

# HARRY KNAPP LAI TO REST IN HAZELWOOD

Funeral Service Held At  
Catholic Church This  
Morning

May 28, 1928

The funeral service for Harry L. Knapp was held in the Catholic church this morning at nine o'clock, conducted by the Rev. Father Hannon. Flowers were drawn at every place of business in Grinnell during the hour of the service in respect to the deceased.

Harry L. Knapp, son of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Knapp, was born in Grinnell, Iowa, March 25, 1894. He died at St. Francis hospital early Friday morning, May 25, 1928, after a long and gallant fight to live.

Harry was a real Grinnell boy. He was born here, went through the grade schools, graduated from Grinnell High School with the class of 1913—and even before he had finished school had become a member of the staff of a Grinnell newspaper. At the time he was taken ill he was Associate Editor and Advertising Manager of the Grinnell Register.

On December 30, 1922, he was married to Miss Edith Patton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Patton, a Grinnell girl, and established his new home right here. To this home had come one child, a little more than four years old, a bright, happy little girl.

to this office some quaint saying or new achievement of Mary Kathryn. She was a never-ending source of wonder and delight to him—as she is now the chief solace and comfort of her mother.

Besides his wife and little daughter, Harry is survived by his father, mother, one brother, Frank Knapp, and three sisters, Mary, Helen and Katherine. Two brothers, one older, the first born of Mr. and Mrs. Knapp, and one younger, Bert, the baby of the family, preceded him in death.

At the beginning of the World War, Harry in company with his friend Dale Welton, went to Des Moines and enlisted for service. On account of his frail health, however, he was not permitted to engage in any active service and later received an honorable discharge. He was a member of the Focht-Tennant Post, the local organization of the American Legion.

At the church this morning the casket was flanked with the floral pieces from various friends and organizations and from personal friends. Notable among these was the beautiful casket cover composed of roses, lilies, carnations and other gorgeous blooms—an expression of remembrance and appreciation from the business men of Grinnell, with whom Harry had been in daily contact for many years. The almost universal sentiment of these men seeming to be that Harry Knapp in his modest, unassuming, optimistic way, had done more for the business life of Grinnell in the past five years than any other one individual or agency.

It seems fitting to say in this connection that having heard so many express themselves in this way, Mrs. Needham took it upon herself to tell Harry out at the hospital one day how folks were "talking about him" down town. She wanted him to know that his real, unaffected interest and genuine, thoughtful effort towards trade extension and general upbuilding of business interests had been recognized and appreciated. His surprise was so great and his pleasure so heart-felt he could only say: "That sure puts new fight into me."

Following the especially beautiful service and splendid talk by Father Hannon at the church, burial was had in Hazelwood. Bearers were James Ashing, I. N. Merritt, Howard Dimit, Charles LeRoy, Frank Edge and Charles K. Needham.

As Father Hannon said this morning, Harry Knapp spent prac-

tically every day of his short life within the confines of this city—and it was a most useful and happy life. Every one knew him—he knew everybody—that his passing is marked by such genuine grief and regret—that he was honored today as few citizens are honored in any community—tells his life story.

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