

Sunday, March 16, 1952

## LOUIS WORTHMAN DIES AT HOSPITAL SUNDAY

### Prominent Retired Farmer Dies Sunday

Louis Worthman, 92, prominent retired farmer of near Preble, died at 2:15 o'clock Sunday morning at the Adams county memorial hospital. He had been confined to the hospital since suffering a broken hip in a fall six weeks ago.

Mr. Worthman, a lifelong resident of the county and member of a prominent pioneer family, was born in Preble township, Feb. 18, 1860, a son of Ernst and Elizabeth Holsmna [sic]- Worthman. His wife, the former Sophia Bloemker, died Nov. 15, 1915.

Mr. Worthman was a member of the Salem Evangelical and Reformed church at Magley.

Surviving are two daughters, Miss Amanda Worthman and Mrs. Ella Scherry, both of Decatur, route 2; four sons, Lewis, Adams county commissioner, Ernest, former county assessor and now executive secretary of the local Moose lodge, the Rev. Edward Worthman of Kiel, Wisc., and the Rev. Matthew Worthman of Bluffton; 24 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; one brother, August Worthman of Decatur, route 1, and a sister, Mrs. Carolina Fruchte of Decatur, route 2. Four sons, 2 daughters, one brother and two sisters preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Salem Evangelical and Reformed church at Magley, the Rev. H. E. Settlage officiating. Burial will be in the Magley cemetery. The body was removed to the Jahn funeral home at Bluffton, where friends may call until time of the services.

**"Salem United Church of Christ in Magley" by Lila Kruetzman Rauner**

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