

June 4, 1953

Carl F. Zoellner

Funeral services for Carl F. Zoellner, pioneer farmer of West Hanson township, who passed away Wednesday, May 27th, at St. Luke's hospital in Aberdeen at 7:10 p. m., at the age of 82 years, 8 months and 7 days, following an illness of two months' duration, were conducted Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, at the Presbyterian church. The Rev. James Rice officiated. A quartet composed of Gilbert Erdmann, Mrs. Amos Doeringsfeld, Mrs. P. G. Peterson and Richard Mylin, sang several selections, accompanied by Mrs. Mylin.

Interment was in the Groton cemetery. Pall bearers were: Ivan, Earl and Richard Zoellner, Donald, Clarence and Alvin Von Wald, nephews of the departed.

Mr. Zoellner was born in Sauk City, Wis., Sept. 20, 1870, oldest son of Fred and Friedericka Zoellner. He came to South Dakota and homesteaded in McPherson county. Later he came to Brown county, here he was united in marriage with Elizabeth Von Wald in 1896.

Mr. Zoellner was active in township and school affairs in West Hanson township, and served on the Board of Directors of the Ferney Farmers Elevator Company and High Grade Oil Company, having been a charter member since their origin. He was also a member of the Presbyterian church.

The departed was a kind and devoted husband and father, and was loved by all who knew him. His high ideals in life gained for him the fellowship and respect of all who came in contact with him. The many friends of the highly esteemed pioneer extend deep sympathy to the family in the loss of their loved one.

Mr. Zoellner was preceded in death by his wife on Oct. 15, 1928; also two sisters and one brother. Left to mourn his passing are three sons, Roger W., Melvin M. and Elmer C., all of Groton; 8 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren; also four brothers, Otto and Fred O., of Groton; Lewis of Sauk City, Wis., and Bernard of Jamestown, N. D., and two sisters, Mrs. Frank Falkenstein, Lodi, Wis., and Mrs. Emma Jacobi, Milwaukee, Wis.