

FEBRUARY 5, 1959

Merlin D.

**SERVICES HELD FOR
DEE McCULLOUGH**

Funeral services for Dee McCullough were held at the Community Friends Church, Searsboro, Feb. 1 at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Myrtle C. Lee and Rev. Annie Laurie Greiner in charge. Interment was at the I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Searsboro. Casket-bearers were Earl Mincer, Kenneth Smith, Carl Boget, William Arthur, John McDowell, and Ollie McDowell.

OBITUARY

Merlin DeWitt, son of William and Nevada McCullough, was born Oct. 5, 1897 in Ormond, Ill., and departed this life Jan. 28, 1959 at Hollywood Presbyterian Hospital in Los Angeles, Calif. at the age of 61 years.

When still a child they moved to Rayville, Mo., where he was baptised into the Methodist Church. Later they moved to Des Moines where he completed his education at East High School, later attending Drake University.

On Dec. 1, 1928 he was united in marriage to Mildred Evans of Searsboro, Iowa. The past 18 years he was in charge of the rural mail route at Searsboro.

He was a member of the I.O.O.F. Lodge of Searsboro and the Masonic Lodge of Lynnville.

Preceding him in death were his father and an infant brother.

He leaves to mourn his passing his wife, Mildred, his aged mother of Montezuma, his sister, Velma Cogley of Anamosa, Iowa, two brothers, Lorraine of Bellingham, Wash. and Mayo of Winnepeg, Canada; along with a large number of other relatives and a host of friends.

In addition to regular church services, Masonic rites were extended at the church and the cemetery, and American Legion rites, including the playing of Taps at the graveside.