Obit-Partridge, F

FRANCES BURKE PARTRIDGE

Sorrowing relatives and friends alike mourn the death of Francis Burke Partridge which occurred at the family home in this village on Thursday afternoon, December 5th. Although he was not in the best of health for some time past his death was not fore-shadowed and the announcement of his demise came as a surprise to all. Burke as he was familiarly called was a son of the late John and Mary (Regan) Partridge and was born on the home farm now owned by R. Fiege, on June 16th, A. D. 1870. He attended the district school at Eagleville and assisted the family on the farm until they moved to the village in 1904. Soon thereafter Burke with his brother, J. M. Partridge, and sister, Miss Dora I. Partridge, purchased the mercantile business or their uncles, Matthias J. and William B. Regan, which they conducted successfully for twenty-

three years, when they retired.

With his sisters, Mrs. Anna U. McCarthy, Dora and Edna, he owned a fine home on Jericho St., formerly the home of Dr. C. B. Bannister, and after leaving the store he led a retired life. Three brothers, George, Whitiam and an infant, and two sisters preceded him in death, namely, Maggie, a teacher in the public schools for many years, and Nellie, wife of Eugene A. Watrous, also a former teacher. His father died in A. D. 1888 and his mother died in A. D. 1911. Burke died on the anniversary of the death of his sister, Maggie, and on the anniversary of the funeral day of his father. Burke learned telegraphy when he first came to the village, and also represented the village in the

county board of supervisors for several terms. At the time of his death he was a stockholder of the Bank of Eagle and for many years a member of the examining committee. He was popular and respected by all. His life was useful and his memory dear to all. The funeral took place from the family home on Monday afternoon, Rev. Brown, of Whitewater, rector of the Episcopal church, officiating, and Oramel Hinkley, accompanied by Mrs. Hinkley, rendered vocal selections both at the home and at the grave. A. H. Gale, Ed. J. Whettam, Dr. F. M. Schmidt, C. L. Shearer, John A. Breidenbach and H. M. Loibl served as pall bearers. There were many floral tributes. He leaves surviving him one brother, J. M. Partridge, now in Milwaukee, and three sisters, Mrs. Anna U. McCarthy, Dora I. and Edna Partridge, all at home, to mourn his death, who have the sympathy of all in their bereavement