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#### DAWLEY ARMSTRONG CHILD

A wave of sadness swept over the community as word was passed around Monday morning that Mrs. Dawley Armstrong Child had died at two o'clock Sunday at the home of her sister, Mrs. George Walker in Iowa City. Mrs. Child was a Grinnell girl who studied in the Grinnell schools, and graduated from them. She afterwards spent a short time in study in the college.

As a girl she was quiet, modest, courteous and genuinely a woman of exemplary character and the best of taste. Immediately after graduation she became a compositor in the office of the Grinnell Herald and was in the employ of the firm for two or three years. She afterward attended Grinnell college and then re-entered the employ of the Herald as book-keeper and stenographer. If there is anything which stands out especially prominent in the minds of her employers at that time it was the genuine womanly character of the girl, absolutely reliable, courteous, kind, generous and helpful. In her home her daily life was the same as elsewhere and no one knew her but to admire her for her consistent Christian character. In 1908 she was united in marriage with Wallace Child, who was employed in a bank in Nevada. Later they moved to Grinnell where Mr. Child took a position with the Grinnell Savings and both Mr. and Mrs. Child found warm friends and a generous welcome in Grinnell.

Mr. Child was one of the strong young men whom the flu claimed in Feb. 1920. During the days of his illness, his devoted wife did everything she could to help him and to show her love for him in his stricken condition and his death was a great shock and a lasting blow to her.

Mrs. Child afterward was employed as secretary in the office of the Superintendent of the Grinnell schools and finally was compelled to quit the work because a usually fatal disease had attacked her.

After Mr. Child's death, her father and mother made their home with her in Grinnell. After her mother's death she made her home with her sister.

She went to Iowa City with her sister, where she became private secretary to the Superintendent of the University Hospital. She was taken ill a few days ago and Saturday went to the Hospital for treatment only to become worse. Her condition became serious and early Sunday morning her brother Herb of this

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city was called to her bedside but she had already lost her grip on life and in a short time passed away.

Her father, H. G. Armstrong, has been visiting for some time at his boyhood home in Vermont. He was notified and Sunday took the train for home and is expected tonight. The funeral will be held tomorrow at ten o'clock at the home of her brother, Herbert.

Mrs. Child was one of a family of six. Two half-sisters, Mrs. John Hastings of Grinnell and Mrs. Almetta Burd of Cedar Rapids, also her full sisters, Mrs. May Laros of Hart, Mich., and Mrs. George Walker of Iowa City and

her brother, Herb Armstrong of this city survive her.

Mrs. Child was a member of the Congregational church of Grinnell, having joined it under the pastorate of Rev. E. M. Vittum. This membership was recently transferred to the Iowa City church. She was also a member of the Eastern Star of Grinnell.