

LOOKING BACK

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Martin Mahlow, Sr. longtime resident passes Saturday August 5, 1943 State Center Enterprise

Martin Mahlow, Sr., a resident of this vicinity for nearly sixty years, died at his home here last Saturday afternoon of old age, following a lingering illness. He had been in poor health for several years.

Funeral services were held at the home at 1:30 p.m. and at St. Paul's Lutheran Church at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday with Rev. H.P. Kumpf officiating. Pallbearers were William Mehlow, Martin Mehlich, Chris Schulz, Otto Richter, Fred Muschick, and Fred Hannusch. Interment was in Hillside cemetery near State Center.

Mr. Mahlow was born in Germany, April 1, 1854. He came to the United States in 1884, settling at State Center. In August of 1887 he was married to Anna Riese. They were the parents of eleven children, three of whom have preceded their father in death.

In 1890, he purchased a farm in Story county and lived there until seven years ago when he retired and moved back to State Center. Mr. Mahlow was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

Besides his widow, he is survived by the following sons and daughters: Martin Mahlow, Jr., Eldora; Mrs. Amelia Brodie, Blue Earth, Minn; Mrs. Bertha Trites, Boone; Mrs. Lydia Patton, State Center; Mrs. Elizabeth Stall, Norwalk; Mrs. Amelia (sic-should be Alvira) Devick, Dunbar; and Harold Mahlow, Zearing. Fifteen grandchildren and three great grandchildren also survive.

(Shirley's note: A son, Fred, should also have been listed as a survivor.)