

Monday, July 16, 1962

OBITUARY

Herman Arthur Chenoweth

Herman A. Chenoweth was the son of Harvey R. and Minnie M. King Chenoweth, born August 12, 1890, on a farm in Washington Township, Jackson County, Ohio, near Wellston. He lived on this farm and in Hamden, Ohio, until he was 19 years of age.

He received his education in the county schools of Jackson County and the Hamden Public Schools, being graduated from Hamden High School with the class of 1909. At the age of eleven years he was taken into full membership in the Methodist Church of Hamden. His membership was never removed from this church.

Soon after his graduation from high school, he entered the engine service of the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern Railroad at Chillicothe, Ohio. He spent much of his life in the train and engine service of the various railroads of the United States, having been promoted to both a locomotive engineer and a conductor on several different railroads during his railroad service.

On December 24, 1936, Mr. Chenoweth was united in marriage with Mae Foster of Grinnell, Ia., by the Rev. Peter Smit at Loraine, Kansas. His wife, Mae, survives him at the home in Alhambra, Calif. He was preceded in death by his parents, an older sister and a younger brother. Also surviving are a host of cousins.

During his railroad service he was an active member of the Switchmans Union of North America; "J" Lodge No. 960, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen at Gary, Indiana; and the Clerks, Steel City Lodge. Local

905, at Gary. He had served as an officer in the various local lodges of these brotherhoods. He was also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, having first joined this order in April of 1912, in Leavenworth, Kansas. He later held membership at Grinnell, Iowa, and later at Alhambra, Calif.

Soon after his retirement from railroad service, Mr. Chenoweth and his wife moved from Gary, Indiana, where he had been railroading for a number of years, to Grinnell, Iowa, his wife's home town. On August 15, 1954, he assumed the duties of Secretary of the Grinnell Chamber of Commerce, a position he held until September 1, 1958, at which time he resigned on account of his health. Later, he and his wife moved to Alhambra, Calif., to make their home. He passed away at Alhambra, Thursday, July 5th, 1962.

Funeral Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 10, at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Chester E. Custer, pastor of the Methodist Church, officiating. Vocal music was provided by Mrs. Noel Haylor, accompanied by Mrs. J. Willard Heffner at the organ. Odd Fellow Rites were conducted by W. C. French, Noble Grand, Harry Bitcon, chaplain, and members of the Grinnell Odd Fellows Lodge. Pallbearers were Orville Foster, Gerald Foster, Bennie Foster, Thomas Erwin, Claire Erwin, and Wilbur Foster. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery.