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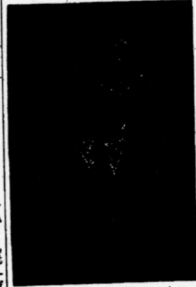
Stroke Fatal To Bernard G. Fischer, 86

Aged Resident Passes Here
Tuesday After Illness
Of Two Weeks

HIP BROKEN IN FALL
Injury Hastens End—Rites
Arranged For Friday At
St. Augustine's

Bernard G. Fischer, 86, for more than 70 years a resident of Minster, died at his home on North Main street at 1:20 a. m. Tuesday, concluding an illness of two weeks' duration.

Mr. Fischer suffered a fractured hip in a fall at his home two weeks before his death. A stroke which followed almost immediately is believed to have



BERNARD G. FISCHER

hastened his passing. He was rational, however, almost to the very end.

Born in Cincinnati on Dec. 28, 1852 he left that city with his parents at the age of seven, going to St. Louis, Mo., and six years later to Toledo. Two years after, when he was 15, his parents came to Minster.

Mr. Fischer spent his entire life from the age of 15 on in Minster. He followed the carpenter and cigar-making trades, and for almost 10 years worked as a steeple-jack. He helped in the construction of the steeple of the St. Augustine church here and also worked on the cathedral in Ft. Wayne, Ind.

He was married to Elizabeth Bockrath of Minster on Jan. 21, 1875. With Mrs. Fischer he enjoyed the privilege of observing the 63rd anniversary of their wedding on Jan. 21. No celebration was held because of his illness.

Surviving with the widow are the following children: L. G. and John Fischer of Minster; Henry and George Fischer, of Flint, Mich.; Mrs. Rose Russel of Flint, Mich.; Mrs. Anna Schmitmeyer, of Sidney and Mrs. Frances Buestter of Wapakoneta. Two children died at the ages of two and four. There are 18 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Fischer was prominent in local affairs over a long period until, during the last 10 years, his age forced him to forego many of his activities. He held a membership in the Cataract Fire company up to the time of his death, however, and was a member also of the Holy Name society.

Funeral services were arranged for Friday at 8 a. m. at St. Augustine's church in Minster with Rev. Fr. Vitus Schuetz, the pastor, officiating during the requiem high mass.

Pallbearers will be Herman Gerling, Ralph Poeppelman, Anthony Thobe, Ralph Luthman, Joseph Otting and Herbert Oldiges.

Interment will be made in St. Augustine's cemetery.