

## James McMeekin Rites Held In Grinnell

James McMeekin, 93, of Grinnell, passed away Wednesday afternoon, March 26, at the Grinnell hospital.

He was born Nov. 20, 1875, on the family farm near Montezuma, the son of Robert and Mary Jane Ewart McMeekin. He attended the Pleasant No. 9 school. On Feb. 8, 1899, he was united in marriage with Liddie Belle Playle. To this marriage were born four children, three of whom survive: Mrs. Edith Maude Lemke, Mrs. Mary Sheeler and Robert J. McMeekin, all of Grinnell. In addition to this union, Mr. McMeekin is survived by 11 grandchildren; 44 great-grandchildren and 11 great-great-grandchildren. Also surviving are two brothers and one sister: William John McMeekin of Montezuma; Rev. Frank McMeekin of Canby, Ore.; and Mrs. Sadie Johnson of Montezuma.

He was preceded in death by

his wife, Belle, on Feb. 28, 1956; and an infant daughter. He was also preceded in death by one brother and three sisters: Henry; Elizabeth McGimpsey, Janie Wilson and Alma Benton.

He had farmed in the Ewart and Montezuma area except for a time when he lived in Minnesota. In 1942, he and his wife retired and moved to Grinnell. He was the oldest member of the Grinnell United Presbyterian church.

Funeral services for James McMeekin were held 2 p.m. Friday, March 28, at the Smith Funeral Home, Grinnell, with the Rev. Ronald Rain, pastor of the Grinnell United Presbyterian church, officiating. Organist was Mrs. Eugene Holley. Pallbearers were Calvin Lemke, Earl Lemke, Leonard Lemke, Marvin Lemke, Ralph Lemke and Walter Lemke. Burial was in Pleasant Township cemetery at Ewart.

Thursday, March 27, 1969

## James McMeekin Services Friday

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, March 28, at the Smith Funeral Home for Mr. James McMeekin, 93, of 505 6th Ave., who died Wednesday afternoon at Grinnell General Hospital.

The Rev. Ronald Rain, pastor of the First United Presbyterian Church in Grinnell, will officiate. Organist will be Mrs. Eugene Holley. Pallbearers will be Calvin Lemke, Earl Lemke, Leonard Lemke, Marvin Lemke, Ralph Lemke and Walter Lemke.

Burial will be made in Pleasant Township Cemetery at Ewart, Iowa.

Friends may call at the Smith Funeral Home.

The son of Robert and Mary Jane Ewart McMeekin, Mr. McMeekin was born Nov. 20, 1875, on the family farm near Montezuma. He attended the Pleasant No. 9 school.

On Feb. 8, 1899, he married Liddie Belle Playle. To this marriage were born four children.

Mr. McMeekin farmed in the Ewart and Montezuma area most of his life except for a time when he lived in Minnesota. In 1942, he and his wife retired and moved to Grinnell to make their home. He was the oldest member of the First United Presbyterian Church in Grinnell.

Survivors include three children—Mrs. Edith Maude Lemke, Mrs. Mary Sheeler and Robert J. McMeekin, all of Grinnell; 11 grand children; 44 great-grandchildren; 11 great-great-grandchildren; two brothers—William John McMeekin of Montezuma and the Rev. Frank McMeekin of Canby, Ore.; and one sister, Mrs. Sadie Johnson of Montezuma.

Mr. McMeekin was preceded in death by his wife, Belle, on Feb. 28, 1956; an infant daughter; one brother, Henry; and three sisters—Elizabeth McGimpsey, Janie Wilson and Alma Benton.