

Mrs. Oscar F. Hoff

A death which has closely touched and deeply saddened this community was that of Mrs Oscar F. Hoff. Her demise occurred on Wednesday, the 11th inst., a resultant of influenza which developed into pneumonia. During the period of her illness she had the best of medical attendance and such tender nursing as seldom is given those who suffer. These ministrations were however without avail. Brief funeral services were held at the home Friday, conducted by Rev. P. A. Thoreson. The remains were taken to Cooperstown Saturday where funeral services were held, under joint conduct of Rev. Sweger and Rev. Thoreson, Monday afternoon from the Benjamin Tufte home, with interment following in the Cooperstown cemetery. The services were most impressive, embracing consolatory expressions from the pastors, two songs by the choir, a vocal selection by Mrs. Melvin Hanson and a special vocal offering by Mrs. Jones, of Fargo, an intimate personal friend of the deceased. Besides the assembled friends, there were present at the services all her immediate kindred, her mother, her sisters, Mrs. Benjamin Tufte of Cooperstown and Mrs. Oliver Hoff of Sutton and her brothers, Melvin Feiring of Cooperstown and Oscar Feiring of Havelock.

Deceased was born at Pigeon Falls, Wisconsin, July 22, 1881. In 1884 her parents Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Feiring came to Mabel township. A few years later they removed to Washburn township near Cooperstown.

Mrs. Hoff attended the Cooperstown public schools and the State University at Grand Forks from which she was graduated. She taught at various places and at one time was principal of the Hannaford school. In June 1905, she was married to Oscar F. Hoff, former county treasurer and now cashier of the Farmers Bank at Sutton. Deceased is survived by her husband and two little children, Dorothy, aged six, and Richard aged four, besides her aged mother, two sisters, and two brothers.

Mrs. Hoff was an unusually intelligent woman. She took a lively interest in the questions before the people of the community, as well as those of the state and nation. Good literature was her delight and she wrote several poems of real literary merit. As a teacher she not only taught the subject well, but aroused and inspired the student and pointed the way onward and upward. Mrs. Hoff's going leaves a void that never will be filled on earth. Aside from the family circle, the community, too is deeply grieved, for the deceased had established a wide reputation because of her high ideals, her clear and broad vision and her helpful and affectionate disposition. From the depths of the heart, all who knew her will join in the tender of profoundest sympathy to the loved ones who yet more deeply mourn the dear departed one.