AGED PIONEER CALLED TO REST

Anton Baumgartner. 83. Victim of Pneumonia. Dies at Home In Monroe

May 30, 1930

Anton Baumgartner, for many years a resident of this vicinity, and numbered among the early pioneers in this section, passed away at his home in Monroe at 10 o'clock this morning. He had been an invalid for many years, but the immediate cause of his death was due to pneumonia with which he was stricken last Thursday.

He was born at Engi, Canton of Glarus, Switzerland Jan. 24, 1847, the son of Anton and Magdalena Marty Baumgartner. His father was a blacksmith. In 1848, the family came to America in a sailing vessel, being 47 days on the. ocean. After landing at New orleans the Baumgartners came directly to Green county via the Mississippi to Galena, Ill., where they hired a team to complete the journey to Green county. They settled on what is known as the old Baumgartner place in Washington township. The young Anton Baumgartner attended the district schools and finished his education at the Evansville, Wis., seminary.

In 1869 he married Miss Mary Clayton, Washington township, who died in 1898. In 1902 he was married to Miss Kathryn Smith, Monroe.

Mr. Baumigartner owned and conducted a farm in Washington township until 1908, when the family moved to Monroe to make their home. He was a prominent member of the old Center M. E. church, and since moving to Monroe had been affiliated with the Methodist church of that city.

Besides the widow he is survived by two children: Mrs. Weltha Harper and Clinton Baumgartner, both of Seattle, Washington.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 Saturday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Mae Baumgartner, 2233 Sixth street. Rev. Charles R. Rawson, pastor of the Union church, will officiate. Burial will be in the family lot in Union cemetery.