

HELBOLT, DUANE FRANK
December 20, 1888-February 14, 1936

D.F. Helmbolt, one of the best known citizens of this section of the country, passed away Friday morning after contracting pneumonia. He had been ill only a short time and his death was a surprise to his many acquaintances.

Duane Frank Helmbolt was born in Fredricksburg, Iowa, December 20, 1888 and died in Wheatland February 14, being 47 years, 1-month and 25 days of age.

He was the son of Joseph and Ella Helmbolt and moved with his parents and other members of the family to Canby, Minn. where his father died when he was a lad of 11 years. The family then moved to Gary, S.D., and in 1912, he came to Wyoming where he had resided ever since. He was united in marriage to Elon C. Rietz on December 22, 1921. To this union were born three children, Charles Duane who died in infancy, Robert Stuart, 11 and DeLoris, age 9.

His great grandfather led his ten sons into the Union Army at the outbreak of the Civil War.

"Dewey", as he was known to his many friends, had long suffered a heart weakness and this coupled with pneumonia, thwarted the best skill and nursing that could be provided for him. His illness was only one week's duration.

Funeral services were conducted by Ralph Underwood, pastor of the local Christian church, in that church on Monday afternoon. Burial was made in the Wheatland cemetery with the Lyla Watson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. The masses of the lovely flowers and the numerous friends attending the last rites was an eloquent tribute to the love and esteem in which he was held.

He is survived by his wife, his son and daughter, his mother, Mrs. Ella West, who was visiting his sister in California, when summoned by his death, sisters, Mrs. Nellie Lightfoot of Huntington Park, Calif., who was present at the funeral, Mrs. Laura Wentworth of Ortonville, Minn., Mrs. Mabel Collins of Gary, S.D., and his brother, Harry of Gary, with several nephews and nieces who were unable to come because of