

Ed Bidlingmaier Dies at Farm Home

The senior member of the Green County Board of Supervisors, Edward H. Bidlingmaier, 74, Adams Township, died at 3:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 25, 1968, in his farm home on Route 1, Argyle, after a lingering illness. He had undergone abdominal surgery last August.

In his 32 years on the County Board, Mr. Bidlingmaier had served continually on many of the most important committees. He was currently on the weighty finance committee and had been chairman of the highway and bridges committee, the latter for 21 years. In addition, his other committee appointments were committee on committees, rural planning, personnel and work classification, and re-apportionment.

A Board member since 1936, it was not until February 1962 that Mr. Bidlingmaier missed a board meeting. At that time he had the flu. He had served on the Adams Town Board for 44 years.

Mr. Bidlingmaier was a member of Washington Reformation Church in Washington Township, where he was born Sept. 21, 1894, a son of Michael and Mary Isely Bidlingmaier. He attended Purcell school in Washington Township and remained on the Washington Homestead farm until his marriage.

On Nov. 23, 1915 he was married in Monticello to Louise Boss, with the late Rev. A. Muehlmeier officiating. The couple then moved to the present Bidlingmaier Homestead place. Mr. Bidlingmaier had always farmed. When they observed their golden wedding, the couple held open house at the Idle Hour Mansion of Monroe.

Surviving are his widow; two sons, Lawrence and Marlen both on the home farm of Adam: Township; three sisters, Mrs Bertha Loveland, Mrs. Annie Elmer and Mrs. Louise Klassy all of Monticello; three grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, George, Albert, and William, all of the Monroe area, and by Charles in infancy; two sisters. Mrs George (Fannie) Bleiler, and Ida, the latter in infancy, as well as the parents.

Funeral services for Mr. Bidlingmaier will be at 1:30 p.m Monday, Oct. 28 in the Washington Reformation Church, his pastor, Rev. Leo Duerson will officiate. Burial is to be in the Washington Church Cemetery.

Friends may call at Shriner-Neushwander Funeral Home of Monroe after Sunday noon and at the church after Monday noon.