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## G. B. McGuin Passes Away

Death of Wellknown Grinnell Man is  
Sincerely Mourned by Many  
Friends.

FUNERAL SERVICES WED.  
AT 2 O'CLOCK, CONG. CHURCH.

Dr. McGuin Graduated From College  
Here in 1879—Many Years in  
Post Office.

The death Monday morning of Dr. McGuin came as a surprise to most Grinnell people as few had heard of his illness.

Mrs. McGuin had returned from Rochester Thursday evening much improved by her operation. The next morning the Doctor was down in bed with a badly swollen face, possibly the result of a cold which had settled there. He was taken to the hospital, pneumonia set in and his death occurred at one o'clock a. m. Monday.

The Doctor was a Brooklyn boy, a graduate of Grinnell College in 1879, and had been mostly a resident of Grinnell since 1870, as he was continually going back and forth from Brooklyn since he first entered the "English Normal Department," working a good deal of the time to help get through college.

He has been first assistant in the Grinnell Post Office since Aug. 8, 1898.

The post office will be closed during the funeral service which occurs at two o'clock Wednesday at the Congregational church.

Notwithstanding the fact that in youth he was the soul of buoyancy, always hearty and enthusiastic, he became in later life more sober, but was just as much a friend and just as warm a companion in church and social circles, and was just as heartily welcomed as in his younger days.

In the death of Dr. McGuin, Grinnell and Poweshiek county lose a man who was a resident here, boy and man, since 1867 and who has left a large circle of friends to mourn his death.

George Bronson McGuin was born Sept. 1, 1855 at Sackett's Harbor, N. Y. He was the son of George W. McGuin and Chloe Eaton McGuin. He had one brother Frank, who died in infancy and his father also died when he was about three years old. A home was kept together by his mother and her sister, Flora Eaton and her brother E. F. Eaton. In 1867 the family came to Iowa and located on a farm about 3 miles west of Brooklyn, where they remained until about 1879. He attended Grinnell College, graduating with the class of 1879. He then studied medicine at the State University of Iowa, graduating in the class of 1884. He practiced his profession for several years at North Branch, Minn. While there he married Olive Emelia Olson on Oct. 12, 1886, after which they made their home in Brooklyn where he was needed to take care of his mother and uncle.

In 1888 the family moved to Grinnell, where he formed a partnership in the drug business with C. B. Grinnell. Later the firm became McGuin & Baldwin. He remained in this business until Aug. 8, 1898 when he went into the Post Office as Asst. Postmaster, which position he continued to hold until the time of his death.

To this union were born two daughters, Flora Emelia, now Mrs. Elmer Lindstrom of Montezuma, and Mary Myra, now Mrs. Guy Gorsuch of Grinnell. There are three grand children, Robert Gorsuch and Frances and Dorothy Lindstrom.

Funeral services were held at the Congregational church Wednesday at two o'clock, largely attended by town and church friends. The services were conducted by Rev. E. F. Bosworth and Rev. E. M. Vittum. A quartet composed of Mrs. D. H. Snook, Mrs. Lucile Umbenhauer-Ogden, Fred Morrison, and C. S. Myers, sang "Jesus As Thou Wilt," and "Lead Kindly Light" with Loren Adair at the organ.

Bearers were three postmasters under whom Dr. McGuin served as first assistant, A. M. Burton, present postmaster, and W. J. Nelson and W. G. Ray, former postmasters, also three of the old time employes in the post office, Glenn Anderson, C. T. Evans, and A. E. Johnson.

Burial was in the cemetery at Brooklyn on the lot where he his mother and his mother's sister and brother.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 1927.

## Dr. McGuin Is Mourned

Wide Circle of Friends Will Miss His  
Personal Companion-  
ship.

ASSOCIATION WITH GRINNELL,  
DARES BACK EVERY YEAR.

Funeral Services Were Held Wednesday  
Afternoon From Congrega-  
tional Church.

The writer has known Dr. McGuin for over fifty years. He was a college student from Brooklyn when the writer first came to Grinnell. Looking back upon the years which are past, we should say Dr. McGuin was quite popular with the young men. He was good natured, jolly, interested in his work, always cheerful, and made himself friends among a class of young men who were interested especially in scientific study.

In the postoffice, which he entered as assistant August 8, 1898, under C. L. Richards as postmaster, he was always courteous to the widow, especially to a frail and feeble old lady seeking the postoffice as a place of information. He has served continuously in the office longer than any other man except the present postmaster A. M. Burton, who entered the service under Dr. Lewis, postmaster, as carrier when the free delivery system was established.

He and his wife have been active and working members in the Congregational church, both taking part in all social and religious activities connected with it. They were regular attendants and more than generous in their gifts to church and missionary enterprises.