

## Tractor Takes Life Of Willis Dieleman

A tractor accident in the feed lot on the J. J. Boatman farm south of Montezuma Friday, Mar. 7, took the life of Willis J. Dieleman, tenant operator. The boys found their father when they returned home from school that afternoon.

The supposition is, according to Mr. Boatman, that Willis was cleaning the feed lot concrete floor and his foot slipped from the icy pedal just as the tractor was at the low overhanging roof. That was the way the boys found him, pinned between the tractor and the roof.

Willis J. Dieleman, son of Daniel D. and Lena Van Baale Dieleman, was born at Pella Dec. 5, 1922, and was 40 years of age. He was graduated from Pella high with the Class of '39 and served three years in the armed forces during World War II.

In 1944 he was united in marriage with Willa Mae De Bruin, and to this union three sons were born. They farmed in the Pella area until moving to the Boatman farm five years ago.

He was a member of the Montezuma First Presbyterian church and a member of the board of trustees.

Surviving are his wife of the home, their three sons, Gail, Bruce and Randall; his parents at Pella; two brothers, Dan at Pella and Gerald, Phoenix, Ariz.; a sister, Mrs. Hattie Van Wyk, Otley, Iowa, other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday at the church, by the Rev. G. R. Dieken. Louis Gorsuch played the organ selections and accompanied Mrs. Lewis Lundy as she sang "Does Jesus Care" and "Anywhere With Jesus."

Interment was in Oak Wood cemetery, Pella, under direction of the Steffy Funeral Home. Casket bearers were Loren Roorda, John Westercamp, Carl Speas, Earl Beach, Autumn Watts and Phil Evans.