

Peter Schneider, former government meat inspector in many of the largest cities of the country and one of Decatur's best and well known citizens passed away into the next life at 10:30 o'clock Sunday morning at his residence at 407 Adams street, death being due to a long illness of dropsy and complication of diseases. He was 50 years, 5 months and 4 days old. Mr. Schneider was employed as government meat inspector in New York City, Pittsburg, Pa., Trenton, N. J., Cleveland, Ohio, and Terre Haute, Ind. This city the last post which he was assigned too. He became inspector for the government about five years ago and served faithfully at every station he was assigned to. On going to Terre Haute he became sick and getting a leave of absence in November he came home with the intention of returning as soon as possible but his health continued to fail him and he had to give up his position. Last February he took a change for the worse when dropsy set in with other complications. He was also employed as meat inspector in the Decatur Packing house when that plant was running about six years ago. Mr. Schneider was born in Weierweiler, Germany, on the fourth day of January 1863 and came to this country twenty-seven years ago last July. He made his home in North Dakota for about two years and then came to this city. Here he was married to Miss Catherine Weber on the 16th of June, 1887. To this happy union were born nine children all of whom are living and are in this city with the exception of Otto who is married and lives in Lima. Those surviving him are his grief stricken and loving wife, and nine children, Otto of Lima and Adeline, Othilda, Norbert, Edgar, Joseph, Mary, Frances and Aloysius of this city and four brothers, Frank who is in New York City, and Nicholas, Jacob and Mathias of Germany.

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