

### Another Pioneer Gone

With the death of Henry W. Schneider, 88, which occurred Saturday morning, July 30th, 1937, at his home south of town, another of Wheatland's early pioneers has gone to his eternal rest.

Mr. Schneider had been in ill health and with failing eyesight for a few years past, but about two months ago fell and broke his hip, from which he never recovered.

Mr. Schneider was born August 13, 1848, in Wunderhausen, Westphalia, Germany, and came to America in 1857, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig Schneider, and four brothers, all of whom are now deceased. They settled on the farm owned by Franz Homrighausen, Jr., tilling the fertile prairies under the difficulties experienced by those early pioneers.

He received his early baptism in Germany, but was confirmed in St. Pauls Reformed church of this place, and it was in this church that he was united in marriage Dec 1, 1881, to Miss Louise Schneider, by Rev. Fr. Dieckmann.

For five years they lived on the farm now owned by Gus Vens, later purchasing the farm south of town which has since been their home. Nine children were born to them, three preceding the father in death.

Surviving are the aged wife and six children, Mrs. Clara Knabel of Wheatland, Mrs. Amelia Ackermann of Detroit, Mich, Herbert of Davenport, and Louis, William and Verna at home. He also leaves seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, besides a number of other relatives and friends.

Henry W., as he was more familiarly known, was a man well known throughout this section of the country, and among his associates of the earlier days he was admired as a man of surprising strength. Altho spare in frame, his strength and agility won him many friendly contests, especially when "stick-pulling" was a real art. Few men ever defeated him at that game. He was also a lifelong Democrat, and remained active in local politics for many years.

Funeral services were held at the home Monday afternoon at 1:30, and at St. Pauls church at 2 o'clock. Rev. A. C. Fischer officiated, and Mrs. Norman Bope, Mrs. Ella Zeller, Mrs. Walter Thiele and Mrs. Lydia Schneider sang "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere," "Safe in the Arms of Jesus" and "Nearer My God to Thee." Wilma Riedesel presided at the pipe organ.

Pallbearers were Ed Siegmund, Fred Witte, Sr., Ed Laschanky, Geo. Strackbein, Phillip Knoche and Henry Knoche. In charge of flowers were Mrs. Ed Laschanky, Mrs. Henry Knoche and Mrs. Albert Strackbein.

Burial was made in St. Pauls cemetery.

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His wife was related but not too closely.

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