

JENSEN, Chris Alfred

Born: August 16, 1898

Swan Lake Township

Died: July 19, 1918

drowned in Wolfe Pone north of Viborg

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CHRIS JENSEN DROWNED

Chris Jensen, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Jensen, formerly of Swan Lake township but now of Hurley, met with a sad mishap in the pond north of town last Friday evening. He, together with two of Louie Flyger's boys went to the pond after supper to swim. The day had been extremely hot and it is supposed that he was taken with cramps in the cold water. His companions tried to rescue him but without success, when they went to a near by farm house and phoned to Viborg and Hurley for help. In a few minutes several autos were speeding to the rescue, but after nearly two hours work the body was recovered in nearly seven feet of water. Physicians were on hand and everything possible was done to resuscitate the body but without avail. The funeral was held from the family home at Hurley last Monday and a large number of people from Viborg and vicinity attended. He leaves to mourn his loss, his mother and father and two sisters, Hannah and Della. The sympathy of the Enterprise and everybody in this locality goes out to the bereaved family in their great sorrow.

Obituary—Chris Jensen

Chris Alfred Jensen the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Jensen, was born on the 16th day of August 1898. He grew to manhood on the farm where the Seventh Day Adventist Church stands. At the age of 16 he was baptized and joined that church of which he remained a member until his death.

He completed the 8th grade in his home district when 13 years old after which he remained on the farm one year to help his father. The past four years have been spent at the Danish Norwegian Seminary at Hutchinson, Minn., from which he was graduated this last June carrying the honors of his class as valedictorian.

His plans were definitely laid to attend Union College at Lincoln, Nebr. this coming fall to continue his preparatory work for the medical course, which was his aim.

Late in the afternoon of July 19th he came to his sudden death by drowning in Wolfe Pond, where he had gone to bathe and swim with two of his friends. A large crowd from Hurley, Viborg and vicinity had rushed to the place to rescue the drowning boy but all efforts proved in vain, and he was taken up lifeless. No means were spared by the doctors and friends to bring him back to life but of no avail.

His death is mourned by his father and mother and three sisters, Mrs. A. F. Schmidt of Harvey, N. Dak., and Misses Della and Hannah Jensen, who reside with their parents in Hurley. They sorrow, but not as those who have no hope.

The funeral service was held in the S. D. Adventist Church nine miles southwest of Hurley on Monday afternoon. Pastor Charles Thompson of Minneapolis, Minn. conducted the services.

A very large concourse of friends gathered at the home and the church to pay their last respects to the deceased. The remains were laid to rest in the S. D. A. cemetery, one

mile west of the church.—Hurley Herald.