

Tree Falls Across Power Line, Three Trucks Damaged

Severed power lines caused a fire to one of four trucks, which were damaged when a hollow Alanthus tree fell across them Wednesday at 5 p. m. at the rear of 528 Main street.

Three of the trucks damaged were Schultheis furniture trucks parked near the furniture store. Hot wires caught a turn signal on one of them afire, but firemen extinguished it before serious damage resulted. The other damaged truck was a service truck of the Gulf service station at Sixth and Main streets.

Firemen said that the tree was supported by a single small root and apparently fell from age and a rotting condition. Public Service linemen cut the hot wires off at the post removing the danger of electric shock.

S. D. Vincent, Former Resident Dies; Rites To Be Held Here

Sylvester D. Vincent, 57, native and onetime resident of Vincennes, died Wednesday at St. Joseph, Mich.

He was born Aug. 20, 1903, a son of Paris and Druscilla Vincent.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Druscilla Vincent of Vincennes; a daughter, Marsha and a son, David, both of Benton Harbor, Mich.; four sisters, Mrs. Robert Dora of Vincennes, Mrs. K. T. Becker of Kennett Square, Pa., Mrs. H. L. Ferguson of Kansas City, Mo., and Mrs. R. V. Evans, Jr., of Lincoln, Neb.; and a brother, Leo W. Vincent of St. Joseph, Mich.

The body has been returned to Vincennes, and is at the Brockman Chapel, where friends may call after 10 a. m., Friday, and where funeral services will be conducted at 10 a. m., Saturday. Burial will be in Fairview cemetery.

BIKE STOLEN

Lex Johnson Taken by Death

Was Famous Athlete In His Youth

Francis Alexis (Lex) Johnson, 86, of 727 Perry street, widely known Vincennes resident, died Thursday morning at a local nursing home after four months of illness.

A native of the Owensville area of Gibson county, Mr. Johnson was a famous athlete and football player as a youth.

Later he was a school teacher, was admitted to the bar, and then became an oil promoter in the Texas-Oklahoma area. Later he returned to Gibson county, and moved to Vincennes, about 30 years ago.

He was a graduate of Owensville high school and attended Vincennes University.

Mr. Johnson was employed at George Field during World War II.

His wife, Mrs. Margaret Benson Johnson, died two years ago.

He was born Feb. 28, 1875, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Johnson. He was a member of the First Christian church of this city.

He is survived by a son, F. A. Johnson, Jr., of Vincennes; two grandchildren; and a brother, Ernest Johnson of San Francisco, Calif.

The body is at the Flummerfelt Chapel, where friends may call after 4 p. m., Friday, and where funeral services will be conducted at 2 p. m., Saturday. Dr. Ray H. Montgomery will officiate and burial will be in Benson cemetery at Owensville.

Finds Her Father On Vacation Trip After 30 Years

BIRDS, Ill.—A week's vacation stretched into five weeks, recently when Mrs. Michael Miller of here went west to Kansas and after searching found her father, who had not seen her since she was ten weeks old.

Mrs. Miller, (formerly Charlene Hardacre of Lawrenceville) contacted lawyer Bert Church of Wellington, Kan., who about 30 years ago arranged her adoption papers.

From lawyer Church, Mrs. Miller found two previously unknown aunts, Mrs. Sara Metz and Mrs. Eutha Frambers, both of Wellington. Through Mrs. Frambers she contacted her father, Frank Burkhardt, who resides in Arcadia, Calif.

Three days later her father arrived in Wellington by plane and the happy reunion took place.

Meanwhile Mrs. Miller called her husband at Birds. Mr. Miller drove out and they continued to vacation four more weeks in California.

Mrs. Miller's mother died while giving birth to Mrs. Miller. Her father remarried and has three sons.

Mrs. Miller was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Hardacre of Lawrenceville, Ill.

Mr. Burkhardt not only was reunited with his daughter, but also met his four grandchildren.

FIRST GAS LIGHTS

Baltimore was the first city in the United States to use gas commercially. Gas lights were installed in the city streets in 1816, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica.

Notice to Taxpayers of Tax Levies

In the matter of determining the tax rates for certain purposes by Palmyra Township, Knox County, Indiana. Before the Township Advisory Board.



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