

EVILSIZER EXCHANGE

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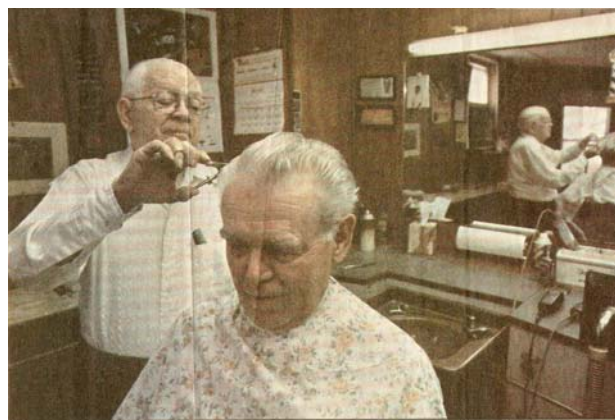
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FOR 65 YEARS, HE'S CUT HAIR AND ENJOYED IT

Springfield News-Sun, Monday,
June 15, 1992
by Rod Lockwood

Bob Evilsizor enjoyed nearly every minute of his six and a half decades cutting hair in Clark County. Squirring kids fighting their first haircuts wriggled around in his chair and tested his patience. He watched customers grow old and pass away, only to be replaced by their sons and grandsons. Men shared confessions with him probably never told anyone else and he said he faithfully honored the unwritten code of the tonso-rial profession. "What you hear in the barber chair stays in the barber chair". For 65 years he stood for countless hours cutting hair, chatting and listening. To hear Evilsizor talk, barbering is the best job in the world. "Barbering was good to me all my life, every bit of it," Evilsizor said while relaxing at Campbell's Barber Service, 1402 Maiden Lane. At 85 and still in good health he figured it was time to step aside. He was experiencing something that made his work rough and he couldn't take it anymore: Many of his customers were getting old and dying. "Staying at it so long, people are gone and it's pitiful and always hard on me," he said, shaking his head sadly while talking to his partner for the last 10 years, Dick Campbell. "Damm it, Dick, when you live to be my age you lose almost everybody," he said. "You become real friendly and all of a sudden they're gone and it's a hell of a thing." Campbell and Evilsizor have an easy rapport that shows as they sit and talk, trading thoughts on the business. Campbell, 68, obviously has



BILL WERST has been a customer of barber Bob for 60 years

a lot of respect for his former partner. He motioned to his eyes to indicate tears when he talked about Evilsizor's last week on the job. "There was a lot of nostalgia," Campbell said. The two were throwbacks to the days when haircuts were cheap (Campbell still charges only \$6) and simple, Campbell speaks with disdain of "hair stylists" and proudly said the only difference between a stylist and a barber is \$10. Evilsizor tried to retire 10 years ago after being in business on his own, but it didn't suit him. "we shook hands and I said, "how do you like your retirement," Campbell said. :He said, " I don't". I said, "Go get your tools." Evilsizor originally went into the barbering business when he was 20 and he realized that he didn't want to do it for a living. "I was a farmer and it was hard work and I told my dad it wasn't for me. When I was a kid I had decided I wanted to be a barber," he said. One of his favorite aspects if the business was the people. He estimated that in his prime he did 50

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BOB EVILSIZOR (CONT)

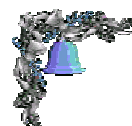
hair cuts a day. At the same time he served the sale role as that of a good bartender; listener. "You listen, but you don't want to argue. And religion is one thing you never want to talk about." Evilsizor said. "People are interesting and in a barber chair they'll tell you a lot more than anyplace else. They open up to a barber." True to the code, though, he won't relate any interesting stories he must have heard while barbering. "When a customer told me something kind of secret, I didn't tell anyone," he said. "That's one of the first things I learned." Probably the worst haircut you could get was a "youngster with the hiccups" and in his prime kids posed a challenge both physically and mentally, Evilsizor said. The good old days of barbering are long gone, he said, because it doesn't seem very many men are interested in nice, straight haircuts that personify what it means to be a clean cut. "So many people today aren't very particular about their hair," he said. "Years ago they would be very particular and everybody wanted to look neat." Campbell agreed. "You'll look in a church and see a man who has a nice suit, but his

hair will be long and he needed it cut two weeks ago. When we were young all men went to barbershops, but they don't do that anymore," he said. Evilsizor managed to pick up some hobbies over the years, including repairing watches, wood working and painting barns. He also had a quirky habit with cars: he bought a new one every two years. He has owned everything from and Edsel to a Cadillac. "I don't know why I do that, I just needed another car," Evilsizor said, looking somewhat perplexed. "I never had a bad car. They were all good for two years. I know people used to wonder about me when I did that." He lives with his wife Mabel, and they have two grown children. Evilsizor said part of his perpetually upbeat attitude can be attributed to 65 years of getting up every day and going to a job that he truly loved. "I always said that I would never go to work unless it was something I enjoyed," he said. "We get people coming in here who just don't enjoy their work and I think that's awful."

OBITUARY

SPRINGFIELD (O.) NEWS-SUN Tuesday, September 7, 1993:

ROBERT E. EVILSIZOR 86, of Springfield, Ohio, died September 6, 1993 at Oakwood Village, after several years of failing health. He was born in St. Paris, Ohio on December 16, 1906, the son of Oren W. and Lilly (Linebaugh) Evilsizor. Mr. Evilsizor was a barber in the Springfield area for 65 years. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Mabel W. Evilsizor; two daughters and sons-in-law, Shirley and Robert Grill of Dayton, Ohio and Joanne and Dean Creswell of Oregon; one brother, Virgil Evilsizor of Florida; one sister, Betty Terrell of Urbana, Ohio; six grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents; five brothers; and three sisters. Friends may call from 7-9 p.m. Tuesday in the RICHARDS, RAFF AND DUNBAR MEMORIAL HOME. Memorial contributions may be made to the donor's favorite charity. Funeral services will be held at the convenience of the family



WEDDING BELLS

Aaron Michael Evilsizer married Anya (last name not known yet) last month in Seoul, Korea. She was born in Russia. Aaron met her while stationed at Osan AFB in Korea.

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Aaron is the son of William Henry Evilsizer and Cindy Denton. (William Henry Sr., Bert Watson Leroy, Levi Lewis, Allen E, Henry Evilsizer.)

SECRET INDICTMENT IS RETURNED AGAINST JOHN EVILSIZOR

Springfield Daily News Tuesday, June 19, 1923 pg 4

John Evilsizor, carpenter, was brought before Common Pleas Judge F M Knapp Tuesday and arraigned on a secret indictment returned against him by the grand jury Monday, charging perjury. He pleaded not guilty and was released on \$1,000 bond, signed by Roscoe Keefer and Carl Follrath. The indictment against Evilsizor alleges that during a trial of a suit of James W Circle against Evilsizor in the common please court recently, Evilsizor testified falsely. The suit was over \$250 commission Circle claimed was due him from Evilsizor on the sale of a residence. Evilsizor testified in the case,

the indictment recites, that he did not know that the men to whom he sold a house was sent to him by Circle whereas, it is alleged, he did know the man was sent to him by Circle. Fifteen true bills were returned by the grand jury. Eleven of the indictments were made public and four were secret. Fourteen cases were considered in all, two of which were ignored by the grand jury in its report and six witnesses were examined.



FREE PUPPIES
1/2 Cocker Spaniel
1/2 Sneaky Neighbor's Dog

YOUTH ARRESTED ARMY DESERTION

Ralph Evilsizer, 18, son of Mr and Mrs Jesse Evilsizer was arrested Wednesday afternoon about 4:30 P. M. by Marshall J B Orndorff on charges of being a deserter from the United States Army. Information that young Evilsizer was a deserter was received by the officer at 4 P.M. in a telegram from Ft Sill Oklahoma. A half hour later he was found working

for B Hayden and taken into custody. He was taken to Ft Benjamin Harrison Thursday and turned over to military authorities. Young Evilsizer was a private in battery D, 1st FA and enlisted October 19, 1922, deserting his post on May 4, 1923. He arrived in this city last Sunday. He told officer Orndorff that he had been since May making his way back to Hartford City.

COMING SOON



EVILSIZER



ANNIVERSARY

Springfield News Sun Sunday October 25, 1975

Lewis Evilsizor's Mark Anniversary

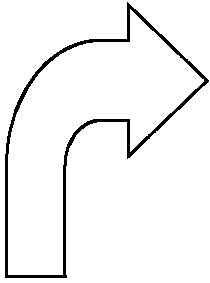
Mr and Mrs Lewis Evilsizor will mark their 30th wedding anniversary Sunday. They were married by the Rev F H Roepcke on Oct 26, 1945, in Dayton, and are the parents of two daughters, Mrs Marion (Anita) Neer of Findlay and Mrs Terrance (Nancy) Dillon of Urbana. They have three grand-

children. Mrs Evilsizor is employed The Kissell Co and her husband is engaged in farming.



CEMETERY

TRANSCRIPTIONS



NEED IDENTITY OF THIS PERSON. WHO WAS SHE MARRIED TO?

Burr Oak Township woman found slain (Local: 2001/01/21)

STURGIS -- A Burr Oak Township woman found slain late Thursday night apparently was shot to death, authorities said Friday. Michigan State Police and the St. Joseph County Major Crime Task Force continued its investigation Friday and Saturday into the Thursday night slaying of 23-year-old Jeri Lynn Evilsizor at her residence at 67271 Big Hill Road in Burr Oak Township near Sturgis.

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Suspects to be tried for woman's murder THREE RIVERS - Two Marcellus men charged with the robbery and murder of a St. Joseph County woman are headed to trial. Craig Curtis Coker Jr. and Matthew Ballow Hobbs are charged with open murder. They have been bound over to circuit court. Last month, Jeri Lynn Evilsizor was found dead outside her home near Sturgis. A witness testified Thursday that he went with the suspects to collect money from someone at Evilsizor's mobile home. He said he saw someone holding a gun to her head and then heard three gunshots.

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Ex-Marcellus duo arrested in Sturgis slaying (Local: 2001/01/30)

Two former Marcellus residents wanted in connection with the Jan. 18 shooting death of Jeri Lynn Evilsizor were arrested Monday in Louisiana. St. Joseph County Prosecutor Jeffrey Middleton said he would seek extradition from Richland Parish, La., for 21-year-old Craig Curtis Coker, and 18-year-old Matthew Ballow Hobbs.

Marcellus man sentenced for role in shooting (Local: 2001/12/04)

CENTREVILLE -- A 19-year-old Marcellus man has been sentenced to life in prison for his part in the Jan. 18 shooting death of 23-year-old Jeri Lynn Evilsizor of Sturgis. Matthew Hobbs was convicted Oct. 26 of aiding and abetting second-degree murder, aiding and abetting felony murder, armed robbery, and felony firearms violations.

Marcellus man gets life sentence (Local: 2001/11/20)

CENTREVILLE -- A 22-year-old Marcellus man was sentenced to life in prison without parole Friday for the shooting death of 23-year-old Jeri Lynn Evilsizor of Sturgis on Jan. 18. Craig Coker Jr. was found guilty by a jury Oct. 24 of felony murder, first-degree murder, armed robbery and felony firearms charges in the slaying of Evilsizor outside her home at 67627 Big Hill Road, a mile east of Sturgis.

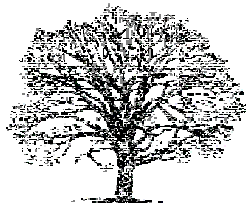
Marcellus pair convicted in slaying (Local: 2001/10/25)

CENTREVILLE -- Two Marcellus men charged in the murder of 23-year-old Jeri Lynn Evilsizor in her Sturgis home last January were found guilty by a St. Joseph County Circuit Court jury Wednesday. The 12-member jury deliberated for a day and a half before finding Craig Coker Jr. and Matthew Hobbs guilty of shooting Evilsizor in the back with an assault rifle. She died in her mobile home on Big Hills Road east of Sturgis on Jan. 18.

EVILSIZER FAMILY NEWS

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The Nugget

Tombstone Arizona, August 11, 1881

A Social Game



Galeyville is noted as the rendezvous of the festive "cowboy". It is there he most congregates, and joins in the amusements peculiar to his clan. On last Friday one of them known as Ringold, entered into a game of poker, and not being an expert with the "keards" as he is with his "gun", he soon went broke. But the Star adds: He returned with a companion named David Estes, one being armed with a Henry rifle and the other with a six shooter. The players were promptly ordered to hold up their hands, and the cowboys proceeded to "go through" the party, securing in the neighborhood of \$500. Some of the party were so frightened that they broke for the woods, where they remained concealed until daylight. A well-known saloon keeper**, who was in the room, had \$500 on his person. He dodged the Henry rifle and six-shooter, and escaped into the darkness, returning shortly with a shotgun, but the bold desperados had vamoosed. When the robbers left the town, they took with them a horse belonging to one of the citizens."

BERTHA & HAZEL EVILSIZER

DUNKIRK SISTERS PARTED BY DEATH

Dunkirk Ind, May 5, 1911

This photo is of Bertha Evilsizer on the left and , her late sister Hazel, on the right, daughters of Henry Evilsizer and Winnifred McGeever Evilsizer, east of the city. Hazel, age 17 after an illness of three days, died April 28th. They were always in each others company. Hazel leaves besides a father, mother, and sister Bertha, another sister, Mrs Clara Rix of Pennville and two brothers, Edward of Celina, Ohio and William of Flat.



BERTHA AND HAZEL EVILSIZER

Note- Bertha went on to marry William Cummins, April 2, 1921 in Jay Co, IN and she died May 15, 1936. William is buried in the Green Park Cemetery in Jay Co, IN. Hazel was born in June of 1893.