

LOOKING BACK

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**Charles Pleshek, longtime railroad agent, succumbs
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Charles Pleshek, 79, a longtime resident of this community and depot agent for the Chicago and North Western Railroad here for many years, passed away last Monday, at his home.

Mr. Pleshek was found Thursday afternoon in his home after neighbors recalled they had not seen him outside for several days. They contacted his son, Lyle Pleshek of Oelwein, who asked that local authorities investigate. Entrance was made to the house and Dr. Harold Sauer, county medical examiner, put the time of death on Monday, presumably of a heart attack.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at one o'clock from the First United Presbyterian church with the Rev. Kenneth R. Pease, officiating. Interment was made in the National cemetery at Vining, Iowa.

Pall bearers were Ron German, L.R. Akers, J.G. Gutekunst, Elmer Terrell, Ralph Watson and G.M. Hilleman.

Mr. Pleshek was born June 1, 1883 at Chelsea, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pleshek. He grew up and was educated in that area. He was united in marriage to Anna Framer at Chelsea on February 21, 1906. The couple resided in Lowden and Nevada before coming to State Center in 1910.