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HENDRICKS FUNERAL TUESDAY AFTERNOON

Pat M. Hendricks Dies At Fort Wayne

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Monroe Methodist church for Pat M. Hendricks, 38, a native of Adams county, who died Saturday night at 6:15 o'clock at his home, 332 East Washington street, Fort Wayne.

Rev. Julius Pfeiffer will officiate and burial will be in the Decatur cemetery.

The deceased was born at Monroe on May 15, 1905, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Hendricks, of Monroe. He was a member of the Monroe Methodist church and of the local Moose lodge. He had been gone from this county for about eight years and had been working at the Fort Wayne General Electric since moving to that city.

Surviving are the widow, Katherine Hendricks; the parents; two brothers, Clyde Hendricks of Fort Wayne and Howard of Jackson, Michigan.

The body was taken to the Klaehn & Sons funeral home at Fort Wayne, where it was viewed until this afternoon and then was removed to the parents' home at Monroe, where it may be viewed until time for the services.

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COHEN INFANT RITES

Funeral services were held last Friday afternoon at Fort Wayne, for the day-old infant son of Pvt. and Mrs. Ray H. Cohen, whose mother was formerly Miss Helen Biberstein, a daughter of the late Seth Biberstein and a grand-daughter of Mrs. George C. McCune of this place. The child died last Thursday morning at the Lutheran hospital in Fort Wayne. The father is stationed at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Karin King note: Child is named Ray Lee Cohen & buried IOOF Cemetery in New Haven, Indiana

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LEVI SCHINDLER DIES EARLY TODAY OF BULLET WOUND

Fires Bullet Through Head Saturday Noon - Rites Wed. P.M.

Levi R. Schindler, 56, French township farmer and cider mill operator, died this morning at 5:30 o'clock at his home three miles west and a half mile north of Berne, from a self-inflicted bullet wound. With a .32 calibre bullet fired through his brain on Saturday noon, Mr. Schindler continued to live more than forty hours. Coroner Robert Zwick of Decatur, returned a verdict of suicide.

The community was greatly shocked Saturday afternoon when the report became current that Mr. Schindler had made an attempt to end his life. He had been in good health and was in normal spirits and his wife suspected his intentions as little as anyone. Mr. Schindler had been to Geneva and Berne Saturday forenoon on business matters and those with whom he mingled on his last trip to town, noticed nothing unusual about his conduct that would have suggested any rash intentions.

Schindler was to held one of his neighbors thrash Saturday afternoon and because of that fact he had requested an early dinner. His wife had prepared it for him and after dinner she went out to feed her chickens. From outside the house she called back to her husband, something about a light switch, but when there was no response she went in to take care of the matter herself. And, since Mr. Schindler had given no answer she went to see where he had gone. She was shocked to see him lie motionless on the bedroom floor and her first impression was that he must have suffered a heart attack. Even upon noticing blood about his face she did not think it was suicide because no gun was in evidence. Closer examination revealed a bullet hole in the right temple and in looking for the gun it was located under a dresser, under which it slipped when he fell. Schindler had made it a habit to keep his gun, a .32 calibre revolver, in his bedroom, loaded.

Entering his right temple, the bullet coursed slightly upward emerging above the left ear, and buried itself in the wall where the coroner recovered it.

A local physician was immediately summoned as well as the Yager ambulance. He was beyond medical help and since it was evident that it would only be a matter of hours until death, it was decided not to remove him to a hospital. He never regained consciousness.

The deceased was a son of David and Katherine Neuhauser-Schindler and was born in this community on August 26, 1886. He was married to Miss Telsa Moeschberger on January 14, 1911. There were no children.

Surviving are the widow; his mother, who is making her home with her daughter, Mrs. Noah Rich north of Berne, and the sister, Mrs. Rich.

The body will be returned to the residence Tuesday noon, where friends may view it.

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SCHINDLER WILL PROBATED

...will of the late Levi Schindler of near Berne, who took his own life earlier this week, which has been probated in Adams circuit court, provides first for the payment of all expenses and leaves the balance of the estate to his widow. Application for ?? estimated the estate at ?? personal property. The will was executed on May 7, 1919.