## [Lange, Helen Raynsford]

## HELEN RAYNSFORD LANGE IN MEMORIAM

Helen Raynsford Lange, after a brief illness, passed to the higher life February 12th at her home, 240 Albemarle St.

Rev. Mr. [William Wallace] Rose conducted the simple ceremonies of burial at the house Saturday afternoon and in the Chapel at Mt. Hope.

She leaves her husband, Oscar Max Lange, a daughter, Mildred Helen, her mother, Georgia Bonesteele Raynsford and a brother J. Arthur Raynsford of New York City.

Helen J. Raynsford was born in the township of York, South Dakota on the seventeenth of May, 1889, to Georgia Bonesteele and James A. Raynsford. Two years later they returned to the home farm on the Ridgeroad [Ridge Road] where Helen blossomed into girlhood and womanhood.

In 1907 she was graduated from East High School and four years later from the University of Rochester, winning the Phi Beta Kappa key for scholarship.

After two years of Post Graduate work, during which time she taught in night school and supplied in West High School, she secured her Master's Degree. The next three years was [sic] spent in teaching in Troy, New York.

On April 21, 1917, she was married to Oscar Max Lange and for a time lived in Amsterdam and Pittsburg, returning to the old Homestead in May, 1918. Last Fall they left the old home farm and moved to their present home in Albemarle St.

Mrs. Lange was brought up in the Universalist Church and Sunday School, being at the time of her death a member of the Grose class.

She entered with enthusiasm into phases of college life; she was fond of athletics and was a member of the Basket Ball team. She was in the Glee Club and the Class Dramatics and Debating Team. She was a member of the Theta Tau Theta Sorority.

Her sunny, happy disposition won for her many friends and she had the faculty of keeping them. She was one of the dependable girls, always cheerful, full of enthusiasm and ready to do her share and absolutely loyal.

In the death of Mrs. Lange the church has suffered a very real loss. She will be sadly missed by her many friends and co-workers.

We would express our deepest sympathy to her loved ones and trust they will learn to take comfort in the thought of the happiness she brought to them during the brief span of years we were permitted to have her with us.

May Irwin Montague

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