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Riverside Farmer Dies Suddenly on Saturday

Otto Zieman, for more than thirty years identified with the farming industry in the Groton community, died suddenly of a heart attack while on his way to Groton Monday forenoon. He had been in failing health for a period of several months, being confined to the hospital in Aberdeen for treatment in the late summer, but no immediate concern for him had been felt.

It was thought he might have overexerted himself in shoveling snow, but his wife, who drove the car said that while snow had caused some trouble, it had not been necessary to shovel to get through. He was, however, seized suddenly and he had expired when the two reached the office of a physician here.

The deceased was a native of Pingree Grove, Ill., being born there February 20, 1890 and growing to manhood in that community. He came to the Groton community in 1909, first working on farms here and beginning to farm on his own account in 1913. He was married to Miss Ella Leake the following year and a son, Emil, was born to the union.

Surviving him are his wife of this community, his son, Emil of Whittier, Calif., one sister, Bertha Bierman, Elgin, Ill., a half sister, Rose and a half brother, Herman, both of Elgin, Ill.

Funeral services will be held at St. John's Lutheran church of Groton, of which he was a member, with the pastor, Rev. J. E. Schwarting, officiating, at 2:00 p. m., Thursday, Jan. 28, and interment will be in the Groton union cemetery.

Otto Zieman was a hard working, thrifty citizen, a good father, husband and neighbor, whose death must be counted a loss to the community. Many friends extend sympathy to the bereaved wife and son.