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# Mrs. Laetitia Moon Conard Died Friday

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## Brilliant Woman Passes Away After A Lingered Illness

A blameless life full of good works reached its close when Mrs. Laetitia Moon Conard, wife of H. S. Conard, professor emeritus on the Grinnell college faculty, passed away at 6:20 o'clock Friday evening. She had been a hospital patient for a year and eleven months.

Funeral services were conducted from the First Friends church on Sunday afternoon by the pastor, Rev. L. E. McCargar, assisted by Dr. John S. Nollen. Music was rendered by a quartet composed of Mary Jane Rickard, Maxine Russell, Edward Lincoln and Almon D. White, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Sybil Renaud. Pall bearers were Charles Adams, Ed Adams, George German, Arthur McDowell, George C. Renaud and Ralph Rickard. Interment was in the Westfield cemetery.

Elizabeth Laetitia Moon was born on a farm near Fallsington, Pa., five miles west of Trenton, N. J. May 9, 1871. Her parents, James Haines and Elizabeth Balderston Moon, grew up in that neighborhood of a long line of Quaker ancestry.

She graduated from Westtown Friends Boarding School in 1889, from Smith college in 1894, received her M. A. degree from Smith in 1896, studied in 1897-98 in the Sorbonne in Paris and received her Ph.D. degree from the University of Chicago in 1899.

In April of 1900 she was married to Henry S. Conard who survives her with the three children, Elizabeth C. Corkey, M. D., now in Belfast, Ireland, Rebecca C. French of Lima, Ohio, and Alfred F. Conard, a professor in the College of Law at the University of Illinois.

During the long years of her residence of Grinnell, while her husband was professor of Botany on the college faculty, Mrs. Conard demonstrated that she was a woman of brilliant intellect and high ideals. For fifteen years she served on the college faculty as a special lecturer on Sociology. Her activities also extended to the life of her home community. She was particularly devoted to the Uncle Sam club and to the First Friends church. She had a leading part in organizing the Parent Teacher association in Grinnell. She was greatly interested in the activities of the Goodfellows at Christmas time and was active in the League of Women Voters when the organization was first formed in Grinnell.

She was profoundly interested in good government and at one time ran as candidate for governor of Iowa on the Socialist ticket. She was also deeply interested in every movement for pacifism and against war and to the fullest extent of her ability contributed to some fifty organizations for human betterment at home and abroad.

A woman of quiet tastes, home-loving and helpful, she brought her own distinct contribution to the community which was her home for so many years.