

# ROSA SCHMIDT FINNER.

## Good Woman Passes to Final Rest After Years of Usefulness.

Rosa Schmidt was born in Batavia, Ill., Oct. 13, 1864. She came to Iowa with her parents and settled on a farm near Independence, Iowa, when a small child. At the age of 21 she was married to Charles Finner, also of Independence. They removed to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, where the two children, Edith and Otto, were born.

In 1892 they came to Grinnell to manage the large farm near here owned by Mr. Averill, of Cedar Rapids. Since then Mr. and Mrs. Finner have lived on several farms, finally settling on the old Patton place two and one-half miles southwest of town. This farm they purchased and lived on till Mr. Finner's death in 1919. Mrs. Finner then sold the farm and came to live in Grinnell at 1612 Seventh Ave., buying both the Bray properties on that street. In August, 1921, she traded these for the Hadley house at 1216 Elm street, where Mrs. Finner lived at the time of her death.

Mrs. Finner was always a busy woman, never being content to be idle for a moment. She was a wonderful cook and was so efficient that she was able to accomplish an unusual amount of work.

She was always cheerful and jolly, never complaining, even when in great pain. Her exact ailment was not known till a month ago when she was told by physicians that she had gallstones. She was not advised just then to have an operation immediately and really seemed for a few days to be getting better up till Tuesday, Aug. 1. Her condition from that day grew rapidly worse till it was seen an operation was necessary if she was to have any chance to live. She was taken to the Community hospital on Thursday evening and was operated on at 11 o'clock. The operation itself was successful but the disease had been of too long duration, lasting over a period of more than twenty years. She passed away Friday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock, leaving one son, Otto Finner, of Grinnell, and one daughter, Edith Lemke, of Grinnell; three sisters, Mrs. Minnie Anders, of Waterloo, Mrs. Lena Shenke of Independence, Mrs. Josie Mathis of Kansas City, and three brothers, Chris. Schmidt, of Independence, Arthur Schmidt, of Independence, and Louis Schmidt of Cedar Rapids. There are also three grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. The immediate family were all present at the funeral which was held at the home Sunday afternoon. Rev. W. B. Wilson conducted the services.

### CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank all friends and neighbors for their kindness and for the beautiful flowers sent in our recent bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Finner and Family.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lemke and Family.

(Charles)

### 5-8 MRS. ROSA FINNER. 1922

Mrs. Rosa Schmidt Finner passed away at the Community hospital Friday afternoon, August 4, aged 57 years 9 months and 25 days. Mrs. Finner had been ill for over a month but it was only in the last few days that her condition became critical. She was the widow of Chas. Finner, who died about three years ago, and had made her home in and near Grinnell for almost a score of years.

The deceased was the mother of Otto Finner and Mrs. Henry Lemke of this city. At the time of her death she was residing at the home of her son on Elm street.

The funeral services were held at the residence, 1216 Elm street, at 2:30 o'clock Monday by Rev. W. B. Wilson. Interment was made at Hazelwood cemetery. A complete obituary will appear in the next issue of the Herald.