Nicholas Bieri Nov. 29, 1849 – October 1933

Nicholas Bieri, 83, Answers Summons Death Occurs at Home of Niece, Mrs. Albert Weissmiller

Nicholas Bieri, for many years one of the unique characters of this section of the county, passed to his eternal reward at 3:30 Sunday afternoon following a several weeks' illness with infirmities due to advancing years. Mr. Bieri's death occurred at the home of his niece, Mrs. Albert Weissmiller, Monroe street, with whom he had made his home for the past four or five years.

Mr. Bieri would have been 84 years of age had he lived until the 29th of next month. He was a native of Switzerland where he was born Nov. 29, 1849. He came to this country with his parents at the age of four, the family first settling in Monroe and later on a farm north of that city in Washington. township. Three brothers and a sister preceded him in death.

Mr. Bieri was no doubt more familiar with the "lay of the land" in Green county than any other person, especially the timber tracts. In the prime of his life his one great hobby was that of hunting, and his specialty along that line was that of tracking down wolves. In fact, he was known far and wide as the "wolf hunter," and the county records will doubtless show that he has claimed more bounties on wolves during his life time than any other half dozen citizens in the county. So fond was he of this particular sport that he often made trips to other sections of the state on wolf hunting expeditions.

Mr. Bieri had been a frequent visitor in the business section of the village in recent years. He got a great deal of enjoyment in recounting incidents of former days with his acquaintances, and his familiar figure will henceforth be greatly missed by many villagers.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 at the Weissmiller home and at 2 in the Reformed church. Rev. A. Muehlmeier officiated. Interment was in the Benkert cemetery, Washington township.

(Benkert cemetery is also named Union or sometimes Loveland cemetery.)