

February 27, 1947

Graveside Services Held For C. H. Spencer, Sat.

Funeral services were held Saturday at 1:30 p. m., at the Funeral Chapel in Milbank for C. H. Spencer, with graveside services at the Groton Union cemetery at 4:30 p. m. The Rev. Arthur Gugin of Milbank officiated at both services.

Charles Herbert Spencer was born December 7, 1874, near Belle Plaine, Benton County, Iowa. He spent his childhood with his parents on a farm, attending rural school, church and Sunday school. At the age of 17 years he moved with his parents to Elberon, Iowa, later moving to Toledo, Iowa, where he attended high school and commercial school. On graduating he entered into the grocery business which he continued for three years and then purchased a hotel in Marshalltown, Iowa. When the hotel was destroyed by fire he left Iowa and moved to South Dakota, where he engaged in farming, first near Groton, and later near Claremont. His failing health forced him to give up his farming operations and he moved with his niece, Mrs. Raymond F. Smith, to a farm near Milbank, where he lived with the Smith family until his death.

Mr. Spencer, throughout his life, was interested in the work and activity of the Methodist church, being a member of the Methodist church of Milbank at the time of his passing. He is survived by one brother, William Spencer of Huston, Texas, and a host of nieces and nephews and other relatives and friends. Relatives from Iowa, North Dakota, Andover and Groton attended the services at Milbank, and a number of relatives and friends from Groton, Aberdeen and Claremont were also present at the graveside service.