## Mrs. C. L. Robberts

Afred Burroughs received a telegram Tuesday evening from Grant Robberts telling of the death of his mother, Mrs. Hester J. Robberts, better known here as Mrs. C. L. Robberts. Mrs. Robberts was before-her marriage, Hester J. Wilson and her home was at Newton where her parents settled about 1850. In her early days she was one of a party of four who drove from Newton to Grinnell to spend the first fourth of July after the founding of Grinnell. She later married C. L. Robberts and lived for many years in south Grinnell in a home which Mr. Robberts built. In his early business life in Grinnell Mr. Robberts was in the meat business, but about 1879 he went to Lewis where a partnership had been formed with C. E. Meyers and W. J.

Harris in the grain business.

In the latter 80's Mr. Robberts moved back to Grinnell and in 1898 was appointed postmaster by President McKinley. Mrs. Robberts was very quiet and sought outside associates quite infrequently but was nevertheless a woman of rare intellectual talent and tact and a fine woman to help build up an early growing town. One son L. G. survives.