

Funeral Rites Held For Menno Amstutz

Final rites were conducted Saturday afternoon at the E.U.B. church in Ashland, O., for Menno Amstutz, 56, a native of French township.

Amstutz died Wednesday evening in his home in Ashland following a heart attack. He was manager of the Amstutz hatchery at Ashland. Amstutz formerly operated a hatchery at Monroe and had resided in Ashland about 14 years.

He was born in French township October 15, 1902, a son of John A. and Lydia Neuhauser Amstutz. He and the former Anna Reece, of near Bluffton, were married April

19, 1924.

Surviving in addition to his wife are three sons, Roger, Cincinnati, O., Eugene, Denver, Colo., and Keith, at home; two daughters, Mrs. Marion Hess and Mrs. Ronald Clawson, both of Ashland; four brothers, Henry and Reuben Amstutz, Celina, O., Ezra, Kidron, O., and Loren, Orrville, O., and three sisters, Mrs. Truman (Tille) Roth, Canton, O., Mrs. Herbert (Ida) Belta, Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Arthur (Ella) Fox, of near Berne. Two brothers preceded him in death.

He was a member of the Loyal Workers class of the E.U.B. church, the Ohio hatchery association, the state poultry and egg board of Ohio; the American poultry and hatchery association, and the Ohio poultry improvement association.

Rural Youth Names Officers Thursday

Election of 1960 officers for the rural youth club will be main item of business at the Adams county rural youth meeting on Thursday night. The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. at the Farm Bureau Co-op building in Monroe. The officers to be elected include president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. These officers will take over duties in November.

Registration will be in charge of Janet Judy and Margaret Bixler and Marvey Sponhauer, boys' 4-H club agent, will lead the group in mixers.

The business session will be conducted by Legora Marple, president. Jane Uhrick will lead the group singing and Byron Linker is in charge of the devotional period.

The educational feature will feature an "Oriental Travelogue" and is in charge of Dallas Neuen schwander.

Items to be discussed during the business meeting will include: the one-day outing to Pokagon state park Sunday, July 12, the district picnic at Frances Slocum state forest in Miami county July 19, the foot-long hot dog stand at the 4-H fair, float for the 4-H parade and the ice cream social to be held sometime during August.

A "Truth or Consequence" program will be conducted by Jerry Sprunger and will be followed with refreshments of chop suey in

Champion Speller Sends Friend Note For 'Congratulations'

Journal-Gazette columnist Cliff Milnor commented in his "Lines and Angles" this morning about a note Miss Margaret Kocher, champion seventh grade speller at Lincoln school, wrote to Mrs. Carl D. Gerig.

Milnor, remembering that more than 100 pupils took part in the bee, said: "When it was over, everyone was pleased to see Margaret Kocher receive the trophy. Margaret is polio victim who must walk with leg braces. Her physical handicap in no way affects her personality. Mrs. Carl D. Gerig, mother of one of Margaret's friends, wrote the trophy winner a note of congratulation. This is what she received in return: 'Dear Misses Gurbur. Thank you for your congratulations. I worked hard two win. I am very happy two bee the best speller. Yours sincerely, Margaret Kocher.'

Five Juveniles Are Slated For Hearing

Five juvenile offenders were referred to the county juvenile authorities for a hearing July 17 for various charges. The ages of the youths ranged from 6 to 11.

All five were involved in ransacking the home of Clarence A. Hunter, of 123 N. Second street, recently, while two of the group were also involved in similar charges at the home of Jess O. Tricker, of 343 Mercer avenue, on June 24. The same two youths were involved in ransacking the Simerman Trailer court. City police investigated all three incidents.

charge of Alice Kukelhan. The entire meeting is planned using an oriental theme.

All rural youth members are encouraged to attend and all young people in the county are invited to attend the Thursday night rural youth meeting.

Donald Gerig Named As Choir Director



Donald Gerig, band and music teacher at Adams Central high school, has accepted the invitation of the commission on worship of the First Methodist church, Decatur, to become the director of the senior choir.

Gerig was graduated from the Southeastern high school of De- troit, Mich., Fort Wayne Bible College, Taylor University, and has taken graduate work at Bell State Teachers College.

His work as choir director has included the choirs of the following churches: First Missionary church, Dodge City, Kansas; First Methodist church, Jonesboro; the Evangelical and United Brethren church, Hartford City, and for the past seven years the West Missionary church, Berne. During his college days he was a member of the choir of the First Methodist church, Upland, of which the Rev. F. H. Sparks was then pastor. He is a tenor and has done tenor work in oratorios "Messiah," "St. Paul," "Crucifixion" and others.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerig have three children and live at 356 Baltimore, Berne.

Five Accidents Are Reported By Police

City police reported a total of five holiday weekend personal property automobile accidents with one minor personal injury involved. Two of the mishaps occurred Friday, one Saturday, and two Sunday.

One of the Friday accidents happened at the intersection of Walnut and St. Mary's street when a car driven by Barbara Cole, 24, of Homestead, struck a machine driven by Charles Beineke, 70, of 1128 W. Monroe, causing \$200 damage to the Cole vehicle and \$150 to the Beineke car. Beineke suffered an injury to his left knee but refused hospital treatment. Police said he would contact his personal physician.

The Cole car was enroute east on St. Mary's as the Beineke car was going north on Walnut when the collision resulted in the middle of the intersection.

The second Friday accident involved a lamp post and Samuel G. Campbell, of Auburn, the driver of a truck. Damages amounted to \$5 to the lamp post at Monroe and Second street, while no damage was noted to the truck. While attempting to turn onto Second, the truck trailer scraped the post, causing the damage.

The Saturday mishap involved a hit and run driver and a parked car. The machine owned by Ted Anderson of 401 Adams street, was parked in front of his home. Anderson noted that his car had been sideswiped, causing \$150 in damages. He gave no estimate of time to the police who are investigating.

One of the Sunday accidents occurred at 4:26 p.m. when a truck driven by Jahasa W. Breeden, 35, of Kokomo, struck a car driven by Robert W. Roth, 30, of Columbus, O., as both were attempting a right turn onto Second street from Monroe street. The truck was in the inside lane and the driver stated he did not see the car, which was in the outside lane, as both were attempting the turn.

Damages to the car amounted to \$300 while the truck damages were only \$10. Roth stated he did not see the turn signal on the truck and upon investigation, the police reported that the right rear blinker light on the truck was inoperative.

The second Sunday accident occurred at 110 S. 13th street at 7:52 p.m. when a car driven by Sylvan A. Brunner, 28, of Fort Wayne, attempted to pass a car driven by Norman R. Prescott, 23, of Union City and struck a parked car, owned by Thomas A. Smith, of 110 S. 13th street.

Damages to the parked car amounted to \$100 while the other two suffered no damages. Brunner was cited by police for passing on the right.

Youth Hurt Saturday In Fall From Truck

Four-year-old Jan Alan Bluhm, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene R. Bluhm, route one, Monroe, is showing improvement in St. Joseph's hospital, Fort Wayne, after falling from a truck Saturday forenoon.

The accident happened on the farm of Roger Bluhm, his grandfather, Saturday about 11 o'clock, when he fell from the back of a truck driven by his father.

After he was taken to the Adams county memorial hospital, where X-rays indicated that he needed further treatment by a specialist, he was taken by ambulance to St. Joseph's hospital, Fort Wayne. He has shown improvement since he was admitted to the hospital, where tests and X-rays were taken this forenoon in further examinations of severe bruises.

Youth Loses Foot In Farm Accident

Nine-year-old Noah Schwartz, of Wabash township, who lost his left foot Thursday afternoon in a farm accident, was in "improved" condition at the Adams county memorial hospital this morning.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schwartz, route two, Geneva, he had gotten in front of a horse-pulled mower, and the left foot was cut off, with the exception of part of the heel. Amputation was necessary an inch above the ankle. The right foot was cut also, but was saved.

The accident happened shortly after noon, while an older brother, David, was cutting a field of grass. According to members of the family, there was a hole in the field, and Noah was instructed by his older brother to stand in or near the hole so that he would not drive into it. In some way the lad came in front of the mowing knife, and he fell to the ground, blood streaming from the wounds.

Daniel carried his injured brother to their home, and a member of the family ran a half mile to the Herman Burke farm, and a doctor was called. Burke took the injured boy and members of the family to the Adams county memorial hospital, where he was given transfusions for loss of blood, and where his condition was listed as satisfactory today.

tions late Friday which pegged the deficit at \$2,079,004.24.

The department also traced \$1,480,847 of the shortage to ousted manager Arnold G. Hobbs.

The report came after a nine-month audit of the credit union books and covered the period from Jan. 1, 1952, to Sept. 13, 1958, when the company was forced to close because of lack of funds.

The books never were balanced during that period, auditors said.

Credit Union Fund Shortage \$2 Million

ALBION, Ind. (UPI)—The total shortage in the defunct Noble County Credit Union has been set officially at more than two million dollars.

An audit report was filed in Noble County Court by the Indiana Department of Financial Institu-

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