

July 19, 1945

Services Conducted For James Gibbs on Saturday

Funeral services were held at the Presbyterian church in Groton, at 2:30 Saturday afternoon, for James Gibbs. The Rev. H. W. Atkinson was in charge. A quartette composed of Mrs. Palmer Peterson, Miss Mary Jane Thede, Mrs. Amos Doeringsfeld and Mrs. Alfred Paetznick, sang two songs which had been requested by relatives. They were "The Old Rugged Cross," and "In The Garden." Mrs. Joe Williams accompanied them at the organ.

Honorary pallbearers were Norman Cain, Leonard Olson, Ivan Thompson, Frank D. Jensen, and George and Harry Andrews. Active pallbearers were Foster Rix, Willis Hosley, Thurlo Feller, Harry Pharis, Eugene Craig and Orval Smith. Interment was in the Groton Union cemetery.

James Gibbs was born October 31, 1910, at Huffton, S. D., and had been a resident of that part of South Dakota all his life. At the time of his departure he was engaged in farming near Putney.

He passed away July 10th. Surviving him are his wife, Helen, and two daughters, Patricia and Janice Rae, his mother, Mrs. Caroline Gibbs of Groton; one brother, Harry of Tacoma, Wash., and five sisters. They are Mrs. Harvey Henderson, Mrs. Dean Thompson, Mrs. LeRoy Thompson, Mrs. Louis Gibbs of Tacoma, Wash., and Mrs. Dean Honey of Putney.

July 12, 1945

Tragic Death of Putney Farmer Tuesday A. M.

The Putney community was shocked Tuesday morning by the tragic death of James Gibbs. In a fit of despondency, aggravated by poor health, he strangled himself and was discovered too late for resuscitation measures to be effective.

Mr. Gibbs was born in 1910 at Huffton, and has been a resident of that part of South Dakota all his life. He was engaged in farming in the Putney area for several years.

Surviving him are his wife, Mrs. Helen Gibbs and two daughters, Janice Rae, and Patricia, his mother, Mrs. Caroline Gibbs, of Groton, and a brother and five sisters, Harry Gibbs, Mrs. Harvey Henderson, Mrs. Dean Thompson, Mrs. Leroy Thompson, Mrs. Louis Gibbs, all of Tacoma, Wash., and Mrs. Dean Honey of Putney.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon from the Presbyterian church in Groton.