

Fremond Ahrens 10-12-1933 Dies Suddenly

Fremond Gerald Ahrens was found dead early Wednesday morning in the barn at his farm home near the Grinnell airport. He was one of the best known and best liked young farmers of the community and his sad death is generally regretted.

He got up about 5:00 o'clock in the morning and went to the barn to do his chores. A little later Mrs. Ahrens went out to help him by driving in the cows. Still later she noticed that the horses had been fed, but that the cattle had not. She started to look for her husband and came upon his lifeless body. He had evidently died instantly.

Funeral services were held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Methodist church, preceded by a short service at the house at 1:30 conducted by Rev. H. S. Wilkinson. Burial was in Hazelwood.

Music for the funeral services was furnished by a male quartet from the college. Pall bearers were Fred Chase, Charles Neister, Floyd Stewart, Kenzie Wyner, Lester Luttman and Louis Oltrogge.

North and Central meat markets were closed during the afternoon.

Fremond was born Oct. 25, 1908, on the Chris Schultz place two miles north of Snow's corner, the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Ahrens. He grew to manhood in this community, attending the country schools. March 1, 1917, the family moved to town and he attended high school, graduating in the class of 1926. All the time that he was attending school he worked nights and mornings for the Grinnell Provision company and was faithful and industrious.

After his graduation he continued working for the Grinnell Provision company for about a year and a half, when he went on the farm and had been there since.

He was married on Sept. 4, 1929, to Miss Golda Maxine Thornton, with whom he had lived happily until his sudden death. They were planning to leave the farm March 1, and make their home in Grinnell.

He is survived by his wife and parents, three brothers, Wesley, Milo and Edward, and one sister, Mrs. Russell Otcheck, all of Grinnell.