

10-30 OBITUARY. ^{H-R} 1906

Ralph Wesley Palmer, son of John H. Palmer and Mrs. Elmira C. Palmer, was born in Phelps county, Neb., March 18, 1889, and died at the home of his parents, 1003 First avenue, Grinnell, Ia., Oct. 1, 1906, aged 23 years, 7 months and 14 days.

Ralph was night operator at the Rock Island depot, and had served in that position for the past five years having worked up from messenger boy. As an operator his good nature and cheerful manner won him many warm friends. He was a respected member of the I. O. O. F., K. of P. and G. R. T., all of the above orders manifesting their sympathy during his sickness and death by various kindness and gifts of beautiful floral emblems. The services at the house were conducted by the Rev. E. M. Vittum, after which the Knights of Pythias and Odd Fellows lodges both gave their burial services at the funeral. The East Iowa Division, including the Los Angeles and the order of Railroad Telegraphers sent to the funeral an exquisite floral emblem of approval with a message, to represent the esteem of their order.

He was a dutiful son, a great lover of home and his mother and beloved by all. He had a host of friends and gave evidence to his parents that the Lord that giveth and taketh away has the power to save.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to express our heartfelt thanks for the kindness of many friends and neighbors during the long illness and death of our son, Ralph W. Palmer.

MR. AND MRS. J. H. PALMER.