

December 1, 1955

Arthur J. Simon

Arthur J. Simon was born at Hometown, Ind., March 5, 1877, and passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Donald Walter, at Groton, on November 17, 1955, at the age of 78 years, 7 months and 12 days.

One of a family of seven children, he was the son of David and Mrs. Simon. Spending his youth in the state of his birth, he attended the common schools and then studied to be a teacher, but later chose to take up the trade of carpenter.

Arthur Simon married Leora Potter in 1901, and to this union was born one daughter, Veryl. Mrs. Simon passed away in 1905.

In 1906 he came to North Dakota, where he continued at his trade as a carpenter. In 1909 he married Martha Sampson and settled in Regent, N. D., where two sons were born.

With their young sons, Reed and Dale, Mr. and Mrs. Simon moved in 1916 to the Zeona community, where he took up a claim and established a home. Here two sons, Lee and Glen, and a daughter, Joy, were born.

In addition to battling the rigors of nature on the homestead, Mr. Simon worked at his trade, constructing several schools and homes in the area during the nearly 30 years he spent on the farm. During this time he was an active member of the Farmers Union and other community organizations.

In 1945 Mr. and Mrs. Simon moved to the town of Bison where he continued active at his trade and constructed a new home. Mrs. Simon passed away September 3, 1955, as the result of burns when the Simon home was destroyed by fire in June.

The deceased is survived by two sisters, Harriet Simon of Garrison, N. D., and Lily Bricker of Olympia, Wash.; four sons, Reed of Glad Valley, Dale and Lee of Zeona, Glen of Timber Lake; two daughters, Mrs. Alfonso Hellwig of Ft. Wayne, Ind., and Mrs. Don Walter of Groton, and eleven grandchildren.

Interment was made in the Zeona cemetery. Services were held in the Zeona church with Pastor Daehlin officiating.

Music was furnished by Eleanor Clark, Margaret Root, Byron Matthews and Archie Smith, with Mrs. Daehlin at the piano.

Pallbearers included Carl Ruby, Frank Ruby, Frank McKenna, Homer Ayres, Oscar Orwick and Cliff Hathaway.