Richard Townsend, a prominent resident of Vader for the last 35 years, dropped dead suddenly Wednesday night. Mrs. Townsend, the widow, is postmistress at Vader. Besides the widow a son, Max Townsend of Vader and a daughter, Mrs. Truman Foster of Chula Vista, Cal., survive. Funeral services will be held Saturday at the Vader church, Rev. Lanning officiating. The deceased, who was 72 years old, was prominent in public affairs during his long residence in Vader.

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