

# FUNERAL OF DR. TALBOTT HELD TODAY

## For Many Years Gave De- voted Service To This Community.

Death as the result of a heart attack came to Dr. E. F. Talbott at 11 o'clock last Thursday night in the cottage on Cross Lake, seven miles out of the little town of Jenkins, Minn., where he had found rest and comfort from the summer heat for the past few years. He had reached his cottage only a few days previous, and he and Mrs. Talbott were just settled for the summer when he was struck down. Physicians were called to his bedside and everything possible was done, but he passed away four hours after he was stricken. He would have been 70 years old on his next birthday, Dec. 31.

### A Devoted Physician

For many years, until he retired twelve years ago on account of ill health, Dr. Talbott was faithful and devoted in his labors as a Grinnell physician. An accomplished surgeon he took care of many people of this community in their extremity. He never spared himself. First and foremost he was a physician, exemplifying the best principles of his noble calling. In his practice he came close to the hearts of many families who remember him with gratitude and affection.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 o'clock from the Methodist Church this afternoon conducted by Rev. C. D. Loose. Honorary pall bearers were John Edwards, J. H. McMurray, Otto Broders, Charles K. Needham and Dr. C. E. Harris. Charles and John Manly, A. B. Hamilton, Dr. W. I. Molsberry, Walter Robinson of Newton and Raymond Norris served as active bearers. The Grinnell Elks, a lodge of which Dr. Talbott was a devoted member, conducted their impressive burial ritual at the grave in Hazelwood cemetery.

### Story of an Active Life

Eugene Finch Talbott was born December 31, 1873 on a farm near Brooklyn. He was the son of David and Jeanette Finch Talbott, early residents of Poweshiek county. Eugene attended grammar and high school in Brooklyn. He received his later education at De Pauw University, of Greencastle, Indiana, and the College of Physicians and Surgeons, in Chicago. He took his medical internic work in Cook County hospital, also in Chicago. Dr. Talbott practiced first at Flandreau, S. D. where he remained for seven years. In 1895 he was married to Nellie Blanchard, who was born and reared on a farm near his own birthplace. Dr. Talbott moved to Grinnell in December of 1902. He practiced here until ill health compelled him to retire twelve years ago.

Dr. Talbott leaves his wife and four children: Wilma Olds of Grinnell; Basil of Chicago; David of Grinnell; and Helen Blasier of Pittsburgh, Pa. and a sister, Leah Brish of Washington, D. C.

ous essays submitted, were County Agent Kenneth Thatcher, T. T. Cranny, Grinnell High school principal and Mrs. Doris Gatz, county superintendent.

Prizes this year were awarded to boys and girls separately. First prizes were \$10 each, second \$7.50, third \$5 and fourth \$2.50. In addition prizes of \$1 each were awarded to the four boys next in order of excellence. There were no \$1 prizes for girls, since only four girls presented essays.

### The Prize Winners

Prizes awarded to boys were as follows: 1st, Norman Hall; 2nd, Milton Hendrickson; 3rd, Lowell Ryan; 4th, Richard McLain; honorable mention, Carol McCain, Donald West, Jack Lang and Lyle Ryan.

Awards to the girls were made as follows: 1st, Joan Evans; 2nd, Beatrice Mattingly; 3rd, Colleen Herzberg; 4th, Marjorie Ockendale.

In addition to submitting their essays some of the contestants also submitted illustrated booklets illustrating means of fire prevention and a number of them were very artistically done.

This was the second year that the contest has been conducted by the Poweshiek County Farmers Mutual and the results were considered extremely satisfactory. Mr. McDowell and the judges were greatly pleased with the excellence of the essays and booklets submitted. In addition to writing an essay each contestant inspected two sets of farm buildings, reported on fire hazards found and told what had been done to remove them.

Those in charge of the contest are particularly grateful for the assistance given by County Agent Kenneth Thatcher through the 4-H clubs.

At a later date the Poweshiek County Farmers Mutual plans to entertain the young people who won the prizes at a dinner.