

## Services held for pioneer resident

*12-26-1962*  
Samuel M. Parker was born August 25, 1883 in Truro, Ill. and succumbed Dec. 26th, 1962 in Thermopolis, Wyo. after an extended illness. He came to Wyoming with his parents in 1900, homesteading West of Wheatland in the Laramie Peak area. Like many pioneer settlers, he worked at many things and places, while ranching and improving his homestead. He carried mail by pack horse and later became postmaster at Fletcher Park where he served for 21 years.

Parker did some lumbering and it was then that he lost his hand in a planer. After this accident he put more time in on his hobby of violin making. Seven years ago he retired and moved to Wheatland. He was affiliated with the AMORC.

Last rites were held Dec. 29, 1962 at the Schrader Chapel with Rev. Irvin C. Noyce officiating. Burial was in the Wheatland cemetery. James McQuisten, John Shefferd, Morris Rinker, Frank Kuehner, Arthur Bennett and Andrew Roskie were pallbearers.

Survivors are his wife Ursa T. Parker; two sons, Wilbur of Fletcher Park and Leslie of Los Angeles, Calif.; two daughters, Mrs. Ruby Goodwin, Wheatland and Mrs. Doris L. Shumate, Edina, Mo., two brothers, Allen of Bonners Ferry, Ida. and George of Loveland, Colo.; sisters, Mrs. Ida Hill of Wheatland, Mrs. Ruth Ryan of Parker Dam, Calif. and Mrs. Floyd McCullough of Coeur D'Leone, Ida.; and four grandchildren.