(Handwritten date: Monday, Feb. 26, 1940)

#### \$40,000 FOUND AFTER DEATH OF UNCLE IN HAWAII Relatives Seek Will of W. E. Hartley Who Died in Honolulu

The Rev. E. B. Hartley, pastor of the local Nazarene church, said here today that William Edward Hartley, who died Thursday in Honolulu, leaving a \$40,000 fortune, was his unmarried uncle. The deceased man was a former resident of Portland and had been thought by some to be an indigent. The fortune was left in a safety deposit box.

Rev. Hartley said that the man who died Thursday was a brother of C. F. Hartley, who until recently resided here in the Haecker apartments. He now lives at Topeka with his daughter, Mrs. William LeMaster. Miss Cora Hartley of Pennville is a sister, and Mrs. Gaston Baihle, wife of the director of the Fort Wayne Symphony orchestra of 1325 Sunset drive, and her brother, Charles Gemmill of 2416 John street, and Mrs. Sidney Pontius, of Marlon, O., are nieces and nephew of the deceased.

C. F. Hartley stated some time ago that the ex-Portland man has indicated that he left a will and efforts are being made by relatives to find it. He knew that his brother had a fortune of \$40,000 to \$45,000 it was said here.

The Rev. E. B. Hartley recalled here today that his uncle left a ?? home near Pennville about ? years ago and that they heard from him about once a month. He retired from farm work several years ago, but worked for a contractor who constructed a large dam at the mouth of the Columbia river. Later the contractor for whom he worked left for the naval base at Honolulu and Mr. Hartley accompanied him.

Rev. Hartley stated that his uncle is about 80 years old.

W. E. Hartley was a G.R. & I. railroad conductor before leaving Indiana, running the road through Berne for many years.

The pastor's first word of the death came when an Associated Press reporter called him and informed him of the death and the \$40,000 fortune which had been discovered in a safe deposit box in his name in that city.

The report from Honolulu said Mr. Hartley died an apparent indigent and that it was not known that he possessed any large sum of money until his affairs were investigated after his death. The cause of his death was not stated.

Surviving are one brother, John Charles Fremont Hartley of Topeka, and two sisters, Mrs. Mattie Grogg of Richmond and Miss Cora Hartley of Pennville, as well as several nieces and nephews.

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Jacob Inniger and family, living north of Berne, moved today to the Emanuel Habegger property on E. Water street, formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Habegger and son, who have moved to Creston, (cut off)

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LEONARD S. CARR CLAIMED BY DEATH Father of Mrs. E. O. Habegger Dies Sunday Evening Leonard Samuel Carr, born March 8, 1867, died on Sunday evening shortly after 9:00 o'clock at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. O. Habegger on Wabash Street, following at attack of gall stones and complications several weeks ago. Mr. and Mrs. Carr, living on a farm near Lake Bruce came here over three weeks ago to visit Mrs. Habegger and son Arthur Dale, when during the first evening of their visit, he became very ill, from which he never recovered.

The decedent who would have been 73 years old next week, was married to Etta M. Troutman on December 25, 1888, who with the following eight children survive: Theron Carr, Roma, Texas; Mrs. Olive Baker of Peru; Mrs. Edna Habegger, Berne; Mrs. Alta Peters of Culver; Mrs. Agnes Thomas and Anthus Carr of South Bend; Arthur Carr of Plymouth and Arvin Carr of Kewanna; also twenty-two grandchildren and one great-grandchild. His father and mother, four brothers, two sisters and one grandchild preceded him.

Mr. Carr was born in Ohio, and at the age of six, moved westward in a covered wagon. He was a farmer nearly all of his life, except for seven years when he worked at South Bend. He retired seven years ago.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at Kewanna in the Christian Church, of which he is a member, with Rev. H. F. Bulger of Lowell officiating. Burial will be made at Greenland Cemetery near Lake Bruce.

All of the children excepting Theron have been here to visit their father during his illness but only Mrs. Olive Baker was here with Mrs. Habegger at the time of his death.

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(Handwritten date: Monday, March 4, 1940)

SPRUNGER-MYERS VOWS EXCHANGED Single Ring Ceremony Occurs At Willshire Thursday

Miss Frances Myers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Myers of near Willshire, Ohio, and Otis Sprunger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Sprunger, were married on Thursday in a pretty ceremony at the home of Rev. L. Dellinger, pastor of the United Brethren Church at Willshire, Ohio. The bride's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Hirschy attended the couple. The nuptial vows were read at 6:00 o'clock in the evening with a single ring service.

The bride and her attendant were attired in street length dresses.

A wedding dinner was held for Mr. and Mrs. Sprunger on Sunday at the Jonas Sprunger home at which members of the immediate families attended. A large three-tier wedding cake featured the dinner which also celebrated the 55th birthday anniversary of the bride's father.

The couple will move on Mrs. Ellen Nussbaum's farm, located north of the District No. 8 school in Monroe township, where they will continue their occupation in farming.

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LINN GROVE YOUNG COUPLE ARE WED Meshberger-Grandlinard Nuptials Solemnized Sunday A.M.

Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Harriet Elizabeth (Betty) Grandlinard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Grandlinard of west of Berne, to Denver Francis Meshberger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Meshberger of west of town, which was solemnized at the Rev. George Holston parsonage at Linn Grove Sunday morning at 8 o'clock.

The vows were exchanged in an impressive single ring ceremony.

Miss Jeanette Meshberger, sister of the groom, and Max Grandlinard, brother of the bride, attended the couple.

The bride chose a street length dress of navy blue for the occasion. Her flowers were pink rose buds. Her attendant wore red rose buds.

Both the bride and groom attended the Hartford township high school. The bride has been engaged in doing housework and the groom is employed as a mechanic at the Yoder Garage at Linn Grove. They will reside with the parents of the groom.

A wedding dinner was served to the bridal party at the Meshberger home Sunday.

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### BOY BORN TO ANDY LOSIER'S IN AFRICA

Andrew Jackson Losier III was born to Rev. and Mrs. Andrew J. Losier, in Africa, on February 10, according to an air-mail letter received Saturday by the child's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Lehman, of this place. Rev. and Mrs. Losier are missionaries in Kenya Colony, British East Africa, but during the arrival of the little son, they are at Kericho, possibly a hundred miles from their station where the mother and babe were doing nicely in a Kericho hospital. The mother was formerly Miss Dorothy Lehman. The Losier's were planning to remain at Kericho about a month before returning to their field.

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(Handwritten date: Sat., March 2, 1940)

### ANDREWS-OSTERMAN WEDDING ANNOUNCED

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Mary Andrews, daughter of Charles Andrews, and Roy Osterman of Gibson City, Illinois. The vows were received by Rev. Paul Brandyberry Saturday, February 17.

Mr. Osterman is plant superintendent of the Central Soya company at Gibson City.

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