

CURTIS, LEWIS STERLING

February 21, 1883-1926

Lewis S. Curtis, Wheatland dairyman, died suddenly sometime about daybreak Friday morning at his home north of town, the exact hour of his death not being known, as he was found by the family shortly after life had become extinct.

While Mr. Curtis had spoken a number of times of not being in his usual health, no one suspected he was seriously ill at the time. He was employed every day until the day of his death at his business, supplying the local community with milk, and his death was a surprise and shock to the community.

Lewis Sterling Curtis was born Feb. 21, 1888 in Leadville, Colo. He went from there to Moriah, N.Y., at the age of 2 ½ years and from there two years later to Friend, Nebr. After a residence of five years there, he accompanied his parents west to Hyannis, Nebr. where he grew to manhood, and where he was married in 1903 to Miss Phoebe Huffman.

Three children were born to them-Marian, now Mrs. Clouse; Edith and Robert.

The family came to Wheatland 11 years ago and settled on a farm three quarters of a mile north of town. At the same time, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T.H. Curtis, came and settled on an adjoining farm.

Mr. Curtis has been engaged in the dairy business for several years, and was a familiar and friendly figure on the streets. His untimely death is deeply regretted by the community, whose sympathy goes to his family. Surviving him, in addition to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T.H. Curtis, are his wife and three children; his two sisters, Mrs. Estelle Clark of Lincoln, Nebr. and Mrs. Mary E. Sorenson of Omaha, Nebr.; and one brother, William H. Curtis of Whitman, Nebr.

The funeral was held at 2:30 p.m. Monday from the Methodist church, and he was buried in the Wheatland cemetery.