

## Labor Deaths

Name	Newspaper Article	Employer	Location	Circumstances
White, John	2/20/1856	C&A	Atlanta	crushed while coupling engines
Unknown brakeman	4/29/1857	C&A	near Virden	accident
Unknown	8/19/1857	C&A	Lexington	fell off train
Unknown	9/23/1857	IC	south of Bloomington	fell off train
Lenahan, Michael	11/02/1858	C&A	Chenoa	fell off train
Steele, George	10/16/1865	Eagle Mill	Bloomington	crushed by machinery
Patrick Conway	7/2/1864	Western Depot	Bloomington	run over by cars
Mclhaney, William	2/10/1872	C&A	Pontiac	fell off train
Warner, Frank	8/21/1873	B&W Railroad	Bloomington	run over by rail cars
Arbuckle, John	7/27/1874	McLean County Coal Co.	Bloomington	roof rock fell and crushed him
Mann, Frank	5/4/1877	C&A	Ellwood	struck by train
McCoy, Milo	5/19/1879	C&A	Bloomington	run over by engine
O'Brien, James	8/23/1879	McLean County Coal Co.	Bloomington	Hit by coal car, fell down shaft
Hanna, Claib	4/6/1881	Unknown Mine Company	Flagstaff, AZ	fell down a mine shaft
Shine, Robert H.	4/11/1881	C&A	Bridgeport	run over by rail cars
Payne	11/1/1881	C&A	Anderson, nr Carlinville	drowned in ditch when trains collided
Huggins, O.G.	01/09/1882	IB&W	Bloomington	crushed between backing cars
Lambert, C. L.	2/13/1883	IB&W	Carlinville	fell from top of freight car
Brown, Zachariah	11/21/1883	C&A	near Chicago	pushed off the train by tramps
O'Brien, Patrick	12/10/1883	Gas Works	Bloomington	fell off ladder
James Finley	1/16/1884	Bloomington mill	Bloomington	caught in machinery
Karr, Hiram	3/27/1884	IB&W	west of Bloomington	thrown off train; run over
Green, Patrick	4/15/1884	C&A	Bloomington	run over by switch engine
Birchfield, James	08/13/1884	IB&W	rural Bloomington	smothered in drain ditch cave-in
Vaughn, Patrick	11/02/1885	C&A	Lexington	fell off train
Stevenson, S.	06/04/1885	C&A	Carlinville	car backed over him while coupling
Lyons, John	12/03/1885	Wabash	Peoria	fell off train
Ryan, Willaim	12/14/1885	C&A	Bloomington	fell off train
Beard, Thomas F.	2/3/1886	Hungarian mill	Bloomington	caught in machinery
Farrell, William	09/28/1886	unknown (coal miner)	unknown	crushed between a car & timber
Murphy	11/29/1886	C&A	Chenoa	legs crushed in collision

Erwin, Robert	2/4/1887	IB&W	Danvers	walked into moving train
Gubler, Jacob	2/14/1887	IB&W	Bloomington	fell into moving train
O'Hara, William	2/26/1887	McLean County Coal Co.	Bloomington	crushed between two coal cars
Johnson, George	3/1/1888	IB&W	Bloomngton	jumped from car
Downey, Eugene	3/22/1888	C&A	near Roodhouse	cut in two by drive wheels
Downey, John	8/18/1888	C&A	Bloomington	run over by train
Brown, George H.	6/27/1891	C&A	Williamsville	wreck atWilliamsville
Brown, John	12/28/1891	Vanordstrand's Packing House	unknown	fell in vat of boiling water
Willen, Richard	1/25/1892	Colfax coal mine	Colfax	caught between car and timbers
Ridge, B Franklin	2/3/1892	C&A	Chenoa	fell attempting to connect car/engine
Dubois, William L.	2/4/1892	C&A	Joliet grade	locomotive explosion
Brandon, Hiram	2/3/1892	C&A	Joliet grade	locomotive explosion
Hastings, Grant S.	2/3/1892	C&A	Joliet grade	locomotive explosion
Gregory, H.S.	02/26/1892	C&A	Atlanta	fell off train
Zimmerman, Otto	6/3/1892	C&A	Near Ballard/Chenoa	struck by locomotive
Maher, James	8/24/1892	Bailey & Plumb painters	Towanda	fell from roof of Jones Bros Elevator
Drenner, Joseph A.	10/10/1892	C&A	Odell	crushed by train cars
Rauschka, Charles	6/21/1893	McLean County Coal Co.	Bloomington	buried under two tons of coal
Fox, James	7/20/1893	Big Four	Gilliam	hit in the head by mail catcher
Stone, W.H.	8/8/1893	Big Four	Danville	freight train collision
Riser, John	8/9/1893	Illinois Central Depot	Bloomington	fell under the wheels of an engine
Sanders, Herman	12/19, 1893	Colfax coal mine	Colfax	fell down mine shaft
Buck, John	9/26/1894	John Vanordstrand farm	west of Heyworth	pushed off cart, horse ran over him
Able, Duty	11/30/1894	Colfax coal mine	Colfax	Fell when cable broke
McDonald, John	11/30/1894	Colfax coal mine	Colfax	Fell when cable broke
McGotrick, Thomas	12/1/1894	C&A	Joliet	crushed between cars
Norton, Malachi	01/16/1895	C&A	Bloomington	struck while cleaning road bed
Dagenhart, Phillip	02/07/1895	C&A	Bloomington	fell off train
Wakely, George C	7/25/1895	C&A	Springfield	crushed in the Alton yards
Kirwin, John	12/13/1895	C&A	Bloomington	run over
Crawford, James	8/21/1896	C&A	Bloomington	run over
Stevens, Guy L	8/31/1897	C&A	Tallula, IL	collided with coal chutes
Mowrey, Cal	7/17/1889	Colfax coal mine	Colfax	crushed by falling rock
Kelley, Henry	2/20/1899	Illinois Central	Minonk	run over by train while coupling cars
Doyle, Charles	2/23/1899	C&A	Lexington	pinched by couplers
Fitzpatrick, James	3/20/1899	St. Louis, Peoria & Northern RR	Bloomington	hit by train while alighting from freight
Osman, Jacob	12/11/1899	McLean County Coal Co.	Bloomington	clothing caught in machinery

Lyons, Patrick	1/4/1900	IC	Bloomington	flagman struck at Grove St. crossing
Mober, Peter R.	2/2/1900	C&A	North of Normal	struck by train and instantly killed
Fitman, Joseph	2/27/1900	L E & W railroad	Paxton	fell making coupling, run over
Kelly, John	3/21/1900	C&A	Near Godfrey	Culvert construction accident
Sullivan, John	4/19/1900	C&A	Tallula, IL	Fell from coal chute (died in Blm.)
Thornton, Harry	9/10/1900	Crew wrecking McLean Co. Court.	Bloomington	Crushed to death by a falling wall
Jaspers, Thomas	10/25/1900	C&A	Joliet	Crushed while throwing a switch
O'Donnell, Thomas	2/8/1901	C&A	Bloomington	struck while cleaning road bed
Lane, Ernie	4/9/1901	Flying Wards	Chicago	fall practicing trapeze act
Sheehan, Cornelius	8/22/1901	C&A	Prentice	head-on collision
Adams, John	8/22/1901	C&A	Prentice	head-on collision
Bria, Joseph	8/28/1901	Chenoa Coal Co	Chenoa	accident at the coal shaft
Barietto, Joseph	8/28/1901	Chenoa Coal Co	Chenoa	accident at the coal shaft
Jones, Thomas	8/28/1901	Chenoa Coal Co	Chenoa	accident at the coal shaft
Calveti, Bonnio	8/28/1901	Chenoa Coal Co	Chenoa	accident at the coal shaft
Fike, Frank	10/26/1901	C&A	North of Lexington	run over
Marchbank, John W.	10/30/1901	C&A	Lemont	Thrown from caboose
Young, James	11/7/1901	Dynamiting stumps in Danvers	Danvers	Was blown up by dynamite
Ramage, William J.	11/20/1901	C&A	Manchester	collision of two trains
Brewer, I. N.	7/1/1902	Colfax coal mine	Colfax	large rock fell atop him
Palmer, Edgar	8/15, 1902	C&A	Cayuga	Hit by engine
Gray, John H.	10/1/1902	City of Bloomington electrician	Bloomington	Electrocuted
McComb, Charles G	12/10/1902	Alexander & White	St. Louis	Fall from building at World's Fair
Denson, Ed A.	6/27/1903	Inter-State	Pleasanton, Kansas	run over
Upton, Frank	9/8/1903	C&A	Bloomngton	explosion
Erickson, Gust	3/18/1904	McLean County Coal Co.	Bloomington	crushed between coal cars
Luckey, Ira B.	10/9/1904	C&A	Bloomington	struck while loading water
Carlson, Gustav	10/11/1904	C&A	Bloomington	crushed while repairing coal car
Carlson, Charles	11/27/1904	LE&W	Bloomington	engine collided with another train
Shannon, Thomas F.	11/28/1904	C&A	Bloomington	crushed between cars
Rees, Ora C	12/6/1904	C&A	Bloomington	struck by derailed car
Paddy, William	1/30/1905	Big Four	near Danvers	explosion on locomotive
Fricke, Rudolph	2/3/1905	Illinois Central	Bloomington	caught between cars
Rethwisch, Charles	1/4/1906	Illinois, Indiana, Iowa RR	Kankakee	jumped frm caboose in front of another train
Gordon, Clinton F.	9/15/1906	C&A	Mazonia	fell off train
Britten, Guy C.	8/8/1907	Illinois Traction System	Danvers	electrocuted while working on work car
Lanchester, Charles	7/4/1908	Illinois Traction System	Minier	burns

Pfohman, Herman	5/20/1909	C&A	Bloomington	fell under a coal car
Farrell, John	8/6/1909	McLean County Coal Co	Bloomington	fell down air shaft
Krueger, Ferdinand	1/11/1910	Union Gas & Electric Co.	Bloomington	explosion
Eddy, George N.	1/11/1910	Union Gas & Electric Co.	Bloomington	explosion
Lostutter, Lon	1/11/1910	Union Gas & Electric Co.	Bloomington	explosion
Hoover, A. K.	1/12/1910	C&A	Bloomington	slipped while coupling
Williams, G. R.	2/10/1910	Alton RR	Bloomington	struck by train
Morgan, Hardy	5/13/1910	Big Four	Danvers	caught on a bridge, run down
Cruse, Alvin	7/26/1910	C&A	Bloomington	run over by engine
Crandall, June W.	8/30/1910	Bloomington waterworks	Bloomington	ditch cave-in
Schaum, Carlisle	10/29/1910	C&A	Bloomington	fell from engine he was repairing
Augspurger, Jacob	1/24/1912	C&A	Bloomington	Caught between cars
Orr, Joseph	7/9/1912	C&A (died 7/13/12 from injuries)	Bloomington	struck by cinder car
Athos, Peter	3/6/1913	Alton RR	1 mile south of Blm.	caught between two trains
Peer, William	2/14/1913	Chicago & Alton	Bloomington	struck by car
Moreau, George	5/19/1914	C&A	Bloomington	Crushed between engine and car
Trader, Rolla	5/26/1914	laborer (well digger)	Normal	fell into well, neck broken
Ekstam, Henry	9/11/1914	C&A	Chenoa	fell off train
Moran, Andrew	10/12/1914	C&A	Bloomington	stepped in front of train
Sullivan, Daniel	10/29/1914	C&A	Bloomington	drowned in cinder pit
Damaske, Henry	11/8/1914	G. H. Read & Bros. (hardware)	Bloomington	fell from scaffold
Crosby, James J.	11/15/1914	C&A	Bloomington	run over by switch engine
Taylor, W.H.	9/15/1915	High School ?	Bloomington ?	scaffolding he was on collapsed
Trimmer, Walter H.	1/25/1917	C&A	Bloomington	Scalded to death
Lawler, Charles	3/30/1917	C&A	south of Ocoya	collision
Leininger, Herbert	3/30/1917	C&A	south of Ocoya	collision
Spencer, Albert	7/3/1917	C&A	Shirley	struck by train
Cheney, Lyman	7/11/1917	Light Company	Anderson, IN	Electrocuted
Conklin, Charles S.	11/2/1917	C&A	Joliet	engine derailed
Granacher, Albert	3/16/1918	C&A	Dwight yards	fell from train car
Cunning, Francis	8/11/1919	Pantagraph	Bloomington	crushed beneath roll of paper
Givens, Edward O.	3/29/1920	Keystone Steel & Wire Co.	Bartonville	crushed by a crane
Griffin, Thomas	9/8/1920	C&A	Shirley	boiler explosion
Robbins, W. L.	9/8/1920	C&A	Shirley	boiler explosion
Givens, Edward C.	3/29/1920	Keystone Steel and Wire	Bartonville	killed by crane
Fauntz, John W.	10/19/1920	Portable Elevator Company	Bloomington	result of burns sustained at work
Downey, Harold	2/26/1921	C&A	C&A shops	explosion when repairing gas tanker

Niedermeyer, Charles	3/23/1921	McLean County Coal Co.	Bloomington	fell down a mine shaft
Krueger, T. A.	7/15/1921	C&A	Bloomington	struck by an engine
McAdams, Thomas	1/23/1922	C&A	Bloomington	fell under tender
Platt, Thomas	7/4/1922	Unknown Dairy	Bloomington	Milk truck hit by train
Neal, William E.	11/15/1922	Bloomington streets department	Bloomington	struck by Lake Erie passenger train
Sandobal, Bernarbe	10/16/1925	C&A	Bloomington	fell under train
Abbott, Lawrence	5/27/1927	IC	Merna	fell off speeder (small rail car)
Cowden, Charles E.	10/25/1927	farmer	Bloomington	fell from scaffolding
Montanez, Christodal	5/1/1928	C&A	Bloomington	fell under train
Carlson, Albert	5/6/1929	C&A	St. Louis	struck signal post / Normal resident
Smith, Leo	6/11/1932	CIPS	Bellflower	electrocuted trimming limbs
Clough, Ben W.	1/3/1933	Model Laundry	Bloomington	scalded to death in tank of water
Burkhart, Harry J.	2/27/1933	Feed grinding mill in Covell	Covell	Tuck hit by train
Braker, Edward	2/13/1935	unknown (electrician at St Farm)	Bloomington	fell when scaffold collapsed
Dwinnells, Robert	12/12/1937	Illinois Power Company	East Peoria	touched high voltage at substation
Simmons, Stanley	6/23/1939	unknown ("steeplejack")	Bloomington	fell down smokestack
Chambers, E. H.	2/17/1943	Williams Oil-O-Matic war plant	Bloomington	pinned against truck at loading dock
Irvin, James F.	2/21/1943	C&A	Bloomington	unknown (found in Alton yards)
Seyfrit, August G.	2/26/1943	C&A	Virden	train hit gasoline truck on tracks
Sinclair, Russel	2/26/1943	Jerseyville Oil Truck Driver	Virden	train hit gasoline truck on tracks
Fleming, Ray E.	3/22/1943	C&A	Bloomington	train collision in yard
Drake, W. N.	1/24/1944	C&A	Bloomington	struck by train at Alton depot
Martin, Frank	8/10/1944	C&A	Chicago	struck by a cable in rail yard
Mason, Marvin	5/16/1946	Wagner Stone Quarry	near Ocoya	mangled in stone crusher
Nowatski, Henry	4/1/1947	C&A	Bloomington	fall from moving train
Hughes, Lawrence	9/10/1951	GM&O	Bloomington	struck by train
Mata, Gustavo	5/21/1957	George J. Meyer Well Drilling Co	Fairbury	overcome by gas while drilling a well
Sladky, George Louis	6/23/1961	Sherman Olson Contractors	Bloomington	crushed loading crane on flatcar
May, Howard	1/16/1968	Darnall Concrete Products Co	Normal	crushed between two trucks
Wilson, Jay	4/29/1987	Wilson Trucking Co of Heyworth	Pontiac (5 miles S)	truck struck by Amtrak train
Martinez-Juarez, Jose	12/11/2004	Broeren Russo (contractor)	Bloomington	concrete wall collapsed
White, Steven D.	12/27/2009	Stark Excavating Inc.	Normal	column collapsed from building
Powell, David R.	4/12/2011	Union Roofing	Normal	Fell from a roof and had head injuries
Burleson, Michael	8/21/2012	Cargill	Bloomington	fall in elevator near storage area
Condor, Darrin W.	1/4/2014	Condor Construction II (owner)	Bloomngton	fall while siding a house

## Public Service

<b>NAME</b>	<b>DATE (death or newspaper article)</b>	<b>EMPLOYER</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>CIRCUMSTANCES</b>
Luby, Maurice	3/8/1912	Bloomington Fire Dept.	Bloomington	heart attack at fire scene
Burns, Lawrence F.	1/20/1922	Bloomington Fire Dept.	Bloomington	fell from icy roof at fire scene
Moline, Walfried	5/10/1928	Bloomington Fire Dept.	Bloomington	J. E. Will and Co. fire / wall collapse
Payton, Louis	5/10/1928	Bloomington Fire Dept. (volunteer)	Bloomington	J. E. Will and Co. fire / wall collapse
Payton, Frank	5/30/1928	Bloomington Fire Dept.	Bloomington	J. E. Will and Co. fire / injuries
Penn, Jack	8/13/1931	Bloomington Police Dept.	Bloomington	hit by automobile
Vonsar, A. L.	1/28/1935	Deputy sheriff	Bloomington	fatal gunshot by bandit