

John Arthur Dow

Many friends and relatives in Sunfield attended the funeral services Sunday afternoon for Arthur Dow, 70, at the Ward funeral home in Vermontville.

Arthur Dow, a well-known farmer of Eaton county, and grandson of the veteran supervisor, John Dow, who came to Michigan, cleared and settled on the homestead known today as Dow Corners, was born on this farm April 5, 1881, the son of John Dow II and Harriet Bishop Dow, and had spent his lifetime in the Sunfield and Vermontville areas.

His last illness was only of a few weeks' duration, and he passed away in the Pennock hospital in Hastings Feb. 14. He was married Dec. 4, 1904 to Mabel Wright of Vermontville who survives, they having spent the past 37 years on their farm home at Bismark. One son, Clare, preceded him in death at the age of two years in 1911. Surviving besides the widow are two daughters, Mrs. Lucene Smith of Sunfield, Mrs. Louise Shipman of Vermontville and three grandchildren. Rev. Marcus Tabor of Vermontville officiated with burial in Freemire cemetery in Sunfield township.

Six nephews, Carl Dow, Kendall Dow, Richard Wright, Durwood Dow, Claud VanBlarcum and Elywn Dow acted as casket bearers.

John F. Purchis

CHARLOTTE—John F. Purchis died on his 70th birthday anniversary Wednesday morning at the residence, 429 North Clinton, after a two-year illness. He was born Feb. 20, 1882, at Nashville, son of Frank and Ida Purchis, and was a former Nashville resident, moving to Charlotte about 13 years ago. He was a retired barber, once employed in the former W. C. Peskett Barbershop here. Surviving are the wife, Edith; two sisters, Mrs. Elmer Cross of Kalamazoo and Mrs. Mildred Mater of Nashville; a brother, Frank Purchis of Nashville, and a stepson, Max DeFoe, at home. Services will be held Friday at 2 p. m. at the Burkhead funeral home. The Rev. A. G. Hetherington is to officiate. Burial will be in Maple Hill cemetery.

Dealer Killed

MARSHALL, May 29 (UP)—Emil Hargis, 40-year-old Battle Creek livestock dealer, was killed two miles west of here late yesterday when his car collided with a truck on US-12.

DEATHS

Rollin A. Deer

Rollin A. Deer, 60, of 187 North Wood, died at 3:28 p. m. yesterday in a local hospital, following a five-year illness, serious since November. He entered the hospital on Wednesday. Mr. Deer was a line foreman for the Consumer Power Co. here. Born in Battle Creek on Sept. 26, 1891, he was the son of John and Melisa (Bandford) Deer. They moved to Vermontville shortly afterwards. Mr. Deer lived there until he joined the army on Sept. 18, 1917, at Camp Custer. He served as a private in the 339th Field Hospital overseas, and was discharged at Camp Custer in April, 1919, and returned to Vermontville. He married Helen Colon of Milan, Mich., at Auburn, Ind., on Nov. 27, 1920. They lived in Vermontville for several years, where Mr. Deer was employed by Consumers, and later in Coldwater. In February, 1931 they moved to Battle Creek and in 1947, Mr. Deer became line foreman. He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Leo (Irene) Hazel of 383 Bowers avenue and Mrs. Lois Davis of 51 Enwood avenue; two sons, Glen and George, living at home; a brother, Rex Deer of Sunfield; two sisters, Mrs. Otto (Rowena) Moore of Vermontville and Mrs. Bernal (Rilla) Smith of Lansing; five grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Mr. Deer was a former member of the F. & A. M. lodge and the American Legion post at Vermontville.

Vermontville Resident Is Dead at Charlotte

(Special to The State Journal) VERMONTVILLE, Feb. 23 —

Mrs. Emma G. Powers, 71, widow of Irvin Powers, died in a Charlotte hospital Friday evening, where she had been a patient for about a week.

Born in Kalamo township, Aug. 2, 1881, she was the daughter of Cyrus and Hanna Gehman. She had been a resident of Kelamo and Vermontville townships for the past 64 years.

Following the death of her husband in 1944, she went to Charlotte, where she worked as a practical nurse in the hospital there.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Leo Baker of Charlotte; Mrs. Clarence Rodgers of Caledonia, and Mrs. Edison Rowley of Jonesville. Eleven grandchildren and a brother, Ed Gehman of North Canton, O., also survive.

The body is at the Ward funeral home, and Monday will be taken to the Methodist church for service at 2 p. m. Rev. Ray Gillham from Charlotte will officiate, and Rev. Marcius Taber of Vermontville will assist. Burial will be in Kalamo cemetery.