

(Handwritten date: Wednesday, Dec. 26, 1945)

...DEAD AT GENEVA

86-Year-Old Retired Farmer Dies at Geneva; Rites Thursday

Vernon Snow, 86, prominent Wabash township retired farmer, died at 4:30 o'clock Monday afternoon at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Bertha Pusey, living on Harrison street in Geneva. Death was caused by infirmities. Mr. Snow spent most of his life on a farm on the west edge of Geneva, along the old route highway 27.

Mr. Snow was born near Geneva March 28, 1859, the son of James and Eliza Lyons Snow. He was married to Mary Deffenbaugh, who preceded a year ago.

Surviving is the one daughter, Mrs. Pusey of Geneva. One daughter, Mrs. Ben Farlow, is deceased. There are no surviving brothers or sisters.

The funeral will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at the Pusey home, Rev. Lucille Miller officiating. Burial will be in West Lawn cemetery.

(Handwritten date: Friday, Dec. 1, 1950)

STROKE FATAL TO ARTHUR A. FENNIG

Hartford City Undertaker, Cousin of Local Man, Dies

Arthur A. Fennig, senior member of the funeral firm of Fennig & Weil of Hartford City, died at 1:05 p.m. Wednesday at the Blackford County hospital. He was 66 years old. Mr. Fennig was a first cousin of Fred Fennig of Berne.

Mr. Fennig suffered a cerebral hemorrhage Tuesday night while eating dinner at the Elks Club in Hartford City and was removed to the hospital by ambulance. He had been under treatment for high blood pressure for that past two years, but his condition appeared improved during the past several days.

Born in Indiana, near the Indiana-Ohio line, 12 miles west of Celina, Ohio, he was (cut) ...Hartford City in 1917 after the completion of an embalmer's course (cut)...nephew and for several years associated with the firm, became a partner of Mr. Fennig, under the firm name of Fennig & Weil.

Surviving are the wife, Maybelle Moore Fennig; two daughters, Mrs. Beatrice Schmidt, Muncie, and Mrs. Charlotte Cash, San Francisco; one step-son, Ralph Cope, Hartford City; one grandson; one sister, Mrs. Ida Burk, Hartford City; and a brother, Harry Fennig, Jay County.

Mr. Fennig was a member of the Hartford City Lodge of Elks, the IOOF, (cut off)

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 o'clock Saturday at the Fennig & Weil Chapel in Hartford City, Dr. H. M. Cobb, pastor of (cut off)

(Karin King note: Mr. Fennig is buried in Twin Hill Cemetery, Pennville, Jay County, Indiana)

(Handwritten date: Monday, May 22, 1950)

DANIEL AUGSBURGER, 69, DIES ON SUNDAY

Funeral Here Wednesday For Native of Community; Sudden Death

Rev. Daniel Augsburger, 69, of Elida, Ohio, route 2, a native and for many years a resident of this community, died suddenly and unexpectedly at 1:00 p.m. Sunday at Memorial Hospital, Lima, Ohio. Death was apparently caused by a heart attack, following major surgery last Wednesday in the same hospital.

Rev. Augsburger, who was employed in a foundry at Lima, had worked until just the day before his operation. He was apparently recovering nicely. He was up and around in the hospital Sunday morning and was found by a nurse about 20 minutes before his death. He had apparently been sitting on a chair, suffering the attack and fell to the floor. He was put to bed but died soon afterwards.

His two brothers from here, John C. and Moses Augsburger, had left here Sunday morning to visit him in the hospital in the afternoon. They were dinner guests of their sister, Mrs. Fanny Hales, of route 2, Elida, where Rev. Augsburger made his home. While eating dinner they had a call from the hospital that he had been stricken. He had died before they arrived at the hospital.

Rev. Augsburger was born in French township, on the farm where Moses and Menno Augsburger now reside, August 27, 1880, the son of Rev. Christian and Barbara Liechty Augsburger. He was married at Linn Grove in 1903 to Alice Stauffer, who preceded in death July 21, 1936.

Rev. Augsburger was a farmer and laborer for many years. He was ordained as a minister on October 22, 1922, in the ?? by the late Bishop J. M. Shenk. Rev. Augsburger was a supply pastor in different churches. He filled local pulpits on numerous occasions and also spoke in many churches in Ohio. He visited missions and rescue homes and devoted much of his time to the ministry and the spreading of the gospel. He moved from here to Ohio 22 years ago.

Surviving are two brothers, Moses and John C., both of this community, and a sister, Mrs. Fanny Hales, of near Elida, Ohio. The widow, three children who died in infancy and the following (cut) Mrs. John Kauffman, Mrs. Jacob Greider, Mrs. Jacob M. Neuenschwander, Mrs. Oscar Burry and four in infancy. Rev. Augsburger was the youngest of a family of 16 children. (Cut off)

(Karin King note: Daniel is buried in Evangelical Mennonite Church Cemetery in Berne, Indiana)

(Handwritten date: Monday, 1951)

...67, DIES SUDDENLY

DECATUR, March 12 - Mrs. Emma N. Rentz, 67, died at 4 p.m. Saturday at her home here following an illness of one year. A former resident of Peru, she came here in 1942.

Surviving are the husband, William; two sons, George of Decatur and Norman, Plymouth; two daughters, Mrs. Paul Seibel, Muskegon, Mich., and Mrs. James Doty, Marion.; eight grandchildren; her father, Henry C. Huck, Decatur and one sister, Mrs. George Haller, Mendon, O.

Services will be conducted here at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in Zion Lutheran Church with the Rev. Edgar P. Schmidt officiating. Burial will be in St. John's Lutheran Cemetery, Peru.

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JACOB G. EBERSOLE DIES AT BRYANT
Funeral Sunday For 75-Year-Old Man Who Dies Suddenly

BRYANT, Dec. 1 - Jacob Grant Ebersole, 75, died about noon yesterday at his home here following a heart attack.

Surviving are three sons, Horace, of Cleveland, Herman, Defiance, O., and Wendell, Bryant; a daughter, Mrs. Bernadine Gerber, Bryant; a stepson, Raymond Oliver, South Gate, Ky.; 11 grandchildren and a brother, Samuel Ebersole, Springfield, O.

The body, removed to the Hardy & Hardy Funeral Home at Geneva, will be returned here to the Wesleyan Methodist Church, of which Mr. Ebersole was a member, at 1 p.m. Sunday for services at 2 o'clock, the Rev. Edward Smithee officiating. Burial will be in Gravel Hill Cemetery, west of Bryant.

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BIBERSTEIN RITES HERE ON SATURDAY

Funeral services for Noah Biberstein, 81, who died Tuesday evening at his home in Fort Wayne.....west of Berne. Rev. Clayton Steiner will officiate and burial will be in the church cemetery. Services will be held at the home in Fort Wayne at 11:30 a.m. Biberstein is a former resident of this community and was a contractor many years.

(Karin King note: Noah 'Beberstine' is buried at Evangelical Mennonite Church Cem., Berne, Indiana)

(Handwritten date: Wednesday, Jan 3, 1951)

HARMON A. PYLE, 61, DIES NEAR EDWARDSVILLE, MICH. FROM HEART ATTACK

Harmon A. Pyle, 61, of Elkhart, a native and a resident of Geneva most of his life, died Friday night at the home of a son, Everett Pyle, near Edwardsville, Michigan. Mrs. Everett Pyle is the former Agnes Norr of this community.

Mr. Pyle suffered a heart attack about three weeks ago and was taken to his son's home. He appeared to be improved until he suffered a fatal attack shortly before his death. Pyle was custodian of the Elkhart high school building the last three years. He was town marshal and night policeman at Geneva for many years and also raised poultry while living there. He moved to Elkhart from Geneva eight years ago.

Surviving are the son Everett; another son, Oral, of Fort Wayne; a brother Forest Pyle of Bellingham, Washington and a sister, Mrs. H. C. Maddux, Lake Worth, Florida. Mrs. Elmer Inniger of northwest of Berne is a cousin of Mr. Pyle.

The deceased was born in Geneva November 19, 1889, the son of Harvey E. and Rosetta Whiteman Pyle.

Funeral services were held Monday at the Walley Chapel in Elkhart, in charge of J. E. Shaw, pastor of the Kessington EUB church. The body will be returned to Geneva for burial later.

(Karin King note: buried Riverside Cemetery, Geneva, Indiana)

(Handwritten date: Wednesday, Jan 3, 1951)

MOTHER OF MONROE WOMAN IS DEAD

Rites Held Tuesday For Otilia Lengerich, 66

Mrs. Otilia Lengerich, 66, life-long resident of Adams county, died at 11:30 o'clock Friday night at the Adams County Memorial hospital following a several months' illness (cut)...a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Tonnellier, and was married to Henry Lengerich November 19, 1905. Her husband died in 1948.

She was a member of the St. Mary's Catholic church, the St. Mary's society and the Third Order of St. Francis.

Surviving are five sons, Bernard, Wilbur and Elmo, all of near Decatur, and Walter and Thomas, both at (cut off)...

daughters, Mrs. Herbert LaFontaine, of near Monroe, Mrs. Louis Staub of near Decatur and Mrs. Louis Wolpert of Decatur; 16 grandchildren; two brothers (cut off)...Mrs. Matthias Coffee of Decatur. One son preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held at 9 a.m. Tuesday at St. Mary's Catholic church, the Very Rev. Msgr. J. J. Seimetz officiating. Burial was in the Catholic (cut off)

(Karin King note: Otilia is buried at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery, Decatur, Adams County, Indiana)

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