

# Death Takes Mrs. Morrow

*Was Mother-in-Law of  
Lindbergh*

Englewood, N. J. — (AP) — Mrs. Dwight W. Morrow, noted educator and writer, is dead at 81. She was the mother-in-law of Charles A. Lindbergh.

The widow of the former ambassador to Mexico and United States senator died at her home Sunday night. She had been ill for two months, but the family declined to give the cause of death.

When her husband died in 1931, Mrs. Morrow was asked by both major political parties to try for his senate seat. But she turned down these suggestions because she wanted to retire to private life.

The following year Mrs. Morrow was back in the public spotlight through the tragic kidnapping of her grandson, the Lindbergh baby. This experience led her to write the poignant poems "Saint of the Lost," "Hostage" and "Asphodel."

## Was Acting Prexy.

Born Elizabeth Cutter in Cleveland, Ohio, she was graduated from Smith college in 1896. Mrs. Morrow was made acting president of the college in 1939—the first woman to hold such a post.

It was in 1903 that she married Morrow, who then was a leading financier. Before that she was a teacher of English, history and French.

In a June, 1940 radio broadcast, Mrs. Morrow called for United States aid to England and France "as a matter of self interest" and in every way "short of actually declaring war" against Germany.

This broadcast followed by a month a talk in which her son-in-law, Lindbergh, attacked hysterical chatter of calamity and invasion" and advised against "meddling with affairs abroad."

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Anne Morrow Lindbergh and Mrs. Aubrey Neil Morgan, and a son, Dwight W. Morrow, jr.

Chancellor Robert R. Livingston, New York, administered the

## Area Deaths

**Ola Ray Perkins**  
SUNFIELD, Jan. 8—Ola Ray Perkins, 61, of Vermontville, died Friday morning at the home after a four-month illness. Born March 7, 1893, in Bankers, Mich., he spent his younger days in the Sunfield area. He had lived in Vermontville for 2½ years after many years in Battle Creek. Survivors are the widow, Mabel; three sons, Clifford of Lansing and Kenneth and Melvin of Vermontville; his foster-father, off-Norris Perkins of Sunfield; two sisters, Mrs. Jake Berkley of Detroit and Miss Elsie Case of Ruth; one brother, William Case of Dundee, six grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. The funeral will be at 2 p. m. Sunday at Mapes funeral home, Sunfield, with Rev. Glenn Rairigh officiating, and burial will be in Freemire cemetery.

## Area Funerals

**Mrs. Bernice Smith**  
VERMONTVILLE, Jan. 8—Funeral services for Mrs. Bernice Smith, 76, will be held at the Otto funeral home here Sunday at 2:30 p. m. Rev. Marcus E. Taber of the Methodist church will officiate, and burial will be in Patterson cemetery, north of here. Mrs. Smith, who had been ill several years, died Thursday at a convalescent home in Nashville.

## Mrs. Fila Hitt Taken by Death

Mrs. Fila Hitt, a life time resident of rural Woodland, passed away Friday morning, November 19 at a Kalamazoo hospital after a two month illness. She was 98 years old.

She was born September 4, 1866 in Woodland township, Barry county, the daughter of John and Elizabeth Hitt. Mrs. Hitt was a member of the Kilpatrick United Brethren church.

Surviving are two nieces, Lucy Velte of Woodland and Goldie Thompson of Charlotte, and two nephews, Charles and Leo Hitt of Woodland.

The Rev. Harold Green, of the Kilpatrick United Brethren church, officiated at funeral services which were held at the Mapes Funeral home on Sunday, November 21, at two o'clock. Interment was made in Woodland cemetery.

Pallbearers were Reuben Wolcott, Robert Berry, Carl Hefflower, Lee Sheldon, Perry Lehman and Orlon Yank.