

FRANK H. KING BURIED FEB. 24

Well Known Western Nebraska Pioneer Ranchman Died at Home in Sidney Monday, Feb. 22

Frank H. King, pioneer western Nebraska settler and one of the most widely known stockmen of this part of the state, died at his home in Sidney on Monday February 22, and was buried at Sidney, Wednesday, February 24. Many Herald readers who knew Mr. King will regret to learn of his death.

The account of his death and the funeral, given below, is taken from the Sidney Telegraph of last Saturday, February 27. It is as follows:

The death of this beloved citizen occurred Monday morning, February 22, and was a severe shock to the entire community. Mr. King had been so gently and imperceptible declining in health for the past two years that his friends scarcely recognized that his illness might soon have a fatal termination. But it had to be, and Monday morning when she arose his wife found him sleeping the last long sleep which knows no waking, the restful pose of the body indicating that there had been no pain or struggle. The physician returned

the death certificate as organic heart trouble. The sad news spread rapidly and the married children were summoned and the home was fairly besieged with kind messages and floral offerings. The funeral was held at the home Wednesday under the auspices of the Masonic lodge. Herman Schroeder, W. M., officiated. Reverend S. Hardman of the Bridgeport Episcopal church read the scriptural lesson and offered prayer. The flowers were profuse and beautiful.

The pall bearers were close and early friends. They were John Dougherty, Mack Radcliff, Charles Tolle, P. Rowlan, A. Remsburg and A. W. Atkins.

Bridgeport sent a delegation from their local lodge and about sixty Masons marched in the procession escorting the casket. A picked choir of trained voices rendered two favorite selections. Interment was given in the Greenlawn cemetery, attended by as large a company of sincere mourners as were ever gathered together in this community.

Numerous friends from out of town attended the funeral as true mourners and sympathizers of the family. Those from Bridgeport included Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Tolle, A. W. Atkins and wife and daughter, J. D. Hagerty, Glenn Putman, F. H. Putman, Ray Neumann, J. L. Johnson, P. J. Dunn, J. Treinmer, Mrs. H. H. Hurd, R. P. Scott, M. Iddings, M. Beerline, T. Miller, Fred Lindberg, and Rev. S. Hardman. From Broadwater came Mac Radcliffe, A. Remsburg, T. Halston, Mr. and Mrs. P. Rowlan, George Beerline, Ed Smith. From Lodgepole were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lehmkuhl, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Barlow, John Johnson, H. H. Libby and A. B. Persinger. Others present from away were A. Van Wirt of North Platte, J. L. Miller of Denver, Mr. and Mrs. John Daugherty and many others whose names were not caught.

Frank H. King was one of the oldest settlers of this region and identified with early history of the county and one of the actors in the stirring scenes of early days. He was born in Wisconsin September 2, 1855, went to Iowa with his parents when a small boy, where they lived for two years, then to Missouri where he remained until of age. He left home at that time and spent two years in Texas. He "traded" a large herd of cattle from Texas to this country requiring three months with two Texas cow ponies, then returning to Missouri and from there to the Black Hills in 1876. He traveled through the wild country in a wagon, going through Kearney. He spent one summer in the Hills, at the time the whole country was stirred by the killing of "Wild Bill". He spent the winter of 1877 at Red Cloud Agency, at that time a part of Cheyenne county. The free life of

the range held him and in 1885 he took a pre-emption and timber claim in Cheyenne county and a short time later a homestead, proving up on all three. During the early days he passed through all kinds of hardships and privations but through it all had the greatest faith in western Nebraska, as is evidenced by his continuance residence here through all the years of drouth and hard times, and has come out prosperous and successful. He became owner of the famous old Brown Creek ranch which had the first house built on the north side of the river.

The King ranch and farm are finely equipped. There are six hundred acres of river ranch, more than three hundred in cultivation, also a fine hay ranch and an immense tract which is used for pasturing large numbers of cattle and horses. There is every kind of improvement on the ranch, a fine grove of trees and altogether one of the most valuable in the region. It is situated in King precinct, Morrill county, which was originally a part of Cheyenne county. We are indebted to the "History of Western Nebraska" for much of our information.

Mr. King was married February 8, 1885, to Miss Grace C. Raynes of Humansville, Missouri. She was born in Washington, D. C., and when she came to what is now King ranch she was the only woman within a radius of forty miles, a unique experience for a city bred girl but one met with the courage and good cheer which has since characterized her whole life. The beautiful and affectionate home atmosphere has been and still is a shining example for the guidance of others. There were six children born to Mr. and Mrs. King, all of whom live to mourn with their mother for one who never failed them in love and gentle counsel and ready sympathy. They are Harry

Raynes King, who is married and lives on King ranch, Fred A. of Sidney, Mrs. Grace V. Symodynes of Sidney, Mrs. Hazelle Pearson of Agate, Colo., Frank H., Jr., and Kathryn. Mr. King was elected sheriff of Cheyenne county in 1897 and the family moved to Sidney where they have lived ever since to educate the children, going to the ranch for the summers. Mr. King served for two terms and left his impress upon the hearts of the people who found him open hearted, friendly and law-abiding, though fearless to arise to every duty required of him. In the death of this good man the loss to Cheyenne and Morrill counties is not a small or transient one and all who knew him mingle their tears with those of the grief stricken family. May they find solace in the happy memories of the beautiful home life to which he largely contributed and in the just pride which they may feel in his honorable life.

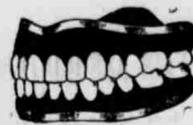
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When Mary starts to dance a bit Men folks nearly have a fit; If more clothes her form did drape, Mary wouldn't show her pretty disposition. —Memphis Commercial Appeal.

Mary steps across the gutter— Oh, the mean things men do utter. Mary's anger 'gins to rankle— Why should they talk about her elbow? —Ft. Smith Times-Record.

When Mary wears that short slit skirt The men all try with her to flirt. And wonder if that naughty breeze Doesn't chill her to the very shou-der. —Birmingham Age-Herald.

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