

KNOX, CHARLES ELMER  
October 29, 1871-July 21, 1921

A bolt of lightning falling out of the storm Thursday afternoon instantly snuffed out the life of Chas. Elmer Know, a farmer residing five miles west of town. Mr. Knox was putting up hay in the field and was on a stack hurrying to shape it up to shed the water which had just begun falling. The bolt struck him on top of the head and passed down his body and tore holes in his shoes, as it left him and jumped to his team of horses that were standing by the stack, killing both of the horses. Mr. Knox's foster daughter was holding the reins of the horses. She was shocked but not injured. The other two men, Messrs. Walls and McGuire, who were helping with the work, were standing by the haystack but escaped injury.

Mr. Knox was born in Guthrie County, Iowa, Oct. 29, 1871, hence was 49 years and 8 months old at the time of his death. About four years ago he came to Wheatland and engaged in farming and during his residence here had won the respect and esteem of many friends and neighbors.

Besides his wife and the little girl above mentioned, Viola, he leaves to mourn his untimely departure, two sisters, Mrs. Walter Emery of Casper and Mrs. Maude Hodson of Goshen Hole. Funeral services were held from the Methodist church Monday afternoon and interment made in the Wheatland cemetery.