

January 20, 1949

## Mrs. Bessie Holcomb

Mrs. Bessie Holcomb, nee Powell, was born October 10, 1862, at Mazomanie, Wis., and died January 8, 1949, at the age of 86 years, 2 months and 28 days.

She was married March 26, 1885, to John E. Holcomb at Mazomanie, Wis., and came to Dakota Territory, April 1, 1885.

Her husband and four children preceded her in death. She leaves to mourn her loss, two daughters, Vera Polzien of Charter Oak, Iowa and Verna Holcomb of Conde, S. D.; two sons, Phil Holcomb of Groton, and Hayes Holcomb of Round Lake, Minn.; ten grand-children and ten great grand-children and a host of friends.

Mrs. Holcomb was among the very early pioneers of this vicinity, whose ranks are growing few in number. Her kind and loving disposition has won her a large circle of friends, who will learn of her departure with deep regret.

Services were held at the Paetznick Funeral Home in Groton last Wednesday afternoon, with the Rev. Knight of Conde officiating. Burial was at Conde. Pallbearers were Chris. Jensen, Erskin Robertson, Johnny Hynes, Robert Hynes and Lloyd Cleveland, all of Conde and Frank Von Tobel of Verdon.

Relatives from a distance who attended the funeral services were Mr. and Mrs. Hayes Holcomb of Round Lake, Minn., and Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Polzien of Charter Oak, Iowa.

January 13, 1949

## Last Rites Held Wednesday For Mrs. Bessie Holcomb

This community was greatly saddened when it was learned that Mrs. Bessie Holcomb, 86, an early pioneer of Dakota territory, had passed away Saturday morning at the home of her son, Phil Holcomb in this city.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the Paetznick Funeral Home at Groton. The Rev. Dwayne Knight of Conde officiated. Burial was in the Conde cemetery.

The many friends of the bereaved family extend sympathy to them in their loss. Obituary next week.