

Jacob Chester Freitag

Oct. 6, 1916 – Jan. 1921

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Freitag, living three miles north of the village, mourn the death of their 4 year-old son, Jacob Chester Freitag, whose death occurred shortly after 10 o'clock Monday evening as the result of falling through a hay chute in the barn. The little fellow had accompanied his father to the hay mow and while the latter was throwing hay down to the cattle, the little fellow busied himself in throwing down hay for the calves. When Mr. Freitag finished his work he went down to spread the hay along the feedway, in a short time thereafter the child fell though one of the chutes near which he was standing, evidently slipping in some way. His head struck the cement floor and, although there was a light covering of hay over it, he received internal injuries which resulted in his death a few hours later. The child was conscious when picked up and carried to the house by Mr. Freitag, although it lapsed into unconsciousness a little later and remained in that condition until the lend. Dr. Blumer was called to attend the little one immediately following the accident.

The child was born on Oct. 6, 1916, and was therefore 4 years, 2 months and 27 days of age at the time of its death. Besides the bereaved parents, the child is survived by four brothers and five sisters, all of whom have the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community in their great and crushing sorrow.

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock this afternoon from the family home and interment was in the family lot in Highland cemetery. Rev. A. Muehlmeier conducted the services and a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends were in attendance.

(Tombstone name is Chester Freitag.)