

## **LOOKING BACK**

### **By SHIRLEY SCHAPER**

#### **Mrs. W. Hennies, former resident, passes Monday February 19, 1953 State Center Enterprise**

Mrs. William Hennies, 71, of Marshalltown, former local resident, died Monday night in the Woods hospital at State Center where she had been a patient since Sunday. She had been in her usual health until a few days ago.

Born October 7, 1881 in Drachausen, Germany, the daughter of Chris and Elizabeth Markusch, as an infant she was brought to America by her parents and they settled on a farm in Story county. She received her education in the rural schools of Story and Marshall County.

Mrs. Hennies was a confirmed member of the Lutheran church.

On Oct. 3, 1901, she was married to William Hennies and the couple farmed north of State Center until 1927 when they moved to Minnesota, after living in Marshalltown, Mason City and California they returned to Marshalltown in 1946 where they have since resided. Mr. and Mrs. Hennies celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary in 1951.

She was the last surviving member of her family being preceded in death by two sisters and one brother.

**Surviving are the widower and four children, Mrs. Walter Pfantz, of State Center, Mrs. Lyell Aves of Mason City, William A. of Des Moines and Alvin Hennies of Marshalltown. Also surviving are a niece, Mrs. Kathryn McCain of Stockton, Calif., whom she raised, eighteen grandchildren and eight great grandchildren and one half brother, Chris of Clayton, Wisconsin, also survive.**

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at two o'clock at St. John's Lutheran church in charge of the Rev. G.H. Perlich and the Rev. E.L. Runge of Marshalltown. Interment will be in St. John's cemetery.