March 20, 1996

Blanche McManigal
Blanche A. McManigal, 84, of Aurora, passed away March 15, at McAuley Manor Nursing Home. She was born Aug. 21, 1911 in Poweshiek County, to Joseph and Frances [Sheda] Prashak.

Blanche worked at Mahaska Hospital in Oskaloosa, where she obtained her registered nursing degree. She attended the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, where she became a certified anesthesiologist nurse. Following that, she became associated with Cook County Hospital in Chicago. Blanche and her husband, Benjamin, owned and operated the Montgomery Lumber Co.

Survivors include her brother, Maynard [Darlene] Prashak of Mesa, Ariz.; two sisters, Frances Provin of Brooklyn and Elsie [Harold] Wiedow of Guernsey, several nieces and nephews and her dear friends, Charles and Renee Eccher of Aurora.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband. Benjamin in 1976; a brother, Joseph Prashak; three sisters, Stella Lyman, Mayme Cordes and Anna Koehn.

Services were held March 18, at the Healy Chapel. Rev. Robert B. Kasperson officiated. A graveside service held March 19 at Guernsey Cemetery.