

PNEUMONIA TAKES YOUNG MAN

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**Frank Allen Falls a Victim to That
Disease — Dies Thursday Night
After Brief Sickness.**

Francis Lester Allen died at his home, 615 Park street, in this city, about 12 o'clock Thursday night, after a brief sickness from influenza and pneumonia.

Mr. Allen was born on a farm in Putnam county, Missouri, Dec. 21, 1893. He grew to manhood in his native county. He was married February 14, 1914, to Miss Zena Gorda.

Soon after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Allen moved to the vicinity of Grinnell and settled on a farm. Later they moved to Grinnell, and for the past few months Mr. Allen was employed in the Spaulding factory.

He is survived by his wife and two small children, Maxine and Max. Unfortunately Mrs. Allen and children were all sick at the time of his death. Mr. Allen was a member of the Christian church. He was an industrious young man of excellent character, whose untimely death is mourned by his friends.

The father of the stricken man, C. J. Allen, of Mendota, Mo., arrived before his son passed away. Two sisters, Miss Ruth Allen of Collinsville, Minn., and Miss Minnie Allen of White River, S. D., came Thursday evening, and the funeral was delayed awaiting their arrival.

The body will be taken to Exline, Iowa, tomorrow, near where interment will take place.