

Harry Shackelford Baby Contest Ends at Midnight Rites Tomorrow

Metal Process Firm Manager Dies at 59

Services will be held at 10 a.m. tomorrow in the Jordan Funeral Home, 111 Vernon, for Harry G. Shackelford, manager of the North Vernon Processing Co., metal finishers, for the last 11 years. Burial will be in Vernon Cemetery.

Mr. Shackelford died Saturday night in St. Vincent's Hospital after an illness of one month. He was 59.

A native of Belleville, Kas., he was graduated from DePauw University in 1911. Before moving to North Vernon, he had lived several years in Franklin County and in Connersville. He was a member of Sigma Chi Fraternity and the First Methodist Church and the Masonic Lodge in North Vernon.

Surviving are his wife, Mary; a daughter, Mrs. Richard Estlick, Ft. Wayne; two sons, Jack Shackelford, Indianapolis, and Joseph Shackelford, North Vernon, and four grandchildren.

Phoenix Branham Rites Tomorrow

Phoenix Branham Sr., retired railroadman who lived in 937 Camp St., will be buried in Crown Hill following services at 1:30 p.m. tomorrow in the Good Samaritan Baptist Church.

Mr. Branham collapsed and died while taking a walk Friday. He was 67.

Born in Castalian Springs, Tenn., he had lived in Indianapolis 45 years. He had been an employee of the Pennsylvania Railroad for 30 years when he retired in 1947.

Surviving are his wife, Ellen; a daughter, Mrs. Sophia Turk, Indianapolis; a son, Phoenix Jr.; three sisters, Mrs. Anna Strider, Indianapolis; Mrs. Fannie Minor, Harvey, Ill.; and Mrs. Mamie Wilke, Castalian Springs; six brothers, George Branham, Detroit; James Branham, Chicago; Paul Branham, Cleveland, and John, Willie and Euclid Branham, Castalian Springs.

Mrs. Mary King

Services for Mrs. Mary King, who died Friday in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Grace Heard, 901 W. 20th St., will be held at 3 p.m. tomorrow in the Jacobs Brothers West Side Chapel. Burial will be in New Crown. She was 24.

Born in McMinnville, Tenn., Mrs. King lived in Indianapolis six years. She was a member of the Methodist Church.

In addition to her daughter, she is survived by seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

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Judges to Start Work On Hundreds of Pictures

Donald O'Connor Heads Board to Select Most Engaging Infant From Photos Submitted

By ART WRIGHT

Judges will begin the job of studying hundreds of "Cutest Baby" pictures tomorrow.

The deadline for The Times contest is midnight tonight. So be sure to have your photos in the mail or in The Times offices by that time. No pictures will be accepted tomorrow.

Heading the board of judges is Donald O'Connor, star of "Yes Sir, That's My Baby" which introduces "Baby Bookpins" in the firm's one-week showing at the Indiana Theater starting Wednesday.

Assisting in the judging will be Mr. O'Connor's wife, Gwen Carter, and Joshua Shelley, co-star of the movie. They will make personal appearances with Mr. O'Connor at the Indiana Theater during the premier on Wednesday.

You may submit any number of entries. On the back of each picture write the child's name, birth

date, color of eyes and hair, weight, height and the name, address and telephone number of the parents or guardian.

The age limit for children is 1 through 5 years. Your photos will be returned if you enclose postage.

The mother of the "cutes" child selected by Donald O'Connor and his board of judges will win a \$299.50 Westinghouse Laundrymat. The total prize list is worth \$750. Prizes to be divided between the next three winners are: \$16.95 play yard, a \$24 set of toys, a \$9.95 toy pony, a \$30 set of Keko babywear, a \$15 supply of medical supplies, a \$12.95 baby doll, a \$17.50 set consisting of baby carriage, stroller, crib and high-chair, a \$15 set of weighing scales, a \$29.50 wading pool, a \$12.50 baby car seat, a \$15.95 nylon snow suit, \$10 worth of diaper bags, nursing bags, nursing bottles and accessories and other prizes.

Pictures published in The Times before the judging were selected at random and will have no bearing on the final decision.

Clarence Walker

Services for Clarence Walker, employee of the Indianapolis Power & Light Co. for 31 years, will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the Blue Avenue Baptist Church. Burial will be in New Crown Cemetery.

Mr. Walker died Saturday in his home, R.R. 19, Box 544, after a six week illness. He was 57.

Born in Ripley County, he had lived in Indianapolis for 37 years.

He was a member of Eagles Lodge No. 211.

Surviving are his wife, Estella;

a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Chasteen,

Indianapolis, and a granddaughter.

THE INDIANAPOLIS TIMES

Leroy Freeman Dies at Hospital

Services to Be Held Tomorrow Afternoon

Services for Leroy Freeman, 6105 Allisonville Road, who died Saturday in Methodist Hospital, will be held at 3 p.m. tomorrow in the Flanner & Buchanan mortuary. He was 59.

The Rev. Edwin W. Stricker of the Central Avenue Methodist Church will officiate. Services also will be held by the Marion Masonic Lodge. The Raper Commandery will provide a uniformed escort and guard of honor. Burial will be in the Odd-Fellow Cemetery, Oaklawn.

Mr. Freeman operated a power lawn mower distributing agency the last seven years in his home. He previously was a technician in automotive and electrical concerns, which included the Gulling Electric Co., Equipment Service Co., Piston Service Co., and the H. T. Electric Co., of which he had been manager.

Active in Masonic Work

Active for many years in Masonic Lodge work, Mr. Freeman only last week visited the boy's camp at Lake Tippecanoe, sponsored by the State Hospitalers Committee of the Grand Commandery of Indiana. He was serving as secretary of this committee at the time of his death. He also was secretary of the Keystone Chapter No. 6, of which he was a past high priest and recorder of Raper Commandery No. 1.

In addition to membership in these three Masonic groups, Mr. Freeman was a member of the Marion Lodge No. 35, F. and A.M.; Indianapolis Council No. 2, of Raper Commandery No. 1, and Knight Templar No. 1.

He was a member of the Broadway Methodist Church. He

Rites Arranged

Oscar Comingore Rites Tomorrow

Railroadman, Active Mason Dies at Home

Services for Oscar W. Comingore, retired railroadman, former newspaperman and active Mason, will be held at 1:30 p.m. tomorrow in the West Michigan Street Conklin Funeral Home. Burial will be in Washington Park.

Mr. Comingore died Friday in his home, 536 Exeter Ave. He was 84.

He came to Indianapolis from his home town, Peru, Ind., as a young man and worked for awhile as a cub reporter on the old Indianapolis Sentinel. Later he became an employee of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. When he retired as a yard conductor in 1937, he had been an employee of the B. & O. Railroad for 53 years.

Leader in Masonry

A leader in Indianapolis Masonry, it was estimated he had instructed more than 1500 candidates. He was a member of Indianapolis Lodge No. 669, F. & A.M.; Indianapolis Council No. 2 of Raper Commandery No. 1, and Knight Templar No. 1.

He was also a member of Indianapolis Chapter No. 393, OES, honorary member of Fidelity Chapter No. 19, OES, District of Columbia.

Mr. Comingore belonged to the West Michigan Street Methodist Church, Switchman's Union of North America, and the Veterans and Shrine in Russell, Ky. A native of Erie, Pa., he had lived in Indianapolis for 10 years.

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Carrie S. Lombard, Coral Gables, Fla.; a brother, Otto W. Smith, and a niece, Mrs. Arthur R. Kohl, both of Easton, Pa.

Following the war, he wrote an account of his unit's activities, "History of Base Hospital No. 32."

His lifelong interest in rare books and first editions resulted in a large personal collection. His

MONDAY, AUG. 15, 1949

Rites for Benjamin Hitz, Civic Leader, Tomorrow

Death today wrote the final chapter in the full life of Indianapolis-born Benjamin D. Hitz, former Army officer, businessman, civic leader, scholar and collector of rare books.

His burial in Crown Hill will be private following services at 11 a.m. tomorrow in Flanner & Buchanan Mortuary. The Rev. Russell W. Galloway, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, of which he was a member, will officiate.

Mr. Hitz died yesterday afternoon in his home in Brendenwood, after an illness of several weeks. He was 59.

Born in 1881 N. Pennsylvania St., where his mother, Mrs. Caroline E. Hitz, still resides, he attended Shortridge High School and was graduated from there in 1908. Four years later he received his A.B. degree from Indiana University, where he was a member of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity.

Fletcher Trust Director

After graduation from IU, he entered the firm of George Hitz & Co., commission merchants. He served as secretary and treasurer of the firm until early this year when it was sold. Mr. Hitz had also been a director of the Fletcher Trust Co. for many years.

Active in Community and Civic Affairs

He served many years on the board of directors of the Indianapolis Children's Museum. He was vice president of Crown Hill Cemetery and served on its board of managers for 10 years.

Minot R. Smith

Services for Minot R. Smith, retired travel engineer who died yesterday in Methodist Hospital, will be at 2:30 p.m. tomorrow in Flanner & Buchanan Mortuary. Cremation will follow. He was 78.

Mr. Smith, who lived in 36 W. 58th St., was a member of the Masonic Lodge Knights Templar and the Shrine in Russell, Ky. A native of Erie, Pa., he had lived in Indianapolis for 10 years.

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DAY CONVENTION OPENS

CLEVELAND, Aug. 15 (UPI)—

Some 4000 war-scarred members of the disabled American Veterans began a week-long convention here today.

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