

The tank of a gasoline stove in F. W. Hanson's tailor shop caught fire, this Tuesday forenoon, and only by quick movements on the part of Geo. E. Plant, was the fire smothered out before an explosion occurred. Attracted by the screams of the ladies employed in the shop, he saw the blaze and ran upstairs, arriving just in the right moment to prevent what might have proven a serious fire.

December 7, 1906, Enterprise, p. 1, Evansville, Wisconsin

The old tenement house just west of the Congregational parsonage, has been moved to Almeron street where it will be fitted up as a residence for Fred W. Hanson. This house is one of the old landmarks in this city, but its place was needed by B. A. Meyers, who is to erect a modern house for himself this season.

April 11, 1907, Evansville Review, Evansville, Wisconsin

Hansen, the tailor, has moved his shops to other rooms in the Economy flats, and now occupies the central rooms.

July 25, 1907, Evansville Review, Evansville, Wisconsin

## F. W. HANSEN

F. W. Hansen was born in Lund, Sweden, in 1871, received his education there, spent four years at Lund learning his trade, then moved to a larger city, finally receiving his journeyman papers after a five years apprenticeship. He then traveled in Denmark and Norway, working for some of the largest firms in the leading cities of these countries. He then came to the United States, working in Philadelphia, Chicago, Selma, Alabama, and finally to Evansville, where he has the leading merchant tailoring business of the city. Fastidious dressers and people of means from Janesville, Madison, Rockford and other centers gladly come to Evansville to place their orders for suits or coats



F. W. Hansen

in the hands of Mr. Hansen. He has several Chicago customers also, and has built up a splendid class of trade which is thoroughly appreciated by the people of Evansville.

Mr. Hansen employs three expert tailors, doing most of the cutting himself. He is essentially a high-class merchant tailor and all his work is evidence of this fact.

Having the grit and well known integrity of his race, he has, in his six years residence in Evansville, come to the front and won recognition among his fellow citizens.

February 24, 1910, Illustrated Prospectus of Evansville, Wis. supplement to the Evansville Review

F. W. Hansen has bought the tailoring business of George Wiggins and will combine the two. He will occupy the shop recently vacated by Mr. Wiggins in the basement of the Shively block where he will be pleased to meet all of his old customers as well as new ones.

August 1, 1912, P. 5, col. 2, Evansville, Wisconsin

F. W. Hansen has moved his tailor shop from the basement of the Shivley building and is now occupying the west store room of the Wm. Wood building, opposite the Grange bank. This gives him a desirable room to work in.

January 16, 1913, p. 5, col. 2, Evansville Review, Evansville, Wisconsin

# F. W. Hansen

## MERCHANT TAILOR

*Call and see our full line of*

*Spring and Summer Suitings*

Pressing, Repairing and French Dry  
Cleaning

at Reasonable Rates

**F. W. HANSEN**  
YOUR TAILOR

In the Wm. Wood Building, Opposite Grange Bank  
EVANSVILLE, WISCONSIN

January 23, 1913, Evansville Review, Evansville, Wisconsin

LOTS FOR SALE.—Desirable lot, over 5 by 12 rods in size, on Garfield Ave. between First and Second streets. One lot 4 by 8 rods, east front, on Liberty St. Good six room house and lot on Water street. For particulars, see F. W. Hansen.

February 6, 1913, "Classified ads" Evansville Review, Evansville, Wisconsin

F. W. Hansen has sold his house on Water Street to Le Roy Williamson, who will take possession the middle of next month.

January 28, 1915, Evansville Review, p. 5, col. 2, Evansville, Wisconsin

F. W. Hansen has traded his house on Almeron street for the Will Blakeley house on Garfield Avenue.

February 25, 1915, Evansville Review, p. 5, col. 1, Evansville, Wisconsin

# Thanksgiving Suits

Will Your New Suit Be?  
Ready for Thanksgiving?

Of course you will want your new suit for Thanksgiving day. Better order it now and let me take your measure at once.

**Better Fit. Better Construction  
Made for You Alone**

Why Take a Chance on Ready-Made?

**F. W. HANSEN**

Evansville,

"TAILOR FOR ALL MEN"

Wisconsin

November 8, 1917, Evansville Review, Evansville, Wisconsin

## NEW HARNESS SHOP TO START SOON

One of the new business propositions that will start the first of the year, in Evansville, is a harness shop that will be opened by Fred Putnam, in the building formerly occupied by Fred Hansen, as a tailor shop. This is a good location and the new venture should do a good business right from the start.

January 2, 1919, Evansville Review, Evansville, Wisconsin

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hansen were in Madison Monday attending the commencement exercises at the University of Wisconsin. Their son, Donald, was a member of the graduating class.

June 26, 1930, Evansville Review, p. 1, col. 6, Evansville, Wisconsin

**F. W. HANSEN, LOCAL  
TAILOR, OBSERVING  
37TH ANNIVERSARY**

Fred W. Hansen, who has cleaned and pressed clothing apparel sewed on buttons, and designed and made fellow citizens' suits since his arrival way back in 1903, is this week observing his thirty-seventh anniversary here as a tailor merchant.

He has been transacting business in the same location at 3 West Main street, west of Carr's grocery, for the past 22 years.

Born in Lund, Sweeden, Mr. Hansen, a prominent member of the Evansville Lions club, started to learn the tailoring trade at the age of 15 and worked for several years as an apprentice in the old country.

He came to America in 1892 finding employment in a tailor shop at Philadelphia.

During the World's fair in 1893, the tailor came West to Chicago and following a year's employment there located in Madison where he was employed for two years with the Grinde-Schmedeman-Quanan firm. Mr. Schmedeman of that firm later became governor of Wisconsin.

Upon leaving Madison, Mr. Hansen went into business for himself at Selma, Ala. He remained in the South for five years, but because of ill health was obliged to return to Madison where he worked for Schmedeman and Bailey.

Mr. Hansen came to Evansville in 1903 renting half of the I. A. Taggart store then located in the building now housing the Nesbit Liquor store on West Main street. He later moved his shop to the Wood building now occu-

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February 24, 1938, Evansville Review, p. 1, col. 2, Evansville, Wisconsin

A son was born on Tuesday of last week to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hansen, Champaign, Ill. Mr. Hansen, a former local resident is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hansen, this city.

February 20, 1941, Evansville Review, p. 5, col. 2, Evansville, Wisconsin

For Rent. Eight room modern house on Garfield Avenue, available July 1. Inquire of F. W. Hansen at Hansen Tailor Shop, 3 West Main Street. Telephone 48-W or 253-W.

June 5, 1941, Evansville Review, p. 4, col. 3, Evansville, Wisconsin

to continue her studies as a home economist this fall.

## Fred W. Hansen Dies In Home Saturday

### Evansville Business Man For 40 Years Succumbs From Heart Ailment

A tailor for 40 years in Evansville, F. W. Hansen, 71, well known local business man, died at 3 p.m. Saturday in his home on Grove street after a two days' illness of heart trouble. He had been about his business as usual until two days previously although he had been suffering with a heart ailment for five years.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Monday in the Congregational church with the Rev. Grant V. Clark, pastor, officiating. Miss Bernardine Gillman played the chapel music. Burial was in the Cooksville cemetery with Martin Anderson, A. C. Holmes, E. S. Millard, M. L. Ellis, F. T. Durner and A. M. Winn serving as pall bearers. The arrangements were in charge of the Roderick funeral home.

Frederick William Hansen was born Nov. 9, 1871, in Lund, Sweden, where he grew to young manhood and received his education, then moving to a larger city and finally receiving his journeyman papers after a five-year apprenticeship. For some time he traveled in Denmark and Norway, working for some of the largest firms in the leading cities of those countries before coming to the United States.

Prior to coming to Evansville in 1903, Mr. Hansen worked in Philadelphia, Chicago and Selma, Ala. For 40 years he was the leading merchant tailor in Evansville. Mr. Hansen married Grace Salisbury of Oregon, Wis., Dec. 30, 1898, and they spent most of their married life here.

His cheery smile and greeting to everybody made Mr. Hansen one of the most popular business men of the city. He was a leader in church and civic affairs and he took special interest in the city schools. A member of

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the Evansville Congregational church, he served as a trustee until his death, was a deacon and assistant treasurer and served as an usher, even ushering at the morning services a week ago Sunday.

He was a leader in conducting the USO drive here several months ago and also, in cooperation with a Madison firm, opened his tailor shop last fall for the reception of discarded furs which were sent to be made into vests for the men serving in the armed forces in extreme cold countries.

Mr. Hansen was a charter member of the Evansville Lions club, served on various committees in the club and last year was made an honorary president of the group.

Survivors are his wife; five children, Mrs. Stanley Naysmith, Auburn, Wash., Mrs. A. J. Kramer, Chicago, Mrs. C. W. Osgood, Wauwatosa, Dr. Donald Hansen, Champaign, Ill., and William Hansen, Michigan City, Ind.; 10 grandchildren; three brothers and five sisters in Sweden.

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#### DONALD F. HANSEN

Donald F. Hansen, 73, retired research biologist, 808 W. Iowa St., Urbana, Ill., died Monday afternoon, Feb. 6, 1978, in Mercy Hospital. Dr. Hansen was born Sept. 24, 1904, in Evansville, Wis., the son of Frederick and Grace Salisbury Hansen. He married Agnes Sodegren, Aug. 16, 1934.

Dr. Hansen retired from the Illinois State Natural History Survey in Aug. 1973 after almost 43 years of service. His special research interests included the ecology of the bluegill and their predation by largemouth bass, population changes and age determinations in fishes, the date of annual ring formation in fish scales, and the management of ponds and large reservoirs for better angling.

He was the author of more than 20 publications. As a member of the Champaign County Conservation Education Council, he edited the handbook, "Natural Resources of Champaign County." He was also one of a group of local residents who several years ago attempted to find a way in which to preserve Busey Woods as a conservation area.

Dr. Hansen was a member of the American Fisheries Society, a former president of the Izaak Walton League, and was in the Audubon Society. He also was a member of the American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists.

He joined the Survey as an assistant zoologist in Dec. 1930, after receiving his degree from the University of Wisconsin. He earned his master's in 1933 and his Ph. D. in 1938 from the University of Illinois.

He leaves his wife and four children, two sisters, Mrs. C. W. Osgood of Milwaukee and Mrs. Helen Toigo of Cooksville, and a brother, William Hansen of London, England.

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February 16, 1978, Evansville Review, p. 2, col. 5, Evansville, Wisconsin

#### **WILLIAM HANSEN**

William Hansen died Jan. 15, 1992 at Ojai Valley Community Hospital in California.

Mr. Hansen was born on Sept. 30, 1908 in Evansville. Following graduation from the Wisconsin School of Mines, he became involved in mining operations in Colorado.

Trained as a miner engineer, he joined the Sullivan Machine Co. selling mining equipment in South Africa. In 1946 Hansen joined a friend Bob Addison and they produced and sold a number of items, but were particularly successful with Venetian blinds. In 1951 the Hansens returned to America for two years before moving to England where Bill established a branch of his venetian blind business. His wife, Eleanore died in 1970 of Alzheimer's Disease. On a visit to his sister in Wisconsin, Bill met a close friend, Amelia Suby, whom he married and they returned to England. He remained in business there until retirement in 1980.

He is survived by his wife Amelia and by three children from his first marriage: daughter Janet, who lives in Greece; daughter Kristin, who lives in Australia; son Mark who lives in Los Angeles; and five grandchildren.

April 8, 1992, Evansville Review, p. 2, col. 4, Evansville, Wisconsin