

## Last Services For Chas. P. Kimball *H.R.* Held Saturday

*12-30-1946*  
Funeral services for Charles P. Kimball, for a number of years Grinnell's official Santa Claus, who died on the afternoon of Christmas day of a heart attack, were held Saturday afternoon from the Baptist church in charge of Rev. Hal Earl Norton and Rev. William Welsh. Music was provided by Ed Bohstedt, who was accompanied by Ruth Greenwald. Interment was made in Hazelwood cemetery. Pall bearers were Herb Hutchison, John Peters, David Haines, Donovan Evans, Earl Kennedy and J. C. Parrott.

Charles Peter Kimball, Jr., son of Charles Peter Kimball, Sr., and Laura Stevens was born in Meriden, Conn., August 13, 1887, and passed away at his home 1115 West Street, December 25, 1946. He came to Grinnell in 1908 and engaged in farming for several years. In July 1921 he became a rural mail carrier, serving until ill health compelled him to retire in November of 1944. He was united in marriage to Miss Lillian Marie Onthank at Grinnell December 29, 1909. To this union were born five daughters, two of whom preceded him in death, Lura Viola and Esther Louise. He was a member and officer of the First Baptist church for many years, and also the superintendent of the Sunday school for many years. He was also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, serving in every office, including that of retired brigadier general of the Cantons, the Knights of Pythias, Pythian Sisters, holding many offices in these organizations; and the Rural Letter Carriers association. In this last organization he held many offices. He is survived by his wife, three daughters, Lillian Reichelt, Alma Ruth Kimball and ~~Esther~~ Louise Elliott, all of the vicinity of Grinnell, one grandson, Gary Elliott of Grinnell, one brother, Asa L. Kimball of Portland, Ore., two nieces, Mrs. Harley Smith of Walla Walla, Washington and Mrs. Harold Price of Bend, Oregon, three cousins, Dr. Edwin Goss of Muscatine, Bruce Goss of Marble Rock and Perry Goss of Montezuma and many other relatives and friends. One grandson, Gerald Dean Reichelt, preceded him in death.