

## OBITUARY

### HENRY BALTISBERGER

R-R 12-13-56

Funeral services were held on Saturday at the Presbyterian church in Malcom for Henry Baltisberger with the Rev. Loren Parker officiating.

Henry Baltisberger, son of John and Eva Graff Baltisberger, was born on April 4, 1863, at Bureau county, Ill., and passed away at the Lone Elm Rest Home in Grinnell on Dec. 5, 1956, at the age of 93 years, 8 months and 1 day.

At the age of five he moved with his parents to Iowa where they settled in Malcom township. He was baptized in the Lutheran faith and at the age of 16 was confirmed and became a member of the Trinity Lutheran church.

On Sept. 28, 1886, he was united in marriage with Mathilda Schultz. They moved to a farm he purchased in Malcom township. To this union two children were born, Ella (Mrs. John F. Schilder) and Lester J. In 1901 he purchased another farm in Malcom township, and moved to it in 1910. In 1916 Mr. and Mrs. John Schilder moved to the first farm. In 1920 they built a new home in Malcom where they spent many happy years and the second farm was then occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Lester Baltisberger. He attended the Presbyterian church as long as his health permitted. He served as a director of Malcom Township School No. 5 for a number of years and was assessor and township trustee of Malcom township for several years. He also served as mayor of Malcom.

"Uncle Henry," as he was known to so many folks, was an industrious pioneer, a quiet and unassuming man. His grandchildren and great grandchildren proved a great source of happiness throughout the years. One of his special hobbies was horseback riding, which he greatly enjoyed until past his 91st birthday. He was a good neighbor and always kept his faith and trust in his Heavenly Father.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Matilda, in 1927, his father and mother, two brothers, John and Will, two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Marr and Mrs. Lucy Hagenlock. He is survived by his daughter, Ella, and his son, Lester; also five grandchildren, five great grandchildren, and a host of relatives and friends.

Pallbearers were Ernest Swanson, Ronald Baltisberger, Wilbur Baltisberger, Lester Schneekloth, Jr., Andrew Calderwood, and Raymond Schultz. Flower bearers were Mrs. Herschel Griffith and Mrs. Raymond White. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schilder furnished music. Interment was at Ivy Hill cemetery in Malcom.