

[Wood, Arthur]

MAN KILLED IN A STORM NEAR CORFU  
Silo Blown Over, Crushing Arthur Wood, Aged 36 Years  
WIND WAS TERRIFIC  
Much Damage Suffered by Farmers During Thunder Shower

Corfu, July 11.—One man was killed and considerable damage was done on farms about two miles west of Corfu as the result of a terrific wind which accompanied a thunder storm between 2 and 3 o'clock on Saturday afternoon. The man who lost his life was Arthur Wood, aged 36, who owned and occupied the Bennett farm on the west side of the Fargo road. He was killed by a silo falling onto him. Silos on the farms of Julius George and Alvin B. Tanner also were blown over and Mr. Tanner's windmill went down. Trees were unrooted in the same line and also as far east as the Etsold farm.

Mr. Wood was in the house when the storm broke out. As it increased he told Mrs. Wood he believed he had better go and close the barn doors which are toward the west, facing the storm. She tried to persuade him not to go, but he insisted that he must. She watched him to the barn and then turned away.

When Mr. Wood did not return his wife went out to look for him and saw the silo down on the south side of the barn. She went over to it and saw just a little of her husband's coat projecting from beneath it. She screamed and Clare Riggins and Charles Judd, who live on the main road, ran to the rescue, others following. When they removed some staves from the silo they found Mr. Wood's body doubled together with his head between his knees. His neck and back were broken. A ladder that had been standing against the silo was beside him and also some wire, which indicated that Mr. Wood was upon the ladder trying to make the silo more secure when a blast of wind blew it over. His body was quite a distance from the base of the silo, indicating that he might have been running away from the impending danger.

Mr. Wood was born at County Line on April 16, 1885, but spent most of his life at Corfu and Fargo. In May, 1905, he married Miss Ella Bartlett, who survives him with a daughter Hazel, five years of age, and his mother, Mrs. Emma Wood of Corfu.

The funeral will be held at 2:30 p.m. tomorrow afternoon from the house, the Rev. Harry M. Wright [Universalist] of Hornell officiating. The interment will be made in Evergreen Hill cemetery.

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