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# Editor A. L. Frisbie Dies Here Friday



LONG CAREER ENDED-A. L. Frisbie, prominent Iowa newsman and retired editor of the Herald-Register, is pictured in this familiar pose taken only a few days prior to his death Friday. Funeral services for Mr. Frisbie were held today at the First Congregational church.

### HERALD-REGISTER OFFICE CLOSED DURING SERVICES

The Herald-Register offices were closed today from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in respect to the memory of A. L. Frisbie, and to permit Herald-Register employees to attend the funeral services. 

### He Served Grinnell Over Half Century

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He was the principal ambassador for both town and gown in constantly striving to improve town-gown relationships.

Lowrie Frisbie was a man of many interests, but primarily, his interests lav in helping to make a better Grinnell.

### Accorded Honor

Perhaps it was best stated in the Iowa Master Editor-Publisher award which he received in 1953 . . . "he worked hard, lived honorably, thought carefully and influenced unselfishly". These things Grinnell knows to be fact.

### Funeral Services Conducted Today For A. L. Frisbie

Funeral services for A. L. Frisbie, who died Friday at local hospital, were conducted at the Congregational church at 2:30 p.m. today by the Rev Editor A. L. Frisbie, 30, died Leland W. Mann.

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Statewide Renown

His editorial work brought him statewide renown. Many of the newspapers throughout the state quoted from his writings frequently.-And to Grinnellians, his humorous and provacative editorials about the rabbit and the talking birds were almost legendary.

Drawing from a vast storehouse of knowledge and endless readings, Lowrie Frisbie's editorials showed aggressive and progressive thinking over a span of more than five decades.

College, Church and Music Apart from his newspapering, his major interests lay in three areas: Grinnell College, music and the First Congregational church.

A graduate of Grinnell College (class, of '00), he later served as alumni trustee on the College board, was active in college alumni work and was invaribly present at college theatricals, convocations, music events and ataletic contests.

For many years, he sang in college oratorios and cantatas and was also a longtime member of the Congregational church choir

Devoted Church Member

Devoted to the Congregational church, he was a moderator in the church and served many years on the church board.

Active in many community and civic affairs over the past half-century, he served as president of the Kiwanis club, member of the Elks, director of the Chamber of Commerce and Community chest, and director and past president of the Poweshick County Red Cross.

Many Activities

A member of the Poweshiek Club, a discussion group, he served as president of that organization. He also headed the Grinnell Oratorio Society.

In 1950, he received alumni award from Grinnell College for service to the college.

Honored

Also, during Grinnell's Cen-nnial year, 1954, he was tennial accorded the title of Honorary Pioneer.

He was a member of many other civic and community groups.

During World War I he enlisted in the American Red Cross camp service in 1917 and spent a year at Camp Custer, Battle Creek, Michigan, being discharged in 1918.

Born In Des Moines

Alfred Lowrie Frisbie was born November 18, 1877, in Des Maines, son of the Rev. A. L. Frisbie and Martha Crosby Frisbie. His father was pastor of the Plymouth Congregational trie Plymouth church in Des Moines.

/Following his graduation from Des Moines West high school in 1896 he attended Grinnell college, graduating in 1900. While at the college, he served as, editor of the college paper, was named to Phi Beta Kappa and played football for the Pioneers.

After a three year stint as city editor of the Fort Dodge Messenger, he went to Des Moines where he served as city editor on the old Des Moines Register and Leader until 1907.

Returns To Grinnell

It was in 1907 that A. L. Frisbie returned to Grinnell and in 1909, was named as editor of the Grinnell Herald, a position that he neld until 1936 when the Herald and the Register combined, naming Frisbie as editor. He was a partner of Publisher W. G. Ray at the time of consolidation.

For the next 17 years he. served as editor of the combined papers, retiring in 1953 but continuing to write for the Herald-Register until the time of his death.

Married In 1908

Mr. Frisbie was married to the former Margaret Scammon of Northwood, on October 28, 1908, also a Grinnell college graduate (class of 1902) and like her husband also a Phi Beta Kappa.
The Frisbies have one son,

Alfred Lowrie, Jr., who is presently on the staff of the Omaha World Herald.

Survivors

Survivors include: his wife; a son A. L., Jr., of Council Bluffs; three grandchildren, Victoria Ann and twins, Mark and Stephen; and a sister, Mrs. Homer J. Clark of Des Moines. .

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