

SUICIDE OF A. FOULKE AT ARCADIA, WED.

Garage and Filling Station Man Blew Off Top of His Head

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AWAY FROM HOME**

**Friends Say Deed Was the
Result of Financial
Troubles**

Arthur Foulke, aged forty, committed suicide at his home in Arcadia, Wednesday afternoon, by shooting himself with a shotgun. The top of his head was blown off and it is evident that he died instantly. No funeral arrangements have been made but it is thought that the services will be held Friday afternoon.

It is not known when the deed was committed but he is believed to have taken his life shortly after one o'clock in the afternoon soon after leaving the garage of Foulke & Long, he being a partner in the firm.

The wife and daughter, Helen, aged twelve, left the home in the car shortly after noon to go to Indianapolis and did not return until late in the evening. They left dinner on the table for Mr. Foulke. William Odle, employed in the Ledger office, was in Arcadia shortly after 5 o'clock on business and was told by some boys that Foulke was lying on the floor of his home. He could find no one about the town who had seen him since about noon. Meeting Dr. E. V. Shockney on the street, Odle, who by this time suspected something was wrong, asked the doctor to accompany him

who had seen him since about noon. Meeting Dr. E. V. Shockney on the street, Odle, who by this time suspected something was wrong, asked the doctor to accompany him to the Foulke home and they found the body in the screened porch in the rear of the house. Brains were scattered over the floor but the gun was still between the legs of the deceased, indicating that he had held it there when he fired the fatal shot. The load from the gun had also broken a glass in the rear door.

It is said that the suicide was the result of financial worries. At least several Arcadia friends of the family say that he had talked to them during recent weeks about his financial condition.

Mr. Foulke has been associated with Elmer Long in a garage and filling station business in Arcadia for several years and he was always held in high esteem by all.

He served three years as treasurer of the Lions Club and was re-elected recently.

The deceased was born on the Foulke homestead five miles west of Cicero, February 8, 1894, being a son of George and Frances (Underwood) Foulke and spent most of his life in that community until his marriage to Miss Inez Everman in May, 1920. A year following their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Foulke moved to Arcadia and have since resided there. He is survived by his mother, who spent the past winter in his home and who is in feeble health; the widow and daughter; a half brother, Alvin Foulke, living near Cicero, and three sisters, Grace Robbins, who resides on the home farm where the mother is now living; Mrs. Alice Phillips, near Sheridan, and Mrs. Sarah Ross, residing on the Range Line road.

It was announced late Thursday afternoon that the funeral will be held at the home at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon and interment will take place in the Sheridan cemetery. The Masons will be in charge. Friends may call at the residence to view the body at any time until the hour for the service. Raymond Shaffer is in charge of the funeral arrangements.

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