

Monday, June 5, 1961

## J. Peter Fowler Funeral Services Held Here Today

J. Peter Fowler, 37, Grinnell, died Thursday evening at a local rest home where he had been making his home the past several months.

Funeral services were held this afternoon (Monday) from the Smith Funeral Home with Dr. Anna Spann of University Park officiating. Organ music was furnished by Mrs. Rhee Auman.

Pallbearers were Chester A. Bonnewell, Wilfred H. Guthrie, David H. Guthrie, Wilber Noel, Ralph St. Clair and Guy Slaven. Burial was in Hazelwood cemetery.

He was the son of James and Martha Merrill Fowler and was born south of Grinnell on May 13th, 1874. He was married on May 7th, 1900, to Rosana May Hoit who preceded him in death in 1954. Later he was married to Freda Bailey who survives.

Mr. Fowler was active most of his life as carpenter and in the construction business. At various times he was active in the mission work of his church, Central Friends of Kokomo, Ind. He helped in building the boys and girls dormitories at an orphanage in Wakefield, Ind., and assisted in the building of two orphanages and a tabernacle at Beulah Heights, Ky., and at Jamestown, Tenn. He and his wife gave care and treatment to Negro children at a school in Arkansas. All of his mission labors were given without remuneration.

Though Mr. Fowler had no children of his own, he shared much of his life with the orphan children and with nieces and nephews who were in close contact with him.

Surviving besides his wife are a sister, Mrs. Addie Brown of Grinnell, and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and his first wife.