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STEPHENSON FACES NEW INDICTMENT

PREBLE TOWNSHIP FARMER COMMITS SUICIDE SUNDAY

William Koldewey Hangs Self In Shed At Home Of His Son-in-law

WORRY OVER ILL HEALTH IS CAUSE

William Koldewey, age 67, prominent Preble township farmer, ended his life by hanging about 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon, at the home of his son-in-law, Gust Borne, in Preble township, where he had been living. Mr. Koldewey had been in ill health for some time and worry over his physical condition is said to have been the cause.

Mr. Koldewey left home about 3:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, stating that he was going out to the barn. Early last evening, Mr. and Mrs. Borne found him in a shed near the house. He had tied a rope to a rafter in the shed and had kicked the board, on which he was standing, away from him. Mr. Koldewey had not been dead very long when found.

The deceased man was a prominent and well-known farmer of Preble township. He was born on the farm on which he ended his life, April 27, 1858. He was the son of Frederick and Bernadina Koldewey. Mr. Koldewey was educated in the Preble township schools and while a young man he was married to Louise Ewell. Three children were born to them, two of whom are living. They are Adolph Koldewey, of Fort Wayne and Mrs. Martha Palmer, of Toledo. Several years after the death of his wife, Mr. Koldewey was married to Louise Dirksen, who survives, together with two children. They are Mrs. Gust Borne and Carl Oetting, of Flint, Michigan. One sister, Mrs. Mary Bieberich, and ten grandchildren also survive.

Mr. Koldewey was a member of the Freidheim Lutheran church. A private funeral will be held from the home in Preble township, Wednesday afternoon. No services will be held at the church. Burial will take place at the Freidheim Lutheran cemetery, near the church.

ARTHUR HYLAND BUYS BUSINESS

Becomes Owner Of Plumbing Concern Formerly Owned By His Father

Arthur Hyland, son of the late P. J. Hyland, today completed a deal whereby he becomes owner and manager of the P. J. Hyland plumbing company. The new concern opened today for business and will be called The Hyland Plumbing and Heating company. Mr. Hyland announced today that the new concern will strive to carry out the policies of the old company.

The new owner has had several years experience in the plumbing business, having been assistant to his father for the last several years. J. N. Ireland, who has been employed by the Hyland company for several years, will continue in his capacity under the new management.

The new company assumed the unfinished jobs of the P. J. Hyland company, purchasing the equipment and fixtures from the estate. The offices will remain in the same location on North Second street.

War Veterans Hold Reunion At Marion

Marion, Ind., Oct. 5.—(United Press) — Members of the 13th field artillery were on their way home today after attending the fourth annual reunion of the organization.

Herman Becker, Huntington, was elected president; Elmer Turner, of Indianapolis, first vice president, and Ora G. Nix, of Evansville, second vice president.

Huntington was selected for the 1926 reunion.

Railroad Official Is Killed In Auto Wreck

Attica, Ind., Oct. 5.—(United Press) — The body of W. H. Scriven, superintendent of the Chicago Terminal division of the Pennsylvania railroad, was to be shipped to his home at Oak Park, Ill., today for burial.

Scriven was killed when his auto went over a fifteen foot embankment near here yesterday. Two other occupants of the car received minor injuries.

WILL ACCOMPANY COOLIDGE PARTY

Francis Stephenson, Former Decatur Youth, To Be On Presidential Train

Francis Stephenson, former Decatur resident and a brother of Miss Helen Stephenson, instructor of physical training for girls, in the local public schools, will be on the presidential train which will pass through the southern part of Indiana tomorrow, enroute to the national convention of the American Legion, at Omaha, Nebraska.

Francis, who attended the Decatur high school, has been connected with Washington newspapers for several years, having served as city editor of one of Washington's leading newspapers. At present, the former Decatur young man is White House editor of the Associated Press and he accompanies the President and his party on all trips.

Most of the Associated Press stories released from Washington, concerning activities at the White House, are written by Francis. One other Indiana man is on the President's train.

AMUSEMENT PARK IS PLANNED HERE

Dan Zeser Announces Plan For Recreation Center In Grove Near City

Dan Zeser, son of Peter Zeser, has purchased the popular Zeser grove, two and a half miles southeast of this city, and will convert it into an amusement park and build a dancing pavilion, he announced this morning. The new park will be opened early next spring and will be known as Zeser's park.

The grove has been used for many years as a picnic grounds, it having a swimming pool and forty acres of shade. Tables have been erected there and many societies, lodges and church es of this city and county have been using the grove for reunions and meetings.

To Begin Work Soon

Mr. Zeser stated today that he would begin work at once on his new project so that it would be ready for opening in the spring. He plans to convert the grove into a real amusement park and construct a large dancing pavilion which will be open to the public.

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GRADES OF Calf CLUB MEMBERS ARE ANNOUNCED

All Of The 37 Members Of The Club Get Free Trip To Indianapolis

CALVES JUDGED AT BERNE SATURDAY

According to arrangements which have now been completed, all of the 37 boys and girls who were members of the Adams County Calf Club this year, will make a trip to the National Dairy Show at Indianapolis, on Tuesday, October 13. A large parlor car bus has been contracted for, which will carry the members and their chaperones to and from Indianapolis. The bus will leave Decatur at 4 o'clock in the evening.

Final grades of calf club members who displayed their animals at Berne Saturday, have been determined and are listed below. Of the Holsteins, Mr. Gannon placed the calves as their owners are listed below: first, Noah Schrock; second, Theodore Mason; third, LeRoy Stauffer; fourth, Byron Beard; fifth, Franklin C. Mazelin; sixth, Selma Habegger; seventh, Wilson Weiland; eighth, Elmer Inniger; ninth, Walter Amstutz; tenth, Albert Steury; eleventh, Marion Smith; twelfth, Esther Liechty; thirteenth, Eldon Lehman; fourteenth, Lorene Rich; fifteenth, Linda Liechty.

The Jerseys placed as follows: first, Elizabeth Mosser; second, Frederick J. Duff; third, Herman Griffiths.

There was only one Guernsey entry. Enos L. Zuercher wins first place in his class.

In arriving at final grades several other factors besides the showing of the calf was considered. Record books, which were submitted by all members, were graded and this constituted 30 percent of the final grade. The methods of feeding, the management used by the members and the attitude shown by members made up another 30 percent of the final grade.

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PYTHIANS MEET AT INDIANAPOLIS

Open Fifty-seventh Annual Session Of Grand Lodge Tuesday Morning

Indianapolis, Oct. 5.—(United Press) — Officials of the Knights of Pythias lodge of Indiana today made final arrangements for the fifty-seventh annual convention of the grand lodge of the order which opens tomorrow.

The opening ceremony of the convention will be the memorial services for members of the lodge who died during the past year.

Election of officers will be held tomorrow afternoon. Nathan Lane, Darlington, is scheduled for advancement from vice-grand chancellor to grand chancellor to succeed Dore Irwin, of Decatur. Business affairs of the order will occupy the attention of the convention Wednesday.

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DELEGATE RETURNS

John D. Andrews Represents Decatur Spanish-American War Veterans At Encampment.

John D. Andrews returned to Decatur, yesterday, from St. Petersburg, Florida, where he attended the national encampment of the Spanish-American War veterans. One thousand delegates and delegates and hundreds of other veterans attended the five-day session.

Mr. Andrews said that a fine program was enjoyed by all those attending the session. The next meeting will be held next fall at Des Moines, Iowa. Mr. Andrews represented the Decatur post of the Spanish War veterans.

COL. MITCHELL TOLD OF CHARGES

Informed Of Facts On Which His Court Martial Will Be Based

Bulletin
By William J. McEvoy
U. P. Staff Correspondent
Washington, Oct. 5.—(United Press)

Colonel "Billy" Mitchell was called to the war department this morning and informed officially of charges upon which his court-martial will be based.

The air officer who started the furor over the nation's air defense, was received by Colonel G. A. Nugent, acting for Inspector General Helmich and they went into conference.

Mitchell refused to comment on

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DISMISS SUIT AGAINST BANK

Dallas Greek Drops Suit Against Yoder Bank To Recover Stolen Bonds

Prospects of an interesting and hard-fought law suit in the Adams circuit court went glimmering today when the case was dismissed on motion of the plaintiff. The case was that of Dallas Greek against the Yoder State Bank, which was an outgrowth of the robbery of the Yoder bank several years ago.

A large number of bonds and other securities were stolen from the bank and the depositors brought suit against the bank to secure judgment for their losses. About fifteen or sixteen suits were filed against the bank as a result of the robbery. The bank made plans to fight the suits on the grounds that it was not liable in case of burglaries. Some of the boxes in which the bonds were stolen from the bank were found in the St. Marys river southeast of this city.

One of the cases against the bank was tried at Auburn twice, and the jury disagreed in the case on both occasions. The Supreme court has held since the robbery that the bank is not liable, it is said. It is thought that the other suits against the bank will be dismissed. Attorney David E. Smith, of Fort Wayne, former judge of the Adams circuit court, was one of the attorneys for the bank in the suit here.

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PRESIDENT ON WAY TO LEGION MEET IN OMAHA

Nation's Executive Passes Through Ohio, Indiana And Illinois Today

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CONVENTION OPENS TOMORROW MORNING

Vincennes, Oct. 5.—The special train bearing President Coolidge to the American Legion convention at Omaha passed through this city at 1:05 this afternoon.

The President and Mrs. Coolidge appeared on the platform during a short stop.

By William J. Losh,
(U. P. Staff Correspondent)

Aboard the Presidential Special Train, Enroute to Omaha, Neb., Oct. 5.—With nearly 24 hours travel still ahead of him, President Coolidge today relaxed in his palatial car, shed the cares of office and enjoyed the scenery of southern Ohio, Indiana and Illinois through which his train sped.

Out west ahead, lies a big day tomorrow, with a speech to the American Legion, a luncheon and a parade review. But today Mrs. Coolidge is exercising that rare faculty which has made him the best conditioned president for many years—forgetting his troubles.

With a book in hand, he spends his time in the observation parlor of his car at the rear of the train, now reading, now absorbing the details of his property.

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Buddies" On Hand.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 5.—(United Press) — Fifty thousand "buddies," enthusiastic, almost riotous in their gaiety, were on hand today for the opening of the seventh national convention of the American Legion.

Another 50,000 delegates and visitors are expected tomorrow for the visit of President and Mrs. Coolidge

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ANNIVERSARY IS OBSERVED

Large Crowds Attend 80th Anniversary Services At St. Peters Church

Capacity crowds attended the eightieth anniversary services of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran church, in Root township, held at the church yesterday. At 9:30 o'clock Sunday morning, a special jubilee service was held and in the afternoon a general get-together meeting of the congregation was held. Talks were made by the former pastors and in the evening at 7:30 o'clock another fine service was held.

Several of the former pastors and practically every member of the congregation and many visitors were present at the services, and the day was one of the happiest in the history of the congregation.

The Rev. A. Moeller, pastor of the

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Money Donated To Landscape County Court House Lawn

The Rev. Leonard W. A. Luckey, Of New York City, A Native Of Adams County, Makes Offer In Letter Received By Daily Democrat; Wants To Make Gift In Memory Of His Father, Who Was Leader In Movement To Have Present Court House Erected; Plans To Make Greater Gift To This City Later In Recognition Of His Memories.

Reading in the Decatur Daily Democrat of the suggestion that the grounds around the Court House building in this city be landscaped and beautified, the Rev. Leonard W. A. Luckey, Ph.D., of New York City, a native of Adams county, author and educator, has offered to give \$250, to buy the shrubbery and plants needed to carry out the landscape work. The offer was made in a letter to the Daily Democrat, and was made in memory of Rev. Luckey's father, George W. Luckey.

Mr. Luckey's letter follows:

New York City,
Oct. First, 1925.

"To J. H. Heller, Decatur Democrat Company, Decatur, Ind.

"My dear friend Heller:—

"I have been informed that there

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Anderson Man Escapes Death When Plane Falls

Anderson, Ind., Oct. 5.—(United Press)—Minor injuries and a wrecked airplane today were all that reminded Fred Parker, local pilot, of a narrow escape from death yesterday.

A new plane, just recently completed at a factory here, fell 50 feet when it was taking off for its maiden flight.

The machine hit an air pocket about

50 feet from the ground and crashed when the motor went bad.

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WILL CONDUCT DANCING SCHOOL

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