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horities were some trouble he Thurmans. Hughes, who operated a fruit and vegetable business in Francisco, raised produce on his farm a mile from town. He had accused Mrs. Thurman of stealing produce from his garden. About 7 o'clock Saturday morning, authorities were told. Hughes drove out to his farm with Russell McConnell 15, to get some produce. As he got out of his car the Thurmans drove up. Thurman, witnesses said, asked Hughes what he meant by saying that Mrs. Thurman had stolen produce from his garden. Hughes replied he meant the statement and that it was the truth.

Then, according to the statement of the boy and Hughes himself, Thurman threw a brick at Hughes, the missile striking a produce basket and breaking it. Hughes then, he admitted, picked up an ax as a gesture of defense. He said Mrs. Thurman ran into her house and returned with a shotgun.

"I'm going to kill the..." she shouted, according to Hughes' statement. She fired once, the full charge striking Hughes in the body. At the autopsy Saturday night it was revealed that 200 "ax" shot entered Hughes' body and right arm. Some penetrated the right lung, many entered the stomach and liver and some even were found in the heart. Coroner Roy C. Smith, of Oakland City, reported.

The stories of both Hughes and Mrs. Thurman tally in most respects, although Mrs. Thurman said Hughes had the ax raised when she fired. Mrs. Essie Keith, who lives on the Hughes farm, also said the ax was raised. However, the autopsy revealed, authorities said, that the arm was at his side when the charge was fired. The ax handle contained several shot.

Hughes in his statement said Thurman had egged his wife on. However, Mrs. Keith said he had told his wife not to enter the argument and also had called to her not to shoot.

Hughes, also involved said, was on his own property during the argument and shooting.

The body of Hughes was taken to Francisco Sunday. He is survived by the widow, Mae; two daughters, Mrs. Jewel Walters, of Effingham, Ill., and Mrs. Beatrice Wright, of Princeton; a brother, Ed Hughes, and three grandchildren.

Mrs. Hughes at the time of the shooting was in Effingham where her daughter, Mrs. Walters, is in a critical condition in a hospital.

Hughes was a member of the United Mine Workers of America although he had not been an active miner for years.

Mrs. Thurman, who admitted shooting Hughes, said she was attacking her husband with an ax.

In a statement given Sunday, Mrs. Thurman said Hughes quarreled with her first August 25, accusing her of taking some beans from his garden. On that day, she said, she and her husband went to Princeton and asked Prosecutor Rimer to have Hughes placed under a peace bond. The prosecutor promised to "take care of the matter" she said, and when nothing was done, the Thurmans returned Thursday of last week to see the prosecutor again. He was absent from his office, she said.

Mrs. Thurman said Hughes staggered backwards about 35 feet before he fell when she shot him. Hughes fell on his own property.

The funeral service was conducted this morning at 10 o'clock in the General Baptist church at Francisco. The Rev. R. E. Simms, of this city, officiated, assisted by the Rev. Ford Porter, of Princeton. Interment was in the I. O. F. cemetery at Francisco.

OAKLAND CITY "TAKES" LABOR DAY PARADE

Local Merchants Yesterday Made Best Showing In Annual Parade For Labor

MEET HELD AT PRINCETON

Thousands Went To Lafayette Park To See Sights And Hear Addresses

Thousands of residents of southern Indiana, including several hundred from Oakland City and vicinity, went to Princeton yesterday for the annual Labor Day parade and celebration. The NRA movement was closely connected with the event, since the principal speaker explained the meaning and the possibilities of the president's plan.

Oakland City practically "took" the parade, if comments heard in Princeton and elsewhere can be believed. There were 49 decorated automobiles and scores of others from Oakland City in the parade. There were also several floats and the Oakland City band and American Legion drum and bugle corps set off the delegation in excellent style. Oakland City had the largest delegation in the parade and made the best showing. The Oakland City group represented the local merchants and their floats and banners stated that Oakland City business men are for organized labor.

The annual celebration was held in Lafayette Park in the northwestern part of Princeton. A street which runs through the park was roped off from traffic and was used as the midway. There were many concessions on the grounds. There was plenty of good entertainment, including tree acts and speaking. There were enough seats for all.

In spite of the depression and the consequent effect on labor, the celebration yesterday was probably the largest and best ever held in southern Indiana.

G. Bromley Oxnam, president of DePauw University, in his first public address since his return to this country from a tour of the Mediterranean countries, spoke on the meaning of NRA.

"Our problem," he said, "is to set the American house in order in the interest of the American family that lives in it."

Carl D. Thompson, of Chicago, secretary of the Municipal Ownership League of America, declared economists see ahead of us the four-hour day and four-day week of workers with a minimum wage of \$10 a day.

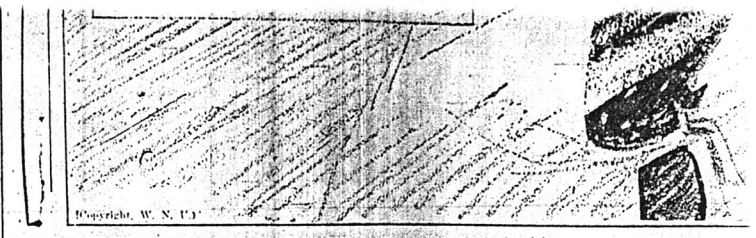
C. S. Masterson, of the Indiana Farm Bureau, declared that the way to solution of our industrial and economic ills is through cooperation. The present is the greatest opportunity the American people have ever had, he said.

Harvey Harmon, Princeton attorney, presided. Mayor O. T. Brazelton of Princeton delivered the welcome address.

Prizes awarded following the parade yesterday morning were announced: Best labor float, Hitch Brothers, Princeton; best labor car, Bill Dickey, garage, Oakland City; best NRA float, J. C. Penny Company, Princeton; best NRA car, Gilbert-Stephens Company, Princeton.

The miners loving cup was won by Kings mine local No. 5584. With a membership of 330 the local had 315 men in the parade. The cup is awarded on percentage of membership-marching.

PASTOR ASSIGNED



WOMAN KILLED IN ACCIDENT

Mrs. Earl Swinney, Of Ft. Branch, Killed In Labor Day Crash

Evansville, Sept. 5.—Mrs. Earl Swinney, 45, prominent Fort Branch woman, was instantly killed and three persons were injured at 1:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon in a head-on auto crash at the intersection of Highways No. 41 and 62, just outside of Evansville.

Swinney, head of the Swinney Printing Company at Fort Branch, was driver of the death car, a large sedan, while Bernard Salava, Berwyn, Ill., was the operator of the other auto, a small coupe.

Salava at first refused to make a statement concerning the fatal crash until he had conferred with his attorney, whom he summoned from Chicago. Early this morning, however, on the recommendation of a representative of his attorney, he made a statement and was released.

In his statement taken by Coroner Edward Kraft, Salava said as he approached the intersection he noticed heavy traffic and held out his left hand to signify his intention of either slowing down or stopping. He saw the other car about 50 feet away, Salava said, and it was traveling at a good rate of speed and was swaying as though out of control, he said. The impact was very light, according to Salava. He blamed the wreck on Swinney's losing control of his automobile.

Two other persons in the Swinney auto, which overturned twice, escaped injury. None of the four persons riding in the coupe and its rumble seat was hurt.

Mrs. Swinney, riding in the rear seat of the sedan, was killed when she was thrown partly outside of the window by the impact and her head crushed against the ground, as the machine rolled over.

Swinney was the most seriously injured of the other injured persons, receiving a broken left wrist. Ann, a 12-year-old daughter, received cuts and bruises, as did Dr. Walter Graham, who was riding in the Swinney car.

The injured were taken to Deaconess hospital in the police ambulance, but were discharged after treatment.

Forrest Mattingly and Russell Jackson, of Fort Branch, who with Dr. Graham were accompanying the Swinneys to Dade Park race track for an afternoon of sport, escaped without injury.

With Salava were May Engeland, 1431 west 71st place, Chicago, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. William Houghes, 1509 East 70th street, also of Chicago.

The Swinney car was going south on Highway No. 41 and Salava was driving north when the accident occurred at the side of a filling station at the intersection. The coupe was turned completely around, while the sedan finally stopped rolling near the end of the station's drive.

Mrs. Swinney, who was active socially at Ft. Branch, is also survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Runcie, also of Ft. Branch; another daughter, Mary Josephine; a son, Clem, and a sister, Mrs. Carl Barrett, of California.

AUTO RECOVERED

A Dodge automobile owned by Clarence Henley, of Mt. Carmel, Ill., was found on west Oak street early Sunday morning. It was found that the auto had been stolen from Mt.

HAZLETON MAN ENDS LIFE WITH POISON TO END SUFFERING

Despondent because he had been partially paralyzed from a fall from a telephone pole several years ago, George McNeccc, 30, ended his life by swallowing poison at the home of his mother, Mrs. George McNeccc, at Hazleton, Sunday afternoon.

McNeccc drank the potion about 3 o'clock and was discovered a few minutes later by his mother who was attracted to his room by his groans.

She called for help but McNeccc died before a physician could arrive. McNeccc fell from a pole near Vincennes several years ago while working as a telephone lineman. His wife, Elma, and four children, Max, Robert, Bettie and Virginia, reside there.

Besides his mother with whom he made his home, he also leaves one brother, Richard McNeccc, of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., and two sisters, Miss Inez McNeccc of Indianapolis, and Mrs. Leo Smith, of St. Louis, Mo. His father, George McNeccc, died last year.

PLANS MADE TO LOOSEN CREDIT

Reconstruction Corporation's Millions To Be Poured Out To Aid Employers

Washington, Sept. 2.—Awaiting the approval of President Roosevelt, a tentative plan for pouring out some of the reconstruction corporation's millions to aid willing but financially disabled employers who are trying to operate under the NRA tonight was nearing completion.

The rugged outlines, as disclosed today, embrace mortgage corporations formed by business men in various communities to receive funds from the RFC and in turn lend them to business firms to supply money for the increased pay rolls incidental to the recovery program.

This plan took shape at the direction of President Roosevelt as Hugh S. Johnson, the recovery chief, ended his projected week-end of relaxation and threw himself into an apparently unsuccessful effort to end the disagreement within the bituminous coal industry.

After hours of arguing, the intention of having a coal code ready for the president upon his return to the capital went overboard and Johnson adjourned the conference until Tuesday.

He said two of the conferees fell asleep during his talk with them and all were so tired after the weeks of night discussions that it was useless to try to get an accord from the nonunion operators and John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America.

So hedged about has Johnson become with labor problems involving the collective bargaining section of the recovery act that he said he was considering seeking from Attorney General Cummings an interpretation.

IN SERIOUS CONDITION

Floyd Wade, who recently underwent two major operations at the Methodist hospital at Princeton, continues to remain in a very serious condition. It is feared that he will

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