

## Eden Hunt Is Buried At Lynnville

Eden Hunt, son of Abraham and Mahala Dever Hunt, was born in Guernsey county, Ohio, Oct. 5th, 1837. The family came west in 1847 and located at Oskaloosa, Mahaska county. Here his father owned a wagon and carriage factory and here his son grew to manhood and learned his trade of a blacksmith. When the war broke out he with his younger brother enlisted in Company C, 15th Iowa and served until he was mustered out at the close of the war. Mr. Hunt was wounded twice, once at the battle of Atlanta, another time at the siege of Vicksburg. His entering the battle of Atlanta is quite an interesting little story. He was working at his trade of a blacksmith when General McPherson sent his orderly with his horse to be shod. Mr. Hunt told the orderly that when General McPherson sent the money to pay for the shoeing with the horse he would do the work. The General sent for the young black-

smith to report to him which he did. The General told him he could either shoe the horse on government pay or he would order him into battle the next morning. Mr. Hunt told him he would enter the battle. The next morning he was ordered out and was severely wounded.

When he did not report at roll call General McPherson went out on the battlefield to hunt him. When he found him so desperately wounded he said, "Eden, I did not do right—you had no right to shoe my horse without pay. I beg your forgiveness," and he tried to relieve his suffering as much as possible. He lay on the battlefield three days crawling nearly a mile to a stream to wash his wounds. General McPherson was killed the next morning.

On March 9, 1865 he was married to Melissa Kirkpatrick, daughter of Rev. P. A. Kirkpatrick. To this union three children were born—three daughters Mrs. Elzworth Bartow and Mrs. Carrie Sparks both of Lynnville and Mrs. E. E. Taylor of Grinnell, Ill.

so six grandchildren Cleon and Halford Bartow, Claude, Melissa and Osie Taylor, and Mildred Sparks, one great grandson, Edea Boyd Taylor.

Mr. Hunt has been a member of the Odd Fellows lodge for years joining with the boys at Lynnville at that time.

The funeral services were held at the Elzworth Bartow home Thursday at three o'clock conducted by Rev. W. J. Todd of Grinnell and Rev. Slather of Lynnville. The honorary pall bearers were Sylvanus Shahan, Verg Roberts, Robert Ladd, Chas. Briggs, and Wm. Zimmerman. The American Legion had charge of the funeral and he was buried with military honors in the I. O. O. F. cemetery at the side of his wife who preceded him in death seven years ago. A niece Mrs. Belle Dilley Weirick of Colfax came for the funeral.

Mrs. Addie Steaks of Millsprings, Ky., is visiting with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Robert Butler, and also her sister, Mrs. Celia Cain of Malcom.