

RYFF, GOTTFRIED
October 14, 1857-April 5, 1940

Gottfried Ryff was born October 14, 1857 in Berne, Switzerland, and departed this life April 2 (?), 1940 after a brief illness.

Mr. Ryff came to this country when he was but 16 years old and gradually worked his way westward until on Nov. 19, 1885 he and Helen Looker (?) were married in Kearney, Nebr. They shortly moved to Holyoke, Colo. Where they stayed several years. Later they loaded their old emigrant wagon and traveled over the the northwestern states returning again to Kearney in 1894.

In 1903 he and his family moved to Wheatland where he had earlier bought a farm. Then in 1907 he filed a homestead claim and this homestead was still his home.

Mr. Ryff is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Mary Brown and Mrs. Nellie Henderson of Cheyenne; by five sons, Harry, Dave, Fred and Will of Wheatland and Frank of Hoerse Creek, and by seven grandchildren. Mrs. Ryff preceded him in death January 1, 1937.

In his passing Wheatland loses another of its revered pioneers, but after a full and varied life Mr. Ryff was ready and willing to go to his well deserved rest.

Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the First Congregational church. Rev. L.W. Flenner officiating.

Watson and Dennis Funeral Home will be in charge of arrangements.
