

The Life Story of --

MRS F.J. McMAHON, 76

IRWIN — Elsie McMahon, daughter of R.K. and Mary Gorricks Paulsen, was born July 25, 1898 at Irwin. She graduated from the Irwin high school and Jennie Edmundson School of Nursing in Co. Bluffs. On Aug. 30, 1923 she married F.J. McMahon in Nevada, Ia. She was a member of the Irwin Chapter of the Eastern Star No. 182 and received a 50 year pin. She was also a member of the American Nurses Association.

Mrs McMahon received a Governor's Citation for hospitality. She received the award from former Governor Beardsley for hospitality accorded to Gov. Kim Siegler of Michigan and his daughter. The wings of the Siegler private plane iced up in sub zero weather and was forced down at Manning. Following their rescue, the Sieglers were taken to the McMahon home for food and shelter.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one son, John in 1941, one sister - Alice and five brothers - Ted, John, Bill, Otto and Karl. Survivors include her husband, one daughter - Mrs William (Mary) Klatzbach of Independence, four grandchildren, one brother - Alfred H. Paulsen and one sister, Mrs Anna Larson, both of Irwin.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Dec. 29, 1974 at Mason - Haive Funeral Chapel in Independence with Rev George W. Bishop, officiating. Burial was in the Manning cemetery.
