

H. L. Beyer Passes Away

Former Prominent Grinnell Man
Dies in Chicago Early Tues-
day Evening

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD
THURSDAY P. M.

Death Followed a Sudden Illness
Which Attacked Him Last
Saturday Afternoon

Harold L. Beyer, scholar, athlete, gentleman and good friend passed away in Chicago early Tuesday evening. News of his death was flashed to Grinnell and occasioned widespread regret. It was entirely unexpected, as at last reports Harold had been in his usual good health and seemed to have many years of useful, efficient and worthwhile life before him. He was 57 years old.

According to the meagre details which have reached Grinnell, Harold attended the tennis matches at the Chicago Town and Tennis club Saturday afternoon and soon after he was attacked by acute indigestion, from which he was never able to rally. The first news was received by C. M. Manly, for a number of years Mr. Beyer's law partner and business associate. Mr. Manly went to Chicago immediately and remained for the funeral, which was held Thursday afternoon from the St. Peters Episcopal church. Burial was made in Rose Hill cemetery in

causes another rift in a family which for many years was active in the business and social life of Grinnell. Harold was the son of C. W. H. Beyer, who conducted a private bank and investment business in Grinnell for a long time, and was a large owner of real estate. The firm name was C. W. H. Beyer & Co. The Beyer home on High street, now owned by Judge D. W. Hamilton, was famous for its gracious hospitality for a long period of years.

In this home Harold L. Beyer grew to manhood; a winning, conscientious, talented boy. He attended Grinnell schools and Grinnell college, graduating in the class of 1898. During his college days he was one of the leaders in the publication of a book of Grinnell College stories entitled "On a Western Campus," which was the junior annual of his class. He was always fond of tennis and was known as one of the best college players in the state.

After finishing his college course here, Harold attended Harvard law school and then returned to Grinnell to become associated in the extensive business enterprises of his father, to whom his legal knowledge and all around ability were a great assistance. After the death of Mr. Beyer, Harold continued the investment business of C. W. H. Beyer & Co. He also formed a law partnership with C. M. Manly under the firm name of Beyer & Manly. This partnership was continued after

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he moved to Chicago to become a member of the well known firm of Cassels, Potter & Bentley, with which he was happily associated up to the time of his death. He was by nature and inclination a corporation lawyer, and found in the larger field which opened before him in Chicago, work more fitted to his tastes and abilities than that which was available for him in Grinnell. However, he retained extensive interests in Grinnell and was a frequent visitor, being always greeted with enthusiasm by his many friends, and never failing to find time for a billiard match with Dr. O. H. Gallagher in renewal of a long standing rivalry. For a number of years he was president of the Interior Telephone company and also served as a director and member of the executive committee of the United States Independent Telephone association. He was a member of the Dea Moines and Chicago Bar association, was affiliated with the Masonic and Elk lodges, and was a member of the Chicago Town and Tennis club and the Collegiate club in Chicago.

Harold Beyer was many sided. He was a lover of books, music and the drama. He had one of the finest private libraries in Grinnell. He built the residence on Broad street now owned by Professor G. Pierce, and made it a center of culture and hospitality, as the one of his father had been before him. He always had time to nurse and aid worthwhile enterprises. He took an active and constructive interest in politics, and at one time was a candidate for state representative.

He kept up his interest in tennis, and as long as he lived in Iowa was recognized as one of the best players in the state. He was one of the charter members of the Owsheick Club, and always had honored part in the deliberations of that body. As a member of the Elks Club, he participated in the celebrated rendition of "The Kado." Everything he did was done. He was thorough and was painstaking, and those who were associated with him in any capacity during his life here, turn him not only as a gifted lawyer, but as a friend. He was also an enthusiastic baseball player and one cannot help thinking how he would have revealed in a community competition such as the Broad street-Main street ball game staged here Wednesday evening. That was the sort of thing that he enjoyed.

He is survived by his wife and son, Johnston; also by one sister, Mrs. Edith Beyer Cogswell, of St.

Louis, and he will be remembered as one of those who has helped to give Grinnell the unique reputation which it has always enjoyed as being the best place in Iowa in which to live.

Mr. Beyer had always taken an active and helpful interest in his alma mater, Grinnell college, and at the time of his death was one of the alumni trustees, a capacity in which he had rendered faithful and valuable service. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and of Sigma Delta Chi.

When Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Harris were in Grinnell last week they reported being entertained in Chicago by Mr. and Mrs. Beyer, whom they reported as in good health and nicely located in every way. It is sad to think that this ideal family life has been interrupted and this useful career cut short with so many good years before it. But it is a comfort to think that the work which Harold did was well done; that he lived a full and happy life, and that the world is better because he lived in it.