

Holmes, F. R.

Married: Saturday morning March 10 at 10:30 o'clock by Rev. Mr. Short, Miss Lucy Moore of this city and Mr. Frank Holmes of Racine. The bride is the elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Moore of this city, at whose home the marriage was performed. She was reared and educated in this city and has gathered to herself many friends. The groom is a resident of Racine where he is employed as a painter in the carriage works. The happy couple left on the noon train for their new home in Racine accompanied by the well wishes of many friends.

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## EVANSVILLE STEAM LAUNDRY

The Evansville Steam Laundry is one of the best equipped laundries in the state and a business enterprise which reflects great credit on its proprietor, F. R. Holmes, who has resided here for five years. Cities of five and ten thousand population cannot boast of a better steam laundry than Evansville's in point of general equipment, the large investment represented and the style and finish of the work that is turned out.



F. R. Holmes

The Evansville Steam Laundry represents a cash investment in machinery alone of nearly \$4,000. Chief among the modern machines in use are the four immense washing machines, the best that money can buy, the flat work ironer and the collar and cuff machines.

To place an equipment of this nature in a city of 2,000 population required enterprise and nerve, but time has proved the wisdom and foresight of Mr. Holmes, for the Evansville people have responded to his efforts in the proper spirit of appreciation and patronage, so that the Evansville Steam Laundry, with its half dozen skilled employes, is one of the busiest and best patronized establishments in the city.

F. R. Holmes is, in fact, a scientific launderer, a city man by education and experience. His business rule in life is that the best service demands the best tools, and that people are willing to pay for high class work. This has been a life long theory with Mr. Holmes, and he has proved it true by putting it into practice. He was born in New York state, and came to Chicago at the age of twenty-one, entering one of the city's largest laundries, where he learned every angle of the business.

Since coming to Evansville Mr. Holmes has added yearly large sums of money to his original investment in his laundry plant. He has also become identified with the social and fraternal life of the city and is ready at all times to put his shoulder to the wheel and help give the old town a boost. Evansville needs more citizens like Mr. Holmes, men of ready nerve, quick action and sound business judgment.

F. R. Holmes and wife have moved in the Evans house next to the laundry. Mrs. L. Dixon who formerly lived there has stored her household goods for the present.

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Snow Ball has become so great in popularity that it is necessary to limit the number of couples who may attend, so that the dance floor doesn't become too crowded for enjoyable dancing.

## Evansville Native Dies Last Friday

### Funeral Rites For Mrs. F. R. Holmes Are Held Monday In M. E. Church

Mrs. F. R. Holmes, 74, died Friday morning in Mercy hospital, Janesville, after a long illness. The body was taken to the Allen funeral home.

The former Lucile Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moore, she was born April 25, 1875, in Evansville, and was educated in Evansville

schools. She was married to F. R. Holmes, Syracuse, N. Y., March 10, 1900. They lived in Janesville and Stoughton before coming here in 1905. Until his death Jan 21, 1946, they had operated the Evansville laundry.

Mrs. Holmes was a member and past officer of the Eastern Star and Women's Relief Corps and an honorary member of the Past Matrons Chain.

Surviving are a sister, Mrs. William Allen, Evansville, and several nieces and nephews, including Alton and Robert Allen, Evansville.

The funeral was at 2 p. m. Monday in the Methodist church, the Rev. James Saunders, Methodist pastor, officiating. Burial was in Maple Hill cemetery, with F. S. Lewis, Everett P. Combs, C. S. Franklin, Orville Jones, Eugene Martin and M. D. Fish acting as pall bearers. Mrs. Eugene Martin sang "Beyond the Sunset," and "Sometime We'll Understand," accompanied by Mrs. C. W. Hazlett.

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