

Monday, March 20, 1939

Funeral for S. B. Hirschy Here Tuesday

84-Year-Old Local Man Dies Saturday from Pneumonia; Former Teacher

Samuel B. Hirschy, aged 84, well-known local retired farmer and school teacher, died at 5 o'clock Saturday evening at the Elmer Winteregg home at 566 Baltimore St., in the northwest part of Berne. Mrs. Winteregg is a daughter of Mr. Hirschy.

The funeral will be Tuesday afternoon at 1:15 o'clock at the Winteregg home and at 1:30 o'clock at the Mennonite Church, Dr. C. H. Suckau officiating. Burial will be in the M.R.E. Cemetery.

Mr. Hirschy died from pneumonia, following an illness of three weeks. He became ill with a cold and this turned into influenza and later into pneumonia. His advanced age made it doubly hard for him to fight off the disease and his condition was serious several days before he died.

Mr. Hirschy was well and widely known. He was always greatly interested along scientific lines and devoted considerable time to studying new inventions and discoveries.

Mr. Hirschy was a school teacher for 16 terms. He taught in Hartford Township and in other schools in Adams County. Later he moved to Blue Creek Township where he farmed for many years. One year ago he sold his farm and moved to Berne, staying with his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Winteregg and family.

The deceased was born in Hartford Township, April 28, 1854, a son of Ludwig and Magdalena Bergholder Hirschy. He grew to manhood on his father's farm and on April 24, 1881 was united in marriage to Miss Christina Luginbill. The marriage was solemnized at the local Mennonite Church.

Surviving are the widow, and the following children: Wm. Hirschy, east of Berne; Mrs. Elmer (Dora) Winteregg, Berne; Mrs. Alfred (Barbara) Habegger, Busby, Montana; Gilbert Hirschy of near Decatur, and Mrs. Mabel Johnston of Decatur.

One brother survives, Solomon Hirschy, Oak Forest, Australia, who teaches in a mission school. The following half-sisters and half-brothers survive: Mrs. Lena Klopfenstein, Howe, Ind.; Mrs. Susan Klopfenstein, Bluffton, Ind.; Abe and George Hirschy, Memphis, Tenn., and Mrs. Rebecca Musser of Berne.

The following children proceeded: Mrs. Lucinda Leightner, Mrs. Helen Neuenschwander and Pearl Hirschy. Brothers and sisters who proceeded were Philip, Anna, Lydia, Peter, Jonathan, Jonas and Katie.

Mr. Hirschy was baptized by the late Rev. Henry Egle of the Defenseless Mennonite Church. He was always considerate of others when in need or distress. Mr. Hirschy lived above petty things and had his thoughts anchored on God and the Eternal.

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