

August 12, 1948

Funeral Services Held For S. O. Hassenpflug on Mon.

Funeral services for S. O. Hassenpflug, highly respected Groton citizen, who passed away suddenly Thursday, Aug. 5, were conducted Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the local Presbyterian church of which he was a member.

The Rev. George Clarke of Aberdeen officiated. Bob Roberts of Cresbard, an old friend of the family, and only surviving member of a male chorus of which Mr. Hassenpflug was a member, sang "Nearer, Still Nearer." He was accompanied by Mrs. Roberts. Mrs. Palmer G. Peterson and Mrs. Amos Doeringsfeld rendered the selection, "In the Beautiful Garden of Prayer." They were accompanied by Mrs. Joe Williams. Interment was in the family plot in Riverside cemetery at Aberdeen.

Active pallbearers were Lawrence Rohwer, Elmer Messing, Clarence Strom, Vance E. Miller, Otho Rix and Wilber Rix. Honorary pallbearers were J. A. Donovan, E. H. Lehman, Wm. Messing, W. R. Preston, Harry Samuel, Felix Prunty, R. M. Van Winkle and R. J. Hall.

Samuel Otto, son of George Franklin and Martha Hassenpflug, was born in Spring Valley, Iowa, September 30, 1875. At the age of 18 he moved with his parents to Ohio. On October 26, 1898, he was united in marriage with Ada Huntington at Cascade, Iowa. A home was established in Ohio, where they lived until 1906, when they came to South Dakota and settled in the Ordway vicinity. For 23 years Mr. Hassenpflug was superintendent of the Ordway Sunday school and was one of the leaders in founding the Brown County Sunday School Association. He served as district superintendent of the Association for several years, and was a faithful worker in the organization, as well as in all church activities. In 1927 they moved to the Groton community.

The departed is survived by his wife, Ada; two sons, Leslie of North Hollywood, Calif., and Norman of Groton; two daughters, Mrs. Ruth Christian, of North Hollywood, Calif., and Mrs. Helen Dresbach of Groton. Five grandchildren also survive. He was preceded in death by a son.

Mr. Hassenpflug was a true and loving husband and father, a kind and thoughtful neighbor and friend.