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Mrs. Otto Brose was born July 18, 1861, at Otter Creek, Ill. She grew up in a fine Christian home, and was converted in youth. On March 19, 1884, she was married to Rev. Otto Brose. Ten children were born to this union, two of whom preceded her in death.

With our itinerant form of ministry, she was obliged to establish her home in many different communities. Sister Brose shared the exacting and heavy responsibilities of a parsonage life, and was a constant helpmate in her husband's work.

During her reclining years she has been a cheerful and pleasant person, radiating a true Christian spirit. Death came November 25, 1939.

Brother Albert H. Wilk was born July 22, 1882. **Mrs. Albert Wilk** was born August 16, 1881. Through a tragedy, they died December 9, 1939, at Chippewa Falls, Wis.

Mrs. Wilk was a daughter of the late Rev. Ausman of Wisconsin. Both were loyal Christians and active members of Oakland Avenue church, Minneapolis, Minn.

Brother John A. Utzinger was born July 4, 1863, near Racine, Minn. He married Lucinda Eppard. One daughter and four sons were born to this union, the one son, Rev. E. J. Utzinger, of our Conference.

He was active in church work and community affairs, and had been a lay delegate to Conference several years. He died at his home, August 16, 1939.

Brother Emert Hertel was born in Germany, November 13, 1866. He came to the United States when he was 18 years old. He married Helena Miller, and to this union six children were born.

Hertel was a faithful church member, holding various offices in church, as well as offices in a number of community organizations. He was a lay delegate to Annual Conference for a number of years.

He died at Olivia, Minn., January 12, 1940.

Brother August Bathke was born at Waseca, Minn., in the month of September, 1867. He lived in this community all his life. He was converted when a young man and joined the Evangelical Church. For several years he was elected lay delegate to Annual Conference. He died March 22, 1940.

Brother John Buscho was born in Steel County, Deerfield, Minn., February 26, 1873. He married Sarah Wolter, January 28, 1898. He was an active Christian, a member of the Morristown Evangelical church. He held various offices in the church and community and was a lay delegate to Annual Conference some years ago. He died September 1, 1939.

Sister Alphaena Driver, widow of the Reverend John P. Driver of the Northwest Conference of the United Evangelical Church, was born August 12, 1865, at Mayer, Minn. She was a faithful companion of her husband in the Christian ministry. She died November 21, 1939.

E. G. PODOLL, *Chairman*;
A. T. NELSON, *Secretary*.

Report of Committee on Quarterly Conference Records

All the records were turned in for examination except those of Bellingham, Deer Creek, and St. Charles.

All the records are now of the loose-leaf type, and nearly all of them are typewritten, with some corrections.

Signature by either chairman or secretary must be in longhand and must not be omitted. Budget apportionment must be presented and voted on at the first quarterly conference.

There is quite a difference in the amount of space used. Some brethren need only one page, and some need two to six pages. There should be uniformity.

When copies of minutes are added to loose-leaf records they should be inserted in their proper places. To place record of minutes for 1939-40 on front pages of a book, and not after those of 1938-1939, is confusing.

Our records are kept for future reference and should be carefully written, and inserted where they belong.

B. G. WITT, *Chairman*;
C. G. ROESTI, *Secretary*.