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KARL WENDELL DIES AT HOME NEAR HERE

AGED PIONEER EXPIRES FOLLOWING FLU ATTACK; BURIED WEDNESDAY

Karl Wendell, a highly respected and aged pioneer residing northwest of Groton, died at his home early Monday morning, following an attack of influenze and the complications arising therefrom.

Mr. Wendell was one of the earliest settlers of this vicinity, and one of the few remaining on the land he proved up on when it was thrown open by the government in 1881.

Mr. Wedell was born in Germany in 1841, in Brandenburg province, and together with his wife came to this country in 1866. He first settled at Wisconsin, but came to Dakota when the land was opened up out here. He has since made his home in Brown county, with the exception of a few occasional visits back to the old country, the last of which was shortly prior to the late World war. He was caught in Germany when America entered the struggle, and upon asserting that Americans were much better marksmen than the soldiers of the kaiser, was put to work repairing shoes for the remainder of the war.

Mr. Wendell was 88 years of age at the time of his death, his wife having preceded him in death in 1909. One son and two are left to survive him.

The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon from the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. J. A. Schoppe, conducted by Rev. Norris of the local Methodist church, and the remains laid to rest in Groton cemetery.