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Charles Edward Decatur, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Decatur, was born in Grinnell, March 15, 1887. His early life was spent in this city. Graduating from the high school in the class of 1908, he entered the University of Nebraska, at Lincoln. Here four years were spent. Graduating in the law department in the class of 1912, he moved to Harvard, Nebraska where he began the practice of his profession.

On December 24, 1912, at Harvard, Nebraska, he was united in marriage to Miss Edith Kitzinger. The following June they came to Grinnell, where he resumed his law practice. Later he opened an office in Gilman, though for a time making his home here.

For some time past he had been gradually losing flesh, though he made no complaint and few suspected the real nature of his trouble. Notified of the death of his sister, Mrs. C. W. Inman last Sunday night, he was partially prostrated for a little while, but was able to make the trip from Gilman on Monday afternoon. Shortly after midnight, at the home of his parents, he was taken violently ill, soon after which he passed into a state of unconsciousness from which he never rallied, passing away without a struggle at 11:30 Tuesday night. The physician who attended him gives as the cause of death "diabetes coma." The shock from his sister's death hastened the end.

Mr. Decatur was a young man of high intelligence, unquestioned integrity, and worthy ambition. Respected by all who knew him, he was dearly-loved by that inner circle who knew him in the more intimate relations of life. Called from earth in the very beginning

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of his usefulness, he leaves to mourn his loss his wife, his father and mother, one brother Harry Decatur of Grinnell and a large circle of relatives and friends.

Mr. Decatur was a member of the Masonic order, also of the Elks, his membership being in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Funeral services were held from the home of his parents on Center street, Thursday afternoon, Rev. F. H. Webster officiating. The pallbearers were from the Elks and Masonic lodges. Interment was made in the Hazelwood cemetery, two lodges taking part. 1916