

Thursday, January 18, 1963

## Mrs. Cratty Dies At Grinnell Home

Mrs. Mary Cratty, 82, of 634 East St., died Tuesday morning at Friendship Manor Nursing Home in Grinnell.

The daughter of Burdette Allen and Anna Thressa Earl Stowe, Mrs. Cratty was born Jan. 14, 1886, at Walnut, Iowa. She attended the local schools there before moving to Grinnell with her family where she continued her education.

On Nov. 6, 1924, she was united in marriage with John Wesley Cratty. They made their home in Grinnell for several years before moving to New Hampton, Iowa, in 1945 where Mr. Cratty was associated with the Allis Chalmers Tractor Company.

After her husband's death in 1950, Mrs. Cratty returned to Grinnell to make her home with her sisters.

Mrs. Cratty had been employed as a glove seamstress several years ago in Grinnell at the former Morrison-Ricker Glove Company. Mrs. Cratty has been a member of Grinnell Rebekah Lodge #119.

Survivors include three sisters — Mrs. C. F. (Lola) Connelly and Ruth and Bessie Stowe, all of Grinnell; two brothers — Earl Stowe of Billings, Mont., and a twin brother Willard "Bud" Stowe of Boone, Iowa; and several nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Cratty was preceded in death by three sisters, Mrs. J. F. (Addie) Agnew on Aug. 30, 1955, Lillian Stowe on June 13, 1966, and Mrs. Clare (Blanche) Manatt on March 21, 1967.

Funeral services for Mrs. Cratty were held at 1:30 p.m. today (Thursday) at the Smith Funeral home with the Rev. Wayne Shireman, pastor of the First Baptist Church officiating.

Organist was Mrs. Willard Heffner and pallbearers were Max Arnold, Edward Speth, Gerald Sampson, William Windsor, John Shaw and James George.

Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery.

(John W.)