

Sergt. Zibe Elliott Dies At Camp Stewart, Newport News

**Sergeant Zibe Benton Elliott Passes
Away of Pneumonia After Illness
of Three Weeks.**

**NATIVE SON OF GRINNELL
ANSWERS SOLDIER'S LAST CALL**

**A Quiet, Modest Young Man's Death
Adds One Gold Star to Uncle Sam's
Crown of Glory.**

Just two weeks ago today Mr. and Mrs. Elliott answered a telegram announcing their son's serious illness by starting for Newport News at 10:27 in the evening. Three days, all too short, were spent by the bedside of their soldier son. Every moment was a pleasure to be near him mingled with deep sorrow at his serious condition. Zibe's every word to them was one of comfort and love, and they returned, feeling that all was being done



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for him that could be done and yielding to his suggestion that they were both needed in the home circle. It was a sad but hopeful parting, and every moment since has been of anxiety coupled with hope.

Zibe Benton Elliott was born in Grinnell, Dec. 16, 1886. He was always a quiet boy, trusty, obedient and kind. His education was in our public schools, where he was prevented from graduating only by his poor health.

After graduation he entered the employ ment of the U. S. Express company where every duty was promptly and carefully performed. Zibe's lungs were always weak and he went to Los Angeles for a short visit with a school-boy friend, Wheelock Hatch. Going by steamer to San Francisco he entered the employ of the Wells Fargo Express Co. After a few months, finding his health was not improving he returned to Grinnell where he rested about a year. He then became manager for the Adams Express Co. at Mason City, serving over two years.

In December, 1917, he went to Peoria, where his brother, Raleigh, lived, and about Dec. 6, enlisted in the quartermaster's service and was sent to Jefferson Barracks. In a few weeks he was transferred to a training school at Jacksonville, Fla. He soon was advanced to the rank of corporal and then was promoted to the rank of sergeant in the supply department.

From Jacksonville he was transferred to Camp Stuart, at Newport News, Va. Here in September, with others, he was sent to Charlottesville, N. C., to bring to Newport News 12,000 colored men who were to be sent over seas to engage in construction work. About three weeks ago he was taken with the "flu" and Friday evening, October 26, the end came. The parents were notified at once and under their instruction the body was brought to Grinnell for burial.

Raleigh Elliott, the oldest son, came in from Peoria Sunday and will remain a few days. He is mail agent on the M. & St. L.

The funeral will be held after the body arrives and will be in charge of a relative, Rev. E. A. Elliott, of Des Moines, a member of the city council of that city. Zibe was a member of the Odd Fellows who will also have a part in the services.

SERGEANT ELLIOTT'S FUNERAL.

**Grinnell Soldier Laid to Rest in Hazel-
good Saturday.**

The funeral of Zibe Benton Elliott was held Saturday at two o'clock. Rev. E. A. Elliott, a cousin, of Des Moines, was in charge. Members of the S. A. T. C. acted as pall bearers. A quartet composed of Miss Bartlett, Mrs. Snook, Fred Morrison and H. B. Lowrey sang. Taps were sounded and Zibe Elliott was lowered into the grave to await a soldier's resurrection dawn. Beautiful floral tributes were sent by the Odd Fellows, the Rebekahs and the Citizens Committee.

The ceremony was a beautiful and impressive one and very comforting to the fond parents who have given Uncle Sam their soldier boy.