

Peter Bernet

Sept. 9, 1887 – May 1938

Peter Bernet, 51, Called After Long Illness; Rites Held Well Known Cheesemaker Summoned; Native of Switzerland

Funeral services for Peter Bernet, 51 years of age, well known Green county cheesemaker for nearly a quarter of a century, who passed away early Saturday morning in the Deaconess hospital, Monroe, following an illness, which had its inception some time ago, were held at 1:30 Tuesday afternoon in his home at the Clover Hill cheese factory and at 2 in the Monticello Reformed church.

Rev. A. Muehlmeier, church pastor, officiated. Burial was in Highland cemetery.

Pallbearers, all patrons of the Clover Hill factory, were as follows: Ernest Robert, Jr., Robert Stauffer, Matt Marty, Wilbert Christen, Wm. Carroll, John Marty, J. J. Disch and Raymond Talmage.

Mr. Bernet was taken to the hospital about a week before his death and was given treatment, from which he failed to respond. He submitted to an operation Friday and this, also, was of no avail in restoring his health. He passed away at 4 o'clock Saturday morning.

Native of Switzerland

Mr. Bernet was a native of Switzerland, having been born in Grindelwald, Canton Bern, Sept. 9, 1887. In 1914 Mr. Bernet immigrated to America and settled in Green county. Mr. Bernet learned the cheesemaking trade in this county under the direction of the late Rudy Lengacher, at the Wittenwyler. & Burgy factory. For three years he was maker at the Wittenwyler & Babler factory, Mt. Pleasant township, and for the past 15 years was maker at the Clover Hill factory, also in Mt. Pleasant township. On Aug. 5, 1919, he was united in marriage to Frieda Wyman, the ceremony being conducted in Monticello by Rev. A. Muehlmeier.

Through hard work and honest efforts. Mr. Bernet had established himself as one of the foremost Limburger cheesemakers in Green county. Among the many awards and medals received by Mr. Bernet were a number of medals for high scoring exhibits at the Green county and Wisconsin state fairs as well as numerous national dairy congresses.

Survivors besides the bereaved widow, are five children, all at home, as follows: Anna, Helen, Viola, Wilbert, and John; seven brothers, Christ, Mt. Pleasant township, Alfred, Belleville, Jacob and Albert, New Glarus, and Ernest, Hans and Gottfried, Switzerland; eight sisters, Mrs. Bertha Leuenberger, Rio, Wis., Mrs. Christ Inabnit, Barneveld, Miss Elizabeth Milwaukee, Mrs. Martha Burkhalter, New Glarus, and Ida, Marie, Hulda and Margaret, in Switzerland. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Fred. His mother passed away in Switzerland April 22, 1938.