

Monday, March 28, 1966

## Conduct Rites Here Today For Charles E. Maring

Charles Emory Maring, 72, of Rte. 3, Grinnell, died early Saturday morning at his home northeast of Grinnell following failing health of the last 18 months.

Funeral services were held this afternoon (Monday) from the Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. Chester Custer, pastor of the Grinnell Methodist church, officiating. Vocal music was provided by Steve Otto, accompanied by Mrs. Wilward Heffner at the organ. Pallbearers were Lyle Wiley, Albert Graff Jr., Gerald Grosenbach, Harry Ryan, Warren Ryan and Joan Peak. Honorary bearers will be Paul McConnel, George Board, William Jeffrey, Carl Child, Carl Benson, Elmer Iverson, J. O. Ryan and Everett Hudson.

In charge of flowers will be Mrs. Albert Graff Jr. and Mrs. Lyle Wiley. Burial will be in Pleasant township cemetery at Ewart with graveside rites conducted by W. K. Richardson and members of the ceremonial unit of Focht-Tennant Post No. 53, American Legion of Grinnell.

Memorial donations may be sent to the Methodist church building fund.

He was the son of Mose and Mary Hutchinson Maring and was born Oct. 27th, 1893, at Mendota, Mo., one of a family of 13 children. He attended the local schools near the family home in northern Missouri and southern Iowa. During World War I he served with a medical detachment in the U.S. Army in Europe.

Following his honorable discharge, he lived on a farm in Kansas until 1925 when he moved to Grinnell where he owned and operated his own farm and cattle feeding business.

On Feb. 19th, 1921, at Centerville, Iowa, he was united in marriage with Ruth Copeland and to this union were born three sons and one daughter: Charles Jr., who was a pilot with the Army Air Corps during World War II and was killed in action over Germany in 1944, Mrs. Cameron (Barbara) McKinnon of Tacoma, Wash., Robert of Grinnell and Gary of Grinnell.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth, at the home; his daughter and two sons; three grandsons and four granddaughters, Douglas and Gregory McKinnon, Lana, Linda and Charles Maring III, Kimberly and Pamela Maring. Also surviving are two brothers, Mose of Byrd City, Kan., and Clyde of Marango; and five sisters, Mrs. Bary Violet Pugh of Centerville, Mrs. Sherman (Alma) Conger of Centerville, Mrs. Essie Beard of Centerville, Mrs. May Casady of Unionville, Mo., and Mrs. Walter (Cathryn) Waggoner of Centerville.

Mr. Maring was preceded in death by his parents; one son; one

brother, Milton; and four sisters, Mrs. Zetta Richardson, Mrs. Josephine Pugh, Mrs. Olive Hudson, and a sister who died in infancy.

He had lived in the Grinnell area 41 years and was a charter member of Focht-Tennant Post No. 43 of the American Legion and was also a member of B.P.O. Elks Lodge No. 1266 of Grinnell.