

Monday, August 12, 1963

Edward Hannay Dies Sunday In Iowa City

Edward Hannay, 40, of rural Grinnell, passed away Sunday afternoon at an Iowa City hospital from injuries received in a tractor accident on his farm July 24.

Hannay, who farmed six miles southwest of Grinnell, was pinned under a tractor for four hours when the machine overturned on a steep hillside. After he was freed he was taken to University Hospitals in Iowa City where his condition was reported as critical.

He was the son of John G. and Mary Dunham Hannay, born August 3, 1923, at Grinnell. He attended school here, graduating from Grinnell high school.

On Nov. 29, 1946, he was united in marriage with Ruth Kalderberg in Newton. To this union were born two children—John Edward Hannay and Mary Ruth Hannay, both residing at the family home.

In addition to his widow and children, Hannay is survived by his mother, Mrs. Ben Buck of Grinnell; a sister, Mrs. Wade Hamor of Elm Grove, Wis.; a cousin, Robert S. Hannay of Madison, Wis.; and two uncles, Dwight Dunham of Aitkin, Minnesota, and Robert Dunham of Scottsbluff, Neb. He was preceded in death by his father.

Hannay lived in Poweshiek and Jasper counties most of his life, where he was actively engaged in farming. He was a member of the Farm Bureau, and had served as clerk for Washington township. Hannay was a member of the First Baptist church of Grinnell, where he served as trustee and deacon in the church.

Funeral services for Edward John Hannay will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the First Baptist church, with the pastor, the Rev. Wayne Shireman, officiating.

Burial will be in Hazelwood cemetery. Friends may call at

the Smith Funeral home until 9 a.m. Wednesday, when the body will rest in state at the First Baptist church.

A memorial fund—the Hannay Children Education Fund—has been established by the First Baptist church.

Thursday, July 25, 1963

Ed Hannay Pinned Under Tractor Four Hours; In Critical Condition

A Grinnell area farmer who was pinned under a tractor for four hours Wednesday morning is listed in critical condition at University Hospitals in Iowa City.

Ed Hannay, who farms six miles southwest of Grinnell, was pinned under a tractor on his farm from 5:30 a.m. until 9:30 a.m.

He received a fractured right thigh, fractured collar bone and possible internal injuries in the accident. In addition to receiving these injuries, he was suffering from shock when rescued.

Hannay left his farm home about 5:00 a.m. for a field. He was driving a tractor pulling two farm wagons.

The tractor slipped on wet grass on a steep hillside and turned over. Hannay attempted to jump off the tractor as it toppled over, but his one foot got caught and he was pinned beneath a fender and the tractor seat.

His legs were pinned under the fender with the seat falling on his liver and kidneys.

Hannay lay in this position until shortly before 9:00 a.m., when his son John discovered him.

Rescuers were immediately called and worked more than one-half hour to free Hannay. They had to work with extreme care to make sure he did not receive additional injuries during the rescue operations.

Two wreckers were used to pull the tractor off Hannay.

Luckily, as the tractor overturned, one of its large rear wheels caught on the wagon immediately behind the tractor. Had the tractor rolled completely over, Hannay would likely have been crushed to death.

Hannay was first taken to Community hospital here, but was then transferred to Iowa City when the seriousness of his injuries were determined.

Wednesday Services Conducted Here For Edward Hannay

Funeral services for Edward Hannay, 40, of Rte. 1, Grinnell, were held Wednesday afternoon from the First Baptist church with the pastor, the Rev. Wayne A. Shireman, officiating.

Hannay died Sunday at an Iowa City hospital of injuries received in a tractor accident at his farm on July 24th.

A resident of the Grinnell area most of his life, he is survived by his wife, Ruth; two children, John Edward Hannay and Mary Ruth Hannay; his mother, Mrs. Ben Buck of Grinnell; one sister, Mrs. Wade (Margaret) Hamor of Elm Grove, Wis.; one cousin and two uncles. His father preceded him in death.

Vocal music at the services was provided by Mrs. Donovan Evans and Mrs. LaForest Sherman, accompanied by James Severe at the organ. Pallbearers were David Krumm, Harold Brown, Harold Buck, Martin Pearce, Donald Niemants, and Hillard Turner. Interment was in Hazelwood cemetery with Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.