

OBITUARIES Shindorf, Thomas "Shindorf, Thomas"

BURNS TO DEATH IN BARN FIRE MONDAY P.M.

Thomas, the 3 1/2 year old son of Leo Shindorf was burned to death Monday afternoon in a fire which destroyed the barn on the Shindorf farm four miles south-west of Belding.

It is said that the little fellow was playing in the barn, near the door, when the

flames originating from spontaneous combustion burst out shutting off any escape or rescue. A number of head of cattle, horses and hogs were burned in the fire which completely destroyed the building.

The Shindorf family is composed of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Shindorf, and thirteen children of which the unfortunate child was the third from the youngest.

The mother had been to Belding to attend the homecoming and Labor Day celebration, but returned home during the afternoon to see if everything was all right, Mr. Shindorf being in Grand Rapids at the time. She again returned to Belding and had been there only a few minutes when word reached her of the fatal fire. It is not believed that any of the other buildings on the farm were destroyed.

Obit from scrapbook collection.

Date of death: 3 Sep 1928

Burial: St Joseph's Cemetery

Belding, Ionia, MI

Date of birth: ca 1925