

(Handwritten date: Wed., Jan. 31, 1940)

DEATH CLAIMS MRS. H. F. KING HERE LAST NIGHT
Funeral For Well Known Woman Will Be Held Friday A.M.

Mrs. Viola Evans King, 47, wife of Henry F. King of Wabash township passed away at the Hossman hospital here last night at 10:30 o'clock. She was admitted Monday afternoon being brought here in the Yager ambulance. Death was caused from heart trouble from which she had been suffering for three weeks.

Last week the REMC force fought snow drifts and sub-zero weather to "cut in" the King farm home so that she might receive the benefits of electrical treatments ordered by her physician. The corps of twelve men bucked snow drifts and the cold all day in order to install the convenience.

The decedent was born in Boone county on June 24, 1892, the daughter of John and Lillie Bowen Evans. Her marriage to Henry F. King was an event of March 4, 1911 and took place at Petroleum.

The couple lived four miles east of Geneva for the past year moving there from Geneva where they resided for over a year. Previously they had lived at Linn Grove for ten years.

Surviving are the husband, a son Homer and a daughter, Louise, both at home. One son, Noble, died in 1922 at the age of nine years.

Brothers and sisters surviving are Homer Evans of New York city, Mrs. Ruth Books of Bluffton, Alfred of Montpelier and Mrs. Edith Bryan of Keystone.

The body will be removed to the home from the Yager funeral parlors here Thursday and may be viewed after 8:30 a.m.

Funeral services will be held at the home Friday morning at 9:30 and at the Reiffsburg Methodist church at 10:30 o'clock. Burial will be made in the Stahl cemetery in Wells county.

Rev. C. P. Maas, pastor of the Trinity Evangelical church here, will officiate.

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BABY AT DECATUR DIES AFTER FALL FROM ITS BED
Seven-Month-Old Baby of George Carpenter Dies of Fractured Skull

Billy George Carpenter, age seven months, the only child of George and Virginia Blomberg Carpenter at Decatur, succumbed to injuries sustained when he fell out of bed at 6 o'clock Monday evening. The baby died at the Adams County Memorial hospital at Decatur, where it was admitted Tuesday morning. Death took place at 5:45 a.m. from a fractured skull it received in the fall.

The father put the baby into the regular size bed, which was pushed up against a wall, Monday evening and banked the open side with pillows. Later in the evening he heard the thud caused by the baby's fall and hastened to the room where the baby lay crying. The mother was not at home at the time, according to Coroner Jerome Yager of this place, who investigated the sad accident. He returned a verdict of accidental death.

The baby was born at Decatur July 1 of last year. The parents reside in the Homewood addition in Decatur and the father is a WPA laborer.

Funeral arrangements were not learned here.

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MARRIAGE OF POPULAR COUPLE IS ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. George Shosenberg announce the marriage of their only daughter, Dora Elizabeth, to Dr. James Merryman Burk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Avon Burk, which was solemnized Saturday, September 11, 1937 at Newport, Kentucky. The vows were received by the Rev. John R. Cramer, pastor of the Salem Methodist church of Newport.

Both Dr. and Mrs. Burk are popular young people, and the announcement of their marriage comes as a surprise to their many friends in this city.

Mrs. Burk was graduated from Decatur high school, and attended Ball State Teacher's college at (sic) of Alpha social sorority. She is a member of the Psi Iota Xi sorority, and the dramatic section of the Woman's club. She has been employed as a teacher in the Pleasant Mills schools.

Dr. Burk, after his graduation from Decatur high school, attended Indiana University at Bloomington, and Duke University in Durham, N.C., receiving his degree in medicine from the latter school. He is a member of the Phi Kappa Psi, national college fraternity.

Dr. Burk served one year internship at the Illinois Central Hospital in Chicago. At present he is resident physician at the Santa Barbara College hospital, in Santa Barbara, California.

Mrs. Burk will leave Tuesday for Santa Barbara, California, where the couple will reside.

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CORDELIA WORTHMAN TO WED LEO SCHULTZ

Miss Cordelia Worthman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Worthman of Preble, and Leo Schultz, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Schultz, of Decatur, will be united in marriage Friday, January 19, according to announcement made today. The wedding will be solemnized in Decatur.

Miss Worthman is a graduate of the Methodist hospital school for nurses, Fort Wayne, and is a regular member of the staff of the Wells county hospital in Bluffton.

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TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

Jan. 13 - The Wemhoff Monumental Works has installed a Scantlebury sand blast machine for cutting stone.

L. P. Shirrick of Fort Wayne is appointed purchasing agent for the Decatur branch of the General Electric.

District basketball tournament will be held at Bluffton March 5th and 6th.

The sugar company opens campaign to contract 12,000 acres for beets this season.

Riots over Germany follow announcement of the signing of the Versailles treaty.

John H. Carmody and Miss Ruby McGee of Grand Rapids, Michigan will marry Saturday. They will reside here.

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Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Hendricks of Monroe are the parents of a baby daughter, born at the home this morning at 5:05 o'clock. The baby weighed eight and one-quarter pounds. This is the second child and second girl.

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PATTY JO ANDREWS SEVERELY BURNED

Little Patty Jo Andrews, age three, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Andrews, of Sturgis, Michigan, who with her mother, has been visiting at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Andrews, in Monroe for several days, seriously burned her hand and the top of her head when a kettle of hot food was accidentally spilled on her at the home of her grandparents, Saturday.

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FERN NUSSBAUM DIES AT FT. WAYNE

Young woman, native of Berne, Dies Following Operation

Fern Nussbaum, 24, of 2912 Euclid avenue, Fort Wayne, died at 6:15 o'clock Tuesday night at the Fort Wayne Lutheran hospital. She had undergone an operation for appendicitis a week ago.

Miss Nussbaum was born here, and had lived at Fort Wayne for the past 17 years. She was operator and part-time supervisor at the Home Telephone and Telegraph company.

Surviving are her mother, Mrs. Sarah Nussbaum, and two brothers, Merlin and Clyde Nussbaum, all of Fort Wayne, and many relatives in and around Berne. Her father, Wesley Nussbaum, preceded several years ago.

Private funeral services will be held Friday, 2:00 p.m. and burial will be in Fort Wayne.

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