

[Yerdon, William]

William Yerdon

Fort Plain, March 20.—The death of William Yerdon occurred at his home on Sunday morning at 11:45 o'clock. He has been ill for a number of years, his trouble being diabetes. He had been under the care of noted physicians during the course of his illness, but all of the time there seemed a steady falling away, and various complications, even blindness, developed. Mr. Yerdon was one of the representative business men of Fort Plain, always loyal to the interests of his home. For a number of years he ran the bus line between the railroad and the village, and in this he was successful. He became interested in and patented a rubber hose band that has been universally adopted by extensive dealers in rubber hose, and has become a great product. The article is at present being manufactured in a spacious building on Main street. In politics he was a Republican. Until his illness began he was one of the political leaders of the valley. He served as postmaster of Fort Plain with ability, and in other ways occupied prominent political positions. He was a member of the Universalist church and served as trustee of that institution to the time of his death. He was a member of the Fort Plain club. Mr. Yerdon was a man whose business and personal life won him general esteem. He is survived by his widow [Vina Barker Yerdon], one daughter, Lucille, and one son, Leland, all of whom were home and at the bedside at his passing away. He is also survived by one brother, Alfred Yerdon, and one sister, Mrs. George Bauder, both of this village.

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