in charge. Burial will be made in the Plainview cemetery.

Miss Martha A. BARNES, aged about 75, died at her home in Macy, Wednesday evening from infirmities due to old age.

She was the daughter of Dr. John and Nancy (BEHANT) BARNES and was the only remaining member of her family, three brothers and three sisters having preceded her in death. For many years she and her eldest brother, Abram BARNES, made their home together in Macy until death separated them several years ago. She is survived by several nephews and nieces who reside at Kalamazoo, Michigan. Mr. and Mrs. Albert CHALK of Macy have lived with her the past few months and taken splendid care of her.

Funeral arrangements will not be made until the relatives from Michigan arrive.

Friday, June 17, 1927

Earl KROUSE, who lives on the Kentucky Farm northwest of the city, Thursday night was informed of the death of his sister, Mrs. Arthur ALLEN, which occurred earlier in the evening at her home in South Bend. Mrs. Allen, who had been ill for several months, was about 23 years of age. The deceased, who was formerly Miss Hazel KROUSE, was a former resident of Fulton County.

Saturday, June 18, 1927

Mishawaka, Ind., June 16. - Mrs. James A. ALLER, 25, died at the home of her brother, Archie L. KROUSE, 1011 N. Main street, at 5 o’clock Friday morning after an illness of two years. She was born Feb. 22, 1902 in Rochester, Ind., and came to this city from South Bend, four years ago.

She is survived by her husband, James ALLER, and four brothers, Archie [KROUSE], Earl [KROUSE] and Henry [KROUSE], of Mishawaka, and Harry [KROUSE] of Rochester, Ind.

Mrs. Aller has been in Phoenix, Ariz. for the past two years for her health. She returned to Mishawaka last Monday.
Monday, June 20, 1927

Death summoned in the early hours of Sunday morning after a four day illness, Mrs. Margaret KEITH, 83, one of the pioneer citizens of Rochester. Death was caused by complications incident to old age. The deceased had made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Charles GOULD, 317 West Ninth street, since the death of her husband, George KEITH, on December 25, 1926.

Suffering an infirmity due to a fall many years ago, she was withheld from much of the out-of-doors life and in consequence was greatly retarded in forming an extensive acquaintanceship. Those who knew her best found a soul seeing always the good and great and never in harshness passed judgment on the shortcomings and errors of others, but in calmness and gentleness of a divine and sovereign soul, she found reason and forgiveness.

Born in New Jersey the daughter of Peter and Isabelle ACKERMAN, November 10, 1854, the deceased moved to Howe, Ind., with her parents when quite young.

It was there that she met Mr. Keith whom she married on December 5, 1880. Mr. and Mrs. Keith moved to this city in 1882 after Mr. Keith had purchased a drug store on the south side of the public square in a room now occupied by the New York Candy Kitchen. For many years the Keiths lived at 718 Jefferson street.

Mrs. Keith, who was a life long member of the Presbyterian Church, is survived by her daughter, Mrs. GOULD, and two grandsons, Dr. Lyman GOULD of Fort Wayne and Keith RICHTER of Chicago.

Funeral services will be held from the Gould home at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday with Rev. Daniel PERRY in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

George SCHAAF, 56, for many years a cement contractor in this city, died at Woodlawn Hospital Sunday afternoon at 2:45 o’clock. The deceased had been in ill health since last January and was removed to Woodlawn for treatment last Wednesday. Death was caused by liver trouble.

Mr. Schaaf was born on a farm one mile north of this city on Federal Road [US] 31 on January 10, 1871 the son of Joseph and Mary Elizabeth [SCHAAF]. He had lived in this city during his entire lifetime except for two brief periods when he moved to California and to Mississippi. He was never married.

Mr. Schaaf learned his trade, that of cement mason, under Marsh HILL. For several years he was engaged in business with Rollin PONTIOUS, but for the past seven years he has been contracting alone. Many curbs and sidewalks in this city were built by Mr. Schaaf.

The deceased was well and favorably known by a large circle of friends. He was one of the most liberal men in this city and many needy persons have benefited through his charity. Mr. Schaaf was one of the most tireless workers for the Thanksgiving banquet given each year by the Eagles Lodge of which organization he was a member. His creed was that of the golden rule which he practiced every day.

Survivors are three brothers, John [SCHAAF], Graymont, Ill., Marcus [SCHAAF], Lansing, Mich., and Charles [SCHAAF], of Lima, O., and two sisters, Mrs. H. E. COPLIN, Frankfort, and Mrs. J. Benn LOWE of Brook, Ind.

Funeral services will be conducted from the Hoover Chapel, [and burial] will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.
Peru, Ind., June 20. - Mrs. Ella MARBURGER, age 53, died in the Woodlawn hospital, Rochester, at 4:30 o’clock Friday afternoon where she had undergone an operation. The deceased was the wife of William MARBURGER, brother of Edward G. [MARBURGER] and Joseph MARBURGER, of this city.

She had lived for a number of years with her husband and children on a farm near North Manchester.

The children are Walter MARBURGER, a teacher in the South Bend public schools; Paul MARBURGER, in the employ of Marburger Bros., hardware dealers of Peru; Miss Margaret MARBURGER, teacher in the North Manchester schools and John Henry MARBURGER, at home.

Survivors besides the husband and children is a half-brother, Rev. Frank FISHER, of Mexico. The deceased was reared in Jefferson township this county.

Tuesday, June 21, 1927

Sylvester W. COOK, 80, of North Manchester, died at the home of his brother, Delorme F. COOK, Thirteenth and Franklin avenue, at 2:45 p.m. Monday afternoon. The deceased had been in failing health for the past five months. Death was caused by infirmities incident to old age.

Mr. Cook was born in Columbiana county, Ohio, on December 31, 1837. He came to this state when he was 21 years of age and settled on a farm near North Manchester. He was never married. For the past 20 years he has lived with a nephew at North Manchester. Mr. Cook came to the home of his brother here three weeks ago.

The body was removed to North Manchester, Monday afternoon. Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o’clock from the North Manchester Church of which organization Mr. Cook was a member. A number of Rochester relatives will attend the funeral.

Wednesday, June 22, 1927

Robert T. SHAFFER, 66, who is better known as Tom SHAFFER, died at 1:30 this morning in his apartment over the Shore and Wilson dry goods and grocery store on North Main St. Death was caused by heart trouble which was superinduced by a goitre.

The deceased who was born in Ohio, the son of Michael and Mary SHAFFER, has been a resident of this city for 60 years and had never married. Mr. Shaffer was a laborer. The only survivors are two brothers, Albert [SHAFFER of this city and Ed [SHAFFER] of Libertysburg, Ohio.

Funeral services will be conducted from the Hoover Chapel at 10 a.m. Friday. Rev. Daniel PERRY will be in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Friends who wish to view the body may do so at the Hoover Chapel up until the hour of the funeral.

Thursday, June 23 1927

Benjamin F. SWEET, aged 79 years, passed away at his residence, 930 Park Ave., this city at 12:05 Thursday morning. Death resulted from a concerous infection. Mr. Sweet had been a sufferer from this dread disease for the past year although he was only confined to his bed during the past two weeks.
Benjamin F., son of Jacob and Elizabeth SWEET, was born in Ohio, in the year 1854. When still a young man he moved with his parents to Kosciusko county, later taking up his residence in Fulton county where he has resided for the past 32 years. During his residence in and near Rochester he followed the farming occupation being forced to retire several years ago owing to his advanced years.

The deceased was a member of the G.A.R. having served three years in the Civil War.

The deceased, who was married four times, was preceded in death a few years ago by his last mate, Mrs. Mary SQUIRES SWEET. The following children survive: Chas. [SWEET] and George SWEET of this city; two brothers, Dave SWEET of Tippecanoe, and George [SWEET], of Bourbon; one sister, Mrs. Florence UPLINGER of Bourbon, and ten grandchildren are the remaining relatives.

The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o’clock at the home of Rev. W. C. ASCHANHORT with that pastor officiating. Burial will be made in the Citizens cemetery.

Martin D. REEDER, 72, well known resident of Rochester for the past 32 years, died at his home, 808 Monroe street at 2:25 o’clock Thursday afternoon. Death resulted from heart trouble from which disease Mr. Reeder had been confined to his bed for the past year or more.

Martin D., son of George and Cathrine REEDER, was born in Shelby county, Ind., on Feb. 9, 1855 and from that place took up his residence at Culver where he remained for two years. From Culver Mr. Reeder came to this city where for many years he followed his trade as a broommaker and in recent years was engaged in the operation of a pop-corn and peanut wagon which he conducted on the corner of Main and 8th streets until forced to retire on account of ill health.

The deceased was a member of the English Lutheran church and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Besides his wife the deceased leaves a foster-son, Fred SIDMORE, of Jackson Michigan, foster-daughter, Mrs. Nonne RUMBOLDT, Tallawanda, N.Y., three sisters, Mrs. Rose THOMAS of Frankfort, Ind., Mrs. Lizzie GARRARD of Danville, Ill., and Mrs. James ENOCH of this city. The deceased was a nephew of Charles CRETORS of Chicago, millionaire manufacturer of peanut and pop corn machines.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 Saturday afternoon at the home and burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

The death of Mrs. Martha Ann SEDAM, 81, occurred at her home in Fulton last Monday morning. Mrs. Sedam had been in poor health for several years. She had been a resident of Fulton for five years moving there from a farm northeast of Logansport. Mrs. Sedam [Martha Ann SUTTON] was the daughter of Isaac and Alice SUTTON. Survivors are two sons, Jacob [SEDAM] of Lake Cicott and William [SEDAM] of Indianapolis. The funeral services were held from the Sedam home in Fulton Wednesday afternoon. Burial was made in the Metea cemetery.

The funeral of Miss Martha BARNES was held at the home Saturday morning at 10 o’clock, conducted by Rev. ZECHIEL, pastor of the [Macy] M.E. Church. Interment in Plainview cemetery.
Friday, June 24, 1927

Death came to one of the most prominent men of Argos at four o’clock Friday morning when Clarence E. ALLEMAN, 66, passed away very unexpectedly as a result of a stroke of apoplexy. He was one of the well known men of the community having lived there for the last 31 years when he came there from Chicago. He was Vice-president of the First National Bank of Argos since it was organized and was interested in various other business enterprises. He was a member of the Elks lodge of Warsaw and of the K. of P. at Argos, and was well known in the Rochester community.

Mr. Alleman was born November 16, 1860 at the old town of Tippecanoe, Ind. On April 14, 1903 he was united in marriage to Miss Minnie STRADLEY who survives him. He leaves also a sister, Mrs. Belle SPADE, who made her home with her brother. A brother passed away in 1900.

Short services will be held at the home 118 South Maple Street, Argos, on Monday at two o’clock. At three the funeral will be held at St. Thomas Church, Plymouth with Rev. J. W. CORDDIE officiating. Burial in the Oak Hill Cemetery at Plymouth.

Mrs. Eva LYON, age 38, passed away at the home of her mother, Mrs. Louisa GOOD, near Athens at one o’clock Friday morning. Death resulted from a complication of diseases from which the deceased had suffered for the past several months.

Eva L. [GOOD], daughter of David and Louisa GOOD, was born on the Good farm near this city in November, 1889 and had lived all her life in this community. On March fourth, 1923 she was married to Fred D. LYON. She was a member of the Methodist Church and at various times during the past few years was employed at the M. Wile an Sons and Arch Timbers stores in Rochester.

Surviving are her mother, two sisters, Mrs. Lillian CREIG and Maude GOOD and two brothers, Clyde [GOOD] of Fort Benton, Montana and Chas. [GOOD] of Fort Wayne. A son, Harold [GOOD], died three years ago. Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 at the home of her mother and with Rev. R. H. CROWDER in charge. Burial will be made in the Mt. Hope cemetery at Athens.

Through a misunderstanding of a phone message given the News-Sentinel it was stated in Thursday’s issue that the Benjamin F. SWEET funeral would be held at the home of Rev. W. C. ASCHANHORT. This statement was in error as the funeral will be held at the Sweet home, Sunday afternoon at two o’clock, with Rev. Aschanhort officiating.

Saturday, June 25, 1927

Word was received here Friday afternoon from South Bend by Charles [KREIGHBAUM] and Lisle KREIGHBAUM that their grandmother, Mrs. Marietta WENGER KREIGHBAUM, had died at her home in that city at 4:30. Death came as the result of uremic poisoning caused by a tumor. She had been seriously ill for five weeks. Mrs. Keighbaum was well known by many people here where she had visited several times.

She was born in South Bend when it was still an Indian trading post. Her father, Martin L. WENGER, was one of the pioneers of the community while her mother was one of the famous STUDEBAKER family. Her husband, Hiram W. KREIGHBAUM died in 1912. She was a faithful worker all her life in the Church of the Brethren. It is told that the house in which she was born was so large that years afterwards it was torn apart and nine homes were
made out of it, all which are standing today.

More details of Mrs. Kreighbaum’s life will be given in a later issue.

John Wallace [LOWE], the three day old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed LOWE, died at four o’clock Saturday morning at the Lowe home east of the city. Burial was made Saturday afternoon the Mt. Olive Cemetery.

Mrs. James BURNS has received word of the death of her sister, Mrs. Paul ADAMSON, age 65, which occurred Tuesday, June 21st, at her home in Mt. Vernon, Washington. Mrs. Adamson had been ill for the past ten years with cancer.

The deceased was born in Fulton County the daughter of Jacob and Eliza HALTERMAN and lived in this county until 25 years ago when the Adamson family moved to Washington. She is survived by her husband; two sons, Everett [ADAMSON] and Ray [ADAMSON]; one sister, Mrs. BURNS, and a brother, Edward HALTERMAN, of Mentone.

Monday, June 27, 1927

Mrs. B. E. NOFTSGER, of Loyal, Saturday received word of the death of her brother, Fred LEWIS, of Fort Wayne.

Tuesday, June 28, 1927

Funeral services for Mrs. Bessie GASKILL McGOWEN of Tippecanoe, who died Saturday at Warsaw following a major operation, were held Monday afternoon in Tippecanoe. Mrs. McGowen, who was a nurse, received her training at the Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester in 1923. She is survived by three children.

William BROWN has been informed of the death of his cousin, Grant CHINN, which occurred at the Omaha hospital in St. Paul, Nebraska, on June tenth. Mr. Chinn was born in Rochester on November fourth, 1868, the day which U. S. Grant was elected president, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. CHINN. The Chinn family lived on south Madison street while residents of Rochester, moving from here in 1882. The deceased operated a garage in St. Paul and is survived by his wife and several children.

Wednesday, June 29, 1927

Russell JACKSON, 24 years old, Fulton, drowned while swimming in the Koch gravel pit one-half mile south and a half mile west of Five Corners on Federal Road [US] 31 south of this city shortly after 5:30 o’clock Tuesday afternoon. The body was recovered by Harold TROUT and Charles GREEN of Fulton and Keith FENTERS and Roy ENYART of Macy, who made an unsuccessful attempt to rescue him.

Jackson, who has been working on Federal Road [US] 31 making berms went to the pit for a swim with Trout and Green who were also employed on the road. Trout and Green were the first in the water, Jackson, who was an experienced swimmer following them a few minutes later. Jackson had been working hard all day and when he entered the water his body was covered with perspiration.

Half way across the pit, which is 500 feet wide, Jackson it is thought was seized with cramps which followed the shock of entering the cold water because of his heated body and
without even a warning sank to the bottom of the pit. The water at this point is 20 feet deep.

Trout and Green attempted to rescue their companion but were unsuccessful. A minute later
Fenters and Enyart, who had come to the pit to bathe, joined the rescuers and with their combined
efforts were able to raise the body of Jackson to the surface and pull it to shore.

First aid methods were employed by the four men without success. Dr. Marion CARTER of
Macy was called but his efforts to revive Jackson also proved futile. Coroner Herbert
ZIMMERMAN was called and pronounced death due to accidental drowning. It is thought
Jackson also had a heart attack.

The gravel pit in which the drowning occurred is owned by Cecil COOLEY of Bloomington,
who until a few weeks ago resided at 3726 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis. Gravel from the
pit was used in the construction of Federal Road [US] 31.

Russell JACKSON was born on a farm near Wagoners Station on February 16, 1903. He is
the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Warren JACKSON who live on a farm one mile north of Fulton on
the Michigan road. The young man was the victim of a typhoid fever attack two years ago which
rendered him subject to heart attacks.

The deceased graduated from the Fulton grade school and had completed three years in the
Fulton High School when he was forced to drop his studies. He is survived by his parents, a
brother, James [JACKSON] and a sister, Jennie [JACKSON]. Both brother and sister lived with
their parents.

The funeral services will be held from the Baptist Church at Fulton, of which organization the
deceased was a member at 2:30 p.m. Friday. Rev. H. E. BUTLER will be in charge. Burial will be
made in the Odd Fellows cemetery at Fulton.

The death of Russell Jackson has cast a pall over the Fulton community as he was well and
favorably known. His death marked the first drowning in Fulton county so far this year.

James H. BAIRD, aged 80, Civil War Veteran who marched with General Sherman to the sea,
died at 6:30 Wednesday morning at the home of his son, Charles, who lives on a farm two miles
west of Fulton. Death was caused by complications incident to old age. The deceased has been a
highly respected resident of Liberty township for the past 55 years, with the exception of three
brief periods.

Mr. Baird was born on a farm near Cambridge, Guernsey county, Ohio, on July 11, 1848. His
parents, William and Mary BAIRD, moved to Mt. Etna in Huntington county when he was four
years of age, where they resided for ten years and then settled on a farm near Jalapa in Grant
County.

Mr. Baird when seventeen years of age enlisted with the Union army and was assigned in
Company A, of the Sixty-Sixth Illinois Infantry. With this company he saw two years of fighting
on the western front which terminated with Sherman’s famous march through the South.

By occupation Mr. Baird was a farmer. He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. William
GREEN of this city, Mrs. William VanBUSKIRK of Ft. Wayne, and Mrs. J. M. SMELSER of
Marion and a son, Charles [BAIRD]. Mr. Baird was a member of the Fulton G.A.R. Post and the
Odd Fellows and K. of P. lodges at Fulton.

Funeral services will be conducted by Rev. James CORMICAN at 9:30 o’clock Friday
morning from the home of Charles Baird. The body will then be taken to Swayzee in Grant county
where short services will be held in the cemetery before the body is consigned to the grave.
Roy Pletcher, southeast of the city was called to Elkhart Tuesday evening by the death of his father, D. S. PLETCHER, age 75, a retired farmer, which occurred at 2:30 in the afternoon at his home in that city. Mr. Pletcher had been ill for the past seven weeks with cancer of the liver.

The deceased was born in Pennsylvania on July 23rd, 1852 and on July 3rd, 1877 was married to Miss Elizabeth PEASE. For 23 years Mr. and Mrs. Pletcher lived in Fulton county, moving here from Hoopston, Illinois. Seven years ago he moved to Elkhart. He was a member of the Methodist church in Rochester.

Surviving are the widow; three daughters, Mrs. Opha PICKETT, of Detroit, Mich., Mrs. Ena FULLER, and Mrs. Velma KANE of Elkhart; five sons, Lloyd [PLETCHER] of Argos, Muba [PLETCHER] of Fairbault, Minnesota, Erno [PLETCHER], of Chicago, Lyle [PLETCHER], of Elkhart, and Roy [PLETCHER] of Rochester. Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at the Pletcher home in Elkhart and the body will be taken to Berwyn, Illinois for burial.

Thursday, June 30, 1927 and Friday, July 1, 1927

George W. HOLLOWAY, 70, died at his home 100 Monticello Road at 10:10 p.m. Friday following a five years illness caused by paralysis. The deceased has been seriously ill for the past two weeks and death was not entirely unexpected.

Mr. Holloway was born on a farm in Kosciusko Co., and was one of the large family of James and Elizabeth HOLLOWAY. He spent his entire life in Kosciusko and Fulton county. By occupation he was a farmer and for many years resided in the Burton neighborhood west of this city.

The deceased was married to Louvisa SHELLEY on September 5, 1886. Survivors are the widow, four daughters, Mrs. Harvey McINTYRE, Silver Lake, Mrs. Charles WALTER, Tiosa, Mrs. Lloyd SMITH, South Bend, and Mrs. Alba COOPER of this city, four sons, Harry [HOLLOWAY] and Enos [HOLLOWAY] of South Bend, and Granville [HOLLOWAY] and Elva [HOLLOWAY] of Rochester, two brothers, Davey [HOLLOWAY] of Mentone and Henry [HOLLOWAY] of Burket and one sister, Mrs. Hiram MORGAN of near Rochester.

Mr. Holloway was a member of the Burton United Brethren Church. The funeral services will be conducted from the Rochester U. B. church at 2 p.m. Sunday with Rev. S. A. WELLS in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Monday, July 4, 1927

Mrs. Anna May STARNER, age 63, died at 3:45 Tuesday morning at her home in Talma following an illness of three months with complication of diseases. The deceased was born near Burton, Ind., on May tenth, 1864 the daughter of John and Nancy GUNNETT and had lived in the Talma community for the past 37 years. In 1880 she was married to Alfred.
HARDESTY who died a few years later. In 1890 she married Henderson “Poke” STARNER who survives.

Surviving besides the husband are two sons, John HARDESTY of Indianapolis, and Harley STARNER of Lansing, Michigan; three daughters, Mrs. Minnie LOGAN of Detroit, Michigan, Mrs. Vila HULS, of Indianapolis, and Mrs. Eva SMITH, of near Akron, two step-sons, Rola STARNER, of Joliet, Ill., and Broda STARNER of near Argos, and one brother, Frank GUNNETT of Cressey, Michigan.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at two o’clock at the home in Talma with Rev. MATT of Wolcotville, Ind., in charge. Burial will be made in the Reichter cemetery.

At 2:30 o’clock Wednesday morning death claimed Mrs. Almira Jane COPLEN, aged 77 years, at her residence, Talma. The deceased had been a sufferer from a cancerous infection for the past two years.

Almira Jane [HILL], daughter of William and Margaret HILL, was born on a farm in Henry county, Ohio, on August 9th, 1849, moving from that state to Fulton county about 53 years ago where she has since resided. On April 16th, 1874 she was united in marriage to Chauncey COPLEN, who with five children are the immediate survivors of the deceased. Mrs. Coplen had been a member of the Talma Christian church ever since her residence in that community. Three years ago Mrs. Coplen and her husband celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary. The surviving children are Mrs. Frank COLLINS, of near Tiosa, Mrs. Nora ZAULT, of Logansport, Chas. PRIMMER, of Hammond, Allie COPLen of Etna Green and Grover COPLen of Rochester. One daughter, Maude [COPLen], and three sons preceded the mother in death.

The funeral will be held at the Talma Christian church, Friday afternoon at 2 o’clock with he Rev. FOSTER, of Tipton in charge of the services. Burial will be made in the Reichter cemetery.

A change was made today in the funeral arrangements for Mrs. Chauncey COPLEN who died at her home near Talma early Wednesday morning. Services will be held from the Talma Christian Church at 2 p.m. Saturday instead of on Friday afternoon. The postponement was caused by the inability to reach Grover COPLen, a son of the deceased, who was in New York State for the Armour Company. His employers were able to get in touch with him today and he has started for Rochester.

Burkett ILER, 76, one of the respected citizens of the Argos community, died Tuesday at the home of his son, Albert in Tippecanoe Township, from complications resulting from old age. He had lived in that section since he came there from Europe at the age of 12 years. He was born in Germany November 29, 1850.

He is survived by three children, Albert [ILER], John [ILER] and Mrs. Jennie ROHRER of that neighborhood, while six children have died. He had five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The funeral will be held at the Brethren Church, Friday afternoon with burial there. Rev. VERMILLION, of Montezuma, will officiate.
The administration of the estate of the late Moyer GREY of Mentone has effected a settlement with the Mentone Lumber Co., wherein judgment in favor of the administrator was entered in the Kosciusko county circuit court at Warsaw Wednesday whereby the defendant company settled for the death of Gray in the sum of $6,000.

It will be remembered that Grey, who was a baker, was walking past the Mentone Lumber factory on April 1, 1927, and in passing a door where a rip saw was being operated, a board was hurled through the door striking Grey in the abdomen. The man was rushed to the Woodlawn hospital here but died within a few hours. He was survived by a wife and nine children.

Grey’s father came to Mentone from West Virginia three weeks ago and employed an attorney to represent the estate of his son. The business of a settlement was expedited, an agreement reached and the money paid into court within a short period of time.

Friday, July 8, 1927

Funeral services for Arthur E. PLUNKETT, 51 years old father of Roscoe E. PLUNKETT, of Indianapolis, a son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. James KEPLER, were held Tuesday afternoon at the Christian church at Linden. Mr. Plunkett died Sunday at his home in Hammond, following an illness of about four months.

Mr. Plunkett was born in New Richmond, son of Dr. and Mrs. Milton PLUNKETT. He spent most of his life at New Richmond, but lived in Hammond for the last eight years. He was a member of the local union of the American Federation of Labor at Hammond.

The widow, Mrs. Charlotte PLUNKETT; a brother, John PLUNKETT of Roann; a son, Roscoe PLUNKETT, who has been connected with the Calumet Baking Powder Company of Indianapolis for the last six years and well known among retail and wholesale grocers of Indianapolis; a half-brother, Everett PLUNKETT, of Roann, and a half-sister, Mrs. Rosie RYAN, of Alton, Ill., survive.

The last Will and Testament of the late Clarence E. ALLEMAN of Argos, bequeaths to his sister, Emma B. ALLEMAN SPAYDE, the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, in the event that she be living at the time of his death and in the event she should die before he did, the same would go to his wife, Minnie A. ALLEMAN. All the other property both real and personal, is bequeathed to his wife.

Saturday, July 9, 1927

[no obits]

Monday, July 11, 1927

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Carey DUNCAN, 37, colored, of Richmond, Indiana, a former resident of this city, from the Val Zimmerman Chapel Monday morning. Burial was made in the Citizens cemetery. The services were conducted by the Rev. C. A. PUGH, pastor of the Mt. Olive colored Baptist church of Fort Wayne. Mrs. Duncan will be remembered by many of the residents of this city as the step-daughter of John RICKMAN. Several car loads of colored people, relatives of the deceased from Richmond, Wabash and Ft. Wayne, attended the services.
Tuesday, July 12, 1927

Enoch MYERS, 77, a prominent citizen of Rochester and lifelong resident of Fulton County, died at his home 1008 Pontiac Street Tuesday night at eleven o’clock. Death came following three years suffering from arterio-sclerosis, the immediate cause being hypostatical pneumonia. Mr. Myers, for years a leading attorney of the community, retired from work three years ago and remained at his home since that time gradually growing worse. Last December he was forced to his bed and last Friday night he suffered a hemorrhage of the brain which left him helpless until the end.

He was born August 5, 1849 the son of John and Elizabeth CURTNER MYERS near Bruce Lake. He had three sisters and six brothers in the family. His earlier years were spent on the farm but he took advantage of the limited school facilities and attended grade and high school later taking a course in a college at Battle Ground, Ind. At the age of 17 he began teaching school at Mt. Olive. Meanwhile continuing his studies he prepared for future work and in 1874 he was appointed county superintendent of schools which he held for three consecutive terms. His work in this field was marked by unusual ability and it was under his management that the common schools of the county received the first impetus towards graduation and systematic advancement.

He studied law in the office of the late Judge Jacob SLICK during his spare hours and in 1880 he was admitted to the bar and the following year he retired from school work to take up the practice of law. In 1838 he entered a partnership with late Judge Sidney KEITH. A year later he began practicing alone and continued to do so until 1913 when he took Charles EMMONS as a partner.

He was married January 25, 1876, at Kewanna to Miss Hala TROUTMAN, the daughter of Captain and Mrs. P. S. TROUTMAN. One daughter, Glendolyn [MYERS], was born to this union, who with Mrs. Myers and one grandson, Curtner HEATH survive. A sister, Mrs. Lydia ZELLERS, of Kewanna, is the only surviving member of his own family.

He was a member of the K. of P. and the Maccabee lodges. He was always an active political worker in the democratic party being a forceful and popular orator in all campaigns.

The funeral will be held at the home Thursday afternoon at three o’clock with Rev. W. J. NIVEN officiating. Burial in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

TRIBUTE TO A REAL FRIEND
By Henry A. Barnhart

In tribute to my long time friend, Enoch MYERS, deceased, I want to publicly acknowledge his helpful friendship to me and this community during his conspicuous life of public activity. His was not pretentious and he was not envious of the success of anybody. Instead he was self sacrifcing and ever ready to help anybody who deserved the assistance of friends. Both in my responsibilities as an editor and as a public representative Enoch Myers was my friend and advisor and in the more than forty years of such relation I never once found him lacking in frankness or advice for the right of public and personal well being. He was a forceful, happy and eloquent public speaker and whether at the bar of his law profession, in after dinner joy giving, or in patriotic or political oratory he was always in demand, until his health failed, and was widely known as a brilliant and lovable entertainer and companion. It
can truthfully be said that his was surely a self made life.

He came up from a humble home and had few of the early advantages that boys of today enjoy but he was always an industrious seeker after more knowledge and his brilliant education was largely of his own making as he was a constant reader of the best literature and a thinker of the most philosophic turn of mind. He was not a financial success beyond the ordinary in such reference and indeed seemed to care more for happiness of family and friends than for the accumulation of wealth.

But as a friend, as a fraternal brother, as a neighbor and as a patriotic American, Rochester has never been blessed with a higher type of citizen than Enoch Myers and his passing at a ripe old age is the culmination of a life earnestly spent in behalf of better things and more happiness for his family and his wide circle of friends. Long may his memory last with the hosts who knew and admired his many elements of helpful manhood.

Mrs. Angeline Barber, 71, Mentone, Ind., died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Floyd Jones, 312 W. Third street, Mishawaka, at 3:30 o’clock Tuesday morning, after an illness of three months. Mrs. Barber was born in Rush county, Indiana, April 19, 1865. She was married to Edwin S. Barber 52 years ago, and had lived in Mentone her entire life until two weeks ago, when she went to Mishawaka to make her home with her daughter.

Surviving are five sons, G. Edwin [BARBER] and R. H. BARBER, Fort Wayne; Owen [BARBER], Plymouth; Herbert [BARBER], Logansport, and John L. [BARBER], Detroit; two daughters, Mrs. Floyd Jones, Mishawaka, and Mrs. Maude Pletcher, Lansing, Mich., and one sister, Mrs. P. W. WUSENBURG, Rochester.

Isaac Newton Bell, well known citizen of Miami County who has a number of relatives in this city, died at his home in Denver Tuesday morning at 10:45 o’clock following an illness of two years from leakage of the heart. Mr. Bell was born in Ohio January 10, 1854, his age being 73 years. He was united in marriage at Chili with Miss Emma Keim in 1877. He removed from Chili to Denver where he has been a resident for the past 48 years.

The surviving children are Jesse Bell of Peru, Carrie Bender of Denver, Benjamin Bell of Denver, Floyd Bell of Peru, Vera Kinsey of Denver, Gladys Doty of Logansport and Marie Dunden, also of Logansport. Cornelius Bell of Logansport and William Bell of Chili are the surviving brothers.

Funeral services will be held from the Baptist church at Denver Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o’clock. The Revs. Goldman and Clem will have charge of the services and burial will be in the cemetery at Chili. The body was prepared for burial by the Robert Kline undertaking establishment at Denver.

Mrs. Ruth Byrer Shropshire died at her home near Amboy at 3:30 o’clock Wednesday morning of brain fever from which disease she had suffered for the past 10 days. The cause of the fever could not be ascertained by doctors who were called to wait on Mrs. Shropshire. The deceased was the mother of five small children.

Mrs. Shropshire was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah W. Byrer and was born on a farm near Talma. She was a graduate of the Talma grade and high school. Nine years ago she was married to Oraly Shropshire. The Shropshires for the past six years have resided in Amboy. The first three years of their married life was spent in this city.

Mrs. Shropshire is survived by her husband, five children, Virginia [SHROPSHIRE], Charlotte [SHROPSHIRE], Howard [SHROPSHIRE], Bobby [SHROPSHIRE], and Betty [SHROPSHIRE], father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. BYRER, four sisters, Celia
[BYRER] at home, Mrs. Harl WARREN of South Bend, Mrs. George KALENBACK of Ft. Wayne, and Mrs. E. HOOVER of South Bend, and two brothers, Fred [BYRER] of South Bend and Charles [BYRER] of Fort Wayne.

The funeral services will be conducted from the home at Amboy at 2 p.m. Friday. Burial will be made in the cemetery at Amboy. Mrs. Shropshire was a life long member of the Talma Methodist church and was always an active worker in the church.

Thursday, July 14, 1927

Coming as a great shock to her relatives and friends is the death of Mrs. Pearl BIERSDORFER, age 43, of Birmingham, Alabama, which occurred Wednesday evening at 9:15 at the home of her brother, Walter J. BRUBAKER, in this city. Mrs. Biersdorfer with her husband and niece were here to spend their vacation and was taken suddenly ill following a family reunion dinner at her brother’s home.

During the evening Mrs. Biersdorfer went to a local doctor’s office to obtain medicine for her mother and upon returning she complained of being dizzy-headed. She was placed in a chair by her husband where she collapsed, death resulting before the doctor, who was immediately summoned arrived. Death was due to a heart attack. Mrs. Biersdorfer was enjoying unusually good health and had never been subject to heart trouble before.

The deceased was born near Green Oak on May 22, 1884 the daughter of Joel and Lavanda BRUBAKER, and practically all of her life had been spent in this vicinity with the exception of the past few years. On August 14th, 1922 at St. Joseph, Michigan, she was married to Jack BIERSDORFER and a year and a half ago they moved to Birmingham, Alabama, going there from Kalamazoo, Michigan. She was a member of the Rochester Baptist church.

Mrs. Biersdorfer’s death makes the first death in the Brubaker family of nine children. Mr. and Mrs. Brubaker, age 85 and 83 respectively have been married for 63 years.

Surviving besides the husband, parents, are a niece, Miss Marcia BRUBAKER, who made her home with her aunt, two sisters, Mrs. Kenneth DOWNNS, of Chicago, and Mrs. Omer CAMMERER, south of Rochester, and six brothers, Fred [BRUBAKER] of Sioux City, Iowa, Omer [BRUBAKER], of South Bend, William [BRUBAKER], Arthur [BRUBAKER], Walter [BRUBAKER] and Eugene [BRUBAKER], all of Rochester, and a step-son, Harry BIERSDORFER, of Indianapolis.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at two o’clock at the Walter Brubaker residence with Rev. W. J. NIVEN in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Sam BROWN, 74, well known and wealthy citizen of Pulaski died at Woodlawn Hospital early Thursday morning of heart trouble. Mr. Brown came to the hospital three days ago for observation believing that an operation could be performed on his gall bladder which was said to have been one of the causes for his heart affliction. Mr. Brown’s condition was such that it was deemed unwise to operate. The deceased is survived by his wife and several children, all of whom live in Pulaski county.

Friday, July 15, 1927

Mrs. W. C. ASCHANHORT has returned from Ravenna, Ohio, where she attended the funeral of her father, Ira MECHAM, aged 70, who died at Elizabeth, N.J., on July 3. Death caused by cancer. Mr. Mecham while visiting his daughter here last summer entered Woodlawn Hospital on July 27, for an operation for cancer and was dismissed from the local
institution on September 30. Mr. Mecham, whose home was at Randolph, O., then went to
Elizabeth, N.J. to live with his son, Dr. Merle MECHAM. In January Mr. Mecham was again
forced to undergo an operation for cancer. He was bedfast from that time until his death. Burial
was made at Ravenna on July 6.

Mrs. P. J. STINGLY received word Thursday afternoon of the death of her sister-in-law, Mrs.
William EICKLEBERNER of Logansport, which was caused by cancer. Mrs. Eickleberner had a
large number of friends in this city which she had made while on frequent visits here. The funeral
services will be held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at the Royal Center Methodist Church.

Winamac, Ind., July 15 - Death Thursday claimed Samuel E. BROWN, age seventy-four,
wealthy land owner of Pulaski county and prominent in Republican politics in both state and
nation for many years. Mr. Brown died at the Woodlawn hospital, Rochester, after a three-day
illness with acute heart disease. Mr. Brown was delegate to the last national Republican
convention. For many years he had been a close friend of Harry S. NEW, postmaster-general and
of Senator James E. WATSON. He was trustee of Indian Creek township several years ago. His
family was one of the pioneer families of Pulaski county.

Funeral services will be held at the home near Pulaski at 2:30 o’clock Saturday afternoon,
with Rev. L. M. KRUEGER, pastor of the Winamac Presbyterian church, in charge.

Mr. Brown is survived by three sons, Roscoe [BROWN], Newton [BROWN] and Charles
[BROWN], and two daughters, Mrs. Nettie ARNOLD, of Chicago, and Mrs. Clarence LONG, of
Winamac, and one brother, E. R. BROWN of Winamac.

Saturday, July 16, 1927

Word has been received here of the death of Mrs. Cyrus BABCOCK which occurred at her
home in Converse following a several weeks illness. Her husband died a few weeks ago. Funeral
services will be Sunday afternoon at the home in Converse and a number of relatives from home
will attend.

Monday, July 18, 1927

[no obits]

Tuesday, July 19, 1927

Warsaw, Ind., July 19 - After an illness lasting over a period of more than a year Mrs.
William COOK passed away Saturday evening at her home in Mentone. She was a sister of
Charles BUMER. Several months ago Mrs. Cook had submitted to an operation for removal of a
tumor on the brain at the Mayo Brothers’ hospital in Rochester, Minn.

The deceased leaves to mourn her departure, her husband, four children, Gilford COOK, of
South Bend, Mrs. Paul JAMISON, of Claypool, and Catherine [COOK] and William [COOK], at
home, her mother, Mrs. George BUMER, of Burket, Jesse BUMER, of Mentone, and Charles
BUMER, of Kewanna, and one sister, Mrs. Paul MINEAR, of Claypool.

The deceased was a member of the Eastern Star lodge and the Methodist church. Funeral
services were held Monday afternoon at Mentone with interment taking place at the Palestine
cemetery.
Wednesday, July 20, 1927

Word received Tuesday night apprised Rochester relatives of the death of Elmer CARTER, age 58, who passed away at his home in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, shortly after six o’clock Tuesday evening. Death was due to a complication of diseases from which the deceased had suffered for the past two years.

Mr. Carter leaves a wife and one daughter at home; three sisters, and two brothers, Mrs. Marsh HILL, Mrs. Sam WENGER, Mrs. Marion CARTER, of Detroit, A. C. [CARTER] and M. E. CARTER of Rochester. Funeral services will be held at the residence of the deceased Friday afternoon.

M. E. Carter, A. C. Carter, Omer BRICKEL and Jane CARTER who has been spending her vacation in this city, left Wednesday morning for Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Thursday, July 21, 1927

Warsaw, Ind. July 21 - Albert EMMONS, aged about 56, well known Tippecanoe and Warsaw resident, familiarly known as “Rat” EMMONS according to unauthoritative report current in Mentone and Warsaw today, is dead at Detroit or some place in Michigan in a hospital where he was taken following an injury. One report says he was shot while another has it that Emmons died following an operation for ulcers of the stomach.

Warsaw newspapers were able only to learn that Mr. and Mrs. Frank WARREN of Mentone, yesterday received two messages, the first that the latter’s brother was injured and in a hospital some place in Michigan and later that he had died. The messages came from South Bend where Emmons lived.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Warren were called and left for South Bend and Michigan. Mr. Emmons was well known in this city where he was called “Blacksmith.”

He was held for questioning in the death of Frank TUCKER, Warsaw cigar store clerk and Ray “Foxy” FLYNN at Rochester.

Friday, July 22, 1927

Alfred B. DUEY, age 72, of Millark, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Solomon Clemans, one mile southwest of Macy, Thursday afternoon at three o’clock following a years illness with gangrene and other complications. Mr. Duey was removed several weeks ago from his home to the home of his daughter owing to the illness of his wife who has been confined to her bed for the past eleven weeks with heart trouble.

The deceased was born April 29th, 1855, in Pennsylvania and had lived in Indiana for 48 years. On December 25th, 1877 at Sandusky, Ohio, he was married to Miss Mary Ellen GRELLE. Mr. Duey was a farmer by occupation, but was noted for his musical ability. For many years he was leader of bands in Macy and other surrounding towns.

Surviving Mr. Duey are the wife, six daughters and three sons: Mrs. Solomon CLEMANS, of Macy, Mrs. Henry BERGER, of Gilead, Misses Edith [DUEY] and Mary DUEY, at home, Mrs. Esta F. SMITH, of Cleveland, Ohio, Mrs. Duane NICHOL, of Chicago, George DUEY, and John DUEY, of Macy, and Phillip DUEY, of New York City. He also leaves two brothers and one sister, Frank [DUEY] and Edward DUEY, of Harrisburg, Pa., and Mrs. Ben SUMMERS of Waynesboro, Pa.

Funeral arrangements have [not] been made pending word from relatives. Burial will be made in Mexico.
Saturday, July 23, 1927

The funeral of A. B. DUEY, who died Thursday afternoon at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Solomon Clemans, will be held at the Clemans home one mile southwest of Macy, Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o’clock, in charge of Rev. C. L. REESE of Gilead. Burial at Mexico.

Friends in this city have been informed of the death of Mrs. Anna REAM which occurred at her home 439 Irving Street, Toledo, Ohio on July 9 after a one day illness caused by heart trouble. The deceased was born at Germantown, Ohio, February 4, 1869 and was one of a large family born to Ezra and Sarah SLIFER.

Mr. and Mrs. Slifer moved to Fulton county when Mrs. Ream was six years of age settling on a farm near Mud Lake. By occupation Mrs. Ream was a hair dresser and for the past 12 years operated a large beauty parlor in Toledo.

Mrs. Ream is survived by two sons, Hubert [REAM] and Roscoe [REAM] of Toldeo, four sisters, Mrs. Lester CONRAD, Metea, Mrs. Frank WILLIAMS, Corpus Christi, Texas, Mrs. Charles BROWN, Pacific Grove, Cal., and Violet [SLIFER] of Chicago, and three brothers, [Urmy E. SLIFER], Logansport, John [SLIFER], Indianapolis, and Charles [SLIFER], Detroit.

The deceased was a devout member of the Christian Science Church of Toledo. Burial was made in a cemetery at Perrysburg, Ohio on July 11.

Frank EMMONS, aged 55, of South Bend, a former resident of Warsaw and Tippecanoe who was well known in this city where he was known as “Rat” or “Blacksmith” EMMONS, died Tuesday morning in a hospital at Ypsilanti, Mich., where he was taken after he had been taken ill with an attack of ulcers of the stomach.

Mr. Emmons, who had been on a business trip to Detroit, was taken ill while he was returning by automobile to his home. He was rushed to the hospital at Ypsilanti where it was found that his condition was too serious to operate.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mabel EMMONS, and a son, George EMMONS, in South Bend. He is also survived by four brothers, Albert EMMONS and E. E. EMMONS of Tippecanoe, Ind., and Henry EMMONS of Mentone, Ind., and by two sisters, Mrs. Sarah WARREN and Mrs. William MORGAN of Mentone, Ind.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o’clock Saturday afternoon at Mentone, Mr. Emmons’ birthplace. The Rev. Mr. LITTLE, pastor of the Mentone Methodist church will officiate. Burial will be made in the Mentone cemetery.

Monday, July 25, 1927

[no obits]

Tuesday, July 26, 1927

Mrs. Claude ROUCH, of this city, has been informed of the death of her nephew, Gail LaMoyne LYNCH, twelve years old son of Mr. and Mrs. John LYNCH, 1348 Indiana Avenue, South Bend, which occurred at 11:45 Monday morning at the Epworth hospital in that city. Death was due to pneumonia and gangrene which developed following an operation for appendicitis on July thirteenth.
The youth was born on July ninth, 1915 on a farm near Akron, Ind. For the past three years the Lynch family had lived in South Bend, moving there from near Akron. The boy, who was the oldest child, is survived by his parents, two sisters, Audrey [LYNCH] and Ruby [LYNCH] and three brothers, John [LYNCH], Gerald [LYNCH] and Jay [LYNCH].

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at one o’clock at Silver Creek Bethel church, east of Akron, and burial will be made in the adjacent cemetery.

Wednesday, July 27, 1927

[no obits]

Thursday, July 28, 1927

Martha [COX], three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold COX of Argos, passed away Wednesday morning at Woodlawn Hospital from heart failure which followed an operation for the removal of her tonsils. The child had been ill since her birth. Doctors stated that her condition was due to bad tonsils. She was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Cox. Mr. Cox is a state bank examiner.

Charles F. HIGHT, age 65, former resident of Fulton County, died Wednesday afternoon at his home in Peru following an extended illness with complications. The deceased was born in this county on August 17th, 1861, the son of George and Jane (SHOWALTER) HIGHT. Mr. Hight, who was a carpenter, lived for many years at Fulton, later moving to Peru. He was a member of the Evangelical church and Red Men Lodge in Peru.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Victoria HIGHT, two daughters, Mrs. Bessie HINTON, of Peru, Mrs. Chole MILLS, of Muncie; one son, Orval [HIGHT] at home; four brothers, M. F. HIGHT, of Kokomo, J. D. [HIGHT], Harvey [HIGHT] and George HIGHT all of Peru.

Funeral services will be held at two o’clock at the Fulton United Brethren Church with Rev. M. S. LIVENGGOOD officiating. Burial will be made in the Fulton cemetery.

Friday, July 29, 1927

[no obits]

Saturday, July 30, 1927

Mr. and Mrs. John TROUTMAN have received word of the sudden death of their granddaughter’s husband, Wilfred HAUMERSEN, aged 30, which occurred at eight o’clock Friday night at his home in Racine, Wis. No details of his death were given in the brief message.

Mr. Haumersen was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard HAUMERSEN, of Racine, Wis., and was connected with his father and brother in the wholesale grocery and meat business in that city. He was a graduate of Northwestern College at Naperville, Illinois, and on June 30, 1922 was married in Rochester to Miss Mildred NEERMAN.

Besides his wife and parents he is survived by a son, Richard [HAUMERSEN], aged four, and one brother, Albert [HAUMERSEN], of Racine. Mr. and Mrs. John TROUTMAN, of this city, and Mr. and Mrs. Earl TROUTMAN, of Akron, will leave Sunday for Racine to attend the funeral which will be held there on Monday.
Monday, August 1, 1927

Thomas Y. SAVAGE, age 64, prominent Macy citizen, died suddenly Sunday evening at five o’clock, while in company with Mrs. Lulu USTIN, of Denver, was driving to the home of friends in Peru. Mr. Savage and Mrs. Gustin were driving east of Fifth Street when he was stricken with a heart attack, death resulting before medical aid arrived. Mr. Savage had not been ill except suffering the discomfort of short breathing attacks.

The deceased was born in Allen Township, January 13th, 1863, the son of William and Hannah (YOST) SAVAGE. Mr. Savage, who was a member of the Citizens Telephone Company owning the Macy and Fulton telephone exchanges, had lived in Macy for the past 25 years. Previous to that time had lived on his farm north of Macy, now owned by O. ZARTMAN. Mrs. Savage, who was formerly Ella A. BABCOCK, died in 1920. He was a member of the Macy Christian Church.

Surviving are two sons and a daughter: William (SAVAGE) of Detroit, Mich., DeWitt (SAVAGE) of Macy and Mrs. Edward ELLIS of Toledo, O., two sisters and a brother: Mrs. Frank TALMAGE, of Detroit, Mrs. Wm. McMAHAN, of Hammond, and - - - - - - SAVAGE, - - - - - - - - - - - -.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Tuesday, August 2, 1927

[no obits]

Wednesday, August 3, 1927

Dr. J. W. HEFFLEY, age 73, for many years a practicing physician at Mentone, died Tuesday afternoon at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Abbott, in Muskegon, Michigan, where he had lived since the death of his wife in 1916. Death was due to paralysis from which he had suffered for a number of years.

The deceased was born in Rochester the son of Samuel and Sarah HEFFLEY and was married to Miss Hanna GREGORY in 1916. [sic] Surviving are two sons, Samuel R. HEFFLEY, of Los Angeles, California, Donald C. HEFFLEY, of Fort Wayne, a daughter, Mrs. John ABBOTT, of Muskegon, Mich.; three sisters, Mrs. Will ROSS and Mrs. E. C. MERCER, of Rochester, and Mrs. Florence SMITH, of Hollywood, California.

The body was brought to Rochester Wednesday afternoon to the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Mercer on West Seventh street. Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at the Methodist church with the Woodman and I.O.O.F. Lodges, of Mentone, of which he was a member, in charge of the services. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Details of the untimely death of Wilfred HAUMERSEN, aged 30, who died at his home in Racine, Wis., last Friday evening, were related today by John TROUTMAN who returned Tuesday evening from attending the funeral of his granddaughter’s husband. Mr. Haumersen was a victim of that dread disease, the rabies, which resulted from bites inflicted upon his hand while playing with his own dog, a young collie puppy which he purchased in Newcastle township last May.

Mr. and Mrs. Haumersen came to Rochester the latter part of last April to attend the wedding of the latter’s sister, Miss Margaret NEERMAN, which occurred on Sunday, May 1st. On the following day, Haumersen and his family motored to the Verdie BROCKEY farm
where he purchased the collie puppy, and a few days later returned to their home in Racine. A few weeks later the puppy became cross when its master attempted to train it, and in handling the animal, Haumersen was severely bitten upon his hand. This misfortune was soon followed by ones to Mrs. Haumersen, and her little boy, Richard [HAUMERSEN], aged 4 years, and Al HAUMERSEN, a brother of Wilfred who also suffering slight wounds from the puppy’s bites. Believing the canine to be possessed with a cross disposition Haumersen had it killed, and the body burned.

About two weeks following the bite Haumersen complained of not feeling well and remarked that he believed his system was full of poison. Medical examination did not disclose any alarming symptoms of any disease at that time. This condition continued into the seventh week when with the last two days of Haumersen’s illness the muscles of his throat became paralyzed, necessitating the injections of food and water.

Even at this stage of the dread disease the attending physicians did not diagnose the disease as rabies and the patient was subjected to severe electrical sweating-out treatments to drive the mysterious poison from his body. These electrical treatments were continued until death relieved Haumersen’s intense suffering at eight o’clock last Friday evening. The rabies infected sufferer remained rational throughout the entire course of the dread disease and at no time attempted to do injury to those who attended him as is so often the case in those who died in the throes of rabies.

A post-mortem examination conducted by a Milwaukee specialist soon disclosed that Haumersen had suffered a most positive case of the rabies. Following this disclosure, Mrs. Haumersen and son and the deceased’s brother, Al, started in taking the Pasteur treatment in double quantity doses. No symptoms of the disease have thus far been manifested in any of the infected members of the Haumersen family.

Mr. and Mrs. John TROUTMAN arrived in Rochester late Tuesday evening after attending the funeral which was held at the Haumersen home Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Jess BAKER, aged 81, died at 4 o’clock Wednesday morning at the home of her step-daughter, Mrs. Russell VANDENBARK four miles north of this city on Federal Road [US] 31. Death was due to complications incident to old age. The deceased had been ill but four months.

Mrs. Baker was born in Pennsylvania but has been a resident of Indiana for the past 50 years. Mrs. Baker came to this county in March. In March, 1915 the deceased married Jess BAKER. She was a member of the Dunkard Church at Lewisburg.

Survivors are the husband, two daughters, Mrs. Cora BAKER, Lewisburg, and Mrs. Margaret MATIN, of Peru, two sons, Leo SARMER of Wabash and John SARMER of Pulaski county, four sisters and two brothers.

The funeral arrangements will not be made until word is received from relatives in Pennsylvania. Burial however will be made in the Dunkard cemetery at Lewisburg.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. FRISTOE of this city have been informed of the death of Mr. Fristoe’s cousin’s wife, Mrs. Henry S. FRISTOE, which occurred on July 26, at her home in Moline, Illinois. The deceased, with her husband had often visited at the Fristoe home in this city.
Thursday, August 4, 1927

Funeral service for the late Mrs. Jess BAKER will be held Friday morning at 10 o’clock from the farm home of her daughter, Mrs. Russell VANDERMARK four miles north of this city on Federal Road [US] 31. Rev. Paul MADER will be in charge. Burial will be made Pipe Creek cemetery, Cass county.

Friday, August 5, 1927

Following an illness of over two years duration, during the last two days of which he was unconscious, John HISEY passed away Friday morning at 9:15 o’clock at the home of his son-in-law, William PARKER, 1418 South Jefferson Street. Death resulted from complication of diseases inherent with advanced years. The deceased had been a resident of this city for about half a century. On March 17th, last Mr. and Mrs. Hisey celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary at the Parker home.

John, son of Jacob and Hannah HISEY, was born in Columbiana county, Ohio, on July 8th, 1844. On March 16, 1865 he was united in marriage to Nancy J. SHIRKS, to which union a son and daughter were born. Mr. Hisey followed the well-drivers’ trade for many years and later operated a general store on north Main street. The deceased is survived by his wife and a son, Bert HISEY, of this city, his daughter, Mrs. William PARKER, having preceded him in death on Feb. 17th, of this year. Besides his immediate family Mr. Hisey is survived by a brother, Dan [HISEY], former manager of the Dodge automobile agency in this city, whose present address is unknown to Rochester relatives.

The funeral arrangements will be announced in Saturday’s issue of the News-Sentinel.

LaPorte, Ind., Aug. 4 - “And he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live.” This will be the text of the Rev. F. L. AUSTIN Saturday when he preaches the funeral of Nelson MORTON, age 84, civil war veteran.

Mr. Morton made careful arrangements before his death, even to selecting the text of the burial sermon and writing out his obituary to be handed reporters and read at the funeral. Morton, as a member of Co. G, 23rd regiment, Indiana volunteers, was sent to Georgia to accompany Sherman on his march to the sea. He was in the campaign against Johnston and present at his surrender.

The veteran is survived by his widow, Elizabeth MORTON, and seven children, among them being Mrs. Arthur FREESE of Rochester, Ind.

Saturday, August 6, 1927

Mrs. Jennie BRYANT and Mrs. John F. BRYANT have received word of the death of their sister, Mrs. Frank HAY, which occurred Friday morning at her home at Bass Lake. Death was due to heart trouble. Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at two o’clock at the Hay home.
Monday, August 8, 1927

Mrs. Adam RADER, 78, resident of near Argos, died Sunday evening in the Kelly hospital at Argos as the result of injuries received in an automobile accident earlier in the day. The crash occurred about five o’clock just two miles south of Lakeville on Federal Road [US] 31, and Mrs. Rader who was rushed to the hospital died at nine. It was found she suffered a broken hip and broken ribs and it is thought that one of the broken ribs pierced her lungs.

Mr. and Mrs. Rader were driving towards their home after attending a family reunion at South Bend, and at the place of the accident they met the car driven by John OLER of South Bend who was also going home after being at a family reunion at Bourbon. Some cattle had strayed on the road here and Oler on seeing them applied his brakes quickly.

The Oler car skidded on the pavement, wet from the afternoon rain, striking the Rader car. The door on the latter machine, a Ford touring car, flew open hurling Mrs. Rader out on the pavement. Their car turned over from the embankment and landed squarely on top of her.

Mrs. Rader was a pioneer of Walton Township, Marshall County, and was well known in that section. She is survived by her husband and three sisters, Mrs. Charles BOLEN, Culver, Mrs. Ben SHIREMAN, Argos, and Mrs. Ernest WHISMAN, Argos.

No funeral arrangements have been announced as yet.

Funeral services for the late John HISEY who died at his home on South Jefferson street early Friday morning were conducted Sunday afternoon. Rev. Daniel PERRY was in charge. Burial was made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Roscoe GRABLE, 40, former Logansport attorney but who has been farming since 1917 died Sunday morning following an operation to remove an obstruction of the bowels. The deceased has been ill since Thursday. At the time of his death he was farming his father’s farm near Metea. Mr. Grable for several years served in the Indiana law library at Indianapolis. He was an assistant to M. D. LAIRY when he was judge of the Appellate Court and was well known by many lawyers. He is survived by a widow, two small daughters and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mac GRABLE. The funeral services will be conducted from the Fletcher’s Lake Methodist Church Tuesday afternoon. Burial will be made in the adjoining cemetery.

Tuesday, August 9, 1927

A fatal accident in which Elizabeth BROWN, 22, colored, only daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. E. BROWN, 1125 North Senate Ave., Indianapolis, among the wealthiest and leading colored people of that city, was instantly killed, occurred on Federal Road [US] 31 nine miles north of Rochester at about 7:30 Tuesday morning when the large sedan she was driving turned over. She sustained a fractured skull, her face was badly mangled and her right arm was broken. She was accompanied in the car by her mother and two lady friends, all of whom were only bruised in the crash.

According to the occupants the girl was driving northward at a good rate of speed when just in front of the home of Nate BUNCH she either lost control of the car or something went wrong with the steering devise and it skidded off the road to the right, came back onto the pavement and then rolled over several times stopping on its top. The car was badly wrecked, the top, wheels and fenders all being broken as were the glass windows.

The ill-fated machine was followed closely by another car occupied by Rev. and Mrs. E. A. WHITE of a colored Methodist Church in Indianapolis, and although they did not see the
accident due to a hill between them, they were the first on the scene and helped to get the victims out. Residents from nearby homes, hearing the crash, also rushed to the scene. Doctor SARBER of Argos was called but pronounced the girl dead when he arrived. The body was taken to the Otto Grossman undertaking parlors at Argos, and was sent back to Indianapolis on an afternoon train. The family and friends left earlier by automobile and bus for the city.

The occupants of the two cars were on their way to near Baldwin, Michigan, to spend a couple weeks’ vacation at a colored summer resort there. Miss Brown had just recently graduated from an eastern college and returned to the home of her parents. Her father is a widely known physician and her mother is highly educated and for years has been a teacher in colored schools at Indianapolis.

Earl BIDDINGER, well known farmer who lives five miles north of Rochester, stated that the two cars passed him at a fast rate of speed as he was driving northward about 7:15 this morning and that he came on the scene of the accident about fifteen minutes later just after it happened.

The occupants stated to him that they had cautioned the girl about driving fast shortly before the crash occurred.

Wednesday, August 10, 1927 and Thursday, August 11, 1927

[no obits]

Friday, August 12, 1927

If Lloyd GROVE, 26, of Terre Haute, should read this notice he is requested to get into communication with Miss Ruth DAMER, 723 South 17th St., Terre Haute, as his mother died this morning. Mr. Grove came to Lake Manitou Thursday with a married couple and their three children from Terre Haute. The trip was made in an Oldsmobile sedan. Chief of Police Bert KESTNER has been trying all day to locate Mr. Grove at the lake, but has been unsuccessful. Any other person reading this notice who knows Mr. Grove should notify him.

Saturday, August 13, 1927

[no obits]

Monday, August 15, 1927

Colton, California, Aug. 15. - The funeral for William J. TEFFT, of Alhambra, California, a former Grass Creek resident, was recently held in the I. M. Knopanyder chapel, Elder Dart of Loma Linda officiating. Interment in Hermons cemetery, beside the grave of his father, who died last February. Mr. Tefft, who is 47 years of age, was killed in Alhambra when an automobile he was driving collided with a wagon. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. A. SHRYOCK, of Loma Linda.

Tuesday, August 16, 1927

Mrs. John SHANABARGER aged 89, of Argos, dropped dead at her home Monday morning. Death was due to heart failure, the county coroner stated after an examination of the corpse.
Rutherferd E. “Ferd” ROSS, aged 50, died late Monday night in a hospital in Detroit, Michigan, his relatives in this city were informed by telegram this morning. Death followed an emergency operation performed Saturday which followed a few days illness. His death was entirely unexpected.

The deceased was born in this city and was the son of David and Sarah ROSS. Mr. Ross was a die-maker which trade he learned in his father’s foundry on East Eighth street. Twenty-five years ago he left this city where he first worked in the oilfields in the southwest. For the past 20 years he has been employed in automobile factories in Flint and Detroit, Michigan.

Mr. Ross is survived by his widow and four brothers, William [ROSS], Loy [ROSS], Albert [ROSS] and Charles [ROSS] of this city, who are the owners of the Ross Brothers Foundry, and one sister, Mrs. Levi TIPPY of Talma. The body will be brought to this city for burial in the Odd Fellows cemetery probably Thursday. Mr. Ross was a member of the local Odd Fellows lodge and the Methodist Church.

Grass Creek, Aug. 16. - Mrs. Elizabeth H. SALE, 93, former Fulton county resident, died at the Home hospital in Lafayette Sunday, after several weeks’ suffering with a broken hip and other injuries sustained in a fall.

In addition to the brother, Oscar HERROLD, of this place, deceased is survived by three children: L. R. SALE, Mrs. C. H. ELLIOTT and Mrs. R. E. LEE.

Funeral services were held at the home in Lafayette Tuesday afternoon. Burial was made in the Springdale cemetery at Lafayette.

Wednesday, August 17, 1927

Funeral services for the late Ferd E. ROSS, who died in Detroit, Michigan early Tuesday morning following an operation, will be held from the home of his brother William ROSS, 825 Madison street, at 2 o’clock Thursday afternoon. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery. The body arrived in this city from Detroit this afternoon.

Thursday, August 18, 1927

Clyde [ENTSMINGER] and Henry ENTSMINGER, Mrs. James COPLEN and Mrs. Sarah SWARTWOOD received word Wednesday evening of the death of their nephew, George ENTSMINGER, aged 33, of Grayling, Michigan, which occurred earlier in the day. The cause of the death which was entirely unexpected was not stated in the telegram. Mr. Entsminger was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren ENTSMINGER who live on a farm near Mentone. The deceased, who was an auto mechanic and who had been employed in several local garages, is survived by his widow, six children, parents and a sister, Mrs. Edna TEEL, of near Mentone. The body will in all probability be shipped to Mentone for burial.

Friends in this city have received word of the death of Mrs. E. J. ROSS, 26, in a Laramie, Wyoming Hospital Wednesday as the result of injuries which she received in an auto accident more than a week ago. Mrs. Ross will be remembered by local people as Miss Ethel BENSON of Logansport.
Relatives have returned to their home in Monterey after attending the funeral Wednesday of Chaldren [STEPHENSON] aged 19 and Robert [STEPHENSON] aged 15, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Mark STEPHENSON of Deep River, who were drowned in Deep River near Michigan City last Sunday afternoon. Robert, the younger of the lads, was seized with cramps. His brother, Chaldron, attempted to rescue him and both were drowned before they could be reached by other bathers. Mr. and Mrs. Stephenson were in Michigan City when their sons met their death. The Stephenson family for many years lived on a farm near Monterey.

Friday, August 19, 1927

Mrs. Florence Leiter received word Thursday evening of the death of her father J. G. NORTON, aged 68, of 1012 Market street, Logansport, who died very suddenly at 6:10 p.m. Death was caused by a short illness of pneumonia superinduced by senility.

Mr. Norton, who had often visited in this city with his daughter, was born in Pennsylvania February 3, 1850. He has been a resident of Logansport for the past 53 years. He was employed by the Pennsylvania railroad for many years.

The deceased is survived by the widow, Sarah NORTON; four sons, William [NORTON], Thomas [NORTON] and Raymond [NORTON], of Logansport, and Frank [NORTON], of Dayton, O.; four daughters, Mrs. Susie GROSS, Logansport, Mrs. Florence LEITER, of this city, Mrs. Janet FRUSHOUR, of Dayton, and Mrs. Margaret LONG of Lafayette.

The funeral services will be held at 2 o’clock Saturday afternoon from the home of the deceased. Burial will be made in the Davis cemetery at Burnettsville.

Mrs. William BIDDINGER has received a telegram from Tacoma, Washington informing her of the death of her nephew’s wife, Mrs. Joe SELBY. Mr. Selby is the son of Mr. and Mr. M. A. SELBY, former residents of this city.

Saturday, August 20, 1927

Peru, Ind., Aug. 20. - Samuel F. PORTER, 70, father of Cole PORTER, noted musical composer of Paris, France, is dead at his palatial home near here.

Porter came here as a drug clerk when a young man. He married Kate COLE, daughter of the late J. O. COLE, millionaire lumber magnate. Mrs. Porter inherited one-fourth of her father’s 50,000,000 estate.

Cole, the only son, became famous as a composer when he wrote “The Old-Fashioned Garden,” inspired by his mother’s girlhood home, which remains intact near her present mansion.

Cole sails from Cherbourg on the Berengaria, Saturday, the day on which his father will be buried.

Monday, August 22, 1927

Mrs. Carrie HUTCHINSON, aged 54 of Chicago, died at 4:30 this morning at the home of her brother, Silas HOFFMAN, who lives south of Akron. Death was caused by a tumorous cancer which started last May. Mrs. Hutchinson has been at the home of her brother since early in July when she came to Akron to attend the Hoffman family reunion. She was taken ill at that time and it was considered inadvisable to move her.

The deceased [Carrie HOFFMAN] was born in Akron on September 10, 1872 and was a
daughter of Jacob and Katherine HOFFMAN. When she was 21 years of age she married Daniel HUTCHINSON who has preceded her in death. She was a member of the Methodist church at Elkhart.

Survivors are a daughter, Juanita [HUTCHINSON] of Chicago, four sisters, Mrs. William STEVENSON of this city, Mrs. Lizzie PONTIOUS of Kewanna, Mrs. Mary STARR of San Antonio, Tex., and Mrs. Lovina SMITH of Akron, and two brothers, Frank [HOFFMAN] of this city and Silas [HOFFMAN] of Akron.

No funeral arrangements will be made until after word has been received from relatives who live in distant states. Burial will be made in the cemetery at Elkhart.

Funeral services for Mrs. Ed [Stilla FRYE] WAGONER who died Friday morning at her home two miles southwest of Green Oak, were held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 at the Green Oak church. Rev. BUTLER, of the Fulton Baptist church, officiated, and burial was made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery. Mrs. Wagoner, who was 54 years of age, had been ill for the past four months with complication of diseases.

Surviving are the husband, three sons, Russell [WAGONER], Melvin [WAGONER] and Omer [WAGONER], near Green Oak, one sister, Mrs. Frank STETSON, of Miami, Florida, and two brothers, Charles [FRYE] and James FRYE.

William W. THOMPSON, aged 74, died at 3 o’clock Monday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Granville Holloway, Fulton Ave., following a two years illness caused by a cancer of the face. The deceased had been bedfast for the past four weeks.

Mr. Thompson was born in Henry county February 1, 1853 and was the son of Abner and Mary THOMPSON. He has been a resident of this county for 46 years, moving to the home of his daughter seven years ago. His wife, Laura BIGGS, whom he married 55 years ago, died in 1898.

Survivors are five sons, Ike [THOMPSON], William [THOMPSON] and Abner [THOMPSON] of this city and Jess [THOMPSON] and John [THOMPSON] of Akron and two daughters, Mrs. Dowell LANDIS of Silver Lake and Mrs. Granville HOLLOWAY and number of brothers and sisters among them being Charles [THOMPSON] of Millark and Frank [THOMPSON] of Akron, and Mrs. Charles KELLER of Akron.

Mr. Thompson was a member of the United Brethren Church at Akron. He was a retired farmer. Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. from the Rochester United Brethren Church with Rev. S. A. WELLS in charge. Burial will be made in the Citizens cemetery.

The body of the late J. C. EDWARDS, age 70 of Ithaca, New York who died Saturday morning at his home, arrived in Rochester Monday afternoon. Funeral services were held at three o’clock at the Presbyterian church and burial was made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery. Death was due to injuries he received four weeks ago when the motorcycle he was riding collided with a truck.

The deceased was born on a farm southeast of Rochester, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave EDWARDS. For 35 years he lived in Fulton county, and for many years operated a grist mill in this city. From Rochester he moved to Decatur, Ind., where he operated an electric light plant, later going to Ithaca, N.Y., where he owned a cafe. He was a member of the local Presbyterian church and Masonic lodge.

Surviving are the widow, who was formerly Clarissa WHITTENBERGER, of Fulton county, three daughters, Misses Elba [EDWARDS] and Faye EDWARDS and Mrs. Francis SMITH, of Ithaca, and two sons, one living in South Bend and the other in New York.
Tuesday, August 23, 1927

[no obits]

Wednesday, August 24, 1927

A sudden attack of heart trouble while sitting in a chair at her home, 417 Indiana Avenue, proved fatal to Mrs. Joseph SNYDER, aged 49, Tuesday afternoon at 5:45 o’clock. Mrs. Snyder had suffered with heart trouble for the past 18 months but her death was entirely unexpected as she had been feeling much better recently.

Lydia [REED], daughter of Manual and Susan REED, was born on a farm near Leiters Ford on February 3, 1878. On May 6, 1894 she was married to Joseph SNYDER and moved to this city 23 years ago when her husband accepted employment with Beyer Bros.

Survivors are the husband, mother, four daughters, Mrs. Esta May WHYBREW of Fulton, Mrs. Elva Ethal WAGONER, of Talma, Lula Edna [SNYDER] of Chicago and Norabell [SNYDER] at home, five sons, Arthur Lenoy [SNYDER] of Huntington, Willard Raymond [SNYDER] of Chicago, Norman Lewis [SNYDER] of Whiting, Fredrick [SNYDER] and Alfred John [SNYDER] at home and one sister, Mrs. Beulah DORSETT of this city. The deceased was a member of the Christian Church. Funeral services will be held from the Evangelical Church Friday at 2:30 p.m. with Rev. Daniel PERRY in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Frank PICKERL, cashier of the First National bank of Argos, which occurred at 7:30 last night. Mr. Pickerl who had apparently been enjoying the best of health, was engaged in the basement of his home doing some chores after which he came upstairs and complained of not feeling well. Mr. Pickerl reclined on a davenport believing he would soon be all right, however death claimed him before medical aid could arrive. Apoplexy was given as the cause of his death.

Frank, son of Hugh and Samantha PICKERL, was born on a farm in Marshall county August 22, 1866. His early life was spent in Argos and Plymouth. Several years ago he served as Postmaster for the town of Argos, and for the past four years was cashier of the First National Bank. The deceased was an active member of the Masonic order. Mr. Pickerl is survived by his wife and four children, Mrs. Lydella GARN of Cincinnati, O., Billy PICKERL of Mt. Vernon, Ill., and Mary [PICKERL] and Ruth [PICKERL] at home. Besides the immediate family he leaves a half-brother, Austin PICKERL, who resides north of Argos.

The funeral services will be held at the Methodist church Friday afternoon at 2:30 o’clock at Argos, with the Rev. BUGBY of Chesterton, Ind., in charge. Interment will be made in the Argos cemetery.

Mrs. Ollie Ann UMBAUGH, prominent farmer of Newcastle Township, died this morning at three o’clock at her home east of Tiosa following a two weeks illness.

The deceased was born in Allen County, O., June 28th, 1858, the daughter of Jefferson and Hester BERRYHILL but for many years has been a resident of Fulton County. Surviving are the husband, two daughters, Mrs. Almeda DEAMER, of Rochester, and Mrs. A. M. HAHN, of Kansas and one son, Charles L. UMBAUGH, of Tiosa.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2:30 at the Tiosa Lutheran Church and burial will be made in the Reichter cemetery.
Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon from the St. Ann’s Catholic Church at Monterey for Peter KELLER, 91, aged and highly respected citizen of Culver, who died Monday morning. Death was caused by infirmities of old age. The deceased is survived by a number of children and grandchildren.

Thursday, August 25, 1927

Word has just reached many of the friends that Charles DOUGLAS well known Liberty Township farmer had dropped dead on the streets of Peru one day recently. He is survived by a wife and one son.

William A. MOORE, age 73, former resident of Fulton County, died Tuesday evening at the home of his son, Oliver MOORE, in Elkhart. Funeral services were held at two p.m. Thursday.

Friday, August 26, 1927

[no obits]

Saturday, August 27, 1927

Brooding over ill health from which she had suffered for the past 18 months is believed to have been the cause of Mrs. Otto ALEXANDER, aged 48, of Culver committing suicide by drowning in Lake Maxinkuckee, during the early hours of Friday morning. The body clad only in a night gown was recovered shortly after six a.m. Friday by her son, who with other members of the family had instigated a search for the missing woman.

The woman’s husband, who is employed at Culver in the Ewald meat market, had remained at her bedside until 3:30 Friday morning when he fell asleep and some time between that period and six o’clock, Mrs. Alexander, who had been considered as being unable to leave her bed, had walked from her home to the West shore of the lake and ended her life by drowning.

Mrs. Alexander had been a sufferer of a nervous disorder and but two days prior to her rash act had consulted an insurance agency concerning a policy on her life, which of course was not taken out on account of her physical condition.

Besides the husband, seven children survive. Funeral arrangements have not as yet been announced pending the decision of Coroner R. E. JOHNSON’S inquest, which is being conducted today.

J. W. KERN of Athens has been informed of the death of his brother-in-law, W. H. ZIMMER, well known Kosciusko county farmer, who died Friday morning at the McDonald hospital in Warsaw following an operation for cancer. Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at the Zimmer home south of Warsaw.

Mrs. Keort DuBOIS, resident of the North Mud Lake neighborhood, passed away at her home at 6:30 o’clock Saturday morning. Death resulted from Brights disease after an illness of three year’s duration.

Flossie [SMITH], daughter of Jacob and Rosetta SMITH, was born on a farm near Fulton on Aug. 10, 1889. On June 12, 1915 she was united in marriage to Keort DuBOIS. The
deceased was a member of the Christian Church at Macy, and the Rebekah Lodge of Green Oak. Besides the husband Mrs. DuBois is survived by two brothers and a sister, Ira SMITH of Rochester, Lloyd SMITH of South Bend, and Mrs. Jessie ROUDEBUSH, of Rochester.

The funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at 2 o’clock at the Christian church at Macy. Interment will be made in the Macy cemetery.

Monday, August 29, 1927

Henry WHITMYER, 54, of Logansport city attendance officer died at the Robert Long Hospital in Indianapolis at 2 a.m. Monday where he has been confined for the past four weeks following an operation for the removal of gall stones. Mr. Whitmyer was born and reared near Macy where he has a number of relatives. For many years he was superintendent of the Macy schools. Ten years ago he accepted a position in the Logansport city schools as an instructor later being appointed to the office of city attendance officer. Mr. Whitmyer is survived by his widow and two daughters. No funeral arrangements have been made.

Tuesday, August 30, 1927

Rochester relatives have received word of the death of George CLINGER, age 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer CLINGER, of Logansport, formerly of this city, which occurred Monday in Indianapolis. The boy, who was blind, had attended the school for the blind in Indianapolis for several years. Funeral services will be held in Kokomo Thursday afternoon and burial will be made there.

Jacob BARNHISEL, 80 years of age, a farmer of near Gilead, passed away at noon Monday, following two and one-half days of exposure when he was taken ill, presumably from a stroke of paralysis, Saturday evening while on the way to the home of his son-in-law, Mr. Mark KING, also of the Gilead neighborhood.

Saturday afternoon Mr. Barnhisel left his home and his aged wife believed he had departed for the home of their daughter, a couple of miles distant, for a few days visit, as had often been his practice. Neither of the families having telephone service, Mrs. Barnhisel was sure her husband had reached his destination, when he failed to return home Saturday evening.

Monday morning, when Boine Barnhisel, a grandson of the deceased was attending to chores about his father’s farm, he found his grandfather lying on the ground in an unconscious condition near an old gravel pit. It was then evident that the aged farmer had suffered a stroke and had wandered off his course to the King home. Mr. Barnhisel had laid out in the open, subjected to the chilly weather conditions until found by the grandson. The stricken man was immediately taken to his home but died before medical aid could arrive.

Besides his wife he is survived by the following children, Mrs. Minnie GEPHART, of Markle, Mrs. Rose KING, of Gilead and Jess BARNHISEL, of near Gilead. The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o’clock at the Emanuel church, Gilead, with the Rev. Sim KROFT in charge of the services. Burial will be made in the Gaerte cemetery.

Wednesday, August 31, 1927 and Thursday, September 1, 1927

[no obits]
Friday, September 2, 1927

Rochester friends have received word of the death of Frank BERRY, age 60, which occurred Tuesday night at his home in Kokomo, following a year’s illness with complications. For several years the Berry family resided west of Green Oak, moving to Kokomo last fall. The deceased is survived by his wife, a son, Paul [BERRY], and daughter, Mrs. KEPNER, all of Kokomo. Funeral services were held in that city Friday afternoon and burial was made there.

Saturday, September 3, 1927

Howard FIRESTONE, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac FIRESTONE of near Ora received injuries Tuesday which caused his death Thursday. The accident occurred while the young man was at work in a lumber yard at Chicago when a crank slipped as he was trying to start a truck and struck him on the abdomen.

Rev. Daniel PERRY has received a call to preach the funeral Sunday of Mrs. John STUART of Camden, who died late Thursday night. Rev. Perry is a former resident of Camden, where he was a neighbor of the deceased.

Monday, September 5, 1927

[no paper - holiday]

Tuesday, September 6, 1927

Willis BRYANT, aged 34 and Harvey HOLDERMAN, aged 43, farmers who lived on adjoining farms, one mile north and two miles west of Tippecanoe, were almost instantly killed and John HOLDERMAN was fatally injured at 6:10 o’clock Sunday morning when a Whippet sedan they occupied was struck by a west bound Nickle Plate excursion train at the Main street crossing at Mentone. John Holderman died at 3:45 o’clock Sunday night.

John Holderman was taken to the McDonald Hospital at Warsaw following the accident where he was found to be suffering with a fractured skull, nose, jawbone and other injuries. Willis Bryant is the son of Thomas and Jane BRYANT of this city and is a brother of Glen BRYANT who operates the Bryant Tin Shop on the south side of the public square.

The three men enroute from their homes to Carr Lake in Kosciusko county to spend the day fishing were struck by the second section of a Nickle Plate excursion train bound for Chicago from Ohio points. They approached the diagonal crossing in Mentone from the west and should have been able to see the approaching train.

Harvey Holderman was driving the machine, Bryant being in the front seat with him while John Holderman occupied the rear seat. The driver failed to stop as he approached the crossing but drove directly into the path of the train which is said to have been traveling about 55 to 60 miles an hour not being scheduled to stop in Mentone. It is presumed Mr. Holderman and Mr. Bryant were engaged in conversation just a moment prior to the accident.

The automobile was carried 500 feet before the train was stopped. It was completely demolished. The three occupants were hurled with great force, Harvey Holderman and Mr. Bryant being killed almost instantly as there was little signs of life in either body when
persons reached them. John Holderman was found to be alive and the Nickle Plate agent at Mentone immediately telephoned for an ambulance and the injured man was hurried to the Warsaw hospital.

Witnesses say the Whippet sedan was struck squarely by the Nickle Plate locomotive. The same witnesses express surprise that Mr. Holderman did not see the approaching train as he had to go around another car standing at the crossing to get onto the tracks. Holderman was not driving his car at a rapid rate of speed.

There is a wig wag automatic signal at the crossing and this it is said was not in operation. The crossing is also protected by gates but the watchman was not on duty at the time of the accident. Claim agents of the Nickle Plate railroad Monday attempted to settle with Mrs. Bryant and Mrs. Holderman for the deaths of their loved ones, on a cash basis. Neither woman signed a release.

Mr. Bryant was horribly mangled in the accident. The top of his head was severed as was this left limb midway between the hip and the knee. Mr. Bryant’s chest was crushed and his left arm was twisted so badly that the bones were broken in four different places. The Kosciusko county coroner stated after he had made an examination of Harvey Holderman’s body that every bone had been broken. Death was due to a fractured skull.

It is possible that a fourth person may die as a result of the terrible accident. Mrs. Holderman, who has been suffering with heart trouble superinduced by a goitre, is now in a serious condition. Doctors hold little hope for her recovery.

Thomas BRYANT, father of Willis Bryant, who has suffered several strokes of paralysis within the past year when the word of his son’s death was broken to him sank into a coma and now is very ill. He was unable to attend the funeral this afternoon.

Willis B. BRYANT, aged 34, was born on a farm near Athens, on November 4, 1892, the son of Thomas and Jane BRYANT. He was married 10 years ago at St. Joseph, Mich., to Mary SHIREMAN. Until four years ago when he moved to Tippecanoe he lived on farms near Athens, where he followed the occupations of a farmer and a carpenter. He was a member of the Church of God at Athens.

Survivors are the widow, two sons, Eugene [BRYANT], aged 8, and Ernest [BRYANT], aged 1 year, the parents, three brothers, Glen [BRYANT] and Ralph [BRYANT] of this city and Oliver [BRYANT] who lives on farm northeast of this city, five sisters, Mrs. Nelson PAULK, Mrs. Earle NEHER, Marie [BRYANT] and Esther [BRYANT] of this city, and Stella [BRYANT] of Chicago, and a number of aunts and uncles who live near Athens.

The funeral services for Mr. Bryant were conducted at 2 o’clock Tuesday afternoon from the Rochester Church of God at the corner of Main and Third streets with the Rev. Daniel SLAYBAUGH of Akron in charge. The cortege left the house one hour prior to the funeral. Burial was made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Harvey HOLDERMAN, aged 43, was born near Nappanee on January 19, 1885. He was the son of George and Martha HOLDERMAN. Mr. Holderman was a farmer and lived on farms near Nappanee until 13 years ago when he moved to the farm northwest of Tippecanoe.

Mr. Holderman is survived by his widow, two daughters, Mrs. Albert NEWELL of near Tippecanoe and Bertha [HOLDERMAN] at home, his parents, and four sisters and four brothers. The deceased was a member of the Odd Fellows lodge at Tippecanoe which organization will have charge of his funeral.

John HOLDERMAN, aged 18, was born near Nappanee on August 20, 1909. He was educated in the schools at Nappanee and Tippecanoe. He was a member of the basketball team of the Tippecanoe High School. John was a devout member of the Tippecanoe Methodist Church.
A double funeral will be held for Harvey HOLDERMAN and his son, John [HOLDERMAN], at 2 p.m. Wednesday from the Tippecanoe Methodist Church. The services will be in charge of Rev. Geo. GRANTHAM of LaGrange and Rev. William L. HEITT of Tippecanoe. Burial will be made in the Holderman family plot in the Stony Point cemetery northeast of Etna Green.

Wednesday, September 7, 1927 and Thursday, September 8, 1927

Mrs. Henry S. CLOUD, age 83, died Friday morning at the home of her step-son, John CLOUD on North Jay Street, following an illness of several years with complications. For the past seven years she had been bedfast.

The deceased, whose maiden name was Ollie PRUESBELL, was born in the state of New York on August 17th, 1844 and on December 19th, 1882 was married to Henry S. CLOUD, who survives. For many years Mr. and Mrs. Cloud lived in Macy, coming to Rochester seven years ago to make their home with Mr. Cloud’s son.

Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 at the Zimmerman Bros. funeral parlors with Rev. S. A. WELLS in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Monday, September 12, 1927

Funeral services were held Monday at Winamac for Mrs. Clarence McFADDEN, aged 32, wife of Rev. Clarence McFADDEN, Pastor of the Bachelor Creek Christian Church near Roann in Wabash county, former pastor of the Akron Christian Church, who committed suicide last Friday at Indianapolis after drinking a large quantity of Lysol a deadly disinfectant.

Mrs. McFadden, who was a patient at Indiana Central Hospital for the Insane at Indianapolis had made repeated threats to take her own life. She was being given a bath Friday by a nurse and when the attendant left the room Mrs. McFadden obtained a bottle of disinfectant and drank it throwing the bottle out of the room so that the nurse would not discover it.

Mrs. McFadden had been in ill health for about two years, and often threatened to end her life, declaring that she did not care to live any longer. She was despondent and her condition became worse until last April, at which time she was removed to the Indianapolis hospital. Several weeks ago, she attempted to take her life by cutting her wrists with a pair of scissors, and last week escaped from the hospital, causing authorities considerable alarm.

Rev. McFadden recently underwent an operation for the removal of his appendix at the Wabash hospital, and is not yet fully recovered. He was unable to go to Indianapolis when word concerning the death of his wife reached here.

Leota STOUT McFADDEN, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Solomon STOUT, was born at Winamac September 7, 1895. She was united in marriage to Clarence McFadden, December 30, 1915. To this union were born four children, three sons, Omer Lewis [McFADDEN], age
10. Harry Robert [McFADDEN], age 9, and Howard Dale [McFADDEN], age 5 years, and one daughter, Lois Jean [McFADDEN], age 2 years.

In her early girlhood she united with the Church of Christ at New Hope and continued a devout member of the Christian church until the time of her death. Her years as the wife of a minister of the gospel were marked by an intense love for the church which won for her the love and admiration of the people in those communities where she served the church with her husband.

Of her immediate family besides her children, there survive: her husband, Rev. C. McFADDEN, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Solomon STOUT of Winamac, two sisters, Mrs. Nellie FRITZ of Winamac, and Mrs. Barbara HENNINGER of Bremen, three brothers, Joe [STOUT] and Robert [STOUT] of Hammond and George [STOUT] of Chicago.

The body arrived in Winamac Sunday afternoon from Indianapolis, and funeral services were held there Monday morning at ten o’clock. Several former pastors of the Christian Church assisted in the services.

Mrs. Fred BAYLESS, who lived on a farm two miles north of Macy, died at Woodlawn Hospital Saturday afternoon shortly after four o’clock following an operation performed two hours earlier in the day for a strangulated hernia. Mrs. Bayless was taken ill about 11 o’clock Saturday morning while she was preparing to attend a meeting of the Ladies Aid Society of the Macy Christian Church. Her doctor after an examination deemed the operation was necessary.

Urilla Artenas WOODHOUSE was born on a farm near Twelve Mile on April 17, 1862 the daughter of Evan and Susan Jane WOODHOUSE. In 1894 she was married to Mr. Bayless at New Waverly. Thirty-one years ago Mr. and Mrs. Bayless moved from Twelve Mile to their farm home near Macy.

Survivors are the husband, a daughter, Neva [BAYLESS] at home, a son, Dolph [BAYLESS] of Santa Monica, Call., two sisters, Mrs. Marion DAVIS of this city and Mrs. Joe MURDEN of Twelve Mile and a brother, Henry [WOODHOUSE], of Grand Rapids, Mich. Mrs. Bayless and daughter, Neva, returned just two weeks ago from spending the summer in California with Dolph.

The funeral services for the deceased were held at 1:30 p.m. Monday from the Macy Christian Church of which organization Mrs. Bayless was a member. Rev. C. E. SIFERT of Windfall was in charge. Burial was made in the Plainview cemetery at Macy.

William LEMMON, aged 85, Civil War veteran, passed away at the home of his son, W. R. LEMMON, who resides north of Metea on the Cass-Fulton county line, shortly after ten o’clock Sunday morning. Death resulted from complications incident to advanced age. The deceased is survived by his son and five grandchildren.

The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 at the Metea Baptist church with interment in adjacent cemetery.

Mrs. Prudence POTTS, aged 76, a resident of Star City and well known to many Fulton county people residing in the southwest portion of the county, died at the Cass County hospital Monday morning. Death was superinduced by a fractured hip which the aged lady suffered in a fall last Thursday morning while engaged in household duties at her home. Funeral arrangements were not available as this issue went to press.
Mrs. Isaiah HESS, 85, died at the Kelley hospital in Argos at 12:30 o’clock Saturday morning after suffering for several weeks from a broken hip.

Funeral services were held at the home Monday afternoon with burial at Plymouth.

Tuesday, September 13, 1927

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon in Huntington for Jack CASWELL, 28, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. CASWELL who was very well known in this city. Information received by the parents Monday from Dr. ROSENWALD of Fort Wayne, who was in Los Angeles, California, and who was a friend of the family, stated that Mr. Caswell had met his death accidentally. Jack Caswell died as the result of asphyxiation by monoxide gas. The dead man had driven into a small garage and had left the engine of his car running. The body was found in the drivers seat. It was first reported that Mr. Caswell had died as the result of a bursted appendix.

Wednesday, September 14, 1927

Joseph Henry GENOVELEY, boss carder in the woolen mills at Mexico, died at the Dukes Hospital in Peru Tuesday evening from appendicitis.

Mrs. Robert BAILEY, age 36, of Quincy, Illinois, died Tuesday at the home of her mother, Mrs. James SHOWALTER in Akron following an illness of several years. Mrs. Bailey was brought from Quincy to the home of her mother last Thursday.

The deceased, whose maiden name was Miss Mary Edith SHOWALTER, was born at Roann, Ind., on December eighth, 1890 and was married at Ft. Wayne to Robert BAILEY. She is survived by her husband, mother, two sons, a daughter, two brothers and two sisters.

Definite funeral arrangements have not been made but services will be held in Akron.

Thursday, September 15, 1927

Friday, September 16, 1927

Samuel J. MYERS, 1001 East Sycamore Street, Kokomo, was accidentally drowned at 6 o’clock Friday morning when he fell head first from a rowboat into the waters of Lake Bruce. The drowning occurred 150 feet from the George SMITH boat landing at the southeast corner of the lake. The water at this point is eight feet deep.

Mr. Myers, who was a pattern maker by trade and the owner of a small shop in Kokomo located at the rear of the residence, came to the lake Thursday afternoon to recuperate from a recent illness. He stayed at the Lake Bruce Hotel Thursday night and left the hostelry at 5:45 this morning on a fishing trip.

The only witnesses to the drowning were Mrs. C. T. PILCHER and Mrs. C. H. DOOLITTLE, of Peru, who have been spending the summer in cottages at Lake Bruce. The two women who were fishing from the pier in front of their summer home stated that they noticed Myers get up from the rower’s seat and walk to the rear of his row boat to throw out the anchor.

It was while Mr. Myers was attempting to cast the anchor that he fell into the lake.
H. CONALEY and Walter VALENTINE of Indianapolis, bricklayers who have been working on the Grass Creek school building and who have been residing in a cottage at Bruce Lake during the summer went to the rescue of Mr. Myers.

After 30 minutes work the two men assisted by a number of other summer residents were able to bring the body of Mr. Myers to the surface of the lake. Robert NEUBACKER of Chicago, who is an expert in first aid methods worked over the body of Mr. Myers for over an hour without being able to revive him. The body was removed to a Kewanna undertaking parlor.

Coroner Herbert ZIMMERMAN was called and after questioning many witnesses pronounced death due to accidental drowning. Mrs. Pilcher and Mrs. Doolittle stated they saw Mr. Myers fall from the boat and heard him splashing in the water and saw his hands above his head as he went down for the third and final time.

Mr. Conaley and Mr. Valentine also stated that they had witnessed Mr. Myers sink below the surface of the lake. It was also brought out at the inquest that Mr. Myers was unable to swim. The boat in which he was fishing is an old fashioned flat bottom rowboat which could not have tipped enough to have thrown Mr. Myers into the lake.

Many persons believe Mr. Myers met his death when his feet became entangled in weeds, thus rendering him unable to struggle. The lake bottom at this point is covered with a layer of muck over six feet deep and on which a very abundant growth of weeds flourish. With the recent hot wave the water of the lake has receded over a foot thus leaving the weeds exposed and heavily twisted.

Mr. Myers was a frequent visitor at Bruce Lake, having spent the Fourth of July at the Bruce Lake Hotel. He is survived by his widow and two grown sons, Ralph [LOCH] and Paul LOCH, both of Kokomo. Mr. Myers was a member of the Kokomo Baptist Church. No funeral arrangements have been made.

The drowning of Mr. Myers marks the second fatality of this nature to occur in Fulton county this year. Russell JACKSON of Fulton was the other victim. He met his death at the Koch gravel pit south of this city along Federal Road [US] 31 some six weeks ago.

Saturday, September 17, 1927

Ambrose KEITZER, 77, well known resident of Monterey, died early Saturday morning at 3:55 a.m. after an illness of four months. Death came as the result of complications due to old age. Mr. Keitzer was well known on the Erie railroad he having been a stationary engineer for 44 years for the one road.

He was born in Seneca county, Ohio, on April 4, 1850 and came here with his parents, August and Margaret KEITZER when he was a boy. He was married November 11, 1874.

He is survived by four daughters, Mrs. John KLINE, Mishawaka, Mrs. L. M. KELLY, Indianapolis, Mrs. Ed KELLER, Monterey, Mrs. Carrie BOLLINGER, of South Bend, one son, W. E. KEITZER, Monterey, one sister, Mrs. Rosie WIDEMAN, and two brothers, Henry [KEITZER] of Montana and Joseph [KEITZER], Fostoria, Ohio.

Funeral on Tuesday at nine o’clock at the St. Ann’s Church at Monterey, with Rev. Nicholas HUEMMER in charge. Burial in the Catholic cemetery west of Monterey.
Monday, September 19, 1927

Mrs. Hiram MILLER, Sr., has returned from attending the funeral of her mother, Mrs. Sarah WRIGHTSMAN which was held at Auburn, Ill., Sunday afternoon at 2 o’clock. Mrs. Wrightsman, who was past 83 years of age, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frank REED, at Tuscola, Ill., on Sept. 16th. Death resulted from pneumonia.

The deceased’s husband preceded her in death 15 years ago. Besides the above mentioned, the deceased is survived by the following children, Mrs. Isaac FLORA, of South Haven, Mich., Dr. Edgar WRIGHTSMAN, of Chicago, and Mrs. Chas. GOTT, of Louisiana.

Word has been received here by relatives of the death of Mrs. James W. LOSHER, 69, on Saturday at Portland, Oregon. Death came as the result of gallstones. She had been ill about six years.

Angie LOSHER will be well remembered in the Tiosa neighborhood as she was born near that town and a number of years ago moved to Oregon, in 1890 to be exact. She was a sister-in-law of Rev. F. C. MOON of Rochester.

She is survived by her husband, one son, Ralph [LOSHER], and two granddaughters. She will be buried at Ashland, Oregon, on Wednesday.

Tuesday, September 20, 1927

[South Bend, Ind.] Laura Eldora FINK, 64, 1205 E. Cedar street, died at her home Monday morning after four weeks illness of complications. She was born in Monterey, Ind., Dec. 12, 1862 and came here from Kankakee, Ill., nine years ago. She was married in Winamac, Ind., Nov 16, 1887 to Louis FINK.

Surviving is her husband, Louis, two sons, Bert [FINK] of Kankakee, and John [FINK] of South Bend, two daughters, Mrs. Nora JOHNSON of Elgin Ill., and Florence FINK of this city, and one brother, Lon SLOAN of Chicago.

The body may be viewed at the L. H. Orvis funeral home where funeral services will be held at 2 o’clock Wednesday afternoon. The Rev. A. E. MONGER will officiate and burial will be in Highland cemetery.

Wednesday, September 21, 1927

Charles [KREIGHBAUM] and Lisle KREIGHBAUM have received word of the death of their uncle, Hiram C. KREIGHBAUM of South Bend who died following an attack of heart trouble Tuesday afternoon.

Thursday, September 22, 1927 and Friday, September 23, 1927

[no obits]

Saturday, September 24, 1927

George WEIR, aged 60, a well known farmer of the Richland Center neighborhood, passed away at his home shortly before 7 o’clock Saturday morning, death resulting from cancerous infection and an attack of influenza. The deceased had been in ill health for the last two years although his condition was not regarded as serious until the past few days.
George, son of James and Mary WEIR, was born on a farm near Richland Center on April 19th, 1867 and has resided in that vicinity all of his life. On Aug. 18th, 1888 he was united in marriage to Sarah MOWE. Mr. Weir was a member of the I.O.O.F. lodge of Richland Center. The deceased is survived by his wife and three sons, Harold [WEIR] of near Richland Center, Howard [WEIR] of South Bend and Herman [WEIR] at home.

The funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at the Richland Center church, with Rev. John DEAN in charge. Burial will be made in the adjacent cemetery.

William H. MOGLE, age 72, of 529 South 29th Street, died Thursday afternoon at 1:20 o’clock in his home at South Bend, after a six months’ illness of heart disease. He was born in Fulton County, Indiana, Jan. 10, 1855, and came to South Bend from Rochester, Ind., 25 years ago. Mrs. Mogle died last March. Surviving him are one son, James MOGLE, South Bend, one daughter, Mrs. Cora DAVIS, Brooklyn, N.Y., seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at 4 o’clock in the residence, Rev. Robert ROSS-SHANNON of the River Park Methodist Episcopal church, officiating. Burial will be in Highland cemetery.

Monday, September 26, 1927

Mrs. A. J. HAIMBAUGH, Mr. and Mrs. Walter BRUBAKER, Mr. and Mrs. Porter HAIMBAUGH, Dr. and Mrs. Dow HAIMBAUGH and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd KESSLER, Sunday attended the funeral of the late Charles HAIMBAUGH, age 76, which was held at his home Stevensville, Michigan.

The deceased, who was a brother of A. J. Haimbaugh of this city, was found dead in bed at two o’clock Friday morning by his wife. Mr. Haimbaugh was the owner of a fruit farm near Stevensville.

Tuesday, September 27, 1927

Friends in this city today received word of the death of Harry CUMMISKEY, aged 77, who died shortly after midnight Sunday night at the home of Mrs. Lena BUCKLEY, 151 East Seventh street, Peru following an illness of several weeks duration the immediate cause of his death being attributed to heart disease.

Mr. Cummiskey was a tailor by trade and at various times conducted establishments at Pensacola, Fla. and here in Rochester where he was associated in business for many years with Herman HARTUNG.

Three months ago, Mr. and Mrs. Cummiskey returned from Florida to Peru and went to live with Mrs. Cummiskey’s sister, Mrs. Lena Buckley, preparatory to furnishing their own home as they had decided to make Peru their permanent residence.

Mr. Cummiskey was born in Washington, D.C., August 8, 1856. He is survived by his widow and several sisters and nephews. The funeral services will be held from St. Charles Catholic church at Peru Wednesday morning at nine o’clock and interment will be made in the Catholic cemetery.

The deceased was a member of the A. I. U.
Wednesday, September 28, 1927

L. L. LUCKENBILL undertaker at Leiters Ford has received word of the death of Dr. H. W. HOLMAN army surgeon of San Diego, California which occurred Monday night. The remains accompanied by Mrs. HOLMAN and two children will arrive in Indianapolis Friday evening. Mrs. Holman is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. C. M. KROFT of Indianapolis, former residents of Leiters Ford, and is also a niece of Mrs. William MILLER and Alonzo LUCKENBILL of Akron and Mrs. Anna SAVAGE of Macy. Several from Fulton county will attend the funeral service for Dr. Holman which will be held in Indianapolis Saturday afternoon.

Thursday, September 29, 1927

[no obits]

Friday, September 30, 1927

Mrs. Bertha OVERMYER, age 52, died at nine o’clock Thursday night at her home at 127 West Lawrence Street in Mishawaka following a two years illness with dropsy and goitre. Mrs. Overmyer’s condition had been serious for the past six months.

The deceased [Bertha REED] was born on a farm north of Rochester, on September seventh, 1875, the daughter of Alfred and Esther REED and 22 years ago was married to George OVERMYER. Mrs. Overmyer had lived all her life in Fulton County with the exception of the past three years which had been spent in Mishawaka, Mr. and Mrs. Overmyer moving to that city from their farm three miles south of Rochester on State Road [US] 31. She was a member of the Methodist Church at Sand Hill.

Surviving are the husband, two sons, Russell [OVERMYER] and Harley [OVERMYER], both of Mishawaka, three grandsons and one sister, Mrs. Minnie BECKER, of Rochester. Funeral services will be held at two o’clock Sunday afternoon at the Baptist Church in this city with Rev. M. E. HOWKINS, of Mishawaka, and Rev. W. J. NIVEN, officiating. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Saturday, October 1, 1927

George A. WOLF, aged 71, a former resident of this county died Friday morning at the home of his son, Ora, at Logansport. Death was due to heart trouble from which disease the deceased had suffered for the past three years. Mr. Wolf until 12 years ago when he went to make his home with his son, was a farmer in the Mt. Zion neighborhood.

Survivors are three daughters, Mrs. Max McCARTER and Dessie [WOLF] of this city, Herma [WOLF] of South Bend, a son, Ora [WOLF], four brothers, Jesse [WOLF], Albert [WOLF] and Frank [WOLF] of this city, and Schuyler [WOLF], of Hudson, Wis., and a sister, Mrs. Ida MURRIEL of [St.] Louis, Mo. The deceased was born in Fulton county.

Funeral services will be held from the residence of Ora Wolf in Logansport Monday morning at 9 o’clock with the Rev. HELDT of the Logansport Evangelical Church in charge. Burial will be made in the Mt. Zion cemetery.
Finley CLINE, age 77, died at his home four and half miles southwest of Fulton in the Olive Branch neighborhood at 10:45 Saturday morning following a stroke of paralysis which he suffered two weeks ago. Mr. Cline was a life long resident of this county. He was partially crippled from a stroke of paralysis which [he] suffered 10 years ago. Mr. Cline was a farmer. The deceased was a member of the Fulton United Brethren Church. Survivors are his wife, a son, Charles [CLINE] who is a teacher in the Fulton High School and a daughter, Mrs. Lee POWNALL of near Fulton. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

Monday, October 3, 1927

Mrs. Ira MILLS, of this city, early today received the details of an accident in which her nephew, Frank McGINNIS, 19, of Medaryville, was instantly killed last Thursday, while visiting relatives in North Dakota.

Frank, in company with his cousin, Jess McGINNIS, had gone for a motor ride, and the auto which was driven by the former rammed head-on into a team of horses and wagon. The tongue of the wagon struck Frank with such terrific force that his neck was broken. A small lad who was a passenger in the back seat of the touring car was also instantly killed. Two other passengers in the ill-fated auto escaped injury.

The body arrived at Medaryville Sunday and the funeral will be held at the McGinnis home Tuesday afternoon.

Jesse [M.] DAGUE, aged 45, prominent farmer who lived one and a half miles south of Gilead, was instantly killed at 11:50 Saturday morning when he was struck by a bolt of lightning as he was standing in a barn near his home for shelter during a storm. The coroner of Miami county was called to make an investigation.

It was at first thought that Mr. Dague had died of heart trouble but after it was found that a cow standing near the barn had been struck by lightning an investigation proved that the same bolt had caused the farmer’s death. This bolt tore the eave trough and a number of shingles from the barn.

The deceased was born on a farm near Perrysburg, December 9, 1881 and was one of a large family born to George and Elizabeth DAGUE. On August 25, 1907 Mr. Dague was married to Ruth Ellen POTTENGER. After the marriage the couple went to live on a farm near Macy where they resided until a year ago when the moved to Gilead.

Surviving are the widow, three daughters, Mrs. Elsie COOK of Akron and Bernice [DAGUE] and Sylvia [DAGUE] at home, the mother, Mrs. Elizabeth DAGUE of Denver, three brothers, O. W. [DAGUE] of this city, Roscoe [DAGUE] of Mexico and Clifford [DAGUE] of Perrysburg, and a sister, Mrs. Maude LUTZ of Muncie. Mr. Dague was a member of the Baptist church at Perrysburg.

Funeral services for Mr. Dague were held this afternoon from the Perrysburg Baptist church with Rev. C. H. TACOMA of South Whitley in charge. Burial was made in the cemetery at Mexico.

Tuesday, October 4, 1927 and Wednesday, October 5, 1927

[no obits]
Thursday, October 6, 1927

Clinton Vermont PENDLETON aged 68, died at the county infirmary at 4:45 o’clock Wednesday afternoon following a several year’s illness caused by brights disease. Mr. Pendleton until a week ago was able to walk around but early this week became very ill and was taken to the infirmary Tuesday morning for care. For many years the deceased lived in a flat over the Cy Davis Variety Store on Main street.

Mr. Pendleton was born in Howard county on December 7, 1858 and was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur PENDLETON. When he was 29 years of age the deceased moved to this county where for many years he followed the occupation of farming. In 1896 Mr. Pendleton married Ida DUMBAULD who has preceded him in death.

Survivors are a son, Arthur [PENDLETON] of Logansport, two brothers, Dr. O. B. PENDLETON, of Markleville and Frank [PENDLETON] of San Diego, Cal., and a sister Mrs. Nina McClure of Los Angeles, Cal. Funeral services will be conducted from the Hoover Chapel at 2 p.m. Friday with Rev. Daniel PERRY in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Rev. Irvin FISHER, well known Dunkard minister of Mexico, Ind., died Wednesday evening at his home following a year’s illness with complications. Rev. Fisher, who was about 62 years of age, filled many pulpits in Fulton County at funerals and on other occasions and was a very popular minister.

The deceased was the father of three children, two daughters and one son, all of whom with his wife, survive. Funeral services will be held at two o’clock Saturday afternoon at the Mexico Dunkard church.

Friday, October 7, 1927 and Saturday, October 8, 1927

[no obits]

Monday, October 10, 1927

Mrs. Etta TOWNSEND, aged 74, of this city, died at Woodlawn hospital Sunday evening at 9 o’clock from injuries received in an auto crash which occurred at 5:30 o’clock at the junction of Federal Road [US] 31 and the Fulton-Marshall county-line road, seven miles north of Rochester. The victim of this dreadful accident was well-known throughout Fulton county, and for the past few months had been residing at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Clarence Werner, 617 Jefferson street, this city.

Sunday morning, Mrs. Townsend left Rochester in company with her son-in-law, John ZANGER, wife and son, Harold [ZANGER], of Logansport for a short motor trip which took them in the vicinity of Bass Lake, and Culver, with their objective point being Plymouth, where Mr. Zanger was to leave on a train. On the return trip which was started over Feceral Road [US] 31, Mrs. Townsend’s grandson, Harold, a youth of 21 years took the wheel of the Studebaker touring car.

Just as the Studebaker which was traveling southward reached the crossing of the county-line road a Ford touring car, driven by Mrs. Clara LOWDEN, of Culver came onto Road 31 and crashed into the Zanger machine with terrific force. The Studebaker and its passengers was hurled into the ditch at the west side of the pavement, Mrs. Townsend being pinioned beneath the wreckage. Passing motorists quickly extricated Mrs. Zanger from the wreckage and
brought the injured members to Woodlawn hospital. Mrs. Townsend was found to be suffering from severe skull fractures and an operation to relieve the pressure on her brain proved futile, the aged lady passing away at 9 o’clock Sunday evening. Mrs. Zanger is still confined in the hospital suffering from severe scalp wounds, however, her condition is not regarded as serious. Harold Zanger, driver of the ill-fated car escaped injury.

The Culver car was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. M. T. LOWDEN who had been on a joy ride and were enroute to their home. The Lowdens were not injured and the only damage which resulted to the Ford was a crumpled front fender. The Zanger Studebaker was completely demolished.

John Zanger was apprised of the disaster which had befallen his mother-in-law and family just a few moments before his train was due at the Plymouth station, and immediately returned to Rochester. The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at the Methodist Church at 2:30 o’clock. The Rev. CROWDER and NIVEN officiating. Burial will be made at Mt. Olive cemetery.

Alfaretta Jane [CARTER], a life-long resident of Fulton County, was born near Rochester on May 25th, 1853 the daughter of William and Nancy CARTER. On February 23rd, 1873 she was married to Ancil B. TOWNSEND, who died three years ago, and practically all of her married life was spent on a farm in the Mt. Olive neighborhood. She was a member of the Methodist Church.

The deceased was the mother of eight children, seven of whom are living, Will TOWNSEND, of Danville, Ill., Charles [TOWNSEND] of St. Louis, Mo., and John [TOWNSEND] of Canada, Mrs. Otho NYE, Mrs. Oda DAGUE and Mrs. Clarence WERNER, all of Rochester, and Mrs. John ZANGER, of Logansport. She also leaves two sisters, Mrs. Nellie BLACKETOR, of Rochester, Mrs. Ollie CLARK, of Savannah, Mo., and a brother, Wesley CARTER, also of Savannah, Mo. There are 11 grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and three step-grandchildren.

Tuesday, October 11, 1927

Mrs. Sarah J. MUSSER, aged 79 years, a pioneer settler of Fulton county and for the past 59 years a highly esteemed resident of the city of Rochester, passed away at her home 1131 Madison street, at 5:40 o’clock, Monday evening. Death resulted from a heart attack superinduced by hardening arteries, from which disease Mrs. Musser had suffered for the past three or four years. The aged lady was engaged in doing some light chores in her garden when she was seized with the attack. Her daughter, Miss Bertha, answered her calls and helped her mother into the house but death resulted before medical aid could arrive.

Sarah J. [APT], daughter of Joe and Susan APT, was born at Basil (Fairfield county) Ohio on August 20th, 1848 and moved with her parents when but 14 years of age, on a farm near Kewanna, Ind. On Nov. 26, 1869 she was united in marriage to Elias H. MUSSER, at Kewanna, and soon afterward moved to Rochester. Six children were born to this union, two of whom, Daisy Belle [MUSSER] and Charles H. [MUSSER], preceded their mother in death. The deceased was a charter member of the Women’s Relief Corps, and an active member of the Methodist church. The survivors of the immediate family are Frank [MUSSER], of Indianapolis, Miss Bertha [MUSSER] and William [MUSSER], at home, and Andrew Jackson MUSSER, of Logansport, one sister, Mrs. M. M. BITTERS, of Rochester, also survives, Mr. Musser having died about 19 years ago. The funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon, 2:30 o’clock at the Methodist church with Rev. R. H. CROWDER in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.
Mrs. Sadie BAUM, aged 65, 419 North Pontiac Street, for many years the manager of the dry goods department of the Shore and Wilson store on North Main street, died very suddenly at 2:15 this afternoon at the home of Harry WILSON her employer following a heart attack. The death was entirely unexpected and comes as a shock to her wide circle of friends.

Mrs. Baum had been in ill health for several days. Monday evening after she had concluded her work for the day she returned to her home. It was then that she suffered the heart attack. Neighbors remained with her during the evening, during which period she became much better.

Tuesday morning Mrs. Baum was again stricken with heart trouble. She went to the home of Mr. Wilson which is just across the street from her residence. She then seemed to get better. This afternoon another heart attack came which caused her death.

This morning a telegram was sent to the deceased’s only immediate relative, a daughter, Mrs. Harry SPICER of Sidell, Illinois, apprising her of her mother’s condition. Mrs. Spicer arrived in Peru this afternoon at 4 o’clock over the Wabash railroad from Danville, Illinois, where friends met her and broke the news of the death of her mother.

Mrs. Baum has been a resident of this city for many years. Her husband, Ollie BAUM, was the owner of a grocery store on North Main street for 10 years. He passed away about 12 years ago. A complete obituary will be published Wednesday.

Wednesday, October 12, 1927

A short funeral service was held at 10 o’clock Wednesday morning for Mrs. Sadie BAUM, aged 64, from her late home at 417 north Pontiac street, conducted by Rev. R. H. CROWDER. Mrs. Baum, who had been the manager of the dry goods department of the Shore and Wilson store for a number of years, died suddenly Tuesday afternoon following a heart attack.

Mrs. Baum [Sadie STUNKARD] was born at Indianola, Ill., on May 7, 1863 the daughter of Robert and Elizabeth STUNKARD. Until 20 years ago when her husband, Ollie [BAUM], who preceded her in death, purchased a grocery store in this city, Mrs. Baum spent her life in various cities in Vermillion County, Illinois.

The body of Mrs. Baum was taken to Indianola, Ill., this afternoon, being shipped by the way of the Wabash Railroad from Peru. Funeral services will be held there Friday afternoon from the Methodist Church of which organization the deceased was a member. Burial will be made in the Woodlawn Cemetery at Indianola in the Baum family plot.

Surviving Mrs. Baum are her daughter, Mrs. Ruth SPICER, of Sidell, Illinois, a grandson, Byrl SPICER, three brothers, James [STUNKARD] of Denver and John [STUNKARD] and Joseph [STUNKARD] of Frankfort.

Mrs. R. K. GILLILAND this morning received word of the death of her mother, Mrs. John UNGER aged 66, which occurred shortly after 6:30 o’clock following an extended illness caused by paralysis. The deceased had resided on a farm near Servia for a number of years.

Mrs. Unger suffered her first stroke of paralysis 10 years ago and the second 10 days ago which followed a serious illness of five weeks duration. Mrs. Unger, who was born on August 21, 1861 in Wabash county, was the youngest of 15 children born to John and Delilah BRECKNER.

Mrs. Unger, who was a member of the Dunkard Church at North Manchester lived in various parts of Wabash county during her entire life. She is survived by five daughters, Mrs. Lawrence AWKER and Mrs. C. M. MARTIN of Liberty Mills, Mrs. Lydia WALTERS and
Mrs. Lloyd CONRAD of Wabash, and Mrs. GILLILAND and three brothers.

Funeral arrangements have not been made pending word from relatives from distant points. Burial will be made in the Fairview Cemetery at North Manchester. Mrs. Unger, who had often visited with her daughter in this city, was well known by a wide circle of friends.

Announcement was made Tuesday of the death of Mrs. Charles C. BEERY, wife of Dr. C. C. BEERY, of Chicago. Mrs. Beery was a sister of Mrs. Rome STEPHENSON of South Bend and she was well known in this city. The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon and burial will be made in Upper Sandusky, Ohio.

Thursday, October 13, 1927

Coroner Herbert ZIMMERMAN today gave out his decision in Mrs. Etta TOWNSEND death inquest which was conducted Wednesday morning at the city hall. The verdict was that Mrs. Townsend died from skull fractures received in an unavoidable automobile accident which occurred at the junction of the Marshall-Fulton county line road with Federal Road [US] 31.

Richard J. BRUCE, aged 56, 1006 Elm Street for 17 years a paint inspector for the Erie Railroad on the Marion and Chicago division, died at Woodlawn Hospital at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday of embolism which followed an operation for gallstones which was performed last Thursday. The deceased had only been ill two weeks.

Mr. Bruce was born on a farm near Kewanna tenanted by his parents Benjamin and Almira BRUCE on July 2, 1871. After graduating from the Kewanna High School Mr. Bruce followed the occupation of a painter moving to this city to reside 28 years ago. On July 14, 1900 he was married to Harriet Elizabeth INGRAHAM of this city.

The deceased was a prominent lodge member belonging to the Odd Fellows, Red Men, Moose and Eagles lodges of this city and the Erie Railroad Benefit Association and the Emergency Benefit Association. Mr. Bruce was also a member of the Rochester Baptist Church.

Survivors are the widow, two sons, Ernest [BRUCE] of Indianapolis, and George [BRUCE] of Chicago, two brothers, Elzie [BRUCE] of this city and Will [BRUCE] of Kenton, two sisters, Mrs. Cora MILLISER of this city, and Mrs. Ross RINGER of Benton Harbor, Mich.

The funeral services will be conducted from the Baptist church at 2 o’clock Friday afternoon with Rev. James NIVEN in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Friday, October 14, 1927

Mrs. Agnes WEIRICK, age 70, for many years a resident of Kewanna, died at eleven o’clock Friday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. [Gloe] COMER, at North Manchester. Mrs. Weirick had been ill for the past year, following a stroke of paralysis, and six months ago, with her husband, U. M. WEIRICK, went to North Manchester to make their home with their daughter.

The deceased is survived by her husband, daughter, and four brothers, Edward [CANNON], William [CANNON] and John CANNON, of Kewanna, and Roy CANNON, of near Portland, Oregon. Funeral arrangements have not been made.
Saturday, October 15, 1927

Funeral services for the late Mrs. U. M. WEIRICK, of Kewanna, who died Friday at the home of her daughter at North Manchester, will be held Sunday afternoon at the Methodist Church in Kewanna. Burial will be made in the Kewanna cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Geiger GILLILAND, Mrs. R. K. GILLILAND and children and Mrs. Mary CARTER have returned from North Manchester where they attended the funeral of Mrs. R. K. Gilliland’s mother, Mrs. J. C. UNGER. They were accompanied home by Edward OERS who will spend several days here.

Monday, October 17, 1927

Rochester relatives have been informed of the death of Francis GREGORY which occurred Sunday at his home in Gas City, following an illness of three years with tuberculosis. The Gregory family formerly lived in the Mt. Olive neighborhood, south of Rochester, moving to Gas City about 15 years ago.

The deceased is survived by his wife, who was formerly Agnes BOWMAN, and two daughters, Miss Lillian [GREGORY] at home and Mrs. Jesse BOWSER, of Peru. Funeral services will be held Thursday morning at ten o’clock at the Gregory home in Gas City.

Funeral services were held at the United Brethren Church in Fulton, Monday afternoon, for Charles MORRIS, age 50, who died Saturday morning in Chicago. The deceased was the son of the late Dr. J. M. MORRIS, for many years a practicing physician in Fulton, but had lived in Chicago for several years.

Mr. Morris is survived by his mother, Mrs. Sarah MORRIS, and a sister, Mrs. Mary DeWITT, both of Indianapolis, and a brother, Otto MORRIS, of Fort Wayne.

Tuesday, October 18, 1927

Mrs. Emma MORTS, age 67, who had lived practically all of her life in Fulton, died at eleven o’clock Monday night at her home following an illness of several months with complication of diseases. Her husband, David MORTS, died eight years ago.

Mrs. Morts [Emma BISH] was born on a farm near Chili on October 29, 1860 and was a daughter of Henry and Eliza BISH. When she was quite young her family moved to a farm in Liberty township in Fulton county. Mrs. Morts was a member of the Fulton Baptist Church.

Survivors are a son, Ray [MORTS] of Fulton, a daughter, Mrs. Ray BEVELHEIMER of Fort Wayne, a brother William BISH, of Chili and three sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth OGDEN of Macy, Mrs. Eva CONNORS of Peru and Mrs. Ella WILLIS of Indianapolis.

Funeral services will be conducted from the Fulton Baptist Church at 2 p.m. Wednesday with the Rev. H. E. BUTLER in charge. Burial will be made in the Fulton cemetery.

Relatives in this city today received word of the death of Mrs. Aurist CLINGENPEEL, 25, which occurred at 12:40 a.m. Tuesday at her home near North Liberty, which came as the result of pneumonia which she contracted at the birth of her three and half weeks old baby son, Aurist Burdell [CLINGENPEEL], Jr.

Mrs. Clingenpeel, whose maiden name was Mable S'RIVER, was born on a farm near this city and lived here all of her lifetime until three years ago when her husband purchased a
The deceased is survived by her husband and three children, Iretta [CLINGENPEEL], aged 2 years, Marietta [CLINGENPEEL], aged one year, and Aurist Burdell [CLINGENPEEL], a sister and a brother. The funeral arrangements have not been completed although burial will take place Thursday.

Following an illness of several months with cancer of the stomach Garland SNEPP, age 42, of Indianapolis, son of Mr. and Mrs. James SNEPP of Fulton, died Monday at a hospital in Indianapolis. Besides his parents he is survived by a brother, Paul SNEPP of West Frankfort, Illinois, and a sister, Mrs. Z. F. EWER, of Fulton. Funeral arrangements have not been learned by Fulton friends other than that burial will be made in Indianapolis.

Wednesday, October 19, 1927

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence VEIRS have returned from Washington, D.C, where they were called by the death of Mr. Veirs’ sister, Mrs. Ida BROWN, of Baltimore, Md. Mrs. Brown, who was 68 years of age, died last Friday in the Washington Sanitarium following a lingering illness. Funeral services were held Monday at the home of her sisters at Washington and the body was taken to Baltimore for burial.

Friends in this city have received word of the death of Mrs. H. G. JONTZ of Silver Lake which occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George SOMMER, Wednesday afternoon. Death was due to heart trouble. Mrs. Jontz has only been ill five days.

Friday, October 21, 1927

Funeral services were held this afternoon at 2 o’clock from the Chili Methodist church for Abraham MUSSELMAN, 69 year old farmer of near Chili who died early Thursday morning at Woodlawn hospital of tetanus.

Mr. Musselman was stricken with the dreaded disease on October 13th after having run a small wheat stubble into his finger. Mr. Musselman cauterized the wound but tetanus developed. He was seriously ill for five days.

Mr. Musselman who was retired stationary engineer had operated a small farm near Chili for several years. He leaves a widow and three children. He is also survived by seven brothers, one of whom is Joseph MUSSELMAN of Fulton.

Mrs. Riley DIXON, aged 49, died very suddenly at her home just north of the Tippecanoe River bridge at Leiters Ford Thursday morning following a heart attack. Mrs. Dixon had been a sufferer with heart trouble for a number of years. Mr. and Mrs. Dixon who are the parents of nine children have been residents of this county for only a short time, moving to
Aubbeenaubbee township from near Ober last spring. Funeral services will be conducted from the residence Sunday at 2 p.m. Burial will be made in the North Union cemetery between Burr Oak and Ober.

Burr B. BARR, aged 63, for 37 years a resident of the Talma neighborhood, passed away near midnight at his farm home. Death resulted from pneumonia, the deceased being ill only two days. Mr. Barr was well and favorably known throughout the northern part of Fulton county and was always quite active in social and community welfare work in Newcastle township.

Burr Briton, son of John and Katherine BARR, was born in Richland county, Ohio on Nov. 10th, 1864. On June 16th, 1888 he was united in marriage to Elizabeth KESSLER at Rochester. The deceased was a member of the Methodist church and the Ancient Order of Gleaners. Besides the widow the deceased is survived by the following children, Mrs. Emma JONES of Indianapolis, Mrs. Ruth SOUTHER, Fred D. BARR, Mrs. Blanche SOUTHER, all of Hammond, and Earl BARR at home. A brother, Charles C. BARR of Talma, also survives.

The funeral will be held at the Talma Methodist church Monday afternoon at 2 o’clock with the Rev. B. F. HORNADY officiating. Burial will be made in the Reichter cemetery.

Undertaker L. L. LUCKENBILL, J. D. WILLIAMS and Rev. H. C. ADAMS, all of Leiters Ford, Thursday accompanied the body of Joseph OTTO, aged 81, of Monterey to Chicago where burial was made in the Mt. Hope cemetery.

Monday, October 24, 1927

Mrs. William DRUDGE was called Saturday afternoon to Anderson, Ind., by the death of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence DRINKWINE, who were found dead in bed at their apartment Saturday morning, victims of accidental asphyxiation by illuminating gas. A kitchen oven fire had apparently been blown out by a draught from a window allowing fumes of gas to fill the apartment.

Mr. and Mrs. Drinkwine are well known in Rochester having visited in Rochester on numerous occasions. Mrs. Drinkwine, before her marriage, was Miss Ruby SCHUYLER.

Mrs. Drinkwine for a number of years prior to her marriage spent her summers at the Poets Point cottage at Lake Manitou with a number of Anderson girls.

Funeral services for Mr. and Mrs. Drinkwine were held Monday afternoon from the Anderson Methodist church. Burial was made in the Home Lawn cemetery.

William CANNON, aged 60, one of the most prominent residents of Kewanna who lived on North Smith Street, committed suicide this morning by hanging himself by a rope from a rafter in the barn at the rear of his residence. Worry over financial reverses which he had suffered during the past year is given by relatives as the cause for the rash act.

The body was found by Mrs. Cannon this morning shortly after 6:30 when she went to the barn to find out why Mr. Cannon has not come in for his breakfast after she had called him several times. Mrs. Cannon found the lifeless form of her husband suspended from a rafter with the feet less than two feet from the ground floor of the barn.

Mrs. Cannon panic stricken rushed into the yard where her screams attracted the attention of two neighbors, Monroe ZELLERS and W. W. NICHOLS who arrived just a few minutes before Ed CANNON a brother of the deceased. Mr. Cannon thinking that his brother’s life
might not be extinct cut the rope. Efforts at resuscitation failed. Coroner Herbert Zimmerman was then called.

The suicide left a note pertaining to religious matters which from its wording showed that his mind had been greatly affected from some cause. In his note Mr. Cannon stated he bore no enmity against any person.

To accomplish his purpose Mr. Cannon had climbed to a rafter in the hay mow where he tied one end of the rope and placed the other end around his neck. He then jumped from the rafter. Death was due to a broken neck.

Mr. Cannon, who was a farmer and an extensive dealer in baled hay and straw, has been a life long resident of Kewanna. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph CANNON. Survivors are the widow, two sons, Hugh [CANNON] of Chicago, and Dean [CANNON] of Detroit, and three brothers, Ed [CANNON] and John [CANNON] of Kewanna and Roy [CANNON] of Gresham, Oregon. A sister, Mrs. Agnes WEIRICK died last week.

Mr. Cannon was a member of the Kewanna Baptist Church and had attended both the Sunday morning and evening services yesterday. He had been in ill health for the past two years. Mr. Cannon had not eaten or slept during the past three weeks relatives stated today due no doubt to worry over his financial condition. He had suffered a stroke of paralysis two years ago. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

Mrs. Roscoe PONTIUS has received word of the death of Uncle Frank GOHN, of Fairfield, Iowa, who was killed by a train a few days ago. Mr. Gohn’s wife was formerly Julia AULT of this city.

Tuesday, October 25, 1927

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 25, 1927. - After a lingering illness covering a period of more than a year, Howard “Nig” SHANK, former athlete and well-known in automobile racing circles, died here yesterday. He had been troubled with a stomach ailment which resulted in his death.

At one time Shank was a member of the famous racing crew carried by the late Howard WILCOX, noted speed pilot, and served as pit manager. He was credited with a world’s record of changing a mounted tire and wheel in a test made prior to the 500-mile race at the Indianapolis Speedway a few years back.

Twenty years ago Shank was a star athlete at Shortridge high school, where he played end on the football eleven. Later he attended Wabash college.

Shank is survived by his mother, Mrs. Ferdinand HAYES, his father Charles H. SHANK, for several years owner of the Long Beach Amusement Park at Lake Manitou, and two daughters Mary Katherine [SHANK] of Crawfordsville and Mary Jane [SHANK] of this city. He was a second cousin of the late Mayor Lew SHANK and came to Indianapolis when a youngster, from Noblesville. He was about 40 years of age and born in Kansas.

The funeral is to be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o’clock at the home of his mother, Speedway road and Sherman avenue. The body is to be cremated.

Funeral services for William CANNON, of Kewanna, who committed suicide Monday morning, will be held Wednesday afternoon at two o’clock at the Kewanna Baptist Church. Rev. A. A. KAY will officiate and burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery.
A telegram received by Walter McCall of this city, shortly before noon today brought word of his father’s death which occurred at 4:15 Tuesday morning at his home in South Bend, Washington. No details concerning Mr. McCall’s sudden demise were given.

The deceased, who was close to 75 years of age, was born in Ohio, later moving to Fulton county, where for years he resided in the Talma neighborhood. The deceased left this county in 1902 to reside in the West, where he followed the carpenter trade.

Mr. McCall is survived by the widow and the following children: Walter [McCALL] and Ernest McCall of this city, Oliver [McCALL], of South Bend, Wash., Clarence [McCALL] of Vancouver, Wash., and Mrs. John Bonnell, of South Bend, Wash., and also 16 grandchildren. No word has as yet been received concerning the funeral arrangements.

Wednesday, October 26, 1927

Mrs. Merley Dawson and Mrs. Frank Rush today received word of the death of their uncle, George D. Case of Burrows who passed away late last night. Mr. Case was known by a number of Rochester residents. Funeral services will be held Friday.

Thursday, October 27, 1927

[no obits]

Friday, October 28, 1927

The funeral of Louis B. McCall, former resident of this county was held Thursday afternoon at 2 o’clock at the South Bend, Washington Methodist church. Burial was made in the Menlo cemetery near South Bend, Wash.

John Harter, age 72, prominent farmer of Henry Township, died at 5:15 Friday morning at his home one mile east of Akron. Death was due to heart trouble from which he had suffered for the past 11 years.

The deceased, who had lived in Henry Township for 55 years, was born at Atwater, Ohio, on December 19th, 1850 the son of John and Christena Harter. On May 14th 1872 he was married to Emma J. Whittenberger.

Surviving are his wife, one daughter, Mrs. Dessie Shoeb, of Hammond, Ind., and two sons, Clem [Harter] and William Harter, of Henry Township. One brother, David Harter, lives in South Bend.

Private funeral services will be held at one o’clock Monday afternoon at the Harter home with Rev. Wehrley, pastor of the Akron Methodist church, in charge. Burial will be made in the Akron I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. James Abbott of this city early today received word of the death of their niece, Mrs. Roy VanScoit, 32, which occurred at her home in Mishawaka at 6 o’clock Thursday morning. Death resulted from scarlet fever.

The deceased was born on a farm near Mud Lake and resided for a number of years at Twelve Mile and Fulton, later moving to Mishawaka. Mrs. Van Scoit is survived by her husband and three daughters, Isabelle [VanScoit], Dorothy [VanScoit] and Mary [VanScoit]; her mother, Mrs. Sarah McCarter of Twelve Mile, a brother William McCarter of Mishawaka, two half-brothers, George Saygers of Argos, Ed Saygers,
of Flint, Mich., and a half-sister, Mrs. Ivory LIGGETT of South Bend. Frank McCARTER of this city is also a relative of the deceased. The funeral was held at the McCarter home in Mishawaka Friday afternoon at 2 o’clock with burial being made in a Mishawaka cemetery.

Saturday, October 29, 1927

Fred W. FELTY, aged 34, well known barber and former member of the Rochester citizens band passed away Sunday evening at 9:30 o’clock at the residence of his parents on the Monticello road, southwest of this city, death resulting from leakage of the heart and hardening of the arteries from which diseases Mr. Felty had been bedfast for the past seven weeks.

Fred W., son of Henry and Indiana FELTY, was born at Lucerne, Ind., on Aug. 25, 1893 and while but 4 years of age moved to Rochester with his parents, where he has since resided. The deceased enlisted in service of the World War and was a member of the American Legion, and the Forty and Eight society of Logansport.

Besides the parents, he is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Leo [FELTY] and Morris [FELTY] at home, Mrs. Ruth MILLER at home, Mrs. Ira BAKER, of Akron, one half-brother, Jess FELTY of Chicago, and a half-sister, Miss Ethel FREEMAN of South Bend.

The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o’clock from the Evangelical Church with Rev. H. C. ANDERSON in charge. Burial will be made at the I.O.O.F. cemetery with the Leroy Shelton Post of American Legion officiating with full military ritualistic honors.

Monday, October 31, 1927

Word was received Monday morning by Mr. and Mrs. W. O. KILMER of this city apprising them of the recent death of their grandson, little Kenneth BISHOP, of San Francisco, Calif. Death resulted from an attack of pneumonia. Kenneth was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert BISHOP, Mrs. Bishop being a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Kilmer and a former resident of this city. The message further stated Mr. Bishop was seriously ill at this time and was confined in a San Francisco hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur SHIREMAN were called to South Bend Sunday morning on account of the death of their son-in-law, John W. CHARTIER, aged 23, who died in St. Vincent Hospital at 3 a.m. of double pneumonia which followed a severe cold which he contracted nine days ago.

The deceased, who was born in South Bend, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmo CHARTIER. In February 1922 Mr. Chartier and Miss Lola Mae SHIREMAN were married. Mr. Chartier, who was a member of the Catholic Church, was the owner of a plant in South Bend which specialized in the compound of fruit syrups.

Survivors are the widow, a daughter Betty Jean [CHARTIER], the parents, two brothers and a sister, all of South Bend. Funeral services will be conducted from the St. Joseph Catholic Church, LaSalle and Hill Streets, South Bend, Wednesday morning. Burial will be made in South Bend.
Tuesday, November 1, 1927

The funeral services for Fred FELTY, which were held from the Evangelical Church this afternoon, were very largely attended. The cortege was led to the cemetery by the Rochester Citizens Band of which organization the deceased was a member. The local American Legion Post had charge of the services. A number of members of the Forty and Eight Society from Logansport attended the services. Many beautiful floral tributes were sent.

Mrs. Anna HICKS, aged 78, well known resident of Macy, was found dead in bed at her home at six o’clock Tuesday morning. Mrs. Hicks had been in poor health for some time and had been confined to her bed the past four weeks.

The deceased was born near Miami, Indiana and was of English descent. Her husband, Wm. HICKS, died 20 years ago. She was a member of the Macy Christian Church and was a woman of splendid Christian character. Surviving are two sons and two daughters: George E. HICKS of South Bend, Earl HICKS, of Bunker Hill, Mrs. Clara CHAMP, of Macy, and Mrs. Cora MULLICAN, of Indianola, Iowa.

Wednesday, November 2, 1927

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Anna HICKS, of Macy, who was found dead in bed Wednesday morning, will be held Thursday afternoon at 1:30 at the Christian Church in Macy. Burial will be made in the cemetery adjacent to the Mud Lake Chapel. Rev. Hiram SAVIN will officiate.

Ernest McCALL of the News-Sentinel force today received a copy of the South Bend (Wash.) Journal, which carried a complete story concerning the death of Lewis B. McCALL, which occurred at that city a week ago Tuesday morning. Excerpts taken from the write-up will be of interest to Fulton county citizens as Mr. McCull had been a resident of this county for a period of twenty years.

“Mr. Lewis Bloomfield McCALL of this city died of heart failure at his home on Washington street. He was 76 years of age when he was suddenly stricken with heart failure.

“Although he was well advanced in years, he had been enjoying good health and had been working every day up ‘till the time of his demise. Monday evening, Mr. McCull went to bed complaining of a pain in his chest. Neither he nor his family thought much about it.

“About 5:15 Tuesday morning, his wife and son, Oliver McCALL, heard a strange sound come from his bedroom. When they reached him, he had passed away. His death was sudden and unforeseen and is a sad blow to his family.

“Mr. McCull was born in Mt. Victory, Hardin county, Ohio, Sept. 6, 1851. In the year 1882, he moved to Indiana where he resided ‘till 1902. In that year, he came West and settled in South Bend where he has made his home for the past 25 years.

“Funeral services were held from the South Bend Methodist Church Thursday afternoon at two o’clock. Rev. G. W. COOPER delivered the sermon and LeRoy CHAMBERS directed. Interment was in the Fern Hill cemetery at Menlo. Those left to survive him include four sons, a daughter and his widow: Walter J. [McCALL] and Ernest McCALL of Rochester, Ind., Clarence F. McCALL of Vancouver, Wash., Oliver K. McCALL, Mrs. John BUNNELL and Mrs. Lewis B. McCALL. The last three are residents of South Bend.

“Mr. and Mrs. McCull had celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary here in September of last year.”
Thursday, November 3, 1927

Marietta WILSON, age 76, a lifelong resident of this city, died Wednesday night at her home at 1116 Madison Street following a two weeks illness with complications which developed after an attack of flu of the bowels. The deceased was born in Rochester on May 9th, 1851 the daughter of Benjamin and Rose WILSON, and is the last survivor of her family. She was a member of the Christian Church.

Miss Wilson is survived by her sister-in-law, Mrs. Emma WILSON and niece, Miss Helen WILSON, with whom she made her home, and a nephew and niece, Kline WILSON and Mrs. George HILL, of Marshalltown, Iowa.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at the home at two o’clock with Rev. W. J. NIVEN in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Friday, November 4, 1927

[no obits]

Saturday, November 5, 1927

Coroner Herbert ZIMMERMAN was called to Lake Bruce Station Friday afternoon to hold an inquest into the sudden death of Mrs. Fianna DELLINGER, aged 56 years, which occurred at the Dellinger residence at 12:30 p.m. Friday. Death resulted from cerebral apoplexy, the deceased having been in ill health for the past several months although her condition was not regarded as serious.

Fianna [MASTERS], daughter of Christian and Mary MASTERS, was born on a farm in Pulaski County on March 14, 1874. On May 15, 1904, she was united in marriage to John DELLINGER, to which union one son, John [DELLINGER], aged 14 survives, the husband preceding Mrs. Dellinger in death 9 years ago. Mrs. Dellinger and son operated a general store at the Lake Bruce Station.

Besides the son, the deceased is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Polly MASTERS, Mrs. Lucy MEYERS, Linn [MASTERS], Chris [MASTERS] and John MASTERS, all of the Lake Bruce neighborhood. The funeral will be held Monday morning at 10:30 with the Rev. R. I. HANSCHEW of the Evangelical church in charge. Burial will be made in the Lake Bruce cemetery.

Mrs. Mary MEHLING, aged 74, one of the pioneer residents of the Whippoorwill neighborhood, passed away at the Woodlawn hospital, Friday evening at 9:30 o’clock, death resulting from complications which resulted from a broken hip suffered in a fall, which occurred about four weeks ago. At the time of the unfortunate accident, Mrs. Mehling was on the way to the home of a son.

The deceased is survived by a son, Milo MEHLING, and a daughter, Mrs. Esther BARKMAN, both residents of the Whippoorwill neighborhood. Funeral services will be held at the Grand View Church Sunday afternoon at 2 o’clock and interment made in the Richland Center cemetery.

Relatives in this city received word Saturday morning of the death of Frank RADER, aged 58, of Toledo, Ohio, which occurred at 8 p.m. in a hospital. Death was caused by dropsy and heart trouble from which diseases Mr. Rader had suffered for the past year.
Mr. Rader was born in this city and was the son of David and Delilah RADER. For many years he operated the Fairview hotel at Lake Manitou. For the past 12 years, during which period he has lived in Toledo, Ohio, he has been employed by the Owens Bottle Co.

The deceased, who was a member of the Rochester Knights of Pythias lodge is survived by four sons, Howard [RADER], Harry [RADER], Ralph [RADER] and Fred [RADER], all of Toledo, and Mrs. Vivian SMART of Grand Rapids, Ohio.

Funeral services for Mr. Rader will be held at Toledo, Ohio Monday morning with burial there. George V. DAWSON is a cousin of Mr. Rader. He will attend the services.

Monday, November 7, 1927

Mrs. Mary Adaline HAYWARD, age 75 years, one of the pioneer residents of Rochester, passed away at her residence 523 Indiana avenue, this city, Sunday afternoon at 12:45 o’clock. Death resulted after a week’s illness from pneumonia.

Mary Adaline [PLACE], daughter of Chauncey M. and Laura E. PLACE, was born in LaSalle county, Ill, Dec. 20th, 1851. She was united in marriage to G. W. HAYWARD on April 20, 1868 at Plymouth, Ind. Twelve children were born to this union, ten of whom with the husband preceded Mrs. Hayward in death. In the year of 1886 Mr. and Mrs. Hayward moved from Plymouth to Rochester where she has since resided. The deceased was a member of the United Brethren church and the Women’s Relief corps.

Mrs. Hayward is survived by two daughters, Mrs. William CLINGENPEEL of North Liberty, Ind., Mrs. Leroy BRYANT of this city; two brothers, Elihu PLACE, of Topeka, Ind., Albert PLACE, of South Bend; two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth BAXTER, of Bremen, and Mrs. Alice ROBBINS, of South Bend. Ten grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren also survive.

The funeral will be held at the United Brethren church Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 o’clock with the Rev. Sylvester WELLS in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Mrs. Estella Grace BRYANT, aged 38, wife of Glen W. BRYANT, who operates a tin shop on the south side of the public square bearing his name, died at her home, 1002 South Franklin Avenue shortly before midnight Saturday after a lingering illness caused by cancer.

The deceased has been seriously ill for the past three months but had only been bedfast since last Thursday. Every effort was made, known to medical science, to curb the spread of the disease which included many radium treatments in the Christian Brothers Hospital, Indianapolis. All efforts proved to no avail.

Estella Grace JOHNSTON was born in this city on July 11889 and was one of two daughters born to Henry and Susan JOHNSTON. For many years the deceased resided with her parents on a farm one mile east of Athens which faced the Akron-Rochester road. She was married to Mr. Bryant at St. Joseph, Mich., on April 10, 1922.

Survivors are the husband, a step-son, Harold [BRYANT], a sister, Mrs. Della WRIGHT of this city, three nieces and one nephew. A niece, Miss Charleen PEARSON, has made her home with her aunt since she was six years of age. Mrs. Bryant was a member of the Rochester Church of God and the Mooseheart Legion of this city.

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at 2 o’clock from the Church of God at the corner of Main and Third Streets with the Rev. Ray COLLINS of Chicago in charge. Burial was made in the Odd Fellows cemetery. Many beautiful floral tributes covered the casket.
Albert SHINE, aged 64, a life-long resident of the Lake Bruce neighborhood passed away at his home Sunday morning at 10:30 o’clock following several months’ illness from diabetes.

Albert, son of John and Mary SHINE, was born on a farm near Lake Bruce on November 8th, 1863. Mr. Shine followed the carpenter’s trade and became well known throughout the western sections of the county. Other than the widow, no near relatives survive.

The funeral will be held at the Shine home Tuesday afternoon at 2 o’clock with the Rev. H. L. HINSCHAW in charge of the services. Interment will be made at the Pleasant Hill cemetery.

Mrs. Ray WILLIAMS, Sunday received a telegram informing her of the death of her aunt Mrs. Sarah CLEMANS, of Culver. The deceased was also an aunt of James and William ZELLER.

Tuesday, November 8, 1927

[no obits]

Wednesday, November 9, 1927

Joseph HOOVER, age 84, a Civil war veteran and life long resident of Fulton County, died at three o’clock Tuesday afternoon at his home in Akron. Mr. Hoover had been ill for the past four weeks and death was due to complications incident to old age.

The deceased was born on August 24, 1943 near Pleasant Hill the son of Daniel C. and Frances SHOFE HOOVER. In 1867 he was married to Elvira TRACY, of near Gilead, and for many years they lived in the Omega neighborhood, moving to Akron 24 years ago when Mr. Hoover retired from farm work. He was a member of the Akron G.A.R.

Mr. Hoover was a member of Company A, 89 Regiment of Indiana Volunteers serving for three years and was in many of the largest battles of the Civil war. In the first battle he participated he was taken a prisoner Mumfordsville, Kentucky but was soon exchanged to the Union army. During his entire three years of active service Mr. Hoover was never wounded and was never in a hospital.

Mr. Hoover is survived by his wife, four sons, Arthur [HOOVER] and Albert [HOOVER], of Portland, Oregon, Otto [HOOVER], of Elkhart, and Charles [HOOVER], of Kokomo, and one daughter, Mrs. Katherine SWIGERT, of Gilead.

Funeral services will be held at ten o’clock Thursday morning at the Akron Methodist church with Rev. John RUNKLE, of Logansport, in charge. Burial will be made in the Akron I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Mrs. Charles McMAHAN, of Akron, Ind., has received word of the death of her cousin, William D. REED, age 86, which occurred Sunday at his home at Alliance, Ohio. Mr. Reed, a Civil War veteran, was a member of Co. A, 19th Ohio Volunteer Infantry and a cousin of Senator James REED, of Missouri. Mr. Reed was well known in this community as he had spent a part of each summer with Mr. and Mrs. McMahar.
Charles Izzard Wednesday morning received word from the superintendent of the Northern Indiana Hospital for the Insane at Logansport stating that his sister, Mrs. Sarah NIXON, 83, who has been undergoing treatment there for the past 14 years had died late Tuesday night.

Mrs. Nixon who was the daughter of Jabes and Margaret IZZARD and who was born in this county for many years operated a millinery store on North Main street. Her husband, John NIXON, preceded her in death ten years ago. She was a member of the local Christian Church.

Survivors are two sons by a former marriage, Wallace [- - -] of Akron, and Russell [- - -] who is a patient at the Hospital from which his mother died, three sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth REED and Mrs. Wm. HARDING of Fulton and Mrs. John MEYERS of Hillcrest, Mont., and one brother, Charles [IZZARD].

George BUFFINGTON, of Culver, aged 30, was drowned in Lake Maxinkuckee at 2:30 o’clock Tuesday afternoon when the boat in which he and Harry MEDBOURN were shooting ducks turned over and threw him into the lake. Buffington was standing up in the boat for a shot when the boat which was about 200 feet from the shore at the southwest end of the lake turned over.

Buffington evidently tried to swim to shore and it is thought he was seized by cramps in the cold water and consequently was drowned. Medbourne saved himself by clinging to the boat, until aid arrived.

Help from shore soon reached the scene and the body of the unfortunate young man was found on the bottom of the lake 25 minutes later. First aid methods employed by the swimming instructors at the Culver Military Academy failed. The Marshall county coroner was then called. County recorder Lou HUNT was a member of the rescuing party.

Mr. Buffington, who formerly lived at Peru, was the proprietor of a pool room and dance hall at Culver. He is survived by his wife who formerly was Miss Iva INKS, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles INKS of Plymouth, and one small son and several brothers and sisters. Funeral services will be held Friday.

Thursday, November 10, 1927

Relatives at Akron, early today, received the news of the death of Mrs. Vera SHEWMAN ROWE, which occurred at her home in Chicago Wednesday night following an illness from leakage of the heart. Mrs. Rowe had recently visited at the home of her parents in Akron and was apparently in good health at that time.

Vera, aged 30, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Worthy SHEWMAN, was born on a farm near Silver Lake and when quite young, moved to Akron with her parents. In the year of 1917, she was united in marriage to William ROWE at Rochester. The deceased was a member of the Royal Neighbors Club of Akron.

Besides the husband, who is in the employ of the Western Electric Co. of Chicago, the deceased is survived by her parents, one sister, Mrs. Georgia JENKINS, of North Manchester, two brothers, DeVere [SHEWMAN] of Mishawaka, and Edward [SHEWMAN] at home.

The body is expected to arrive in Akron Friday morning and funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Mrs. Lucretta GREEN, aged 76, wife of ex-state representative Burton GREEN of Perrysburg, died at her home Wednesday noon after a three weeks illness caused by pneumonia. Mrs. Green contracted a cold four weeks ago which she was unable to throw off. Pneumonia developed which caused her to be bedfast for three weeks.
The deceased was born on a farm near Mermore, Ohio, on May 3, 1851. Mrs. Green moved to this county with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. THORNTON, when she was quite young. For many years Mrs. Green lived in this city where her husband had a law office.

Mrs. Green, who was an active member of the Rochester Methodist Church when she lived in this city, has only one immediate survivor, her husband. Mrs. Lewis BAILEY of this city is a first cousin of Mrs. Green.

Funeral services will be held for Mrs. Green from the Perrysburg Church at 2 o’clock Friday afternoon. Burial will be made in the Perrysburg cemetery.

Attorney E. B. DEVAULT of Kewanna has received word of the death of his brother-in-law, Clarence JOHNSON, formerly of Logansport, who died Saturday in San Pedro, Cal. Mr. Johnson was born in Logansport, and for a number of years was an express messenger on the Wabash railroad. He was married in 1908 to Miss Myrtle DEVAULT in Logansport, and in 1905 went to California. Mr. Johnson was stationed for some time at San Diego, later at Needles, and finally accepted the agency of the American Express Company at San Pedro where he has been located for 20 years. Only the widow survives.

Emery SHUTT, well known man of Silver Lake, passed away at the Northern Indiana Hospital for the Insane at Logansport Wednesday where he had been undergoing treatments for a complication of diseases.

Plymouth, Ind., Nov. 10 -- (INS) - The body of John MELSER, 81, who lives alone on his farm near Bourbon, was found in his home today by Bert LOZIER, a neighbor. The aged man, who is reported to be quite wealthy, had been shot apparently by his own hand, for near the body lay a discharged shot gun.

Melser had been in poor health. The old man was survived by a wife, son and daughter, living in Ft. Wayne. Coroner’s inquest will be held tomorrow.

Friday, November 11, 1927

Elias MAXWELL, aged 79, prominent resident of Liberty township who has lived on a farm west of Green Oak for over 50 years, died Thursday noon. Death was caused by a cancer and a stroke of paralysis which he suffered four years ago. The deceased however was only bedfast for two weeks.

Mr. Maxwell was born on a farm in Licking county, Ohio, on June 27, 1848. When he was quite young the deceased’s parents, James and Sara MAXWELL, moved to this county making the trip overland in wagons, settling on farm near Green Oak where he has since resided.

Fifty-two years ago Mr. Maxwell married Sarah BUNTON who with the three daughters, Mrs. Minnie SQUIRES of Warroads, Minn., Mrs. Ida FAULSTITCH and Mrs. Ada LEHMAN both of Monterey and foster-son, Jesse CHURCH, five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren, survive. Mrs. Faulstitch and Mrs. Leyman are children by Mr. Maxwell’s first marriage.

Mr. Maxwell was a lifelong member of the Ebenezer Baptist Church. The funeral services will be conducted from the Green Oak Church at 2 o’clock Saturday afternoon with Rev. James NIVEN in charge. Burial will be made in the Rochester Odd Fellows cemetery.
Funeral services for the late Mrs. Sarah NIXON, were held Friday morning at the Zimmerman Bros. funeral parlor with Rev. W. J. NIVEN in charge. Burial was made in the Citizens Cemetery.

Saturday, November 12, 1927

Mrs. Nancy Christina MEYERS, 87, one of the best known pioneers of this community, passed away at 4:30 Friday afternoon at the home of Ross and Congo MEYERS, 410 North Main Street. Death came as the result of pneumonia. The aged lady contracted a cold Saturday which grew much worse on Sunday and suddenly went into pneumonia. From then on she grew gradually worse until the end.

Mrs. Meyers [Nancy Christina HETTMANSPERGER] was born in Baden, Germany, on December 17, 1839, and came to this country when seven years of age with her parents, Frederick and Nancy HETTMANSPERGER. She was one of eleven children. The family came across the Atlantic on a sailing vessel that took three weeks in crossing. They settled in Wabash County where the father cleared the land to till the soil.

On September 4, 1860 she was married to Henry MEYERS and in 1876 they moved to Rochester from Wabash to make their future home. Ten children were born to this union of whom five are living. She made a trip back to her birth place in Germany years ago, and visited relatives there. She was a member of the German Lutheran Church but later after moving to Rochester joined the Presbyterian Church of which she was a member for 47 years. Her husband died some time ago.

She is survived by two sons, Henry [MEYERS] of Rochester, John [MEYERS] of Mason City, Iowa, and three daughters, Mrs. Emma SCULL, Rose [MEYERS] and Caroline MEYERS, of Rochester. Eleven grandchildren are living and seven great-grandchildren. Four brothers, Neal [HETTMANSPERGER], of Huntington, and John [HETTMANSPERGER], Henry [HETTMANSPERGER] and Albert [HETTMANSPERGER], of Wabash, also survive.

The funeral will be held Monday at two o’clock at the residence with Rev. Daniel PERRY officiating. Burial will be in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Monday, November 14, 1927

Frank RANNELLS, aged 72, former resident of this city, passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. James ANDERSON, of Decatur, Ind., Saturday noon. Death resulted from leakage of the heart, Mr. Rannells having been a sufferer of that disease for the past six months. The deceased was well known to the citizens of Rochester, having resided here for a number of years, where he followed the butcher’s trade. He also operated a second-hand store on North Main street for a few years, before leaving for Decatur where he made his home with Mrs. Anderson.

Frank Rannells was born on a farm near the Sugar Grove neighborhood on Sept. 12, 1855. When still a young man he moved to Rochester and for many years was employed in the Taylor Meat Market. The survivors are: two sons Jack RANNELLS, of Momence, Ill., Ray RANNELLS, address unknown; three daughters, Mrs. Ben NOFTSGER, Loyal, Alida RANNELLS, of Kewanna, Mrs. Bessie ANDERSON of Decatur, Ind., one brother, Robert RANNELLS, of Knox.

Funeral services were held at the Anderson home in Decatur Monday morning at 9 o’clock following which the body was brought to Rochester where short services were held at the grave in the I.O.O.F. cemetery at 1:30 o’clock Monday afternoon.
Phillip K. KILE, age 86, for many years a resident of the Jubilee neighborhood nine miles southwest of Rochester, died at nine o’clock Monday morning at his home in Kewanna following an illness of ten days. Death was due to complications incident to old age.

The deceased was born in Crawford County, Ohio, December 12th, 1840, the son of Sebias [sic] and Katherine KILE. On January 22nd, 1865, he was married to Katherine Elizabeth KIESTER and in 1880 moved to Fulton County settling on a farm near the Jubilee School house. Four years ago they moved to Kewanna. Mr. Kile was a member of the Lutheran church at Bruce Lake.

Mr. Kile is survived by his wife, a son, Ira E. [KILE], and a daughter, Mrs. Ella BROOKER, all of Kewanna. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

Word has been received in Rochester from Mrs. Ella SPOHN telling of the death of her brother, Thaddeus Steven REX, age 65, which occurred on October 28th at his home in Le-Cygene, Kansas. The deceased was born in Rochester, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael REX and lived here for many years. He is survived by his wife, one son and one daughter and two sisters.

Tuesday, November 15, 1927

Mrs. Henry LATCHAW, aged 49, died at her home on East Twelfth Street at 9 o’clock Tuesday morning following a two years illness caused by goitre. The deceased had been bedfast for the last two weeks.

Mrs. Latchaw was born in Tipton County on March 8, 1878 and came to this county with her parents, Daniel and Louise EYTCHESON when she was five years of age, since which time she has made her home in or near this city.

Survivors are the husband, two daughters, Ethel [LATCHAW] at home and Mrs. Ralph WILKINSON, four brothers, Albert [EYTCHESON], Perry [EYTCHESON], Nathaniel [EYTCHESON] and Curry [EYTCHESON] all of this city, a sister, Mrs. John GREER of Loyal, and two grandchildren.

The funeral will be held from the home at 2 p.m. Thursday with burial in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Wednesday, November 16, 1927

John EBY, aged 80, a well known farmer of near Bourbon was picked up by the side of the road south of Bourbon Sunday afternoon nearly dead. He was taken to his home where he died a few minutes later. Apoplexy was the cause of his death.

Funeral services for Mrs. Henry LATCHAW will be held Thursday afternoon at two o’clock at the home, 816 East Twelfth Street. Burial will be made in the Citizens Cemetery.

Thursday, November 17, 1927

Late Wednesday afternoon, information was wired to Rochester relatives that Mrs. Manda SHELTON died, Tuesday, and that the remains would arrive for interment at Odd Fellows cemetery, funeral services to be held at Presbyuterian church Friday afternoon, Rev. D. S. PERRY officiating.

So little is known of her early life that it is difficult for the writer to give correct data of
biographical nature, other than to say that Manda MECHLING was born in Ohio, presumably in Fairfield county, September 7, 1852, and passed to higher life November 15 1927, aged 75 years, 2 months, 8 days.

On March 14, 1877, William H. SHELTON and Manda Mechling were united in marriage and remained as citizens of Rochester until the demise of the husband, Jan. 29, 1915, after which she resided with her daughter and son-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. George A. HILL, at Crawfordsville, Ind. To their marital union one child was born, the late Mrs. Effie Louise HILL. Mrs. Shelton was the daughter of Samuel MECHLING and wife, who were pioneer citizens of this county.

In the early life of the deceased she became a member of the Reformed church, but later joined First Presbyterian church, Rochester, and was a faithful, earnest and devout member thereof to the hour of transition. The beauty of fellowship, the Divine attribute of love and true spirit of affection were exemplified in her dainty deportment, ever striving to help the needy and cheer the afflicted.

She was the last surviving member of her family, her father, mother, one sister, two brothers, husband and daughter preceding her to prepare her entry into the home not made with hands. Relatives remaining rejoice in her release from the bondage of pain, yet grieve o’er her bier to be bereft of temporal presence.

Friday, November 18, 1927

Mrs. Everett HATTERY this morning received word from Mrs. Vine CURTIS that her mother, Mrs. M. W. WATSON, aged 84, had died at 5:50 a.m. Mrs. Watson, who made her home with her son, W. P. WATSON, 1514 Seventy-Second Place, Chicago, Ill., has been ill for the past four weeks with complications incident to old age which followed a stroke of paralysis.

Mrs. Watson was very well known in this city where she has often visited with her daughter, Mrs. Curtis, who was at her bedside when she passed away. Mrs. Watson’s last visit was just a year ago.

Survivors are two sons, Percy [WATSON] and Charles [WATSON] of Chicago and two daughters, Mrs. Emma MANNING of Chicago and Mrs. CURTIS. Funeral services will be conducted Monday afternoon from the residence of the son in Chicago.

Saturday, November 19, 1927

The death of John MELSER, 72-year-old farmer residing near Bourbon which occurred last Thursday was pronounced suicide by the coroner, and that the man had planned to take his own life is borne out by the finding of a scrap of paper on the table by Mr. Williams, of Bourbon, who arrived soon after the discovery of the body. The paper contained the following paragraphs, according to an account in the Bourbon News-Mirror.

“Bert (meaning Bert Lozier his neighbor) is to have corn at the canning factory and all the cabbage he wants from the patch.

“Good beans in the closet.

“Don’t forget my lot at the cemetery (doubtless meaning the Summit Chapel Cemetery which is not far from the home.) invest $50 so it may be kept clean.

“Lumber up in the barn for box.” (meaning the rough box.)

Since his death no other will has been found disposing of his estate.
Monday, November 21, 1927

Theo. OLSEN has received word of the death of his brother, Carl OLSEN, age 50, which occurred Saturday morning at his home in Charles City, Iowa. No details of Mr. Olsen’s death or of the funeral arrangements were given in the telegram.

Hubert QUICK, aged 68, retired farmer died at his home at the end of West Eleventh street at 5:50 Monday morning from complication which followed a stroke of paralysis which he suffered last April. The deceased had only been bedfast for the past week. His death was unexpected.

Mr. Quick was born on a farm in White county on March 22, 1859 and moved to this county with his parents Philo and Hannah QUICK, when he was 14 years of age. Mr. Quick for many years lived on a farm facing Federal Road [US] 31 now owned by Rev. S. C. DAVIDSON. He lived there until five years ago when he moved to this city.

Mr. Quick for many years was prominent in the circles of the democratic party of Fulton county. He was unsuccessful in his race for the office of commissioner from the second district at the election in the fall of 1926. Mr. Quick was a member of the Rochester Baptist Church. He was an untiring worker in this organization.

Survivors are the widow who was Adda M. CAMERER whom he married on Sept. 23, 1884, two daughters, Mrs. Jesse BURNS of Athens and Pearl [QUICK] at home, and one sister, Mrs. Edgar McCARTER of Macy.

Funeral services will be conducted from the Rochester Baptist Church at 2 o’clock Wednesday afternoon with Rev. James NIVEN in charge. Burial will then be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Tuesday, November 22, 1927

Mrs. C. B. LOCKWOOD, aged 76 years, a resident of the Deedsville community, passed away at her home Monday night at 11:30 following four weeks illness from pneumonia. The deceased had been a resident of this community all of her life and was well known to the people of the southern section of Fulton county.

Mrs. Lockwood is survived by her husband, Chalmer [LOCKWOOD], a daughter, Miss Devie LOCKWOOD at home, and the following sisters and brothers: Mrs. Joe WILSON, of Peru, Mrs. William TEEL of Perrysburg, Mrs. John MATHIAS of Macy, Mrs. Roscoe MILLER of Perrysburg, Waldo and Arthur LOCKWOOD [sic] of near Deedsville. The deceased was a member of the Presbyterian church.

The funeral will be held at the Lockwood home Thursday morning at ten o’clock with the Rev. NICE of Peru officiating. Burial will then be made in the Deedsville cemetery.

Wednesday, November 23, 1927

John Henry DORMAN, aged 72 years, a well known farmer of the Grass Creek community, was struck by a Logansport motorist shortly after 7 o’clock Tuesday evening and died about an hour afterward from skull fractures. Walter NEWMAN of 1101 Pleasant Hill street, Logansport, was the driver of the auto.

The accident occurred in front of the Otto APPLEGATE home. Dorman had called on Applegate to inquire about some fencing. While there he remarked about seeing two autos coming toward the Applegate farm. Carrying a lantern the aged man left his neighbor’s home
and walked onto the highway directly into the side of the Newman car. The force of the impact hurled the Grass Creek farmer to the ground with such terrific force that his skull was crushed. Newman and his companions who were assisting in taking some of the Logan Bearcat basketball players to Culver where they were scheduled to play, immediately stopped his machine and carried the injured man into the Applegate home.

Physicians and an ambulance were summoned and the victim was rushed to the St. Joseph Hospital at Logansport, where he died a few moments later. Mr. Dorman was the owner of a 40-acre farm which lies about a mile east of Grass Creek where he has resided practically all of his life. A niece in Ohio is the only surviving relative. Dorman’s body was removed to Kewanna undertaking parlors, late last night.

Coroner Herbert ZIMMERMAN will conduct an inquest into this accident death today.

Betty Marylyn [WALTON], five months old daughter of Clem and Opal WALTON, died at 1:50 o’clock this morning after a four weeks’ sickness caused by inflamation of the bowels. Mr. and Mrs. Walton live on the Tim BAKER farm one mile east of Rochester on the Barrett cement road. Survivors are the parents and three brothers, Robert [WALTON] Lewis [WALTON] and Billie [WALTON]. Funeral services will be held from the home at 2 p.m. Thursday with the Rev. R. H. CROWDER in charge. Burial will made at Mentone.

Mrs. Ellen LAY WATSON, mother of Charles W. WATSON, recently of Kewanna, and Mrs. Vine CURTIS, Rochester, and sister of the late Hiram T. LAY, died the morning of November 18th at the home of the younger son, W. P. WATSON, 1514 West 72nd Place, Chicago, after an extended illness.

Mrs. Watson was 83 years old. She was born in Kenosha, Wis., from where her father, Nelson LAY, went to Kerwanee, Illinois vicinity at the time the C. B. & Q. railroad was extended to that point, and became one of the founders of the present city of Kewanee.

The father, Nelson Lay, and his wife are buried in the old Kewanee cemetery.

In 1865 Miss Lay, then a young woman, moved to Chicago with her family, and was a teacher of music there. She married Nathan W. WATSON there and the family home has been in that city to the present time. There remain to mourn her passing two sons and two daughters, Charles W. WATSON and Mrs. Emma MANNING, both of Chicago, Mrs. Fannie CURTIS of Rochester, Ind., and Percy Warren WATSON of Chicago. A daughter, Bonnie WATSON CLIFF, died several years ago. There remain also a brother, E. R. LAY, of Marshalltown, Ia., and ten grandchildren. Mrs. Watson was an early member of the Congregational church of Kewanee.

The last services were held on Monday at 10 a.m. at the home of her son where she passed away, and burial was at Rosehill cemetery, Chicago, beside her husband.

Thursday, November 24 1927

[no paper - holiday]
Funeral services were held this afternoon for Mrs. Mary Rebecca RICHARDSON, aged 77, of 1114 Elm Street, who died at her home shortly after 11 o’clock Wednesday night after several years illness caused by complications incident to old age.

The deceased, who was the daughter of Hugh and Hanna VanMETER, was born in Allen County, Ohio, on August 28, 1850. She spent practically her entire life in this community, coming here when she was a young girl. Her husband, who has preceded her in death, was Riley RICHARDSON.

Survivors are a daughter, Mrs. Kate FELTS of this city, three grandchildren and a brother, Richard VanMETER of San Diego, Cal. Mrs. Richardson was a member of the Rochester Methodist church.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. R. H. CROWDER. Burial was made in the Odd Fellows cemetery.

An automobile accident which occurred near the little town of Burkett, 18 miles northeast of Rochester, Wednesday evening at 10 o’clock, terminated in the death of Edward NEWTON, 55, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvanus NEWTON, of this city. Newton, who is a farmer of the Burkett neighborhood was on his way home from a basketball game between Leesburg and Burkett, and was but a short distance from his farm when the unfortunate accident resulted.

Newton, who was accompanied by his wife, had parked his car along the roadside due to the fact that his Essex was out of gasoline. The Burkett farmer having procured a quantity of gasoline was in the act of refilling the tank at the rear of his car when Paul EVANS, who resides south of Warsaw, blinded by the headlights of an unknown motorist’s machine, crashed into the Newton car with terrific force. Newton was caught between the Evans car and his own and suffered the complete severance of one of his legs, and was believed to have been injured internally. Mrs. Newton, who was uninjured, quickly summoned aid and the injured man was rushed to the office of Dr. SAUNDERS at Burkett where he died 30 minutes later.

The driver of the southbound car with glaring headlights did not stop and his identity could not be obtained. Coroner Paul LANDIS of Warsaw was called to the scene of the accident and is conducting an inquest at Burkett today.

Mr. Newton was born and raised in Fulton county where he resided for a number of years. Besides his father, and step-mother, Mr. and Mrs. Sylvanus NEWTON, he is survived by his wife and three sons, and four sisters. The funeral will be held at Burkett Methodist Church Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. BARNHART, Mrs. Clem V. MILLER and Mrs. L. M. BRACKETT attended the funeral of Lyman D. EDWARDS in Logansport today. Mr. Edwards, who lived in this city many years ago, is an uncle of Mrs. Barnhart and Mrs. Miller.

Frederick W. STUDEBAKER, age 63, well known Akron barber and a life long resident of Fulton County, died at his home in Akron. Death was due to heart trouble from which he had been confined to his bed for the past ten days.

The deceased was born in Fulton the son of Jacob and Mary Elizabeth STUDEBAKER.
For the last 30 years he has lived in Akron where he owned a barber shop on West Main street. He was a member of the Akron Christian Church.

Surviving are the wife, who was formerly Laura STRONG and four daughters, Mrs. Earl SAUSAMAN and Mrs. Harvey ARTER, of Akron, Miss Edith STUDEBAKER of Indianapolis, and Miss Mary STUDEBAKER, of Long Beach, California. Three brothers, Joseph [STUDEBAKER], Albert [STUDEBAKER] and Frank STUDEBAKER live in Kokomo.

No funeral arrangements have been made pending word from the daughter living in California.

Franklin BENNETT, aged 68, who for many years was in charge of the Erie railroad section through this city, died at his home at 422 West Seventh Street, Peru, shortly after 7 o’clock Saturday evening as the direct result of a stroke of paralysis which he suffered four weeks ago.

Mr. Bennett was born in Allen county, Ohio on November 29, 1859 and came to this county with his parents, Stephen and Elinor BENNETT, when he was 12 years of age. On September 1, 1881 the deceased was married to Miss Amanda BIGGS of this city.

Mr. Bennett for the past 18 years or since he moved from this city to Peru has been employed as a cabinet maker by Aerial Cabinet Company. He was a member of the Odd Fellows Lodge at Fulton. Survivors are the widow, a son, Scott [BENNETT], and a daughter, Mrs. Schuyler MULLEN, both of Peru, and a sister, Mrs. Milo GARNER of this city.

Funeral services will be conducted from the Rochester United Brethren Church at 2 p.m. Tuesday with the Rev. James GRUBBS of Peru in charge assisted by Rev. S. A. WELLS of this city. Burial will be made in the local I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. KILMER Saturday received a telegram informing them of the death of their son-in-law, Robert BISHOP which occurred earlier in the day at his home in San Francisco, California following an illness of several weeks with cancer of the throat. This is the second death in the Bishop family during the past month, their son, Kenneth [BISHOP], dying of pneumonia about three weeks ago. Mrs. Bishop was formerly Miss Irene KILMER of this city. Military funeral services will be held in San Francisco Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Bishop was a former member of the U. S. Navy.

Rochester and Macy relatives were informed Monday of the death of Mrs. Dora HATCH, 75, a former resident of Macy, which occurred Sunday at her home in Chicago. Death was due to heart trouble. She is survived by one son, James [HATCH] of St. Louis, Mo., and a grandson, Glen HATCH, a student at Notre Dame University. No definite funeral arrangements are known with the exception that the services will be held in Macy and burial will be made there.

Hubert QUICK was born in Whitley Co., Indiana, March 23, 1859, and departed this life at his home in Rochester at West Eleventh Street, November 21, 1927, aged 68 years, 7 months and 28 days. He was one of eight children all having preceded him in death except the sister, Mrs. Edgar McCARTER. He was the son of Philo and Hannah QUICK and came with his parents to Fulton County and spent his boyhood and early manhood on a farm in Liberty Township.

He was married to Miss Adda May CAMERER Sept. 23, 1884. To this union was born five children, the three oldest sons having died in infancy, the wife and mother having passed
on eight years ago.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Jesse BURNS, who lives on the home farm near Athens, and Miss Pearl [QUICK] at home. On Last April he suffered a paralytic stroke which weakened his vitality and strength from the effects of which he never fully recovered and one week ago he was taken seriously ill from which he never rallied.

He was a faithful member of the Baptist church for many years. In the passing of Hubert Quick, the community has lost a valuable citizen, loyal neighbor and sympathetic friend.

Funeral services were held at the Baptist Church in Rochester, November 23, at 2 p.m., Rev. NIVEN in charge. Burial in I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Tuesday, November 29, 1927

Funeral services were held from the Emanuel Church five miles southeast of Akron, Tuesday afternoon, for Frank NAGLE, aged 70, who died at his home near the church on Sunday evening after a two months illness caused by heart trouble.

Mr. Nagle had lived in the Emanuel neighborhood since 1913 at which time he moved from a farm near Disko. The deceased was a highly respected and wealthy farmer. He was the son of Jacob and Susan NAGLE. His only survivor is his widow. The services this morning were in charge of Rev. John SMITH of Akron. Burial was made in the Gaerte cemetery.

Ephraim Smith BOCKOVER passed away at the home of his son, Ernest [BOCKOVER], at Macy, Ind., Nov. 28, 1927 at the age of 71 years.

He was the son of John D. and Mary WILDMAN BOCKOVER and was born in Perry Township, Miami county, Oct. 30, 1856.

He was married to Mrs. Mary E. BURNS KERN, Oct. 23, 1884. To this union were born five children: Arthur G. [BOCKOVER], Walter R. [BOCKOVER], Ernest F. [BOCKOVER], Alva [BOCKOVER] and a small infant. The two last ones and his wife preceded him in death. March 19, 1904 he was married to Tressie Fay HARMAN. To this union was born one daughter, Martha Fay [BOCKOVER]. His wife passed away Jan. 23, 1905.

Most of Mr. Bockover’s life was spent in and near Mexico until 1912 when he moved to Macy. He is survived by five children, Arthur BOCKOVER of North Fork, Nev., Walter BOCKOVER, of Peru, Ernest BOCKOVER of Macy, Mrs. Martha KERSCHNER of Peru, one step-son, William C. KERN, of Peru, two brothers, Elisha BOCKOVER of Twelve Mile, Daniel BOCKOVER of Chili; ten grandchildren and a host of friends.

Funeral services will be held at the Progress Brethren Church at Mexico of which he was a member, Wednesday at 2 o’clock. Interment in Greenlawn cemetery. The services will be conducted by Rev. G. F. APPELMAN, of the Brethren church at Plymouth.

The body of Mrs. Dora HATCH, former resident of Macy, who died Sunday at her home [in] Chicago, will arrive in Rochester Wednesday on the 1:31 train, and will be taken to Macy. Funeral services will be held at three o’clock at the Methodist church with Rev. S. I. ZECHIEL in charge. Burial will be made in the Macy Cemetery.

Funeral services for Frederick W. STUDEBAKER of Akron, who died at his home Monday will be held from the Methodist Church at Akron at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday with the Rev. Daniel SLAYBAUGH in charge. Burial will be made in the Akron Odd Fellows cemetery.
Wednesday, November 30, 1927

Howard M. WILSON, age 17, a senior in the Macy high school, died at five o’clock Wednesday morning at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Perry WILSON, one mile southwest of Macy. Death was due to heart trouble from which he had suffered for several days but his condition had only been considered serious a few days.

The deceased was born near Macy, on February 27th, 1910, the son of Perry and Mabel (NEISWONGER) WILSON. Surviving are the parents, one sister, Miss Lynn WILSON of Fort Wayne, and three brothers, Ellis [WILSON] of Logansport, and Donald [WILSON] and Richard [WILSON] at home.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 1:30 at the Macy Christian Church with Rev. C. E. SEIFRES, of Portland, officiating. Burial will be made in the Plainview cemetery.

Thursday, December 1, 1927

[no obits]

Friday, December 2, 1927

The Grim Reaper early Friday morning visited the home of two well-known Rochester ladies and within a period of two hours snuffed out the lives of Mrs. D. A. WALLER and Mrs. W. F. WHEADON both residents of South Franklin Avenue. Those highly respected women were both members of the Women’s Relief Corps and the Progressive Club.

Mrs. Emma WALLER, aged 60, a life-long resident of Fulton county and of more recent years of Rochester, passed away at her home on South Franklin avenue at 4:50 o’clock Friday morning. Death was resultant from a stroke of apoplexy which she suffered last Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Waller was born in Fulton county on Sept. 22, 1858. Upon reaching the maturity of womanhood the deceased was united in marriage to Edward CAMERER, following which for a number of years they resided on a farm three miles southeast of this city. In the year of 1915, Mr. Camerer passed away and his widow then moved to Rochester where in 1919 she was united in marriage to D. A. WALLER, who survives. The deceased was a member of the Methodist church, Rebekah Lodge, the W.C.T.U. and the Progressive Club.

Mrs. Waller is also survived by her son, Fred CAMERER, of Portland, Ore., one granddaughter, Miss Marjorie GINTHER PERRY, and a half-brother, Sidney HOOVER, of Tennessee.

The funeral will be held at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o’clock with the Rev. R. H. CROWDER officiating. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Mrs. Mary I. WHEADON, age 80, prominent Rochester lady, died at 6:50 Friday morning at the home of her daughter, 1228 Franklin Avenue. Death was due to neuritis from which she had suffered for the past year, however, her condition had only been considered serious for the past two days. On last Friday Mrs. Wheadon was taken to her daughter’s home.

The deceased was born on April 23rd, 1847 in Worchester, Mass., the daughter of John S. and Abbie HALL. On June 5th, 1867 she was married to W. F. WHEADON of Aurora, Illinois, and 20 years ago the couple moved to Rochester from Marion, Ind., where they have since resided.
Mrs. Wheadon was a member of the Baptist Church in this city and was a very active church worker. She was also a member of the Woman’s Relief Corps, Rebekah Lodge and of the Progressive Club.
Surviving are the husband, one son A. W. WHEADON, who lives southwest of Rochester, and three daughters, Mrs. Sam REITER, of Fort Wayne, Mrs. Alice RICKEL of Friendship, Wisconsin and Mrs. Ed SQUIRES, of Rochester. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

Saturday, December 3, 1927

The funeral services for the late Mrs. A. W. WHEADON, who died Friday, will be held at the Baptist church here Sunday afternoon at 2:45. Rev. NIVEN will be in charge. Burial in the I.O.O.F. cemetery. This hour was selected by Captain A. W. WHEADON as he thought that some persons might care to attend the funeral services of his wife and also the services Mrs. D. A. WALLER at the Methodist Church at 1:30 Sunday as both ladies were members of the Relief Corps and moved in the same circle of friends.

Monday, December 5, 1927

Mrs. Mary J. MOONSHOWER, aged 74, widow of Henry MOONSHOWER who died on Augst 16, 1923, died Sunday morning at 6:30 o’clock at the home of her daughter Miss Clara Moonshower, 720 Alagelt Street, South Bend. Death was due to complications incident to old age but the deceased however had only been bedfast a week.
Mrs. Moonshower [Mary J. BECKER], who was born in Allen County, Ohio on February 2, 1853, the daughter of John and Mary BECKER, lived for many years on a farm one and half miles east of Athens. Following the death of her husband Mrs. Moonshower moved to South Bend to make her home with her daughter.
Survivors are two sons, Lucius [MOONSHOWER] of this city who is the Erie railroad agent at Athens, and Ralph [MOONSHOWER] of Huntington, a daughter, Miss Clara [MOONSHOWER], a sister, Miss Eliza BECKER, of Columbus Grove Ohio, and five grandchildren.
The funeral services will be held from the Rochester United Brethren church, at 2 p.m. Tuesday, with the Rev. S. A. WELLS in charge. Burial will be made in the Odd Fellows cemetery here.

Tuesday, December 6, 1927

Plymouth, Ind., Dec. 6 (INS) - The coal oil explosion at the Aman farm near Culver, Ind., resulting from an attempt to start a kitchen stove fire with kerosene claimed its second life today when Mrs. Bertha AMAN, 23, died in a local hospital.
Evelyn AMAN, two years old, a daughter of Mrs. Aman, died shortly after the blast.
The accident took place yesterday noon when Mrs. Aman wanted to hasten preparation of dinner by pouring coal oil on the embers in the stove. In a moment after the explosion she and her daughter were covered with liquied flames.
A badly damaged house, a sorrowing husband and four children were left today.
Wednesday, December 7, 1927

George P. HENDRICKSON, age 74, life long resident of Wayne Township, died at 2:30 Wednesday morning following an illness of only 18 hours with acute obstruction of the bowels. The deceased is survived by his wife, who was formerly Agnes HARRISON, one daughter, Miss Elizabeth HENDRICKSON, at home and four sons, Lawrence HENDRICKSON of near Fulton, Florence HENDRICKSON of South Bend, Milen HENDRICKSON at home, and Minden HENDRICKSON of Dover, New Jersey.

Funeral arrangements have not been made pending word from the son living in New Jersey.

George KELLER, who died at the home of his mother, Mrs. Pete KELLER, near Monterey, at five-thirty Sunday evening, was buried Wednesday morning following funeral services at the St. Ann’s Catholic church at Monterey. Mr. Keller contracted a cold on Thanksgiving day which developed into pneumonia and he gradually grew worse until the end. He is survived by an invalid wife, three small children, his mother, a number of sisters and one brother, Loyd KELLER. He was a member of St. Ann’s church.

Oscar A. HARDING for the past 40 years a resident of Mentone, died early Monday morning at the residence of Stanley BOGGS near that town. He had been ill for the past year, bedfast for nine weeks and was unconscious the last 26 hours. He suffered from heart trouble. He was born in Ireland. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Mary BOGGS and two sisters. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Boggs home with burial in the Mentone cemetery.

Thursday, December 8, 1927

[no obits]

Friday, December 9, 1927

Frank F. FOOT, former well known Rochester merchant who at one time was in the drygoods and shoe business with John HOLMAN in this city and who after leaving here became a high official in the Carson Pierie Scott store at Chicago, is dead, word received here yesterday. He was 58 years of age and will be remembered by many people in this vicinity. He is survived by a wife, a daughter, and one brother, Joe FOOT, restaurant owner of Warsaw. The remains were brought to Warsaw, where the funeral was held Friday.

Saturday, December 10, 1927

Mrs. Sarah HENDRICKSON, age 57, wife of Jacob HENDRICKSON well known Liberty township farmer, died at 7:30 Friday night at her home west of Fulton following an illness of a year with cancer. The deceased, a life long resident of Fulton County, was the daughter of the late Thomas and Charlotte REED. She was a member of the Olive Branch United Brethren Church.

Surviving are the husband and two children, Mrs. George RANS and Mrs. Ermal RIEMENSCHNEIDER. Funeral services will be held at 1:30 Sunday afternoon at the U. B. Church in Fulton with the Rev. Noah McCOY, of Logansport, officiating.
George McKEE, linotype operator at the News-Sentinel early Saturday morning received a telegram informing him of the death of his - - - Pauline McKEE, aged 15 years - - - resident of Goshen, Ind., which occurred early Saturday morning - - - who is the daughter of Mrs. Jesse McKEE, formerly of Rochester, was ill - - - suffering from pneumonia. [paper torn]

Monday, December 12, 1927

Word has been received in Rochester of the death of Mrs. Theodore McCORMICAN, age 70, which occurred Sunday morning at her home in Tippecanoe. Funeral services will be held at two o’clock Tuesday afternoon at the Tippecanoe United Brethren church. The deceased was a cousin of Mrs. Henry BARNHART, Mrs. Clem V. MILLER and Ami NELLANS, of this city.

William HARTSOCK, aged 59, and Elzie BRUCE, 51, were instantly killed at 6:20 this morning when a Maxwell coupe owned and driven by Hartsock in which both were riding was struck by an Erie westbound accommodation train No. 229 at the Erie crossing at the tower in East Rochester. The heavy fog and the fact that it was not yet daylight are believed to have been the cause of Hartsock’s failure to see the oncoming train.

Hartsock, who lived in the first house west of the Rockwell Landing at Lake Manitou, was on his way to work at the Rochester Bridge Company where he has been employed for the past four years in the construction department while Bruce, who lived on the MARTIN farm just south of the VanDIEN crossing of the Nickle Plate railroad and who was a painter, was on his way to seek employment at the factory when the accident occurred.

The passenger train made up of a gasoline propelled motor car and one coach was in charge of Conductor I. N. ROBY and engineer Clint BUTLER both of Huntington. Because of the fog Engineer Butler, although running 20 minutes behind his scheduled time, had slowed his engine he said to a speed of 25 miles an hour so that he could correctly see the semaphore for the crossing.

M. O. SHIPLEY, towerman for the Erie, whose duties are also to flag all cars at the dangerous crossing, said he waved his lantern to warn Hartsock of the approaching train. The driver of the machine totally disregarded the warnings of both the engineer and Mr. Shipley, it is reported, and drove directly in front of the oncoming passenger train.

The Hartsock car was struck about in the middle by the train and was then turned over many times in front of the engine before it finally was thrown clear of the cowcatcher about 400 feet west of the crossing after it had struck a switch arm.

Hartsock was thrown clear of the machine 150 feet from the crossing while Bruce was pinned under the car which had to be lifted before his body could be moved. The car, a 1926 Maxwell coupe, was demolished.

Both Hartsock and Bruce were killed instantly. The top of Hartsock’s skull was severed while both of his limbs and his left arm were fractured.

Bruce’s injuries consisted of a broken neck which caused his death and cuts over the left eye and on the back of his head. Portion of Hartsock’s brains were scattered along the right of way for many feet from the scene of the accident. The bodies of both victims were removed to the Zimmerman Brothers undertaking parlors.

Coroner Herbert ZIMMERMAN will probably hold his inquest into the deaths next Thursday morning at his office in the undertaking parlors on North Main street. The accident which cost the lives of the two men was witnessed by Mr. Shipley and three employees of the Bridge Factory, John STINNETT, Jean BRUBAKER and Hugh KIRKENDALL. Stinnett and
Brubaker were in the car immediately following the Hartsock machine.

Stinnett and Brubaker both stated after the accident that they saw Shipley attempt to flag the car in which the two unfortunate men were riding. Both were at a loss to understand why Hartsock did not see the signals. A number of Erie railroad officials were on the train which killed the two men. They ordered pictures taken of the scene of the accident. These were made this morning. Attorneys for the railroad arrived a short time after the accident and took depositions.

Bruce is survived by his wife and six children, while Hartsock has a daughter living.

The officials of the Rochester Bridge Company shortly after the accident occurred closed down the plant for the day knowing that little work would be accomplished by their employees because of the death of Hartsock and the fact that the debris of the wreck was still visible along the Erie right of way, which had a tendency to disquiet the workers. The question has now arisen, does the compensation insurance carried by the Bridge Company on all of their employees cover Hartsock who was on his way to work. This will be a point which probably will have to be decided by the State Industrial Board.

A mistake was made this morning by some solicitous but misinformed person when they called Mrs. William Hartsock who lives on East Eighth Street that her husband who is an employee of the M. and M. garage had been killed. The man who was killed is an uncle of the garage employee. He was named in his uncle’s honor. Mrs. Hartsock on receipt of the word fainted but a short while later regained her composure when she was informed that a mistake had been made in identity.

Due to the fact that relatives of both the men killed were so affected by the shock it was impossible to obtain the obituaries of either today.

Tuesday, December 13, 1927

Paul Devon EMMONS, aged 23 years, passed away Monday evening at 8:45 o’clock at the Epworth hospital, South Bend, following a five weeks illness, which attending physicians stated was caused directly from tropical fever which the patient contracted while in the service of the U. S. Navy in China. About two weeks ago the deceased underwent an operation following which he gradually grew worse.

Paul Devon, son of Henry and Mary EMMONS, was born in Rochester Jan. 21, 1904. The deceased lived here until he was 15 years of age and then moved to South Bend where a short time later he joined the U. S. Navy. After four years service at sea he returned to South Bend where he followed his occupation that of a carpenter and mechanic. Besides his parents he is survived by a step-father, Roy CLAY, Gary; two brothers, Lester [EMMONS] and Charles [EMMONS] of South Bend; one sister, Mrs. Gordon MILLER, of South Bend; one step-sister, Mrs. Dessie EMMONS of South Bend; and two step-brothers, Everett CLAY of Detroit and Raymond CLAY of Rochester.

The funeral will be held at the Christian church in Rochester Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o’clock with Rev. D. S. PERRY in charge. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Coroner Herbert ZIMMERMAN Tuesday afternoon conducted his inquest into the deaths of William HARTSOCK and Elzie BRUCE who lost their lives Monday morning when a car driven by Hartsock in which both were riding was struck by an Erie train at the Tower crossing on Erie Avenue in East Rochester. - - - -

Coroner Zimmerman refused to give out his decision at this time. - - - -

Meanwhile preparations were being made by the members of the bereaved Hartsock and
the Bruce families to bury their dead. The Bruce funeral will be held from the Christian Church at 10 a.m. Wednesday in charge of Rev. James NIVEN. Burial will be made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery at Kewanna. The daughter, Mrs. C. L. VanSCOYK of Kentland, claimed the body of Mr. Hartsock and took it to her home near that city Tuesday afternoon.

Elzie BRUCE, aged 45, was a life long resident of this county. He was born on a farm near Kewanna on July 19, 1882 and was the son of Benjamin F. and Elmira BRUCE. For the past three years he has lived on a farm one mile southeast of this city on the Wabash road which is known as the MARTIN farm.

The deceased, who was a member of the Rochester Odd Fellows Lodge and the Christian Church and a painter by trade, was married on March 23, 1903 to Cora Belle BRUCE. She survives as do five children, Mrs. Iretta BECK, of Hammond, Goldie [BRUCE], Arthur [BRUCE], Freda [BRUCE] and Gale [BRUCE] all at home, two sisters, Mrs. Surphes MILLISER of this city and Mrs. L. F. RINGER of Benton Harbor, Mich., and a brother, William [BRUCE] of Kempton.

William Grant HARTSOCK, age 54, was born in Kentland, Ind., in May 1873 the son of William and Jennie HARTSOCK. For 25 years the deceased was employed in the shops of the Pennsylvania railroad in Logansport and six years, due to ill health, he came to Lake Manitou where he had since resided in a cottage near the Dam Landing. For four years he has worked at the Rochester Bridge Factory.

Mr. Hartsock is survived by his daughter, Mrs. C. L. VanSCOYK, of Kentland and four sisters. Funeral services will be held in Kentland Thursday and burial will be made there.

George Preston HENDRICKSON, son of Chrineyance and Paulina HENDRICKSON, was born in Wayne Twp., Fulton Co., Ind., Jan. 16, 1854, and departed this life at his home after an illness of only a few hours, Dec. 7, 1927, aged 73 years, 10 mos., and 21 days.

On Sept. 22, 1887 he was united in marriage to Agnes H. HARRISON and to this union were born five children, Lawrence [HENDRICKSON] of Fulton, Florence [HENDRICKSON] of South Bend, Minden [HENDRICKSON] of Dover, N.J., and Elizabeth [HENDRICKSON] and Milan [HENDRICKSON] who reside at home.

His entire life was spent in this community, where he was known by his neighbors and friends as one who was ever ready to help in time of need, and was loved most by those who knew him best.

He leaves to mourn his departure his wife and children and four grandchildren, Ray [HENDRICKSON], Ruth [HENDRICKSON], Margaret [HENDRICKSON] and Marilyn [HENDRICKSON], two grandchildren having preceded him in death. He also leaves two half-brothers, Reuben [HENDRICKSON] and Jacob HENDRICKSON, five half-sisters, Mrs. Sarah FEIDNER, Mrs. Kate MORPHET, Mrs. Harriet NICHOLS, Mrs. Luella LINDEN and Mrs. Henry COOK; an uncle Mathew HENDRICKSON and two aunts, Mrs. Catherine MURRAY and Miss Sarah HENDRICKSON, besides many other relatives and friends.

His brother, Isaac [HENDERSON], preceded him in death exactly one year to the day and hour.

Funeral services conducted by Rev. J. H. EILER of Galveston were held Friday forenoon from the residence, interment in Grass Creek cemetery.
Wednesday, December 14, 1927

Word has been received by Rochester relatives, of the death of Mrs. Catharine KEIS, which occurred at the home of her daughter, in Tampa, Florida, last Sunday night.

The body will be brought to Fulton, Indiana, arriving Thursday p.m. Funeral will be held at the United Brethren Church at Fulton at 10 a.m. on Friday, with burial at the Salem Cemetery.

Mrs. Keis, whose maiden name was [Catharine] SMITH, was married many years ago to Thomas R. BARKER, who died more than thirty years ago; later she was married to William KEIS, of Logansport, Indiana, who preceded her in death.

Surviving are one son, Milo E. BARKER and one daughter, Mrs. Iva BARKER HARRE, of Tampa, Fla., and numerous other relatives and friends throughout this county where she had resided for many years.

Mrs. Keis was an aunt of Fred [SMITH], George [SMITH] and Frank SMITH and Mrs. R. B. HENDRICKSON of this city.

Thursday, December 15, 1927

Mrs. Melinda FLANNERY, age 88, died at 11:30 Thursday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred HEDNIGS, in Fulton, following a weeks illness with complications incident to old age.

The deceased, who was a life long resident of Fulton County, was born on October 15th, 1839 in the Olive Branch neighborhood and had lived in that community practically all of her life. She was the daughter of Richard and Elizabeth REED and is the last of the family of ten children.

Her husband, Patrick FLANNERY, was a member of the Olive Branch Church of which she was the oldest member.

Surviving are three daughrers, Mrs. Riva FAIR, of Portland, Oregon, Mrs. Bertha MOYER, of North Dakota and Mrs. Matilda MARTIN, of Lafayette. A step-daughter, Mrs. Grace DEWALD, who lives in South Bend has been in Fulton for several days helping to care for the deceased.

Funeral arrangements have not been made.

Friday, December 16, 1927

Mr. and Mrs. Frank HOFFMAN of this city have been informed of the death of J. D. SMITH, president of the Pan-American Bridge Company, of Newcastle, Ind., which occurred Thursday at his home in that city. Mr. Smith is well known in this city where he has often visited. Funeral services will be held at 12 o’clock Saturday at the Smith home.

Logansport, Ind., Dec. 16. -- Mrs. Mary BARNETT, age ninety-five, oldest native-born citizen of Cass county, died here today. When less than a year old she was stolen from her cradle by Indians, but was recovered by her parents. Until ten weeks ago when Mrs. Barnett became bedfast she had good health. The COTNERS, parents of Mrs. Barnett, came to Cass county from Ohio, settling on what now is the COTNER homestead farm, five miles northwest of Logansport. Soon after twins were born, Mary [COTNER] and George [COTNER].

A few miles distant from their home an Indian village still existed. One quiet spring day
older brothers and sisters of the twins were in the field aiding their father piling brush for burning in preparation for the cultivation of new acres on the farm. The mother was weaving a carpet at the rear of the log cabin home.

When the mother entered the house about noontime to look after the welfare of her twins, one having been placed in each end of a sugar trough cradle, she found that in place of the baby daughter, Mary, a bright-eyed Indian papoose of about the same age nestled.

The mother ran to the field to notify her husband and the children. Small boys of the family were dispatched to neighbors two and three miles distant and before mid-afternoon a posse had started on the lookout for the stolen child.

Believing that an Indian squaw of the village had made the exchange the men started toward that place. En route they found a small white boy who, on inquiry from the group, recalled having seen the squaw walking toward the village carrying a baby with a white dress. Taking the papoose with them the group of white men made a friendly approach to the village and asked to see the chief. He heard them, and on hearing the story of the exchange, at once started a search of the village. The baby soon was found and returned to the father and mother, the papoose being returned to its mother.

The twins, Mrs. Barnett and her brother George [COTNER], were the seventh and eighth children of a family of nine born to Eli and Nora COTNER. All Mrs. Barnett’s brothers and sisters died several years ago, the twin dying when he was thirty-three years old. She was the mother of three children. All are dead.

Since the death of her last son, Cotner BARNETT, Sr., she lived on the Barnett homestead north of Logansport with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Cotner BARNETT, Sr.

Mrs. Susie HOWELL, aged 70, colored, died at the county infirmary at 10 o’clock Friday morning after a two years illness caused by dropsy.

Mrs. Howell, whose parents were both slaves of persons living in Mississippi, has been an inmate of the farm for the past two years. Her illness however at no time caused her to be confined to her bed.

She was a member of a colored Baptist Church in Benton Harbor, Mich.

A brother, whose present address is unknown survives as does her uncle, Robert RICKMAN of this city with whom she lived for many years. Relatives from Wabash claimed the body. Funeral arrangements have not been announced.

Saturday, December 17, 1927 and Monday, December 19, 1927

Frank STANLEY, age 71, well known Liberty township farmer, died Tuesday morning at his home northwest of Fulton in the Mt. Olive neighborhood following an illness of four years. Death was due to cancer of the stomach and complications.

The deceased was born in Fayette County the son of Nathan and Elizabeth STANLEY and for the past 30 years has lived in Fulton County. He was married to Miss Ada RETHERFORD and to this union were born 14 children all of whom are living.

The survivors are the widow and the following children: John [STANLEY] and Samuel [STANLEY], of Rochester, Victor [STANLEY] of Richmond, Ind., Glen [STANLEY] of the Mt. Olive neighborhood, Russell [STANLEY] at home, Nathan [STANLEY] of Elwood,
Mrs. Grace DAVIS, of Elwood, Mrs. Mamie JACKSON of Bertrand, Mo., Mrs. Bertha FRAILING, of Twelve Mile, Mrs. Gladys CROOKS, South Bend, Mrs. Erma MURDEN, Monticello, Mrs. Lucile BAGGERLY of Mt. Olive neighborhood, Mrs. Kline BLACKETOR, of near Kewanna, Miss Edna [STANLEY] at home.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at two o’clock at the Fulton United Brethren Church. Burial will be made in the Fulton cemetery.

Edwin NEWTON, son of Sylvanus and Anna (TATE) NEWTON, was born Oct. 28, 1872, died Nov. 23, 1927, near his home at Burket, Ind. He was married to Tessie LAIRD March 1st, 1902. He leaves this loving companion and three sons Howard [NEWTON], 18, Franklin [NEWTON], 16, and Stanley [NEWTON], 8 years; one daughter, Gertrude [NEWTON] having preceded him to the Spirit World. He also leaves an aged father of Rochester, and five sisters, Mrs. Lenora DeFABRITIS, Sidney, Ind., Mrs. Alice BABCOCK, Mesick, Mich., Mrs. Thursia ENYART, Macy, Ind., Mrs. Charlotte CORMICAN, Mt. Ayr, Ind.; a host of other relatives and friends.

Edwin Newton was born and lived over 50 years in Fulton County, near Liberty Church, later with his wife they moved to Walnut, Ind., from there to Mentone and six years ago on his farm at Burket. He united with the Evangelical Church at Pleasant Valley at the age of 21 years later took his membership with his wife to the Mentone Church of Christ where he was an active worker until his death.

His mother was called by the Reaper, death, when he was not quite five years old, also two sisters are deceased.

Mr. Newton met his sad and sudden death as he and wife and small son were leaving the Burket school house where they had enjoyed a basketball game in which their two sons had played. He found his car would not run, thinking it needed gasoline, he procured the same and put it in at the rear of the machine when another driver, blinded by rain and the bright lights of another car approaching, knocked into him and struck his car with such force that it went about 60 feet before his small son, Stanley, put on the brakes. He died within 30 minutes without gaining consciousness.

His funeral was held Sunday, Nov. 27, at the Mentone Church, services by the pastor John S. JOHNS. Burial in the Mentone cemetery.

Wednesday, December 21, 1927

The funeral of Mrs. William McELWEE, who passed away at her home near Macy, Saturday afternoon, Dec. 17, was held Monday at the McElwee home with the Rev. S. I. ZECHIEL in charge of the services. Interment was made in the Plainview cemetery west of Macy.

Winifred [WRIGHT], daughter of George and Harriet (SIMONTON) WRIGHT, was born at Perrysburg on Oct. 21, 1873 and passed away Saturday, Dec. 17th, 1927 following an illness of lengthy duration from heart trouble. On Nov. 25, 1900 she was married to William O. McELWEE.

The deceased is survived by her husband, one brother, Walter WRIGHT of Chicago, two nieces, Harriet [WRIGHT] and Winifred WRIGHT of Chicago and besides several cousins and a host of friends.

When quite a young girl she united in the Christian faith at the Methodist church at Perrysburg and was an active worker in all movements of the church.
Thursday, December 22, 1927 and Friday, December 23, 1927

[no obits]

Saturday, December 24, 1927

Mrs. Glen W. HOLLOWAY, aged 33, of 7 miles northwest of Akron, passed away in a Warsaw hospital shortly after 3 o’clock Friday afternoon, from injuries received when the Ford touring car was struck by a northbound Winona freight car at the DORAN crossing at 12:20 p.m. Accompanying Mrs. Holloway were her little daughter, Lelia [HOLLOWAY], aged two, who suffered a fractured skull, broken leg, and Mrs. Fred WARREN, a neighbor who received a broken right arm and severe cuts about her head and face.

Mrs. Holloway and her companions were enroute to Beaver Dam to attend a Christmas entertainment, and approached the crossing from the west failing to notice the swiftly approaching freight car. When the impact came the Ford was hurled to the north side of the grade and Mrs. Holloway and her little daughter were wedged in the wreckage beneath a milk station platform along the interurban tracks. Mrs. Warren was found a short distance from the wreckage. It is believed the women were busily engaged in conversation and were unmindful of being so near the crossing, as the view to the southward along the trolley right-of-way is clear of all obstructions.

George BLACK who operates a country store near the crossing was the first to reach the scene and assisted the freight crew to place the injured trio into the trolley car which rushed them into Warsaw where they were taken to a hospital. The interurban freight was in charge of Frank LADD motorman, Jack INGLE, conductor and Black who witnessed the tragedy stated the freight was brought to a complete stop within a short distance from the crossing.

Mrs. Holloway, whose death was caused by several fractures of the skull, was the mother of six children. Reports received from Warsaw early today held out hope for the complete recovery of the little girl. Mrs. Warren was also reported to be out of danger.

Monday, December 26, 1927

[no paper - holiday]

Tuesday, December 27, 1927

Mrs. Delilah TAYLOR, aged 70 years, died at 11 o’clock Saturday evening at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. R. BURNS, of Mentone after an illness of several weeks caused by a stroke of paralysis which she suffered on Oct. 15th, while visiting at the home of her son, Dr. H. W. TAYLOR, of this city.

Delilah DUMBAULD, was born on a farm near Tiosa on April 9th, 1857 and while still quite young moved to Rochester. In the year of 1877 she was united in marriage to William H. TAYLOR, who preceded her in death several years ago. The deceased was a member of the Rochester Christian church, the Rebekah lodge and the Pythian Sisters. Mrs. Taylor took an active interest in her church and organization work and through these activities became quite well-known not only in Rochester but throughout the entire county.

The deceased is survived by the following children: Mrs. F. R. BURNS, of Mentone, Mrs. Fred BABCOCK, of Gary, Clyde TAYLOR of Bourbon, and Dr. H. W. TAYLOR of this city. She also leaves one sister, Mrs. Cordelia MILLER of Etna Green.
The funeral services were held at the Christian church at 2 o’clock Tuesday afternoon with the minister of the Presbyterian church of Bourbon in charge. Burial was made in the I.O.O.F. cemetery, this city. Owing to the serious condition of Dr. H. W. Taylor, who suffered a nervous breakdown several days ago he was not apprised of his mother’s death.

Charles ALEXANDER, aged 62 years, passed away at his home in Akron Saturday morning at 7 o’clock, death resulting after a week’s illness from pneumonia.

The deceased was born in Fulton County on Sept. 3, 1865 and for the past 35 years resided in Akron. He is survived by his widow and two brothers who reside in Michigan. Funeral services were held at the Akron Methodist church Monday afternoon at 2 o’clock with Rev. R. H. WEHRLEY officiating. Burial was made in the Gilead cemetery.

Mrs. John HILFICKER, age 38, died at 2:15 Tuesday morning at her home five and one-half miles southeast of Kewanna in the Prairie Grove neighborhood. Death was due to diabetes from which she had suffered for the past year, however, her condition had only been serious one week.

The deceased was born in Miami County, August 4, 1889, the daughter of Henry W. and Julia HIRT. On April sixth, 1911, at Logansport, she was married to John HILFICKER. She was a member of the Prairie Grove United Brethren church.

Surviving are the husband, mother, five children, George [HILFICKER], Helen [HILFICKER], Francis [HILFICKER], Lula [HILFICKER] and John J. [HILFICKER]; three brothers, Charles HIRT, of Kewanna, Christ HIRT, of Lucerne and D. B. HIRT, of Cincinnati, Ohio; two sisters, Mrs. Clarence GIBBS, of Kewanna and Mrs. James SHEPLER, of Star City. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

C. B. YOUNG has returned from Louisville, Kentucky where he was called by the illness and death of his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth YOUNG, age 73, which occurred at the home of her son, George YOUNG, in that city. Funeral services were held Monday.

Mrs. Clark CONDON, Monday received word of the death of her brother, Rudolph WIESE, which occurred a few days ago at his home near Sacramento, California. Mr. Wiese was a former resident of this city.

Wednesday, December 28, 1927

Delilah TAYLOR, daughter of Peter C. and Susan DUMBAULD, was born April 25, 1857 in Fulton County, Indiana. She was united in marriage to William H. TAYLOR October 1st 1876. To this union were born four children, Harley W. [TAYLOR], Clyde E. [TAYLOR], Golda F. [TAYLOR] and Edna E. [TAYLOR]

Mrs. Taylor when but a child united with the Lutheran Church and later she became a member of the Christian Church of which she is still a member.

Mrs. Taylor spent the last years of her life a widow, her husband, Wm. H. Taylor, having preceded her in death June 6th, 1923, also her brother, Lafayette DUMBAULD, and two sisters, Angeline SULLIVAN, Alminary GORDON and one sister living Cordelia MILLER.

She is survived by her four children, Dr. Harley W. TAYLOR of Rochester, Indiana, Clyde E. TAYLOR of Bourbon, Indiana, Golda F. BABCOCK of Gary, Indiana, and Edna E. BURNS of Mentone, Indiana and four grandchildren, a number of nieces and nephews and a host of friends.
She passed away December 27, 1927, at Mentone, Indiana at her daughter’s, Mrs. Burns. Age 70 years, 7 months and 29 days.

Rev. J. L. MILLING of Bourbon, Indiana, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church officiated on account of the illness of her pastor.

Thursday, December 29, 1927

Several Rochester people Thursday afternoon attended the funeral of the late Andrew SWEARINGEN, of Peru, which was held at 2:30 at the Hammond Jackson funeral home in that city. Rev. A. H. BACKUS officiated and burial was made in the Mt. Hope cemetery. Mr. Swearingen is the father of Mrs. Walter MOORE of Rochester, and is well known here having spent several summers at his cottage near the West Side Hotel.

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