

MARKS, ROBERT AARON
May 21, 1916-February 25, 1929

Robert Marks, 12 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Marks, who live on Antelope Creek near the Slater community, died Monday morning from the result of an explosion of a dynamite cap. Funeral services were held from the home with Rev. Irvin C. Royce preaching the funeral oration. Burial was made in the Wheatland cemetery with Watson Mortuary in charge.

According to information learned, Robert, in company with his brother Fred, procured a dynamite cap and a short length of dynamite fuse. The boys, not knowing the danger, took them to the barn at their home and inserted the fuse in the cap and placed them upon a board and ignited the fuse. The fuse was set off and the boys waited for it to sparkle as a firecracker fuse does and it exploded with them near. The cap upon exploding entered Robert's chest between the third and fourth rib and imbedded itself in the left lung. The accident happened Saturday evening and he lived until the following Monday morning. His brother, Fred, was not injured to any extent, some powder and dirt struck him in the face, but his injuries were very slight.

Robert Aaron Marks was born May 21, 1916 near Slater, and departed this life at his home on the 25th day of February, 1929, at the age of 12 years, 9 months and 5 days. He spent the years of his life in this community and attended the home school. He leaves to mourn his death his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Marks, three sisters, Dorothy, Mary and Ruth, two brothers, Arthur and Fred, and his grandparents of Madison, Wisc.