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WIFE OF WM. REUSSER DIES HERE SATURDAY

Mrs. Sarah Reusser, 71, Victim of Long Illness

FUNERAL HELD THIS AFTERNOON

Mrs. Sarah Reusser, aged 71, wife of William Reusser, died at her home at 306 Sprunger street here, Saturday morning at 4:30 o'clock. Death was caused by myo-carditis and hardening of the liver, and other complications. Mrs. Reusser had been ailing for several years and during recent weeks she failed rapidly. She was well and favorably known and her death came as a shock to her many relatives and friends, as her condition Friday evening was thought to be slightly improved.

Mrs. Reusser was born in Wayne County, Ohio, April 26, 1865, a daughter of Abraham and Marian Baumgartner Kirchhofer. At the time of her death she was 71 years, 1 month and 10 days old.

She was married to William Reusser at the Mennonite church here on February 7, 1886. The couple lived in this community ever since their marriage. They resided for 10 years on a farm east of town where Andrew Habegger now lives, and moved to Berne 21 years ago, in 1915.

Surviving are the husband and the following children: Mrs. Adam (Ada) Bixler; Elmer, whose whereabouts are unknown; Emma, Richmond; Mrs. Clement (Mahala) Gottschalk and Mrs. Andrew (Clista) Habegger, both of Berne.

The following sisters and brothers survive: Mrs. David Habegger, Berne; John and Amos Kirchhofer, Wabash township; Joel Kirchhofer, Chicago; David Kirchhofer, Hutchinson, Kansas; William Kirchhofer, Columbus, Ohio; and Eli Kirchhofer, Wayne County, Ohio.

Two sons, Omar and Herman, and one sister preceded her. Omar died in France during the World War, and Herman died in infancy.

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The Misses Bertha and Ella Schwartz, Elma and Hulda Steury, Lucy Graber and Viola Habegger were visitors at Fort Wayne today.

Mrs. Fannie Musser, of Rittman, Ohio, who has been visiting relatives and friends in this community the past ten days, returned to her home today.

Estus and Carl Mason of Greenville, Mississippi, arrived here last evening to spend several days at the Menno Burkhalter home. Miss Gertrude Burkhalter will become the bride of Mr. Estus Mason next Sunday.

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DEATH TAKES MRS. SAM KUNTZ

Relative of Local People Buried Here on Saturday

Funeral services for Mrs. Florence Kuntz, 58, of 1607 Hale avenue, Fort Wayne, who died at 1:15 o'clock Thursday morning at the Methodist hospital after a two weeks' illness, were held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Ankenbruck funeral home at Fort Wayne, with Rev. Barton A. Johnson officiating.

Burial was made here at the MRE Cemetery.

Surviving are two sons, Samuel and Noah E., both of Fort Wayne; three [sic] sisters, Mrs. Luella Warren, residing in Missouri and Mrs. O. M. Jeffries, of Union City, and five brothers: Peter and Cornelius Hoover, both of Union City; Joseph Hoover of Greenville, O.; James Hoover of Glendale, Cal.; and Michael Hoover of Muncie. Her husband, Samuel L. Kuntz, died four years ago.

Frank Kuntz of this place is a brother-in-law, and Mrs. David Simon of this place and Mrs. Esther Bolts, Robinson, Ill, are sisters-in-law.

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ROBERT MEYER FOUND DEAD

French Township Man Dies Saturday Night; Rites Tuesday

Robert Meyer, aged 73, was found dead in bed Sunday morning at the home of his brother, Henry Meyer, in French township. County coroner Zwick said death was caused by coronary thrombosis and occurred at about 10:45 o'clock Saturday night. Meyer, who was deaf and dumb, had made his home with his brother Harry.

The deceased was born in Switzerland, March 7, 1863. He is survived by four brothers, Henry, Fred and Herman of Monroe and Ed of St. Louis. One sister and five brothers preceded.

The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the home and at 2 o'clock at the Christian Apostolic church, burial in the church cemetery.

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BUILDS NEW HOUSE

A large new house is rapidly being completed for John Bixler, of Hartford township. The new structure replaces the old one which burned to the ground several months ago. N. N. Schrock is the contractor.

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MISHAP HELD ACCIDENTAL

Death of O. O. Fletcher on Road 27, Saturday Termed "Accidental"

County Coroner Robert Zwick today announced his verdict in the death of Otis O. Fletcher, aged 28, who was fatally injured Saturday on road 27 north of Monroe, when hit by a blue Creek Dairy truck, driven by Max Odle. Coroner Zwick conducted an investigation following an inquest held Monday and announced today that the death of Mr. Fletcher was accidental.

The report made by Coroner Zwick is quite lengthy, but the investigation showed that the driver of the truck, Max Odle is 15 years of age and had no driver's or chauffeur's license. The mishap was, however, purely an accident, and could evidently not be helped, and the coroner's verdict means that as far as he is concerned the driver of the Blue Creek Dairy will not be prosecuted.

The coroner's verdict does not mean that relatives of Mr. Fletcher or other parties interested in the case cannot bring suit.

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