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DEATH TAKES AMOS HIRSCHY ON WEDNESDAY

Prominent Local Business Man Dies At His Home Here

FUNERAL IS ON FRIDAY P.M.

The people of Berne and community were greatly shocked early Wednesday morning to hear of the death of Amos Hirschy, aged 63, prominent local business man. Mr. Hirschy died at 6 o'clock Wednesday morning at his home on Van Buren street. Death was caused by double lobar pneumonia and heart disease.

The death of Mr. Hirschy came very unexpected. Last winter he suffered from the flu and came back to work in a weakened condition. He kept on going, however, until last week when the doctor ordered him to bed to take a complete rest. Sunday, pneumonia developed and his condition rapidly became worse. Tuesday, his condition became alarming, and a nurse, Miss Ruth Stuckey, was summoned to his bedside. Despite medical attention he failed rapidly and at midnight Tuesday it was evident that the end was not far away. He remained conscious until near the end.

Mr. Hirschy was engaged for many years in the real estate and insurance business. His office was located on South Jefferson street. He was a former member of the Town Board and at one time was engaged in the banking business.

He was born on a farm in Wabash township, one mile south of Berne, September 25, 1870, the son of Philip and Maria Richer Hirschy. Mr. Hirschy was reared on the farm but when he was yet a small child he had an illness which left him physically handicapped for the life of a farmer, and consequently his education was directed accordingly.

Following his education in the common schools and the high school in Ceylon, he attended Tri-State College at Angola where he completed his business studies in 1890. For a short time he was in the eastern states but soon returned to his birthplace.

Mr. Hirschy for two years was assistant postmaster to Harve Haruff of Berne and then entered the Bank of Berne, where he remained for eleven years, being promoted to the position of teller. While in the bank he began writing insurance and in 1901 he resigned. J. D. Winteregg and Mr. Hirschy formed a partnership in the insurance and real estate business, and in 1905 they took a suite of offices in the new bank building. The partnership was (cut off)

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