

Wednesday, July 1, 1942

18-Year-Old Adams County Youth Drowns Last Evening

Paul David Schultz, Graduate of This year's Decatur Catholic High School Drowns in Bluffton Pool; Could not Swim; Resuscitation Efforts Fail

Paul David Schultz, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Schultz of Decatur route four, living a short distance west of Decatur drowned at 9:00 o'clock Tuesday evening in the Si Ota swimming pool a short distance south of Bluffton. It was the first drowning tragedy of the summer in which an Adams County person was involved.

Could not Swim

Young Schultz could not swim, it was said today. He had been accompanied to the swimming pool by four friends from Decatur, Robert Briede, Paul Smith, James Holthouse and Harold Keller. Schultz told his companion that even though he could not swim he would attempt to wade to a raft a few rods out in the water. Before reaching the raft he came to a deep step-off and plunged into fifteen feet of water. He never made an outcry, his companions said, and they did not realize what had happened until they missed him.

His companions immediately started to search for the young man but it was not until 30 minutes later that his body was found. Young Briede located the body and it was brought to the surface. Efforts to revive him were kept up for several hours, but to no avail.

Paul David Schultz was born April 16, 1924, a son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Schultz. He was a graduate of this year's class of the Decatur Catholic High School. He was a member of the St. Holy Name Society.

Surviving are the parents, three sisters and four brothers. They are Sister M. Celesta of Elmhurst, Ill.; Sister M. Christine and Sister M. Philomine, both of Mary's Catholic Church and the Fondulac, Wisconsin; George, Childersburg, Alabama; Leo, Decatur and Joseph and Carl, both at home.

The funeral will be held at 9:00 o'clock Friday morning at the St. Mary's Catholic Church, Rev. J. J. Seimetz officiating. Burial will be in the Decatur Catholic Cemetery.

Wednesday, June 3, 1942

Shimp Funeral Is on Thursday

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the Apple Grove Church for Mrs. Ella Shimp, 56, wife of Jesse Shimp of Geneva, who died Monday at the Adams County Memorial Hospital.

Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery.

Surviving are the husband, Jesse; two daughters, Mrs. Carl A. Lehman of Berne and Mrs. G. B. Wheeler, at home; two sons, Chester and Charles of near Geneva.

Friday, June 26, 1942

BIRTHS

To Menno S. and Elda Mazeline Habegger of Monroe Route 1, a girl named Ruth Ann on June 24.

A stillborn son named Olen LaMar was born yesterday to Alfred and Minnie Burkhardt Hirschy in French Township.

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BIRTHS

Mrs. Emanuel Lehman received word of the birth of a baby boy to Edward and Orpha Gerig Lehman at Inman, South Carolina on June the second. The child is a grandson of Mrs. Lehman.

A baby girl named Beth Elaine was born on Monday evening to Wilbur and Adeline Neuenschwander Berkey at Smithville, Ohio. The child is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Neuenschwander.

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