

MRS. CHARLES W. G. WARD IS CLAIMED BY DEATH

Untimely End, for Charming Young Woman After Long and Courageous Struggle Against Falling Health.

Deep sorrow was brought home to her very many friends in Albuquerque yesterday by the death of Mrs. Charles W. G. Ward, wife of the well known Las Vegas attorney, which occurred at 7 o'clock in the morning at the home of her parents, Miss and Mrs. Henry W. Turner, 1342 West Fruit avenue. Mrs. Ward, who was but 28 years old, has been in failing health for the past year. Recently she had been losing strength rapidly and the end was not unexpected by her husband, her parents and her brother, Mr. M. C. Turner, all of whom were present at the end.

Mrs. Ward was born in Lexington, Mo., July 31, 1870. In the autumn of 1896, she came to Albuquerque with her parents for the benefit of her health. As Mary Willie Turner she entered the university, from which she graduated with honor, took a prominent part in the social life of the University and the city and made a host of warm friends and sincere admirers. Soon after coming to Albuquerque she regained her health; and while never strong, had been quite well until within the past twelve months when her health began to fail. On November 16, 1902, Miss Turner was married to Mr. Charles W. G. Ward, then city editor of the Morning Journal and one of the foremost young newspaper men in the territory. Later Mr. Ward entered the practice of law, going to Las Vegas to make his home. For several months Mrs. Ward has been spending the greater part of her time with her parents in this city, hoping for benefit from the lower altitude. Mr. Ward has also been here for several weeks, or since his wife's illness became critical.

Mrs. Ward's death, untimely as it is, is particularly sad, the more because of her very beautiful character and her sweet womanhood which made her friends at every turn in her short life. She has borne many months of constantly failing health with a rare courage that has added admiration to the love and esteem of her friends. Her husband and her family have the most sincere sympathy of the community in which she has spent so much of her life.

A brief funeral service will take place at the family home this morning at 10 o'clock, and this evening the remains will be taken to the family home in Lexington, Mo., where interment will be made.