

#### DR. M. S. SAID

Dr. Said was born in 1927 in Karachi, Pakistan. He received his medical training in Pakistan and the U.K. He came to Canada in 1971 and married Margaret Murphy in 1972. Margaret was born in 1939 in Edinburgh, Scotland. They have two children; Abdul, born 1973 and Feroza, born 1975. Dr. Said is the present Doctor in the district.

#### DR. J. M. YOUNG, V.S.

Dr. J. M. Young of Arnprior, Ontario, attended Toronto veterinary college and came to Rapid City in 1898, immediately following graduation. He and his wife, Jeanette (Nettie) Lockhart, had two children, Agnes (Mrs. Allan Douglas) and Jack. Dr. Young prac-



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ticed in the Rapid City, Newdale, Wheatland area for nearly fifty years. In addition to his practice, Dr. Young was a farmer and auctioneer. Dr. Young was a member of the Presbyterian Church, served as mayor of Rapid City, as a school trustee and was an avid sportsman.

Dr. Young died in Brandon, April 16, 1949 and was interred in the Rapid City Cemetery.

#### INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODDFELLOWS — compiled by Neslon Basler

Rapid City I.O.O.F. Lodge received its charter in 1889 — one of the first chartered lodges in the Canadian West.

The Masons and Oddfellows shared lodge rooms until 1906 the Oddfellows decided to build a Lodge room and hall. A two storey brick building was erected in 1908. Lodge rooms were incorporated on the ground floor, also two business premises. The upper storey provided a modern concert hall, complete with stage and dressing rooms.

In 1911 forty candidates were initiated into the Lodge.

The upper storey was condemned in 1947 and removed at that time.

The west portion was rented as a drug store until the late 1960's when the drug store closed. Since that time it has been converted into a poolhall.

The eastern portion was occupied as a butcher shop for quite a number of years and since that time has had various tenants.

The late Bro. John Miller a member of Rapid City Lodge attained the office of Grandmaster of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and while in office he attended the Sovereign Grand Lodge session in San Francisco. Bro. Doug Blake of Rapid City Lodge was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba 1976-77.

The Oddfellows and the Rebekah Lodges are the only Lodges in Rapid City at the present time. They both enjoy a large active membership, engaging in community affairs as well as the work of the Lodge.

#### THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH NO. 49

The first organization in Rapid City pertaining to veterans was the Rapid City Returned Soldiers Association. This organization was formed 7 November, 1916, the first officers were; C. M. Beattie, T. G. Butchart, John Whyte, J. G. Millar, R. Hotham, C. Stone, Mrs. C. Stone, Mrs. Biggs, Mrs. Carrick and Mrs. Bracewell. This organization was formed to welcome returning veterans and those passing through town. In the fall of 1919, a sum of \$1052. was raised to purchase gold engraved rings. These rings were engraved with, "From Rapid City and District for Overseas Service." On 28 October, 1919, a banquet was held and over one hundred of these rings were presented to the veterans and the next of kin. This completed the task of the organization.

Several attempts were made to organize the veterans in the district. Parades were held to commemorate the Armistice on November eleventh and also church parades. On the 13 November, 1920 a memorial church parade was held and after the parade a meeting was held in the Masonic hall. Out of this meeting the Rapid City Returned Soldiers Association was reformed. The officers elected at that meeting were; President Capt. A. Gilbertson, Vice President E. A. Turnbull, Secretary Treasurer H. E. Hotham. The Executive were E. Hamnett, H. G. Simpson and J. Watson. This organization carried on successfully until 1926, when a meeting of veteran organizations across Canada was held in Winnipeg and