

Monday, April 15, 1968

## Ella Gropper Dies; Services Tuesday

Ella Gropper, 78, of 1519 9th Ave., died Sunday afternoon at the Friendship Manor Nursing home following an extended illness.

The daughter of John C. and Sophia Puls Tiedmann, Mrs. Gropper was born on a farm east of Grinnell on June 30, 1889. She received her education in the rural schools of the Malcom Community.

On Dec. 22, 1914, she was married to Ruben W. Gropper at Davenport, Iowa. Following their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Gropper farmed in the Grinnell community. After their retirement in 1953 they moved to Grinnell.

Since the death of her husband in 1961, Mrs. Gropper had taken care of her two brothers and three sisters during their last illnesses.

Mrs. Gropper was a member of the Malcom United Presbyterian Church, the Grandmothers Club, the GNW Club and the Rebekah Lodge.

Survivors include her two sons, Wayne and Earl, both of Grinnell; six grandchildren; one brother, Lou Tiedemann of Grinnell; and one sister, Mrs. Leda Tschopp of Marshalltown.

Mrs. Gropper was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Ruben, on May 13, 1961; two brothers — John and Fred Tiedemann; four sisters — Mrs. Mary Mithelman, Miss Christine Tiedemann, Mrs. Emma Jentzen and Mrs. Pauline Jentzen.

Funeral services for Mrs. Gropper will be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Malcom United Presbyterian Church. The Rev. James Davidson will officiate and interment will be in Trinity Lutheran Cemetery.

Friends may call at the James-Schalinske Funeral Home until 9 a.m. on Tuesday and thereafter at the church in Malcom.

A memorial has been established for Mrs. Gropper at the Malcom United Presbyterian Church for those who wish to contribute.