

**BENJAMIN FRANKLIN EVILSIZER**

After preparing several letters to relatives and friends and one directing disposal of his body to a funeral director, Benjamin Evilsizer, 67, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head with a 12-gauge shotgun early yesterday in a local hotel. Evilsizer formerly lived at 723 North Madison Street but had recently been in Marion seeking employment. He came to Muncie Friday night and registered at the hotel and was seen in the lobby at 2:00 yesterday morning mailing a letter. Another letter found in his room was timed at 3:30 A.M. Guests adjacent to his room did not hear the shot and the body was not discovered until about 9:00. His failure to secure employment and also the death about a year ago of his wife were given as motive. The body was removed to the Meeks Mortuary according to his written directions after police had been called and an investigation made in co-operation with Coroner C G Plepho. Grave side services will be at two o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the Beech Grove Cemetery. Surviving are four sons, Max D. Evilsizer, Charles H. and Daniel, all of Muncie, and Paul A., a member of the Navy Station in Norfolk, VA. The mother, Mrs Rachel Hobbs, of Marion, and two half - brothers, Henry and Ernest Hobbs also of Marion. He was a member of the Sons and Daughters of Liberty and the Red Men's Lodge.