

VAN ORTWICK, PENINA ALICE MOORE

March 19, 1868-April 3, 1941

Once more the ranks of the pioneers is decimated in the death of Mrs. G.G. Van Ortwick on April 3, at her home here.

Penina Alice Moore was born in Rushville, Illinois March 19, 1868, coming with her parents to Wyoming in 1877 and settling near Laramie where she grew to womanhood and was married to George Gilbert VanOrtwick on May 8, 1884. They moved to a ranch far removed from the nearest settlements and underwent many hardships including Indian scares, blizzards and loneliness.

To them were born twelve children, Mrs. Nellie Mofford, Mrs. Inez Phelps, Raymond, Mrs. Dolly Locke, Gilbert, Carl, Mrs. Florentine Locke, Ernest, Cecil, Ivan and Mrs. Ruby Kerns, all of whom were born and grew up in Wyoming.

Mr. VanOrtwick died March 2, 1929, since which time Mrs. VanOrtwick has made her home in Wheatland. She was of a cheerful, happy disposition and won the love of those about her.

Her love of flowers was well recognized in the many beautiful offerings for her funeral which was held from the Assembly of God church Sunday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. with the Rev. Robert McAllister officiating. The Copley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Burial was made in the Wheatland cemetery beside the body of her husband.