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"Tidbits of Starke County History".....

Politics ---- We sure have had a lot of campaigning during the past several weeks - radio, newspaper, TV. When I was a kid, we didn't have TV, but I remember the attached ad in the newspaper for Henry F. Schricker (Starke County native), running for Governor of Indiana. Notice in the center of the ad it says, "If you want Starke County to grow, it will be **Quicker**, with Henry **Schricker**".

This ad was in 1940, and Schricker served two nonconsecutive terms from 1941-1945 and 1949-1953. He was the only Indiana Governor to have achieved this feat. He was very popular. During his first term as Governor, he was chosen by Franklin D. Roosevelt to be his Vice-President running mate on Roosevelt's 4th term for office. The following site tells about this honor -- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Henry F. Schricker Had he accepted this high calling, Starke County would now have a United States Presidential Library and Museum instead of the one in Independence, Missouri. As you remember, Harry S. Truman was chosen as Roosevelt's VP running mate after Schricker declined.

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http://www.starkehistory.com
http://www.scpl.lib.in.us/historical/

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