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EZRA LANTZ, son of Rev. Eli and Mary Lantz, was born at Pettisville, Ohio, Nov. 27, 1882. Died at his home in Berne, Ind., Sunday, April 18, 1948, after a short illness of two days. Age 65 years.

He lived in this community most of his life, having been in ill health for the past ten years. He was married to Miss Franny Schlotzhauser in 1903. To this union four children were born: Glenn of Fort Wayne, Earl and Dale of Berne, and Mrs. Harold McCune of Bluffton, Ind. Also a foster son was reared in the home, Fred Pickford of Decatur, Ind.

At the age of 13 years, he was converted by accepting Jesus Christ as his personal Savior. He was baptized and united with the Evangelical Mennonite Church. He served as Sunday School Supt. and (cut off)

...Rev. Albert of Fillmore, Calif. and Dennis of Bluffton, Ind. Also four sisters: Mrs. Harry (Louise) Neuhauser of West Unity (cut off)

Funeral services were conducted by J. Schmucker. Burial in Church Cemetery.

(Karin King note: buried in Evangelical Mennonite Cem., Berne, Indiana)

(Handwritten date: May 15, 1948)

ERNEST ZEHR, son of Christian and Emma Amstutz Zehr, was born in Adams Co. Ind. June 18, 1903, and passed away at his home east of Berne, Ind. Monday, April 19, 1948, at the age of 44 years, 10 mo. and 1 day.

He was united in marriage to Miss Eugenia Shepherd on August 15, 1935. To this union two children were born: Esther, 11 and Paul, 9.

He is survived by his wife and two children; his father; one brother, Albert and one sister, Isabel. His mother preceded him in death.

He accepted Christ as his Savior early in youth, and lived a consistent Christian life. He joined the Mission Band's Church. Sometime later he was ordained to the Ministry and became quite active in Christian service. He was accepted as a Missionary to Jamaica and plans were made to go to the field but cancelled on account of the war. He was chosen by this church (cut off)

...Before his death he attended the Nazarene church at Geneva, teaching a Sunday School class and was active in Christian service wherever the doors of opportunity were open.

He was a devoted husband and father, and will be greatly missed in his home, the church, and by a large circle of friends.

Servant of God, Well done!

Thy glorious warfare's past,

The race is won,

And though art crowned at last.

Services were conducted by Rev. N. J. (cut off)

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

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