

Fish, Charles L. d. 4-12-1930

Charles L. Fish, prominent citizen, land owner and stock buyer of Collins, passed away suddenly about 2:30 Saturday morning at his home, following a heart attack. While Mr. Fish had not been feeling well for the last two weeks, it was only on the day preceding his death that he suffered any great discomfort, and even on that day he was up town as usual. It was not until 11 o'clock Friday night that his condition became alarming, death coming a few hours later.

His passing came as a great shock to family and community, and the sympathy of all is extended to the bereaved ones.

Mr. Fish was one of the pioneers of this community and for many years was a partner of the late Charles Mead.

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#### OBITUARY

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He grew to manhood in Collins vicinity, receiving his education in the country school.

On November 5, 1889 he was united in marriage to Maggie E. Gamble of Maxwell, Iowa, to which union were born three children, Myrna D. Sokol, Gamble Clair, and Charles Edwin, all of Collins.

He leaves to mourn his passing, his wife and children; four sisters, Mrs. Sarah Mead of Eastern Star home in Boone, Etta Fish of Collins, Lou Watson of Rhodes, and Minerva Scott of Valentine, Nebr.; two brothers, W. W. Fish of Ames, and Frank Fish of Melbourne; a step-sister, Mrs. Amanda Richmond of Rhodes, and step-brother, Wm. Beard of Rhodes; also seven grandchildren: Harriett, Charles R. and George Owen Sokol Claire, Minnie Loo, Margaret Jane and Ruth Anno Fish.

He united with the Methodist church of Collins in 1916 under the ministry of Fred W. Ingvaldstad. He was a charter member of the Collins Masonic lodge and Eastern Star, and also a member of the Des Moines Consistory No. 3 and Za-Ga-Zig Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Des Moines.

He was known in the community as a stock buyer, and occupied himself in managing his farms.

He was a kind husband and father, and will be greatly missed in this community.

The funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon at the C. E. Fish home, which formerly was the family home, and although a spacious dwelling, it was not large enough by far to accommodate all who came to pay their last respects, many remaining outside.

The services were in charge of the Rev. John Adamson, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church. Floral offerings were beautiful and profuse. Two solos, "In the Garden" and "The City Four Square", were sung with great feeling by R. H. Van Deest of Cedar Falls, who was accompanied by Mrs. Van Deest at the piano.

Pall bearers were J. E. Hale, T. H. Carver, N. C. Royce, Clark Chambers R. R. Pritchard and C. R. Stone.

Friends assisting with the flowers were Mrs. W. R. Rumbaugh, Mrs. A. A. Vasey, Mrs. J. R. Witmer and Mrs. Lloyd Cummings

Burial services at Evergreen cemetery were conducted by the local Masonic lodge, the ceremony being given by Wm. C. Heintz of the Rhodes lodge.

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