

MONTEZUMA REPUBLICAN

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**John H. Hunting
Served Hartwick
Years As Mayor**

John Hanson Hunting, oldest son of Flavius Ovando and Hannah Hanson Hunting, was born Oct. 12, 1875, near Sloan in Woodbury county Iowa, and died Dec. 18 at the IOOF home near Mason City. He was 88 years, 4 months and 6 days old.

At the age of 15 the family moved into Sloan and John completed his education there. He united in marriage with Edith M. All-dridge Apr. 26, 1897 and to this union seven children were born.

They farmed for a year near Sloan, then he became a carpenter working in On-awa and Grinnell before moving to Montezuma in 1904. Here he continued his trade working on many of the fine homes erected in that period.

From 1923 to 1935 he managed the Stokkey Lumber yard at Hartwick and also served as town mayor. From there he went to Barnes City to manage the Fullerton lumber yard until he retired in 1946.

From Barnes City the family returned to Montezuma and resided here until they went to the IOOF home in 1961, following several strokes. Last April they observed their 66th wedding anniversary.

He was a 50-year member of the IOOF in Montezuma and an honorary member of the Fire Department.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Mrs. George Morgan, Guernsey; three sons, Wm. A. Hunting, San Bruno, Calif; Francis O. Hunting, Yakima, Wash., and Dean, Bell Gardens, Calif; other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Dec. 14 at the Steffy Funeral Home, conducted by Rev. John Hansel. Louis Gorsuch played the musical selections and accompanied Mrs. Vincent Johnson as she sang "Sweet Peace" and "Beyond the Sunset".

Interment was in the Masonic-IOOF cemetery. Casket bearers were Hefmon Davis, Edwin Morgan, Jake Van Hoever, Lyle Taylor, Oral Davis and Fred Bees.