

DR. E. S. EVANS FUNERAL RITES THIS AFTERNOON

May 12, 1930.

Local Physician Died At
Iowa City Friday
Evening.

Funeral rites

Dr. Evan Stark Evans, Grinnell physician and prominent citizen, died at 9:30 p. m. Friday May 9, at University hospital at Iowa City. He underwent an operation at the hospital a week ago yesterday. A funeral service was held at the home from two to three o'clock, and at Herrick Chapel at three o'clock. President J. H. T. Main had charge of the service, and was assisted by Rev. Nelson W. Wehrhan, Prof. John W. Gannaway and Dr. W. W. Bolt. Miss Leah Pratt sang, "Ave Maria" and there was a selection by the Men's Glee Club. The honorary pallbearers were Dr. O. F. Parish, Dr. C. D. Busby of Brooklyn, Dr. P. E. Somers, Dr. W. R. Kinzer, Dr. C. V. Lawton, Dr. E. E. Harris. The acting pallbearers were Ferd Keisel, Jess Fellows and Irving Hart, Spanish American War Veterans, and Howard Dimit, Cedric Barnes and Ellis Wheeler of the American Legion. The business houses closed their doors from three until four o'clock in his honor.

Dr. Evans was born October 20, 1880, in Hampton, Ia., and was a son of Justice and Mrs. W. D. Evans. He was married July 29, 1908 to Mara Baldwin of Whitewater, Wis., at Bisbee, Ariz., who, with the two children, Julia and Robert, survives him. His parents, three brothers, Don Evans, a prominent attorney of Des Moines, John and David, of Eugene, Oregon, and two sisters, Mrs. E. J. Jaqua, of Claremont, Calif., and Mrs. Hal Hardin, of Kansas City, Mo., also survive him. His father is a member of the Iowa Supreme Court and well known throughout the state.

He was graduated from Grinnell college in 1902, having interrupted his college course to enlist in Company K of Grinnell for service in the Spanish-American War. He graduated with high honors from Rush Medical College in 1906. After serving an internship in Cook County Hospital in Chicago, he was associated in the practice of medicine with Dr. C. D. Busby in Brooklyn, Iowa, for one year. In 1909 he came to Grinnell where he was first associated with Dr. A. M. Sherman, later opening his own office.

Again his country called, and Dr. Evans answered the call. He saw service as a lieutenant with Gen. Pershing's expeditionary forces in Mexico, and when the United States entered the World War was transferred to base hospital at San Antonio, Texas. He saw service overseas with a mobile hospital unit, and during demobilization in 1919 was assistant to the Surgeon of the Port at Hoboken. He was promoted to the rank of Captain in 1918, and this year received his commission as Major in the Medical Reserve, being attached to the Medical Corps of the 347 Infantry.

Dr. Evans was a member of the American Legion, the Spanish-American War Veterans, the Poweshiek Club, Iowa State and Poweshiek County Medical Societies, and was recently elected President of the Iowa Clinical Medical Society. He was Alumni Trustee of Grinnell College, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Trustees. He was an Elk and a Mason. At the time of his death he was college physician, also the designated physician for the local airport.

Dr. Evan Stark Evans, A Happy Warrior, Passes "Over The River"

The passing of a beloved physician is a blow to any community, especially when it means the breaking of bonds of friendship cemented through many years of association. So it is that the death of Dr. Evan Stark Evans in the University Hospital at Iowa City at 9:30 o'clock Friday night comes as a peculiarly keen and personal loss to Grinnell.

During the years that Dr. Evans has practiced here he has laid up for himself treasures of affection and esteem in the hearts of Grinnell people. His skilled hands and trained brain have ministered to the sick and suffering; he has brought lives into the world and has brought relief to pain. In many homes he has been welcomed as the family physician and among all those who have known him in this close association or in the even closer association of a more personal friendship there are many sore hearts today.

Dr. Evans was more than a physician and a friend. He was a patriot, as his service in three of his country's wars proves; he loved his country and gave of his time and talent to his country's service. His was a virile Americanism; an outspoken patriotism; a sincere devotion.

It doesn't seem much longer ago, than yesterday, although it is over thirty years ago that Evan Evans came to enter Grinnell College, where the writer was then a student. The friendship formed then has continued and become closer as the years have passed. It is a pleasure in this time of sorrow to pay this little tribute to the manliness, the sweetness and the helpfulness of a life which has gone out.

Evan Evans was born Oct. 20, 1880, in Hampton, the son of Judge and Mrs. W. D. Evans. He was the oldest of a family of six children. His father for many years has been an honored Justice of the Iowa Supreme Court. He came to Grinnell to enter college but interrupted his college course when the call to arms rang out for the war against Spain, enlisting as a member of Grinnell's militia organization, Company K. After the war he returned to college and completed his course with the class of 1902. During his student days he was prominent as a member of the football and track teams, the glee club and was interested in about every worthwhile activity that the college of that day had to offer.

He completed his medical course at Rush four years later, graduating with high honors that won him one of the coveted internships in the Cook County Hospital. In 1908 he became associated with Dr. C. D. Busby in the practice of medicine in



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Brooklyn for a year. In 1909 he came to Grinnell, practicing first with Dr. A. M. Sherman and later by himself.

The World War brought Dr. Evans the second of his great adventures. As a lieutenant in the Medical Reserve he was called for service in time to serve with the Pershing Expedition in Mexico. When the United States entered the World War he was transferred to the base hospital at San Antonio, Texas. Later he saw service overseas with a mobile hospital unit and during demobilization in 1919 he was assistant to the surgeon of the port at Hoboken. He was promoted to a captaincy in 1918 and this year he received his commission as major in the Medical Corps of the 347th Infantry of the reserve.

July 29, 1908, while practicing in Brooklyn, Dr. Evans was married to Mara Baldwin of Whitewater, Wis., the ceremony being performed in Bisbee, Arizona. She survives him with two children, Julia and Robert. He is also survived by his parents, three brothers, Don of Des Moines, and John and David of Eugene, Oregon, and two sisters, Mrs. E. J. Jaqua, of Claremont, Calif., and Mrs. Hal Hardin of Kansas City. His parents, his wife and daughter and his brother Don were with him at the end.

Dr. Evans was always a loyal son of Grinnell College from his earliest student days. He gave the college all he had on the athletic field and when student days were over he continued an active, constructive interest which manifested itself in many ways. At the time of his death he was an alumni trustee and

was chairman of the finance committee of the board of trustees. He was a member of Camp Norris, No. 29, of the Spanish-American War Veterans, of Focht-Tennant Post, American Legion, of the Elk and Masonic lodges, the Poweshiek Club, the Iowa State and Poweshiek County Medical Societies and this year had been elected president of the Clinical Medical Society of Iowa. He was county coroner at the time of his death and was also college physician, a member of the pension board for this district and physician for the airport. He had served ably as health officer of Grinnell.

For the past six years Dr. Evans had suffered greatly from ulcer of the stomach. April 27 he underwent an operation at Iowa City in the hope of securing relief but it was not successful and Sunday, May 4, he underwent a second operation as a last resort. For days his life hung in the balance but the long struggle against death ended Friday night.

Grinnell mourns a beloved physician but very, very many people in Grinnell mourn what is even dearer and more precious, a friend. One likes to remember "Doc" Evans, with his fresh flower in his button-hole, as he went in and out among us, filled with interest in the friendly things of life, telling with joy of his garden and lily pond. This is a memory that one will not lose.

Between rows of his comrades at arms in the Spanish-American and World Wars, standing rigidly at salute, and in the presence of a vast throng of sorrowing friends, the flag draped casket which contained all that was mortal of Dr. Evan S. Evans was born from Herrick chapel Monday afternoon after a funeral service which for beauty and impressiveness has seldom been equaled in Grinnell.

It was more than suitable that the last services for this loyal son of Grinnell should have been held in the chapel of the college which in life he had served with such wholehearted devotion and on the campus clothed in the springtime beauty which he so greatly loved.

Business had been suspended during the hour of the funeral and a concourse which filled the chapel had gathered to offer their last tribute of affection to a friend and beloved physician. They came from every walk of life. All whose lives had been touched by the life that had passed were anxious to show at least by their presence the esteem in which they held him. The chapel platform was literally banked with floral tributes.

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Professor H. W. Matlack played softly on the organ as the audience assembled and Rev. W. W. Bolt, D. D., opened the services with readings from the Scripture and an eloquent prayer.

President J. H. T. Main was the first speaker and gave a talk full of feeling and consolation. Dr. Evans, he said, was not one to talk a great deal about his inmost feelings but the speaker referred to the red carnation which almost invariably he wore in his button hole as epitomizing his inner life. It had beauty, color and fragrance, he said; it stood for the red badge of courage and above all for service, for honor and for the little acts of friendship and of love with which Dr. Evan's life was filled. "His loyalty and his worth were pure gold", said President Main; "he was ready, loyal and fearless."

Miss Leah Pratt of the School of Music faculty, accompanied at the piano by Edward Shadbolt and on the violin by Professor D. E. Peck, never sang more sympathetically and sweetly than in her rendition of Gounod's "Ave Maria", which followed.

Professor J. D. Stoops, the next speaker, confined his remarks to what Dr. Evans meant to him in the field of knowledge. He regarded knowledge, said the speaker, as an instrument for remaking human life. He possessed the divine fire which only a few people have which sets them aglow with a creative thirst for knowledge.

Professor J. W. Gannaway, the third speaker, spoke of Dr. Evans, his college class mate and intimate associate of many years, as a friend. His talk cannot be too closely reported, for he spoke simply and earnestly from the heart but it was a tribute marked by eloquence and deep feeling. The three characteristics of his departed friend which he mentioned especially were his generosity, his sense of loyalty and his superb, never failing courage.

All three talks were able, sincere tributes and those who heard them re-echoed them in their hearts.

The college glee club, to which Dr. Evans belonged in his student days and whose music he always loved closed the service by singing "Lead Kindly Light" and as the audience dispersed Professor Matlack again played suitable selections on the organ.

Honorary pallbearers were Dr. O. F. Parish, Dr. C. D. Busby of Brooklyn, Dr. P. E. Somers, Dr. W. R. Kinzer, Dr. C. V. Lawton and Dr. E. E. Harris. Active pallbearers were three veterans of the Spanish-American War, F. J. Kiesel, Irving H. Hart of Cedar Falls and J. L. Fellows and three members of the American Legion, Howard Dimit, Cedric Barnes and Ellis Wheeler.

The members of the family present from out of town were Judge and Mrs. W. D. Evans of Hampton, Mr. and Mrs. Don Evans and daughter Sue of Des Moines, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Hardin of Kansas City, Mo., E. J. Jaqua and daughter Mary Alice of Claremont, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Evans and son Allyn of Williamsburg and Mrs. Ioan Jones of Cedar Rapids. Four brother officers of the Reserve attended in uniform. They were Col. A. C. Conaway, mayor of Marshalltown, Rev. Captain Chester and Lieutenant Corbin of Marshalltown and Major Robert Shane of Pilot Mound.

There was a large delegation from Des Moines including Judge Evans' associates on the Iowa Supreme Bench; Chief Justice C. T. Morley, and Justices Stevens, Faville, Wagner, Albert and Kindeg. There were also C. V. Cox and W. F. Riley, law partners of Don Evans and also Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Bair, Mrs. Austin Haines, R. L. Read, J. G. Gamble, G. A. Kraetsch, Dr. A. A. McKinley, chairman of the Public Health Center, Dr. M. I. Olson and others.

Among the many others who were present from out of town were Dr. and Mrs. Allen and Miss Margaret Larson of Hampton; Irving Hart and son Evan of Cedar Falls; Mrs. Betty Reynolds White and son Bobby of Chicago; Misses Dessa and Julia Reynolds of Cincinnati, O.; Dr. James Hill of Newton; Dr. and Mrs. Ravitts, Clyde McFarlin, Sheriff R. F. Gregson and others of Montezuma; Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Berkeley of Marshalltown; Mrs. Carrie B. Sampson of Fort Dodge; Mrs. Peter Wilson, Shad Nelson and Mrs. John Currens of Traer; County Attorney Jack Talbott of Brooklyn.

Members of The American Legion and Spanish War Veterans occupied a special section of seats in the chapel. The color bearers for the Legion were John Carter and Carl Hutchison and the color guards were James Sarver and George Moore. There were brief services at Hazelwood cemetery in charge of Rev. W. W. Bolt, D. D. In behalf of the Legion, Rev. Royal J. Montgomery offered prayer and Frank Miles of Des Moines, editor of the Iowa Legionaire and a close friend of Dr. Evans, spoke a few earnest words. A firing squad under command of Joseph Schwab and composed of B. P. Tarleton, Derrill Muckler, Eldon Olds, John Reed, Benjamin Stewart, D. H. Mulcahy, C. P. Nelster and Herbert Decatur, fired the last volley over a soldier's grave and Russell George played "Taps," the soldier's farewell. Before the services at the chapel there were brief services at the home, conducted by Rev. Nelson W. Wehrhan.