

Mon. March 6, 1939

Reinhard Funeral Here This Afternoon

Herman Reinhard, 32, Dies Unexpectedly Here Early Friday

Funeral services were held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Mennonite church for Herman Reinhardt, age 32, well-known local young man, who died at his home in the southwest part of Berne, at 7:30 o'clock Friday morning. The funeral was in charge of Rev. C.H. Suckau and burial was made in the M.R. E. cemetery. A short service was held at the home preceding the church service.

The death of Mr. Reinhard was almost entirely unexpected and came as a great shock to his relatives and many friends. His death is attributed to influenza and complications and was the first death in Berne during the present flu epidemic. Mr. Reinhard became ill early last week but his condition was not thought to be serious. Later streptococci pneumonia developed and his condition became serious. The germ is believed to have entered the blood stream and his condition soon became critical. A nurse Rachel Burkhalter, was summoned to his bedside, but the best medical attention was futile. His condition became critical Thursday night but when death came it was totally unexpected and outside his own family few people even knew of his illness.

Mr. Reinhard was well and favorably known. He was employed at a local furniture factory.

The deceased was a native of French township where he was born to Adolph and Lydia Meyer Reinhard, on March 11, 1907. He would have reached his 32<sup>nd</sup> birthday on Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup>. On Oct. 22, 1933, he was united in marriage to Miss Agnes Liechty of this place, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Liechty. Thou young sorrowing widow survives with two small sons, Keith, aged 4 years, and Kenneth, aged 10 months.

Surviving also are the following brothers and sisters: Arnold of Ft. Wayne; Mrs. Albert Nussbaum and Mrs. Harry Lehman of near Berne in Monroe township; Misses Ruth and Alice at Chicago and Miss Mary, a student at Ball state at Muncie. The father and a step mother also survive, besides a host of relatives. His mother preceded him 13 years ago. The deceased was a member of the Mennonite church.

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Feb. 23, 1939

## Local People are Injured

Mrs. Abe Egly, Ben Sprunger Hurt on Way to Fla; In Georgia Hospital

Mrs. Abe Egly, 76, sustained a broken pelvis and other injuries and Ben Sprunger, 63, owner and manager of the Sprunger Shoe store here, suffered severe bruises to his chest in an auto accident near Dalton, Ga., en route to Florida Tuesday, according to word received here by Edison Sprunger and Otto Stucky Tuesday night and Wednesday. Mrs. Daniel Stucky, 75, and Mrs. Ben Sprunger were badly shaken up but were not hospitalized.

## Receive Letter

Relatives here received a letter from Dalton this afternoon. Mrs. Egly is reported not to be suffering much at the present, and it is believed she may be brought home by train or ambulance in about 10 days. Mr. Sprunger is still in the hospital with severe chest bruises and cuts, but his condition is not serious. Both Mrs. Stucky and Mrs. Sprunger suffered minor bruises., but they are not in the hospital. People who saw the wrecked Sprunger car marveled that no one was killed, according to the letter.

The accident happened when Mr. Sprunger's auto skidded on soft shoulders of the road and overturned in a ditch.

Mrs. Egly and Mr. Sprunger were admitted to the Hamilton Memorial hospital at Dalton but it was believed that Mr. Sprunger would probably be released soon.

Clint Smith, former manager of the Richardson Store here and owner of a shoe store at Dalton assisted the local party following the accident. He helped Mrs. Sprunger and Mrs. Stucky find rooms and took care of their luggage.

More details and information are awaited here and no doubt someone from here will motor to Dalton soon to bring home the uninjured members of the party. Mrs. Egly may have to remain in the hospital for some time, it is feared. The Sprunger car was damaged considerably.

Mr. and Mrs. Sprunger and Mrs. Stucky and Mrs. Elgy left Berne for St. Petersburg at 4:15 Monday morning for a four or six weeks' vacation. The time of the accident was not given but it is believed that it happened about Tuesday noon or afternoon. Dalton is about 35 miles south of Chattanooga, Tenn.

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