

(Handwritten date: Monday, Dec. 23, 1940)

## SOL MOSSER DIES TODAY

Prominent Farmer and Jersey Breeder Dies at 12:45 P.M.

Solomon Mosser, aged 64, well known breeder of high grade Jersey cattle, died at his home east of Geneva, today at 12:45 o'clock. Death came suddenly and was caused by coronary thrombosis.

The farmer had been ailing with heart disease during the past six weeks and confined to his bed for only a week.

The decedent was born August 17, 1876, as the son of the late Solomon and Elizabeth Schlatter Mosser in Hartford township where he has resided most of his life.

He was married to Elma Burley, who with the following children survive: Mrs. Russell Stamm of Fort Wayne, Mrs. Erwin Moore of Decatur, Solomon, Jr., of near Berne, Ardon of Portland, David at home, Catherine of Fort Wayne and Grace at home.

Brothers and sisters surviving are: Mrs. Lydia Mertz of Berne, Noah of Portland, Joel of Oklahoma, John of Montana, and Mrs. Ellen Slabaugh of Canton, Ohio.

Mr. Mosser was at one time a stock breeder, specializing in Jersey cows and was active in the state organization holding various offices. He was regarded as a prosperous farmer in this community.

The funeral arrangements were not made at the time of going to press, but it will probably not be held before Thursday.

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## MOSSER RITES (cut off)

Death Claims Sol Mosser, Prominent Geneva Livestock Breeder

Funeral services for Sol Mosser, 63, prominent Adams county dairyman and cattle breeder, who died suddenly late Monday afternoon, will be held Thursday.

The services will be held at 1:30 p.m. at the Mosser residence, five miles east of Geneva and burial will be made in the Riverside cemetery near there.

Mr. Mosser was stricken suddenly with a stroke and heart ailment Monday and died soon after.

He was one of the foremost Jersey breeders in the county and state and sometime he was recognized as the owner of one of the state's outstanding herds. He recently sold

his herd to retire to a less active life. Prior to this sale, he was also known as a leading dairyman of the county.

His death was a shock to the community, and especially to agricultural and livestock leaders of the county since he had not been in ill health at any time recently.

He was a native of Adams county and resided here his entire life.

Surviving are the widow, Elizabeth Burley-Mosser and seven children, Mrs. Elizabeth Stamm of Fort Wayne, Sol, Jr., of near Geneva; Mrs. Ervin Moore of near Decatur, Arden of Portland, Hugh David and Grace at home, Catherine at Fort Wayne.

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