

208 10⁴ ERNEST HEYWOOD SPAULDING.

Ernest Heywood Spaulding, engaged in the manufacture of vehicles and in the sale of automobiles, having the agency for some of the best known makers of motor cars, was born in Grinnell, October 12, 1881, a son of Henry W. and Merriam Jane (Lull) Spaulding. He pursued his education in the schools of this city, supplementing his public school course by study in the Iowa College Academy and College, during which time he gave special attention to political science and history. In the same year in which he won his degree he became an active factor in the business circles of Grinnell by forming a partnership with H. W. and F. E. Spaulding in the manufacture of vehicles. The same year he took the agency of one of the few motor cars then manufactured, and a little later built the first garage for motor cars in the county. In this connection he has developed a good business and has had the satisfaction of introducing many well manufactured cars to the trade in Poweshiek county. He not only engages in the sale of automobiles, but also conducts a repair department and, in fact, has a splendidly equipped garage.

On the 17th of August, 1904, at Des Moines, Iowa, Mr. Spaulding was united in marriage to Miss Irma Towne, who was graduated from Iowa College in the class of 1903. They now have one daughter, Merriam Jane. In his political views Mr. Spaulding is a republican who firmly believes in the principles of the party, but does not seek nor desire office. He holds membership with the Masonic lodge, the University Club of Chicago and the Poweshiek

Club of Grinnell. In his native city he is regarded as a popular resident; his geniality and unaffected cordiality winning him many friends, while the sterling traits of his character have commended him to the confidence and good will of the general public. In business he has made steady advancement, and the spirit of progress which he manifested in establishing the first garage in the county has characterized him in all of his business activity and brought him substantial success.

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Rites Today for Ernest Spaulding

Services for Ernest H. Spaulding, 72, of 636 Thirty-eighth st., will be at 3 p. m. today at Dunn's Funeral Home. Burial will be at Grinnell.

Mr. Spaulding died Monday at Broadlawns General Hospital. He had been ill for five months with cancer of the mouth.

A resident of Des Moines for 11 years, Mr. Spaulding was a representative of Associated Painters. He was born in Grinnell, lived there 61 years, and was a graduate of Grinnell College.

He was a member of the Masons, Elks and the First Congregational Church of Grinnell, where he had held membership for 59 years.

Survivors are his wife, Lma; a daughter, Mrs. Edwin F. Smith, jr.; his stepmother, Mrs. W. H. Spaulding, and two step-sisters, Mrs. Edward Van Gorder, and Mrs. Harold Hammond, Oakland, Cal., and four grandchildren.

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Youngest Son of Famous
Grinnell Industrialist

Ernest H. Spaulding, member of the famous Spaulding family which played such an important part in the development of Grinnell, died Monday night after a lingering illness at Broadlawns hospital in Des Moines, where he had made his home for a number of years.

The youngest son of Senator and Mrs. H. W. Spaulding, he was born in Grinnell, attended Grinnell schools and graduated from college here in the class of 1903. He married his classmate, Irma Towne, who survives him with one daughter, Miriam, now Mrs. Edwin Smith of Kirkwood, Mo.

Immediately after graduating he entered the employ of the Spaulding Manufacturing company, founded by his father which made buggies on a nationwide scale.

When the coming of the automobile put the buggy factories out of business, the company manufactured the Spaulding automobile for a time and during its last years was turning out truck bodies.

The old Spaulding plant at the corner of Fourth avenue and Spring street at one time employed upwards of 500 men and was Grinnell's big industry.

During this period Mr. Spaulding was active in community affairs and was especially active in the cause of better roads. He was one of the pioneer auto enthusiasts in this community. He was a member of the Congregational church, Elks lodge and the Poweshiek club.

Memorial services were held at 3 p. m. Wednesday at a funeral home in Des Moines. The ashes will be brought to Grinnell for interment at a later date.