[Mary] Florence Naney, ~ 1886 - 1955

Mrs. Florence Naney, 70, wife of C.L. Naney, died at 7 a.m. Friday at the family home at 912 N. First St. Mrs. Naney, a member of the First Presbyterian church, had been in ill health for the past eight years. Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at the Sturm Funeral home by Rev. Jack McIntyre and Rev. A.B. Gill. Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery.

Mrs. Naney is survived by her husband; two sons, John W. Naney, manager of the Midwest Lumber company here, and Glen K., of Sellersburg, IN; two brothers, James M. Whitney, of Grayville, and Wallace Whitney, of Owensville, IN; and one grandson. Pallbearers for the service were – Baun, Sam Kershaw, Fred Groff, Perry Garner, Sr., Ben Mil—, and Chester Johnson.

Martha [Prudence] *Whitney* Brown, Jul. 1891 - Oct. 28, 1955

Mrs. Martha Whitney Brown, about 65, former Grayville resident, was killed on Oct. 28 when she was struck by a pick-up truck on a Deming, NM street. Funeral services and burial were conducted last Wednesday at Deming, according to word received here. Mrs. Brown, who left here several years ago, is a sister of Mrs. Florence Naney and Jim Whitney, of Grayville, and Wallace Whitney of Owensville, IN.

Ed Smith, ~1882 - Nov. 1955

Ed Smith, 73, of Grayville, died at 10 a.m. last Wednesday at Richland Memorial Hospital in Olney. Mr. Smith, who had been in failing health for several months, had entered the hospital Monday of last week. For many years, Mr. Smith was engaged in the lumber business in this area. He also had operated a North street pool hall, and a small store on Oxford hill.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. last Thursday at the Sturm Funeral home, with Rev. O.B. Salmon officiating. Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery. Surviving are a brother, Charley Smith, of Grayville, and a sister, Mrs. Floyd Thatcher, of Mt. Vernon. Pallbearers for the services were George Harris, Lee Jones, Charles Kiskadden, Gus Owen, Clyde Elliott, and Alva Keeling.

A[ndrew] Jack[son] Elliott, Sept. 4, 1865 - Nov. 3, 1955

A.J. (Jack) Elliott, 90, retired Phillips township farmer, died last Thursday night at his home near Crossville, following an illness of several months. Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at a Carmi chapel, with Rev. Andrew Rister officiating. Burial was in Centerville cemetery.

A life-long resident of White county, Mr. Elliott was born on Sept. 4, 1865 near Crossville. He farmed in Phillips township for many years. Surviving are two sons, John and Andrew, of near Crossville; four daughters, Mrs. Lucille Darnell, Una and Addie, all of Crossville, and Mrs. Mary Hatcher, of Enfield; a sister, Mrs. Martha Short of Grayville, 12 grandchildren, and 17 great-grandchildren.

Mary Belle Holmes, Feb. 20, 1880 - Nov. 4, 1955

Mrs. Mary Belle Holmes, 75, of Mt. Carmel, a sister of Clarence Hawkins of Grayville, died Friday afternoon at Wabash General hospital. Funeral services were conducted Monday morning at a Mt. Carmel chapel by Rev. Fordyce Bennett. Burial was in Highland Memorial cemetery.

A native of Edwards county, Mrs. Holmes was born on Feb. 20, 1880, the daughter of the late Lorenzo Dowe and Katherine Parson Hawkins. She was first married to John B. Calvin. Following his death, she married John Holmes, who also preceded her in death. Surviving are three brothers, Clarence of Grayville, Samuel J. and Arthur Hawkins, both of Mt. Carmel.

Bob Murphy, - Nov. 4, 1955

Bob Murphy, of Albion, who was injured Oct. 29 in an automobile accident on state route 1 south of Grayville, died Friday in Wabash General hospital at Mt. Carmel. Murphy's death was the 10th automobile fatality on White county highways this year. The body was taken to an Albion funeral home, and services and burial were conducted there Tuesday.

Murphy's car headed north on route 1, went out of control at Sanders' hill, a mile south of Grayville, and smashed into a tree. The car wrapped itself around the tree and spun completely around. Murphy suffered two broken legs and internal injuries in the crash.

Tena *Meisenhelder* Bork, 1884 - Nov. 6, 1955

Mrs. Tena Bork, Chatsworth, mother of Mrs. Lucille Rotramel, Grayville city clerk, died Nov. 6 at Fairbury hospital. Mrs. Bork, who had visited here on a number of occasions, had been a patient in the hospital for 19 days . She was in failing health for more than two years.

Funeral services were conducted on Nov. 8, with burial in Chatsworth cemetery. Mrs. Rotramel and her husband, Ted, Grayville manager of the Central Illinois Public Service company, were called to Chatsworth the day before her mother's death. She returned to her duties at city hall the middle of last week.

Arthur S. Hutchcraft, Sept. 29, 1910 - Nov. 15, 1955

Arthur S. Hutchcraft, 45, Grayville, died at 12:40 p.m. Tuesday at Wabash General hospital in Mt. Carmel, where he had been a patient for four days. He had been in ill health for a year and a half. Funeral services are to be conducted by Rev. Arthur Hanson and Rev. Paul Kloepper at 2 p.m. Friday at the Sturm Funeral home. Burial is to be in Oak Grove cemetery, with military rites by James M. Helm American Legion post.

A veteran of WWII, Mr. Hutchcraft was employed by Clyde Mason Well Servicing company. He belonged to the First General Baptist church and James H. Helm post. Surviving are his wife, Florence; his mother, Mrs. Mary Catherine Lee; and a step-son, Roger Goodman.

Mabel [Mable Ella "Maud"] Schnarr, Sept. 7, 1875 - Nov. 18, 1955

Mrs. Mabel Schnarr, formerly of Griffin, IN, widow of Fred Schnarr, died at 10 p.m. Tuesday at Riverside, CA. The body will be returned to the Sturm Funeral home here for funeral and burial. Arrangements were incomplete yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Schnarr leaves four sons, Raymond, of Flint, MI, Paul, of Clay City, Virgil, of Riverside, and Richard, of Columbus, OH;

three daughters, Mrs. Helen Dunkle, of Dandalia, OH, Mrs. Lillian Marshall, of Columbus, and Mrs. Loralee Stanbough, of Cleveland, OH.

Theodore R. Curtis, 1900 - Nov. 19, 1955

Theodore R. Curtis, 55, living four miles west of Grayville, died at 12:05 a.m. Saturday at Richland Memorial hospital, where he had been a patient for three days. Mr. Curtis, a farmer, had been in failing health for the last 10 years. He was a member of Ridge Congregational church. Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at the Sturm Funeral home, Rev. C.W. Cron, of Newburgh, IN, officiating. Burial was in Ridge cemetery.

Mr. Curtis is survived by a sister, Cora Curtis, with whom he made his home; a brother, William, of Caledonia, and a half-brother, John Webb of Crossville. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Mrs. Mabel Brown. Pallbearers for the services were Louis Shelton, Hamer Michels, Jerrad Michels, Carl Herrington, Clarence Frankland, and John Landingham.

William Lowe Bryan, Nov. 11, 1860 - Nov. 21, 1955

Dr. William Lowe Bryan, 95, a former Grayville public school teacher and president-emeritus of Indiana University, died Monday at his home on the IU campus at Bloomington, IN. The famed educator had been critically ill with high blood pressure since his 95th birthday on Nov. 11. He had remained a familiar figure in strolls on the IU campus until illness kept him confined largely at home last March.

Dr. Bryan, who taught in the Grayville schools before the turn of the century, was president of Indiana university during its biggest era of expansion from 1902 to 1937. He turned over the presidency in 1937 to Dr. Herman B. Wells, who still holds office. A resident of Bloomington most of his life, Dr. Bryan held degrees from a half-dozen schools and studied in four. Long before he became IU president, he was famous as a young psychology professor who devised the “curve of learning”. Dr. Bryan, who went to Indiana in 1888, had interests ranging from baseball to Plato. He was the last immediate member of his family.

Ross [Allen] (Jul. 23, 1883) and Alice [Henrietta] Cowling (1892), - Nov. 21, 1955

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Cowling, of Mt. Carmel, former Grayville residents, were killed instantly in a car-train collision Monday morning at Princeton, IN. Coroner Robert Kendall, of Princeton, said the Cowlings’ car, which was eastbound, was struck on the right side by a northbound C. & E. I. freight train. The car was carried along the track for a distance of about 500 feet, and wedged between the locomotive and a boxcar on a side track.

Torches had to be used to cut the victims from the car, and a wrecker was required to pull the vehicle from beneath the box car. The coroner said a witness reported that the Cowlings had attempted to cross at another crossing. Finding it blocked, they had turned around and drove to the crossing where the accident occurred. The bodies of Mr. Cowling, 72, and his wife, Alice, 63, were taken to a Mt. Carmel funeral home for arrangements.

Mr. Cowling is survived by a brother, Claude, and a sister, Mrs. Louis Fieber, both of Albion; a son, Dr. Vincent Cowling, on the University of Kentucky faculty at Lexington, KY; and two grandchildren. Mrs. Cowling also leaves a brother, Henry Fredericks, of Fredericktown, MO.

Henrietta E. Shepherd, Mar. 13, 1883 - Nov. 25, 1955

Mrs. Henrietta E. Shepherd, 72, mother of Mrs. Bennie Hall, of Grayville, died Friday at her home in Albion. Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at Little Prairie church, with burial in Graceland cemetery in Albion. Mrs. Shepherd was the wife of George Shepherd and the mother of three children, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. James Smith, of Albion, and Ellis J. Shepherd, of Cowling. She also leaves three grandchildren.

William Kiehl, Jan. 1, 1878 - Dec. 16, 1955

William Kiehl, Sr., widely-known retired Grayville fisherman, died at 10:30 a.m. Friday at his home at 218 S. Main street. Mr. Kiehl had been in ill health for more than two years, after suffering a heart attack, and had recently returned home from a hospital. A native of Posey county, IN, Mr. Kiehl had lived here for a number of years, and was a commercial fisherman on the Wabash river for 24 years. Before retiring two years ago, he operated a fish dock near the foot of North street. Born on Jan. 1, 1878, in Posey county, IN, Mr. Kiehl was a member of the First Methodist church here.

Surviving are his wife, Julia; three sons, Herman and Ralph, of Detroit, William, Jr., of Grayville; two daughters, Mrs. Norman Ramsey, of Grayville, and Mrs. Margaret Griggs, of Moline; eight grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Monday at the Sturm Funeral home by Rev. James Owens and Rev. N.D. Motzer. Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery. Pallbearers for the services were Fred Schoenman, E.P. March, Abner Carey, Ed Niemiller, Carl Baun, and George Sullivan.