

**Kenneth H. Runyon Dies Last Evening
Prominent Decatur Man Taken By Death**

Kenneth H. Runyon, 45, prominent Decatur businessman, died at 6:30 o'clock Wednesday evening at his home, 234 North First street. He had been in failing health for the past two or three years, and seriously ill for the last three weeks.

Mr. Runyon, a lifelong resident of Adams county, purchased the Decatur Insurance Agency in 1944 and operated the agency until a few months ago, when he sold it to the Heller Insurance Agency, with whom he remained as an insurance consultant until his serious illness.

He graduated from the Decatur high school in 1926 and attended Park College, Mo. He was appointed a substitute city mail carrier April 1, 1939, and was named a regular carrier Nov. 1, 1941, serving until his entry into the insurance field in 1944.

Mr. Runyon was a member of the First Presbyterian church, the Decatur Masonic lodge, the Fort Wayne Scottish Rite, and the Knights of Pythias, Moose and I. O. O. F. lodges in this city.

He was born in Adams county June 30, 1908, a son of Roy and Lottie Lammimon-Runyon, and was married to Miss Mary Jane Kunkel.

Surviving are his wife; his parents, who also reside in Decatur; two sons, Kaye Runyon, serving with the U. S. navy at San Diego, Calif., and David Runyon, at home, and a grandmother, Mrs. Rachel Martz of New Carlisle.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the Zwick funeral home and at 2 o'clock at the First Presbyterian church, the Rev. Ray J. Walther officiating. Burial will be in the Decatur cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 o'clock this evening. The casket will not be opened at the church.