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### Delos L. Fritz Dies Suddenly in Tonopah

"DeLos L. Fritz, a former resident of Hawthorne who has made his home in Tonopah the past seven years, was stricken suddenly ill in that community Monday afternoon and died a few hours later. Death was attributed to a heart attack.

Mr. Fritz, who was 76 years of age, had been in comparatively good health and only recently visited friends in Hawthorne.

Mr. Fritz was born in Greenville, Pennsylvania, on April 5, 1884. He spent his early life there and learned the trade of carpenter and cabinet maker, following that trade in several states.

For many years he lived in San Diego and in 1939 moved to Hawthorne when the Wm. Neal Co., Ltd., won its first of several contracts to expand the Hawthorne Naval Ammunition Depot. Mr. Fritz worked on these major construction projects until the end of World War II then engaged in private contract work.

He was the contractor for the construction of the new Nye County Hospital at Tonopah seven years ago and upon completion of that job remained to make his home in that community where he actively worked at his trade until the time of his death.

He was a member of the Tonopah Lions Club and Carpenters Union No 1417. He was an active member of the Lions Club and Carpenters Union while living in Hawthorne.