

HAGEN, Ole Lars

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FUNERAL SERVICES HELD FOR OLE L. HAGEN OF IRENE

Body Placed in Meldahl Cemetery

On Tuesday, Jan. 29, last rites were conducted for Ole L. Hagen resident of Irene, with Pastor E. O. Urness in charge. Mr. Hagen died early Saturday morning, January 26. The obituary printed herewith gives in detail his life including the passing hours.

A short service was first conducted at the Hagen home in Irene. The pastor first sang one of the favorite hymns of the deceased in the norwegian language after first reading a recent translation of same ("O at Jeg Kunde Min Jesum Prise"—"My Heart is Longing to Praise my Savior"). He then read 2 Cor. 4th chapter and first verse of 5th chapter, making also a few remarks on same. The hymn, "My Faith Looks up to Thee" was then sung.

A longer service followed at the Meldahl Lutheran church. A hymn "Hve Ved Hvor Ner Mig er min ende" ("Who Knows How near my Life's Expended") was sung by the audience. The two other hymns used entitled "O Safe to the Rock" and "Face to Face with Christ my Savior" were sung by the Meldahl choir. Mrs. H. B. Munkvold served as organist. The pastor preached the funeral sermon by request in norwegian based on 2 Cor. 4. 13-18 and also gave a few remarks in American based on 2 Cor. 4. 7. Burial took place at the Meldahl cemetery. In memoriam in the form of money was given to the Ebenezer Home for Aged in Minneapolis, Foreign Missions (China) and Bethesda Homes at Beresford. The following served as pallbearers in Irene: Louis Satrum, M. O. Carlson, Iver Sneve, Fred Iversen, Ole Sneve and K. Collins. At Meldahl Ole Bjerkaas and Louis Brunsvig served in the place of K. Collins and Ole Sneve. Mr. Clyde Hanson, Irene served as undertaker.

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to Mr. P. C. Reinholdt and the family then moved to Volin but returned again to Irene in the fall of 1929. By then Anna Mary and Olga were married and Albert had returned after serving 3 years in the army. In 1933 Albert was married to Miss Theressa Hauge, one of the teachers in the Irene school. Albert and his father were always very good friends and their joy was mutual when it was arranged that Mr. and Mrs. Hagen, Jr. were to live in what was the Ed Clemetson home which was purchased by the Hagens and is located very near to town.

Until two years ago the deceased was able to do his work—mostly shoe repairing together with his son. However, the last year in particular affected Mr. Hagen's health and last summer he again went to the Black Hills to seek relief. Since returning from there he became weaker and from January 7th of this year (1935) had to remain mostly in bed. Death was caused by disease which affected especially the liver. Being unable to retain nourishment, nor much medicine the patient became very weak at last physically but spiritually he became stronger from day to day, through communion with God in His Word and prayer and spiritual conversation with his pastor, relatives and friends. He remained conscious almost to the last few minutes. He died very peacefully Saturday morning at 1:40 o'clock after a period of considerable pain, and committed himself to his Creator and Savior. Not many minutes before death he said farewell to those present and with that fond farewell also a word of fatherly and friendly counsel. One of the two daughters living in Los Angeles namely Mrs. Ferguson had arrived a few days previous to death, and the third daughter Mrs. C. V. Larson Hurley, S. D., was also present.