Dr. John S. Nollen Passed Away in Des Moines Early This Morning

Dr. John Nollen, president emeritus of Grinnell College, whose influence on the life of Grinnell and the colleges and universities of the United States was profound, died at his home in Des Moines, Iowa, this morning. He was 89 years old and had been ill for several weeks.

Nollen, whose career spanned over 60 years in higher education, was a key figure in the development of American higher education. He was the first president of Grinnell College, serving from 1910 to 1949, and was instrumental in the establishment of several other institutions.

A funeral service will be held at the Grinnell College Chapel on Saturday, March 15th at 10:00 a.m. The service will be followed by interment at the College Cemetery.

Many friends and former students have expressed their condolences on the loss of Dr. Nollen, whom they remember as a wise and inspirational leader.

In his retirement, Nollen continued to be active in higher education as a consultant and advisor to several institutions.

The family requests that any memorial contributions be made to the National Geographic Society or the American Red Cross.

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