

## **PYLE, ARTHUR E**

Arthur E. PYLE, a well-known carpenter and chicken fancier at Redkey, was born in that city and has lived there all his life. He was born on April 13, 1880, and is a son of William R. and Sarah E. (GLAZE) PYLE, who are still living there. William R. PYLE has been a contracting carpenter at Redkey for many years and is one of the best known men in that vicinity. He and his wife have three children, those besides the subject of this sketch being Oscar and Ardilla.

Reared at Redkey, Arthur E. PYLE took three years of high school and then began to work in the local glass factory. He spent twelve years thus engaged and became an expert workman, both in the finishing and blowing departments. When the glass industry there was abandoned he began, in 1905, working in association with his father in the building trade and has so continued, although since 1910 he has been giving much of his attention to the chicken business. Mr. PYLE started raising chickens in a small way merely as a "side line," but the business developed in his hands and in 1919 he started in to raise fancy chicks on a real commercial basis. His hatchery has grown under the demands made upon it until it now has a capacity of 4,200 eggs. He is now raising nothing but White Leghorns and makes a specialty of the market for day-old chicks and ten-weeks-old pullets, his hatchery during the past (1921) season having turned out around 8,000 chicks, a business which has attracted a good deal of attention hereabout. Mr. PYLE is a Republican and is a member of the local lodge of the Knights of Pythias at Redkey.

On November 26, 1903, Arthur E. PYLE was united in marriage to Florence M. MILLER, of Dunkirk, and to this union two children have been born, Ruth M., who died at the age of nine years and four months, and Gene. Mrs. PYLE was born at Bellefontaine, Ohio, but was reared at Dunkirk, to which place her parents moved when she was a child. She is a daughter of Edward and Florence M. (STEWART) MILLER, who are living at Dunkirk, where Mr. MILLER has for years been engaged in the jewelry business. Mr. and Mrs. MILLER have four children, those besides Mrs. PYLE being Leslie, Freeman and Bertha.

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