

March 3, 1938

OBITUARY OF MRS ROWE

Emeline Helen Riggs was born on April 12, 1855, at Coply, Ohio. She was one of three children born to Mr. and Mrs. George Riggs. In her youth the family moved to Leon, Wis., where she grew to womanhood.

She was married on October 2, 1879, to Sylvester Burnham Rowe of White-water, Wis. For a short time they made their home at Sparta, Wis., moving to Groton, S. D., in the spring of 1881, where they resided for 27 years. Their seven children were born there, one, Ida Estelle, passing on in infancy at the age of eight months.

In the spring of 1908 the family, with the exception of the eldest daughter, who had married, accompanied by the aged grandmother, Mrs. Cynthia Riggs, moved to American Falls, Idaho, where she has resided since. Her father, George Riggs, preceded her in 1903; mother, Cynthia Riggs, in 1909; brother, Miles Riggs, in 1915, and her husband, Sylvester Rowe, in 1922.

In June, 1930, she underwent a serious operation on her eyes, which resulted in blindness. She had been in very poor health the past year, but did not take to her bed until the last two weeks before her death, which was due to old age and complications. She was brought up in the Methodist faith by Christian parents. A faithful, patient mother, beloved by all who remain to mourn her loss. The children, Mrs. Cynthia McKiver, of Spring Coulee, Alberta; Mrs. Florence Bolton of American Falls; Mrs. Edna Carlyle of Pocatella; Sylvester Rowe, Thomas Rowe and Willard Rowe, all of American Falls; Mrs. Elda Silbaugh, a sister, who has resided with her for some time, were gathered at her bedside when she passed away at 5:00 a. m., on February 9, 1938, at the age of 82 years and ten months. She had 26 grand-children and 13 great grand-children.

Services were held here from the Paetznick Undertaking Parlors, Sunday, at 2:00 p. m., with Rev. L. C. Benson officiating. Burial was made in Groton cemetery.