PLATTE, Peter

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ANOTHER PIONEER IS CALLED

PETER PLATTE

Funeral services for Peter Platte, who died on Saturday night, are being held today (Wednesday) at 1:30 at the home and 2:00 P. M. at Our Savior's Lutheran Church.

Mr. Platte was a pioneer resident of this locality and was going on 90 years at the time of his death.

Obituary next week.

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PETER PLATTE

Peter Platte was born March 23, 1858, at Serslov Sogn, Vendsyssel, Denmark, son of Christian and Karen Sorensen Platte and died at Viborg November 24, 1946, at the age of 88 years and 8 months.

In 1869 he came, with his parents and other members of the family, to Racine, Wisconsin. In 1870 the family moved to Dakota Territory where the father homesteaded north-east of the present site of Viborg. Peter remained in Dakota Territory until 1885 when he returned to Racine where he was employed in a wagon shop.

He was united in marriage to Christine Johnsen of Racine on April 21, 1888. To this union four children were born, one of whom, Richard, died in 1941. They resided in Racine until 1893 when they returned to South Dakota. They purchased the farm, now occupied by their son, Howard, and resided there until 1917 when they moved to the residence in Viborg, in which Mr. Platte passed away.

Peter Platte was one of the ever thinning ranks of the hardy pioneers who cheerfully and hopefully faced the many hardships incidental to living in a new and undeveloped country. Drought, grasshoppers, blizzards, hard toil - they took them all in their stride. As a reward, they saw the seemingly endless prairie become a settlement of fine farms and homes and an integral part of a great agricultural state.

Peter was a good neighbor and friend. He served several terms on the School Board and was active in the promotion of matters that were of benefit to our community. He shall be missed by his friends, relatives and acquaintances.

He leaves to mourn his passing, his widow, Christine Platte; two sons, Cullis, Kellogg, Idaho, and Howard of Viborg; one daughter, Mrs. Ida Strachan, of Wessington Springs, S. Dak.; nine grandchildren, one great grandchild, several nephews and nieces and many friends and neighbors.

The following out of towns relatives and friends attended the funeral services:

Peter Johnson, Beresford; Mr. and Mrs. Nels Lund, Yankton; Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hansen and Mrs. Harvey Hansen and children, Spring Valley; Mr. and Mrs. Will Jensen, Sioux Falls; Eugene and Janet Strachan, Vermillion; Marvin Strachan, Rapid City; Miss Myrtle Hansen, New York; Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Strachan, Wessington Springs.

A son, Cullis Platte, of Kellogg, Idaho was unable to attend.

CARD OF THANKS

We are sincerely grateful to friends and neighbors for their many acts of sympathy during our sad bereavement. Our appreciation cannot be adequately expressed.

Mrs. Peter Platte and Family