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rossland of Normal, formerly ourn his loss. He is survived 1 is S. A. McIntosh, a retired grandchildren, and five stepFuneral services were held at the Normal Methodist Church in charge of Superintendent A. S. Chapman assisted by W. G. Pulliam, A. M. Wells, L. M. Thompson, and I. S. Corn, pastor of the church. He was buried in Memorial Park Cemetery, Evanston.

BOYD L. RUDD.

J. E. OWEN

John Elisha Owen was born in Lawrence County, Indiana, on February 19, 1866. He passed to his eternal rest from his home in Marshall, on Sunday, October 27, 1940, after an illness of two years.

His parents moved to Hutsonville when he was twelve years of age and he was converted in White Oak Church under his father's preaching when in his late teens. Soon he too began preaching and did faithful consistent work as a Supply Pastor through the years, until death claimed him. He was twice pastor of the Marshall Circuit, first in 1906 when he lived at Livingstone. He was appointed to the Marshall Circuit in 1940 for the ninth time in his second pastorate.

On October 4, 1905, he was united in marriage with Miss Kate Emmitt at Robinson. To this union were born three children, Roy and Emmitt both of Marshall, and Mrs. Louise Hanson of Hammond, Indiana, who with their mother survive.

Funeral services were conducted from the family residence in Marshall and from the Beulah Methodist Church by his District Superintendent, George H. Thorpe. Interment was in the Walnut Prairie Cemetery south of Marshall.

L. C. ARCHER.

IOHN W. STARR

John W. Starr, twenty-five years in the fellowship of the Illinois Conference, received his heavenly appointment on Wednesday morning, January 15, 1941.

In Nebraska, the state of his youth, John first knew the Saviourhood of Jesus Christ, graduated from Nebraska Wesleyan University with a liberal arts degree, took graduate work for a master's degree, entered the Methodist ministry, and did his first preaching. He was received on trial in the Montana Conference and appointed to Twin Bridges. From there he entered the Garrett Biblical Institute. During his years at Garrett he became a student pastor at Rantoul Circuit in the Illinois Conference.

John Starr had a successful threefold ministry. First, he held most constructive and happy pastorates. He was strong in the pulpit, warm in his sympathies, and loyal to the whole program of the church. Second, John touched the brethren of the Conference and pulled at heartstrings as few ministers seem able. Fellowship with John Starr ripened into abiding friendship. As evidence, through almost impassable fog 103 of the ministers of the conference attended John's funeral at Normal. Third, in a most unique manner John Starr served the youth of our conference. Not only in a large way in his pastorates did he counsel them and lead them Godward, but in conference areas, such as our Epworth League Institutes, John Starr was unsurpassed in his ability to have the confidence and goodwill of young people and to bring them into a more satisfying fellowship with Jesus Christ. His is the longest record of those in our Conference in the presidency of our Old Salem Epworth League Institute.

He was born in Brock, Nebraska, March 31, 1886, son of Jacob P. and Ellen Wilson Starr. His parents pioneered to Nebraska from Illinois. In 1912 he was married to Miss Mary J. Fablinger of Auburn, Nebraska. The death of Kenneth, their first child, brought sorrow to their first parsonage

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home. Surviving are Mrs. Starr, and two children, Mrs. Betty Ellen Nelson of Chicago, and Miss Sabra Jeanne Starr, at home. There is one grand-child, Billy Nelson. He is also survived by four brothers.

Mortality has put on immortality. We miss John Starr. However, we rejoice that in the providence of God he could put away his worn out body and by the grace of God enter his eternal and heavenly abode. We hear John say to us, "After earth's tomorrow what a blessed fellowship! Keep coming this way."

He was buried în the Parkhill Cemetery, Bloomington.

W. G. PULLIAM.

E. W. THOMPSON

Edward Wesley Thompson was born April 15, 1855, in Beardstown, a son of John and Elizabeth White Thompson. He died June 1, 1941, at Rock Island. His boyhood was spent near Jacksonville and Virginia. He married Miss Della Rexroat of McDonough County in November 1878, and engaged in the grocery business at Milan. A daughter, Stella, died there at the age of seven years and Mrs. Thompson died at Rock Island in October 1906.

He was Received on Trial in the Central Illinois Conference in 1891. He served churches in Park Prairie, Rock River, Colona, Atkinson, and Erie. He spent some years in the Supernumerary Relation and was in business in Rock Island, but again in the active pastorate he ministered in Silvis, Oneida and Bardolph. In 1919 he retired. In 1926 he became dormitory secretary of the Y.M.C.A. in Galesburg. In 1941 he moved to a newly purchased home in Rock Island.

He was united in marriage with Mrs. Florence L. Pomeroy of Erie on June 23, 1908, and they began their ministry together at Silvis where he organized the Church Society and guided it in building their church to great advantage in revival services in his own and in other churches. His work was characterized by evangelistic fervor, fine business administration, and faithful pastoral service.

Death occurred on Pentecost Sunday, June 1, 1941, after a lingering illness. He is survived by his wife, two stepdaughters, Mrs. H. C. Dingrandsons.

Funeral services were conducted in the First Methodist Church of Rock Island by Ernest J. Campbell, pastor, assisted by T. E. Newland, S. A. Guthrie and District Superintendent Arthur Cates. Ministers of the Galesburg District acted as pallbearers.

The body rests in Chippiannock Cemetery, Rock Island, but his unconquerable spirit is with God.

E. J. CAMPBELL.

LOUIS OWEN UNGER

Louis Owen Unger was born December 29, 1899, at Irwin, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Finis Unger. He departed this life at his home in Pana on October 15, 1940, after an illness of more than a year.

He graduated from high school at Rushville with the class of 1921 and entered Illinois Wesleyan University the following fall. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Wesleyan and immediately entered Garrett Biblical Institute, from which institution he graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Divinity. He took keen delight in his educational work, and considered the opportunity, which he made for himself by dint of honest labor through high school, college and seminary, a high privilege.

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nois Conf. 1912-13 Thawville; 1919-25 Shiloh; 1926-32 Arm-

Conf. 1902 Bradley: 1903-06 Grand Ridge; 1916-17 Peoria, 7-32 Superintendent Kankakee gton.

- SMITH, BRONSON N.—Received on Trial Illinois Conf. 1928 in school; 1929 Brimfield and Essex; 1930-31 Gardner; 1932-38 Manteno; 1939—Washington.
- SMITH, CHARLES E.—Received on Trial Southern Illinois Conf. 1913-14 Oakville; 1915-17 in school; Central Illinois Conf. 1918-19 Shiloh and Gridley; 1920-21 Manito; 1922 Tremont; 1923-24 Wenona; 1925-26 Woodhull; 1927-29 Cullom; 1930-32 Momence; 1933 Milford; 1934-36 Piper City; 1937-39 Cropsey; 1940—Greenfield.
- SMITH, C. F. W.—Received on Trial Central Illinois Conf. 1898-00 Wataga; 1901-03 Victoria; 1904-07 Kirkwood; 1908-14 Monmouth; 1915-20 Superinttendent Galesburg District; 1921-22 Quincy; 1923-28 Galva; 1929-34 Pekin, Grace; 1935-38 Dwight; 1939—Colfox
- SMITH, FRANCIS E.—Received on Trial Illinois Conf. 1903-04 Plymouth; 1905-08 Littleton; 1909-12 Versailles; 1913-14 Augusta; 1915-20 Waverly; 1921-26 Gibson City; 1927-28 Jacksonville, Centenary; 1929-31 Assistant to President MacMurray College for Women; 1932-35 Representative of MacMurray College; 1936-38 Macon; 1939—Waverly.
- SMITH, JOHN A.—Received on Trial Illinois Conf. 1937-38 Oakwood; 1939—Georgetown-Danville, Central Park.
- SMITH MARION O.—Received on Trial Illinois Conf. 1926 LaPlace; 1927-29 Island Grove; 1930-31 Durbin and Asbury; 1932 Elwin; 1933-34 Sibley; 1935-36 Bishop Hill; 1937-38 Beason; 1939—Rochester.
- SMITH, WADE—Received on Trial Central Illinois Conf. 1907-09 Colona; 1910-12 Hillsdale; 1913 Alpha; 1914-15 Sciota; 1916 Fairview; 1917-18 Terre Haute; 1919-20 La Harpe; 1921 Cookesville; 1922 McDowell; 1923-26 Cissna Park; 1927 Taylor Ridge; 1928-30 New Boston; 1931-32 Tremont; 1933-36 Hanna City; 1937—Hennepin.
- SNEDAKER, G. P.—Received on Trial W. Nebraska Conf. 1887-88 Chadron; 1889 Non-pareil; Black Hills Conf. 1890 Whiteweed, S. Dak.; N. W. Neb. Conf. 1891 Gordon; 1892-93 Alliance; 1894-95 Sheridan, Wyo.; 1896 Rock Springs, Wyo.; Central Illinois Conf. 1897 Wataga; 1898 Cuba; 1899-02 Fairview; 1903-04 Brimfield; 1905-06 Woodhull; 1907-08 Cornell; 1909 Magnolia and Varna; 1910-12 Cropsey; 1913-20 Piper City; 1921-26 Saunemin; 1927-34 Loda and Victor; 1935—Retired.
- SNIDER, CLOVIS B.—Received on Trial Illinois Conf. 1930-32 Philo; 1933-34 Ridge Farm; 1935-37 Plymouth; 1938—Avon.
- SPEAR, LAREN—Received on Trial Illinois Conf. 1923 Philo; 1924-27 St. Joseph; 1928-32 Marshall; 1933-35 Rushville; 1936-39 Lincoln; 1940—Urbana First.
- SPRECKELMEYER, ORVILLE R.—Received on Trial Southern Illinois Conf. 1920-22
 Huey; 1923-24 Madison; 1925-27 in school; Illinois Conf. 1928 Cisco; 1929-30 New
 Canton; 1931-32 Colchester; 1933-36 Girard; 1937-38 Rochester; 1939 Mt. AuburnGrove City; 1940—Easton.
- SPENCER, THOMAS—Received on Trial St. Louis Conf. 1915 Butler Cir.; 1916-17
 Amoret and Amsterdam; 1918 Canadian Army; Kansas Conf. 1919-20 Dwight; Missouri
 Conf. 1922 Wyaconda; Central Illinois Conf. 1923-24 New Boston; 1925 Yates City;
 1926-34 W. Jersey; 1935-36 Easton; 1937-38 Dallas City; 1939—Preemption.
- STARR, JOHN W.—Received on Trial Montana Conf. 1914 Twin Bridges, Mont.; 1915 in school; Illinois Conf. 1916-17 Rantoul Cir.; 1918 Fairmount; 1919-21 Fithian; 1922-23 San Jose; 1924 LeRoy; 1925-27 Pittsfield; 1928-32 Villa Grove; 1933 Danville, Lincoln; 1934-36 Paxton; 1937-39 Watseka; 1940—Normal.
- STAUFFER, EUGENE E .- Received on Trial Illinois Conf. 1935-Glasford.
- STEINFELDT, ARTHUR L.—Admitted on Probation Illinois Conf. M. P. Church 1908
 Long Point; 1909-14 Professor Adrian College; 1915 Osman; 1916-18 Professor Westminister Seminary; 1919 Chapin Ct.; 1920-23 Castleton Ct.; 1924-27 Concord; 1928-29 Clinton Ct.; 1930-35 Loaned to Indiana Conf.; 1936 Ferris; 1937-38 Castleton Ct.; 1939—Brocton.
- STEVENS, F. I.—Received on Trial Upper Iowa Conf. 1894-95 Elkader; 1896-97 Monona; 1898-99 Riceville; 1900 Sy; Colorado Conf. 1901-02 Monte Vista and Ordway; 1903-04 Sy; Central Illinois Conf. 1905 Port Byron; 1906-08 Atkinson; 1909-11 Milan; 1912-15 Tiskilwa; 1916-17 Buda; 1918-20 Viola; 1921—Retired.
- STOCKING, A. M.—Received on Trial Central Illinois Conf. 1885 Burnside; 1886-87 Good Hope; 1888 Wataga; 1889 Prof. Hedding College; 1890-91 Moline, First; 1892 Geneseo; 1893-94 Vice-President Chaddock College; 1895-98 Aledo; 1899-01 Watseka; 1902-04 Peoria, Hale Memorial; 1905 Onarga; 1906-07 Anti-Saloon League; 1908 Field Sec. Graham Protestant Hospital; 1909-12 Sy; 1913-14 LaHarpe; 1915-17 Neponset; 1918-20 Rock Island, Spencer; 1921 Trivoli; 1922 Peoria, Grace Church; 1923—Retired.
- STOCKING, ROY W.—Received on Trial Central Illinois Conf. 1910-11 Hanna City; 1912-14 Bonfield and Essex; 1915 Reddick; 1916-19 Cullom; 1920 Tiskilwa; 1921-25 Bardolph; 1926-28 Avon; 1929-31 Victoria; 1932-34 Altona; 1935-37 Toulon; 1938-39 Vermont; 1940—Taylor Ridge.