

DRUBE, FREDERICK CARL  
September 6, 1897-January 14, 1977

Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 18, 1977, for Frederick Carl "Fritz" Drube at the United Methodist Church with Rev. Elliot Graves officiating. Burial was in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Mr. Drube passed away at the Platte County Memorial Hospital Friday, January 14, 1977 at the age of 79. He was born in Madison, Minnesota September 6, 1897 and had been a resident here since 1911. He married Faye Sorenberger who preceded him in death in 1947.

In 1916, Fritz, his dad and two brothers, Ernest and George, started an automotive dealership in the building that has recently been vacated by Anderson Ford Co. in Wheatland. Fritz opened a machine shop presently occupied by Don Sherard. To satisfy the need for larger quarters, Fritz built the present Drube Machine Shop on 16<sup>th</sup> St. in 1965. He retired from there in 1966. Fritz also invented the well-known Drube Stacker which is used on farms all over this area for stacking hay.

He is survived by one brother, Ernest of Russell, Kansas and two sisters, Ida Rounds of Cologna, B.C. and Augusta Swan of Wheatland. He was preceded in death by a brother, George, in 1922, and five sisters, Emma Merback, Rosa Komis, Minnie Lange, Carrie Ryff and Lydia Martin.

Serving as pallbearers were Joe Bookout, Deuane Lowry, Robert Wallenburn, Bill Dannar, Paul Benedict and Fred Wilson. Schrader-Prell was in charge of local arrangements.

A Memorial Fund has been established to the Platte County Memorial Hospital Nursing Wing.