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**William T. Wagenknecht**

William T. Wagenknecht, a prominent live stock man of the Smithton community, died at his home there at 6:15 o'clock Monday evening.

He was the son of Henry and Ellen Wagenknecht, and was born August 23, 1867, on the Wagenknecht homestead in Morgan County. He was reared on the farm, taught school a number of years, then took up farming and stock buying for himself.

On January 14, 1896, he was united in marriage to Miss Tillie Louise Schluesing. To this union were born two children, Millard Wagenknecht and Mrs. William J. Lamm. Three sisters, Mrs. Ira DeHaven, Mrs. Curtley Morris of Smithton; Mrs. George DeHaven, Kansas City; one brother, Charles Wagenknecht, of Smithton, and two grandchildren, John and Lynn Wagenknecht, survive.

Mr. Wagenknecht was for a number of years vice-president of the Smithton Bank.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at the M. E. church in Smithton, of which he was a member. Rev. Larue will officiate.

The following friends will serve as pallbearers: E. R. Knox, Harry Ramseyer, Floyd Norman, Ward Kellerman, Will Griffin and Ed Sawford.

The body was taken to the Neumeier Funeral Home in Smithton and later back to the residence.