

SEVERE BURNS ARE FATAL TO MRS. BUEHLER

Unusual Courage Is Shown In Acute Suffering.

Died 1924

The small light of life that dimly flickered in the blistered and charred body of Mrs. Ada Buehler, aged 30, Monticello, became fainter and fainter until it was timely extinguished at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon in the Deaconess hospital, where she had lain since morning, patiently awaiting the end.

Realizing her fate and suffering untold pain, Mrs. Buehler lay quietly without a murmur of complaint. Her grit and courage called for unusual admiration of those who, with her, realized she would be unable to resist the serious burns.

Displayed Fortitude

Mrs. Buehler, it is said, was conscious from the time, early yesterday morning, when she first was burned until the very end yesterday afternoon. After her burning clothing had been extinguished, she asked to be raised up for a drink, before being removed to the hospital. Her clothing was hanging in shreds and much of it burned into her back. Except for her feet, which were protected with shoes, Mrs. Buehler's body was charred and parched. That she was able to survive as long as she did is amazing.

Mrs. Albert Moritz, sister of Mr. Buehler, who passed away June 6, just five weeks ago this evening, extinguished the flames enveloping Mrs. Buehler, by throwing a blanket about her. Mrs. Moritz and her husband had been residing with the widow since the death of Mr. Buehler.

Ran From House

Mrs. Moritz was upstairs at the time of the explosion. Hearing screams she hurried down the steps and snatching a blanket from a couch nearby thrust it about the burning woman. Mrs. Moritz believes that the wood fire in the kitchen stove was not burning rapidly enough and Mrs. Buehler threw in a quantity of kerosene. Unthinking, in her excited state of mind, Mrs. Buehler rushed outside where a strong west wind fanned the flames. Had she remained indoors, it is believed her burns would not have been so serious.

Calls For Husband

During her suffering, Mrs. Buehler cried out the name of her husband, whose loss she had keenly felt. She was married Nov. 5, 1920, and had lived all of her married life on a farm about four miles west of Monticello.

A daughter of Dietrich Babler and Maria Marty, she was born in Switzerland, May 9, 1894. When she was 17 years old she came to America to reside. As a good, hard working woman, who willingly accommodated all her friends and neighbors, she was well liked by the entire community of Monticello. She was active in the work of the Washington township Swiss Reformed church, of which she was a member. She was also a member of the ladies' aid of that church.

She is survived in this country by one brother, John, W. Babler, Schultz, and by six sisters and four brothers in Switzerland.

Funeral Sunday

Funeral services will be held at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the home in Washington township and at 2 o'clock in the Swiss Reformed church, Monticello. Rev. A. Muehlmeier, pastor of the church, will officiate. Interment will be in the Swiss Reformed cemetery. Monticello.