

## **Casper Durtschi**

**Oct. 9, 1884 – January 17, 1954**

### **Casper Durtschi, Dies Sunday; Rites Held Wednesday**

Funeral services for Casper Durtschi, 69 years of age, prominent Washington township farmer, who passed away suddenly at 9:30 Sunday morning following a cerebral hemorrhage, were held at 1:30 Wednesday afternoon at the Shriner-Neushwander funeral home, Monroe.

The Rev. Paul C. Kehle, pastor of St. John's Evangelical and Reformed church, Monroe, officiated, and burial was in Greenwood cemetery.

Mr. Durtschi was occupied with the farm chores when he suffered the sudden cerebral hemorrhage. He passed away immediately.

### **Native of Switzerland**

A native of Switzerland, Mr. Durtschi was born in Canton Bern, Oct. 9, 1884, the son of Casper and Anna Weisenfluh Durtschi. He came to the United states in 1900 and first made cheese in Iowa county. On April 17, 1913, he was united in marriage to Elizabeth Jaggi, at Belleville. He operated a cheese factory near Barneveld before moving to the present farm in 1929.

Mr. Durtschi was a member of St. John's church, Monroe.

Surviving are his wife; five sons, Fred and Herman, both of Monticello, William, Stockton, Ill., Arthur, Brownwood, Texas, and Alvin, at home; five daughters, Mrs. Ernest Holz, Monticello, Mrs. Robert Alm, Mrs. Lloyd G. Siedschlag, and Mrs. John F. Black, Monroe; and Mrs. Robert Legler, Adams township; two brothers, John, Mt. Horeb, and Melchior, Portland, Ore.; and 15 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother and one sister in Switzerland.