

### Retired Farmer Dead In Vermontville Area

(Special to The State Journal)  
VERMONTVILLE, Dec. 8 — Charles P. Davis, 78, a retired farmer, died at the home of a son, Marvin, R. 1, Vermontville, early Saturday morning. He had been ill for some time.

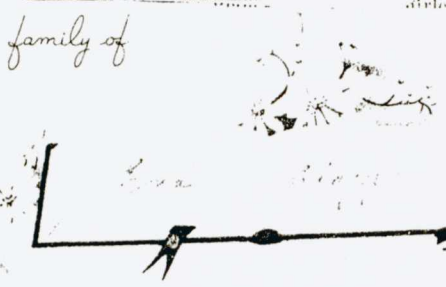
Born in Barry county, near Nashville, Aug. 31, 1873, the son of Peter and Electa (Heath) Davis, he was a stone mason at Burlington in his youth, and later took up farming. He moved to this vicinity nine years ago.

Surviving, in addition to the son, Marvin, are the widow, Laura; a second son, Harlin, of Burlington; a daughter, Mrs. Lucille Whittington, of Burlington; a sister, Mrs. Anson Sharpsteen of Battle Creek, six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Services will be held Monday at 2 p. m. at the Ward funeral home, Vermontville, Rev. G. C. Guiliatt of Lansing officiating. Burial will be in Marshall.

### Deaths

Josiah Barnum, 75, of 516 River st. died Tuesday afternoon at a local hospital. Mr. Barnum had been a resident of Lansing for the past 15 years, coming here from St. Johns. He was a member of the Townsend club. He is survived by a brother, Edward L. Barnum of Marshall, and several nieces and nephews. Funeral arrangements are being made at the Estes-Leadley funeral home and will be announced later.



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## Kansas GOP Leader Dies

### Ex-Sen. Arthur Capper, 86, Succumbs

Topeka, Kan.—(P)—Arthur Capper, a Kansas Republican who

served in the United States senate for three decades, died Wednesday night at the age of 86.

Capper retired from politics almost three years ago, giving up his senate seat on Jan. 3, 1949.

In recent months his health had been bad and he became critically ill with pneumonia two weeks ago.

Capper, who started newspaper work as a printer's apprentice at



ARTHUR CAPPER.

\$1 a week in his high school days, owned two daily newspapers and eight farm magazines with a combined circulation of 4,500,000.

He was a leader in farm legislation in his years in congress. He was chairman of the senate agricultural committee when he retired. Legislation bearing his name included the Capper-Volstead act, the legal foundation for farm co-operatives, and the Capper-Tincher act providing for regulation of grain exchanges.

He frequently was referred to as the Republican voice of the mid-west farmer.

Topeka, Kan. — (U.P.) — Arthur Capper, 86, United States senator from Kansas for 30 years and president of a vast publishing empire, died Wednesday night.

Capper was president of Capper Publications, Inc., which publishes the Daily Capital here, the Kansas City Kansan and numerous farm magazines. The corporation also owns radio stations WIF here and KCKN in Kansas City.

Capper retired from the senate in January, 1949, but had remained semi-active in his publishing interests and the philanthropic organizations which he insti-

#### Lover of Children.

Childless, Capper was a father to children and each year

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