

November 27, 1910 May 1, 1940  
southwest of Viborg near Sioux Falls

# Jorgen Petersen Killed In Truck-Train Crash At Sioux Falls Wed.

Word reached our office a short time before going to press of the fatal accident in Sioux Falls today (Wednesday) in which Jorgen Petersen, oldest son of Peter Petersen, was killed when his truck crashed with the Great Northern passenger train on the Minnesota Avenue crossing. According to reports he was trucking a load of livestock to the city when the accident occurred. The train was derailed and several hours late at Viborg. More details will be available in next week's issue.

## Funeral Services Held For Jorgen Petersen

Jorgen Frederik Petersen, eldest son of Peter and Tillie Petersen, was born on November 27, 1910, on a farm two and one-half miles southwest of Viborg where he grew to manhood and lived most of his life.

In August 1937 he was married to Edith Locke of Centerville, S. D., and for the past two years they farmed near Madison, S. D., but because of his father's illness they came back to Viborg this spring to take over the management of the home farm. It was while thus employed he met his tragic and almost instant death on Wednesday May first, 1940, when the truck he was driving collided with the Great Northern passenger train at a crossing near Sioux Falls to where he was taking a load of stock to market.

Jorgen was a young man of good character and habits, hard working and faithful in his duties. From his early childhood he was a constant attendant at the M. E. Sunday School, church and young peoples league. His mother preceded him in death in January 1919, and a baby half-sister later.

He is survived by the following relatives who deeply mourn the loss of a loving husband, son and brother; the widow, Edith Locke Petersen; the father and step-mother, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Petersen; four sisters, who are Mrs. Clarence Olsen of Onawa, Ia., Mrs. Bill Bogard of Urika, Calif., Mrs. Leslie Flyger of Hurley, S. D., Mrs. Lloyd Helgager of Sioux Falls, S. D.; and two half-sisters, Evelyn and Phyllis Petersen of Viborg; also a brother, Wesley, and a half brother, Duane, both of Viborg; and by many uncles, aunts and cousins, who will always cherish the memory of Jorgen.

The near relatives were all in attendance at the funeral services, with the exception of the father, Peter Petersen who was too ill to be present.

Funeral services, which were in charge of the pastors Morris Kildal of Dell Rapids, S. D., David Graham of Centerville, S. D., and the local pastor, Arnold Herbst, took place on Sunday afternoon, May 5th from the funeral parlors and the M. E. church with a very large attendance. Interment was at the Rose Hill cemetery.

### CARD OF THANKS

We hereby wish to offer our heartfelt thanks to our relatives neighbors, friends and all others who assisted and comforted us in the hours of sorrow and bereavement at the loss of our dear husband, son and brother; for the beautiful floral contributions, the singing at the service, and for the kind assistance of the M. E. Aid society.

Edith Locke Petersen  
Mr. and Mrs. Peter Petersen and Children.