

July 28, 1960

W. E. Hosley

William E. Hosley, one of Putney's earliest settlers, passed away quite suddenly at his farm home, Tuesday evening, at the age of 87 years.

Mr. Hosley was born July 9, 1873 in Boston, Mass. He came with his father, Hubbard Hosley to Dakota Territory in 1880. They homesteaded on a farm northeast of Putney where he resided for 80 years. He was united in marriage to Jennie Carlson in Minneapolis in 1906. To this union three children were born: Hazelle (Mrs Wm. Black) and Dale, both of Putney and a son, Willis who died April 28, 1949. His wife passed away Dec. 30, 1947.

Besides his two children, he leaves to mourn his loss, two grandchildren, Gaylene and David Hosley; daughter-in-law, Lorraine Hosley and son-in-law, Wm. Black, and a host of friends.

Although Mr. Hosley suffered from arthritis for more than half his life, he had a cheerful disposition revealed to all who knew him and took a keen interest in his home and community until his passing. He was proud that he had endured many hardships and that he had seen this land develop from prairie grass to our present grain and cornfields and attractive farmsteads.

Funeral services were held Saturday, July 16th, 1960, in the Presbyterian church of Groton, with the Rev. Robert Carey and the Rev. Earl Gulbranson of Langford officiating. Music was furnished by Mrs. Richard Mylin at the organ and a quartet, Paul E. Krueger, Randall Hall, Jr., Mrs. Amos Doeringsfeld and Mrs. Robert Carey, sang two selections.

Honorary pall bearers were William H. Wood, Foster S. Rix, Ray Clark, Walter Kepke, Harry Pharis and John L. Clark. Active casket bearers were Ervin Ulrich, George Alberts, Jr., Roy, Kenneth, Newton and Ramon Jones all of Langford.

Friends and relatives from out-of-the-community who attended the services were Mrs. Tom Hagger, Mrs. Mervin Olson and Miss Mildred Olson, Watertown; Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Jones, St. Paul; Miss Elinor Haire, Cheyenne Agency; Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Skola, Eden; Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Raecke, Mt. Vernon; Henry Schneider, Britton; Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Jones and Maxine, Amherst; Rev. and Mrs. Earl Gulbranson and Messrs. and Mesdames Newton Jones, Kenneth Jones and Roy Jones and Mr. Ramon Jones, Langford; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Helmer, Andover; Wm. A. Black and Mrs. Jane Black, Wauabay and Mr. and Mrs. Don Larson, Sioux Falls and the following from Aberdeen: Messrs. and Mesdames David Jones, James Johnson, I. F. Warner Clem Lindgren and Mrs. Mabel