

FRANCIS AND HANNAH STANLEY

Francis Winfield Stanley was the son of Robert J. Stanley and Catherine (Stephon) Stanley. "Frank" was born August 2, 1885 at his home in Pomme de Terre Township, Grant County, Minnesota.

On February 25, 1900, he became a member of the Presbyterian Church of Elbow Lake, Minnesota.

His first occupation was farming.

On July 3, 1905 he married Hannah Marie Pikop, the daughter of Ole K. and Maret (Bergo) Pikop. Hannah was born July 19, 1885, at Rice Lake, Minnesota. The marriage took place at the Pikop home in Pomme Terra Township.

Hannah attended school at Spring Grove and then finished in Elbow Lake, MN. where she met Frank.

Frank was a rural mail carrier until the family moved to Sherwood, North Dakota. Frank came first by train on June 10, 1918 and then Hannah followed a little later. They moved to Mohall in 1920 but returned to Sherwood the following year

Frank established a shoe & Harness repair business where he repaired shoes, binder canvas, and truck tarps. He was actively engaged in this business - as well as hauling grain for farmers until his death. He was also police magistrate for the city.

Hannah was involved with the Lutheran Church, Eastern Star, Study Club, and when her son went to the army she became a member of the American Legion. She was also a correspondent for the Renville County Farmer newspaper, writing the Sherwood News for many years. She tested cream and candled eggs for the farmers when they brought their cream & eggs to town on Saturday night.

Eleven children were born to this Union: Raymond, LeRoy, Morris, Florence (Steeves) William, Catherine (Brown), Winifred (Eggen), Ruth (Henderson), Fern (Webber), Robert, and Dorothy (McCroory).

Frank died on Thursday, April 18, 1963 at the age of 77. Hannah passed

away September 28, 1973 at the age of 88. Both are buried in the family plot at the Union Cemetery, Sherwood, North Dakota.