

Monday, April 25, 1966

Lillie J. Gove Dies Suddenly At Des Moines

Miss Lillie J. Gove, age 73, of 1230 Elm Street, passed away suddenly Monday (this morning) at Riverview Manor Nursing Home, Des Moines, where she had made her home since January following a four month hospitalization at a Des Moines hospital. She was to have moved back to Grinnell today (Monday).

She was the only child of Harry M. and Sarah Sherman Gove and was born on the family farm three miles north of Sully, on April 7, 1893. She attended the local schools near Sully, and graduated from Grinnell high school. Her parents moved to Grinnell and she resided at their home while she attended Grinnell College, graduating with the Class of 1915. She had recently celebrated the 50th Anniversary with others from her class.

About 1924, she moved with her parents to make her home in California, where she cared for her parents. Her father died while on a trip back to Grinnell in 1926, and her mother later died in California. She then managed the family properties in California until after 1947, when she returned to make her home in Grinnell.

Survivors are several cousins who include: Raymond Gove of Grinnell; Sabin Gove and Miss Sara Gove, both of Peoria, Ill.; Mrs. Caroline James and Mrs. Lula Rothgeb, both of Seattle, Wash.; Ray Sherman and Mrs. Joe Deedrick of Newton; Mrs. Clarence Monsma of Sully; and Mrs. Hazel Russell of Oskaloosa.

Miss Gove was a member of the Grinnell Congregational church and held memberships in the Women's Fellowship of the church. She had been active in church affairs while in California, and was a member of the Shakespeare Club of Pasadena, Calif. She also had been a member of the Grinnell Historical and Literary Society and the Grinnell Museum Society. She had traveled extensively throughout the world.

Funeral services will be held at 10 A.M., Wednesday at the Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. Ralph Beebe of the Mayflower Home, officiating. Organist will be Elbert Smith. Also, funeral services and interment will be held at Forrest Lawn, at Glendale, Calif., on Friday.

Memorials may be made to the charity of choice. Friends may call at the Smith Funeral Home.

\$130,000 Gift To Blank Hospital By Late Lillie Gove

An estimated \$130,000 was bequeathed to Raymond Blank Memorial Hospital for Children in Des Moines by the late Miss Lillie Gove of Grinnell.

According to an announcement by hospital officials, the money will go to the hospital endowment fund and only the income from it will be used to make improvements and to help cover other operating costs of the children's hospital.

A well-known local resident, Miss Gove died earlier this year at a Des Moines nursing home. She was a graduate of Grinnell high school and Grinnell College, and a member of the Grinnell Historical and Literary Society and Grinnell Museum Society. She had traveled extensively throughout the world.