

April 19, 1945

## Fairview Rest Home Apr. 11

Horace Simonson, a retired farmer, who spent most of the last few years in Groton, and at the home of his daughter in Columbia, passed away on Wednesday, April 11, at the Fairview Rest Home, near Aberdeen at the age of 81 years.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon from the Paetznick Funeral Home in Groton. The Rev. Paul Sather, pastor of the First English Lutheran church officiated. Music was furnished by a mixed quartette, composed of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Windh, Mrs. Kenneth Holum and Maurice Olson, with Mrs. H. W. Iversen accompanying at the piano. Pall bearers were: Jack Simonson, Dana Craig, James Craig, Theo. Wahl, Robt. Thompson and Clarence Schmidt. Interment was made in the Groton cemetery.

Surviving are five daughters: Mrs. J. R. Dickey and Mrs. Ben F. Craig, of Raymond, Wash.; Mrs. J. M. Brown, of New Richmond, Wis.; Mrs. Eldred Armstrong of Vancouver, Wash.; Mrs. Roy N. Wahl of Columbia. Four sons: Theodore and Oliver Simonson of Groton; Harry of Raymond, Wash., and Walter of Seattle, Wash. Mr. Simonson's wife and one son preceded him in death. Twenty-seven grandchildren and twelve great grandchildren also survive.

Horace Simonson was born in Norway, February 20, 1864, coming to Minnesota with his parents when he was a child. He was married to Emma Herdahl in 1883. They came to South Dakota in 1912 and settled on a farm. Mr. Simonson was affiliated with the First English Lutheran church in Groton. He was a highly respected citizen and had a large number of friends who deeply regret to learn of his departure.