

IN MEMORIAM

Leonard Harvey Crowder 1890-1963

Leonard Harvey Crowder was born at Kingston, Tennessee, March 31, 1890 and died at Seminole, Oklahoma, September 13, 1963, age 73.

His parents moved to Texas and later to Marshall County, Oklahoma, where Leonard taught his first school, a rural school. His family moved in 1911 to Oklahoma City and he enrolled at Central State Normal School and was graduated in 1917. He met his future wife, Fern Farris, there and they were married after the close of the first World War.

Mr. Crowder taught at Shawnee, Fitzhugh, and Roff, where he named and published the Blue Valley Farmer. He received his B.A. from East Central, and his Master of Education in 1932 from O. U. He was captain of the National Guard company at Roff.

After 10 years as superintendent at Lehigh he went to Murray State College as science instructor.

In 1946 the family moved to Seminole where he taught in the high school and junior college until his retirement in 1957.

He was a member of the Oklahoma Academy of Science, a deacon and a Sunday-school teacher in the Baptist Church, a Mason, and a member of the American Legion.

He was survived by his wife, Fern, four sons, one daughter and nine grandchildren. —Elroy Rice.