

January 1, 1995

## Mrs. C. Rath

Funeral services for Mrs. Christian (Lydia) Rath, 87, a former Kulm, N.D., resident, were held at noon Tuesday, Dec. 24 at the Huebl Funeral Chapel in Aberdeen.

The Rev. John Maines of the Groton United Methodist Church officiated. Burial was in Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Rath died Saturday, December 21 at the Colonial Manor.

Lydia Guthschmidt was born Oct. 7, 1897, in south Russia and came to the United States in 1889 with her parents. They settled near Fredonia, N.D., where she grew up. She married Christian Rath at Fredonia on March 30, 1908.

They farmed near Kulm until 1921, when they moved into Kulm. In 1970 they moved to Aberdeen to live with their son Leonard until January of 1973 when they became residents of the Colonial Manor at Groton. Mr. Rath died on Oct. 9, 1973. Mrs. Rath continued to live at the Colonial Manor until the time of her death.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church at Kulm.

Mrs. Rath is survived by five sons, two daughters, one brother, three sisters, 19 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandsons.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and one sister.