

Monday, June 8, 1942

Albert Reynolds Dies Last Night

Father of Mrs. A. M. Biberstein Dies from Heart Disease

Albert Reynolds, 73, prominent Wells County farmer and the father of Mrs. A. M. (Elizabeth) Biberstein of near Berne, died at 10:45 o'clock Sunday evening at his home northwest of Vera Cruz. Death was caused by heart disease. He had suffered a heart attack last Monday while working in the garden and had been ill since.

Mr. Reynolds was born in Wells County July 12, 1868, a son of William and Elizabeth Reynolds. He married Alta Mae Emmons on February 10, 1894 and she preceded on February 23, 1906.

Surviving are two daughters and a son, Mrs. Biberstein of near Berne, Mrs. Frank Clark of Bluffton and Dwight K. Reynolds of south of Vera Cruz. Three grandchildren and a great-grandchild also survive.

Three brothers and a sister, Robert, Wesley, Alfred and Mrs. Mary Mowery preceded.

The body was taken today to the home of the son, Dwight K. Reynolds and will be kept there until time of the funeral. The rites will be held at 2:00 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at the Bethel Methodist Church southeast of Bluffton of which he was a member. Rev. H. H. Meckstroth will officiate and burial will be in the church cemetery.

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Wednesday, June 24, 1942

BIRTH

Russell Philip is the name of a son born on Sunday, June 14, at St. Louis, Mo., to 1<sup>st</sup> Lieut. Arthur W. and Bonita Ryan Hirschy. Dr. Hirschy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Hirschy and was inducted into the Medical Corps recently and is stationed at Jefferson Barracks, near St. Louis, Missouri.

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Monday, June 29, 1942

BIRTHS

A baby girl, Claudia June, is the name of the baby girl born to Harold and Velma Price Schindler early this morning. The mother and baby are being cared for by Mrs. Schindler's mother, Mrs. Martha Price.

Gordon and Verena Sprunger Sprunger are the parents of a baby boy born at the Hossman Hospital on Friday evening. The baby was named David Gordon and is the first child of the family.

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Monday, June 8, 1942

Mrs. Fred Watkins Dies on Sunday

Funeral Tuesday for Prominent Monroe Woman; Ill 6 Weeks

Mrs. Lyda Mae Watkins, 73, wife of Fred L. Watkins of Monroe, died at her home at 4:10 o'clock Sunday morning. Death was due to complications and same after an illness of six weeks.

Mrs. Watkins was born in Adams County on May 3, 1869, a daughter of Samuel and Susan Johnson. She spent her entire life in the vicinity of Monroe. She was converted to the Christian faith early in life and was a member of the Monroe Friends Church.

Surviving are the husband, Fred L.; two sons, Marion L., Bourbon, and Chester N., Muncie; a daughter, Mrs. Forest Ray, Monroe; two brothers, Marion E. Johnson, Ashley, and John E. Johnson, near Monroe; nine grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 1:30 o'clock at the residence and at 2:00 o'clock in the Friends Church with Mrs. Susie Sproul officiating. Burial will take place in Ray Cemetery.

The body was taken to the residence Sunday evening from the Lobenstein Funeral Home in Monroe.

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Neil Gene is the name of the baby boy born to Lester and Harriet Schaefer Habegger of Fort Wayne. The baby was born at the Adams County Hospital yesterday. The baby is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Menno Habegger of this place.

Doyle and Leona Stucky Mathys are the parents of a baby girl, Patricia Ann, born on Saturday at the home of Mrs. Mathys' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Florence Stucky south of town.

A baby boy, Sidney Leon, was born to Harold and Marybelle Snyder Schwartz at the Adams County Memorial Hospital in Decatur on Saturday.

Elmer and Katherine J. Lehman Amstutz are the parents of a baby girl born at their home southeast of Berne on Sunday. The baby was named Louise Hulda.

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Monday, June 8, 1942

Clyde Graham Dies

Clyde C. Graham, a resident of the Monroe community for many years, died Sunday at Richmond from a cerebral hemorrhage. He was a half-brother of L. A. Graham of Decatur.

The body was taken to the Lobenstein Funeral Home at Monroe from where funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

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Monday, June 22, 1942

Mrs. Martin Berry Dies at Decatur

Well Known 90-Year-Old Woman Dies; Rites Tuesday

Mrs. Martha Ellen Beery, age 90, died Sunday evening at 6:15 o'clock at her home on West Monroe Street in Decatur. Death was caused by infirmities. She had been in ill health for three years and in a critical condition for two days. She was a native of Wells County and was born Feb. 9, 1852. Mrs. Berry had lived in Decatur 68 years.

She was the widow of the late Martin Beery who is deceased. Children surviving are Mrs. Charles Colter, Kendallville; Wilson Beery, Decatur; Joseph Freeman Beery, Connersville and Harvey Sherman Beery, Alma, Mich.

One sister, Mrs. Israel Rex of Sturgis, Michigan survives.

The funeral will be at 3:00 pm Tuesday at the W. S. Beery residence at Decatur, Rev. M. O. Lester officiating. Burial will be in the Decatur Cemetery.

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Wednesday, June 24, 1942

Funeral for Daniel Liechty Here Thursday

Prominent Local Man Dies at Hospital Monday Evening

Daniel Liechty, 78, of 666 Van Buren Street, widely known local man, died at the Adams County Hospital at Decatur Monday evening at 9:45 o'clock. Mr. Liechty was removed to the hospital last Saturday. He had been in a serious condition for the last two weeks and had ailed for three years. Death was caused by cerebral hemorrhages and complications.

Mr. Liechty was prominently known throughout the south part of the county. He was born in Hartford Township on October, 1863, a son of Peter J. and Maryann Moser Liechty. He was a farmer for many years before moving to Berne in November, 1916. He also lived at Geneva for a number of years when he was employed at the grain mill. After moving to Berne, he was employed at the Dunbar Furniture Factory for some time.

Mr. Liechty was married to Anna Hirschy in December, 1887 at the Defenseless Mennonite Church. She preceded him in death.

Surviving are a daughter and two sons; they are Barbara Liechty of Elkhart; John P. Liechty, who is a pressman at the Berne Witness Company and Franklin of Decatur. Two grandchildren, Norman Liechty of Berne and Donald Liechty of Decatur, also survive.

Two brothers and a sister also survive; they are (cut off) Liechty of Gary; Jones Liechty of Geneva and Mrs. Noah Pusey of Hartford Township. Three sisters, Mrs. Katherine (cut off), Mrs. Mary Pusey and Susan, and one brother preceded. The brother died in infancy.

Mr. Liechty was a member of the First Missionary Church.

The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the Cross Reformed Church with Rev. C. H. Winkehr officiating. Burial will be in the MRE Cemetery.

The body was taken to the Liechty residence this afternoon from the Yager Funeral Home.

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