

## Mrs. Ada Bek Dies At Age 84

Mrs. Ada Bek, 84, of Grand Forks, a past state president of the North Dakota PEO Sisterhood, died here Tuesday.

Mrs. Bek was the widow of Dr. William O. Bek, dean of the Liberal Arts College at the University of North Dakota for many years.

She was a resident of Valley Memorial Home and formerly lived at 409 Hamline St.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at Hanson-Anderson Mortuary with Rev. Cecil H. Robinson of The Federated Church officiating.

Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery.

There will be no visitation.

Mrs. Bek, the former Ada

the Congregational Church. Mrs. Bek was a past state president and also served on the National Board of Home Missions of the Congregational Church. She was secretary of the YWCA on the UND campus about 1930. Mrs. Bek was a charter member of local Chapter D of the PEO Sisterhood and past state president; past president of the North Dakota Dames Club, a study club comprised of wives of UND faculty members; a member of the Franklin Club, the Mortar Barod and Sigma Epsilon Sigma.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Reino S. (Ellen) Freeman, Toronto, Canada, and one sister, Miss Blanche Springgate, a resident of the PEO Home at St. Joseph, Mo.

The family prefers that memorials be designated to the North Dakota Crippled Children's Home, Jamestown, N.D.



**MRS. ADA BEK**

1885-1970

Springgate, was born at New Haven, Mo. She was later a student at the University of Missouri at Columbia, Mo. It was in Columbia that she met Dr. William G. Bek, who was a professor of German at Missouri.

Mrs. Bek married Dr. Bek on Sept. 1, 1909, at Columbia. He died in 1948.

They came to Grand Forks in 1911 with Dr. Bek a professor and later dean at the University.

Mrs. Bek was a member of The Federated Church of Grand Forks. She was active for many years in state women's work of