

Ruth Haynes

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MISS RUTH HAYNES DEAD

The slender chord that has been holding the life of Miss Ruth Haynes from eternity was severed at 11:30 o'clock Sunday morning, at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Margaret Haynes, of Second ave., and the spirit of this beloved girl was reclaimed by the God who gave it.

Miss Haynes was stricken ill about 10 days ago of Spanish influenza, and double pneumonia quickly followed. She was desperately ill from the first. She made a gallant fight, but against odds—the ravages of a disease that so frequently selects for its victims, as in this case, people in their youth and the pink of health. Never seriously ill before and in the bloom of womanhood, with a future full of promise, it is, indeed, sad to come to a realization that Ruth Haynes is no more. She was ambitious and intelligent and it was her nature to be happy, generous and grateful. Her friends were legion and she will be greatly missed by all who enjoyed her friendship and companionship in the brief time that she was given to them. She graduated from the Normal department of the Hinton High School two years ago and last year taught one of the Bellepoint schools and this season had been selected and enthusiastically entered upon her duties as instructor in the Hinton public schools. Her pupils loved her

and her sunny disposition was a radiating force in the school room, just as it was in the social circles where she intermingled. Whatever life's endeavor she undertook, it was with that earnestness and vim which spells success.

Miss Haynes would have been 20 years of age the 19th of this month. She leaves her father, Harry Haynes, of Riffe's Crossing—one of the county's foremost citizens and farmers—a brother, James and an aunt, Miss Jennie Haynes, of the home place, and Mrs. Margaret Haynes, of this city, as her immediate family. Her mother died when deceased was in her infancy and her training and the developing of her splendid young life was left to the loving care of her devoted father and aunts, and as to how well they had succeeded, has already been recorded. It is to these bereaved ones that the sympathy of a multitude of people go out, tho' with the happy assurance that the sunshine of her soul has only been transmitted from her earthly to the heavenly home in the great beyond.

On a special car, provided thru the courtesy of the local C. & O. officials, the remains, accompanied by relatives and friends, were conveyed to Riffe's Crossing Monday afternoon, and from there to Riverview church where funeral services were conducted by Rev. H. P. Hackney, of Hinton, after which the body was tenderly laid to rest in the cemetery nearby—overlooking the beautiful Greenbrier valley.