## John Minnig June 6, 1889 - June 24, 1955

## John Minnig, Age 66, Esteemed Area Resident, Expires

John Minnig, 66 years of age, highly esteemed Washington township farmer, and formerly a prominent and widely known cheesemaker of the Monticello area, passed away at 7:05 a.m. Friday in the St. Clare hospital, Monroe. Mr. Minnig had been a medical patient at the hospital for approximately a week.

Funeral services were held at 2 Monday afternoon at the Shriner-Neushwander funeral home, Monroe. The Rev. A. R. Achtemeier, pastor of the Zwingli Evangelical and Reformed church here, officiated, and burial was in Greenwood cemetery, Monroe.

## **Native of Switzerland**

A native of Switzerland, Mr. Minnig was born in Diemtigen, Canton of Bern, June 6, 1889, the son of David and Susan Katherine Waeffler Minnig. He came to the United States in 1910 and on Jan. 4, 1917, was united in marriage to Eliza Teuscher, the late Rev. P. A. Schuh, Monroe, performing the ceremony.

Mr. Minnig was cheesemaker at the Loveland factory, a few miles southwest of Monticello, for 27 years. There he established himself as one of the outstanding Limburger cheese makers of the state, winning many state and national awards for his product. Since retiring from cheesemaking, Mr. Minnig had been engaged in farming in Washington township, moving to the Minnig farm in 1938.

A quiet, friendly individual, Mr. Minnig was a conscientious workman whose aim always was to attain the highest possible degree of perfection. He acquired a deep admiration and sincere respect by all of his many acquaintances, all of whom learned of his death with deep and sincere regret.

Surviving are three daughters Mrs. Frederick Strahm, Sylvester township, Mrs. Ernest Hiltbrand and Mrs. Frederick M. Voegeli Washington township; one son, Walter, at home; three brothers, Karl, Verona, Gottfried, Utica, N. Y., and Fred, Switzerland; two sisters in Switzerland, and six grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Sept. 1 1940, three sisters in Switzerland and one brother, Robert, Holland Patent, N. Y.