The Grim Reaper was busy in Durango and vicinity the past 48 hours, claiming the young particularly, married and single, alike.

Charles Real

After battling with death for four days and nights, Charles Real, 30, died this morning at 2:30 o'clock at the family home, 1849 Main avenue of Spanish influenza.

Charles Real, oldest son of John Real, was born on the lower La Plata river, the ranch home, December 1, 1888. He was educated in the Durango schools, graduating here, then following the painting trade for a time until finally he engaged in the sheep business with his father and at the time of his death was sole owner of a large flock.

He leaves to mourn him besides his father, three brothers and four sisters. The brothers are: Leo, who is here; Hughie (in the navy) and Fred (in France). The sisters are: Lillian, who is ill at home, and the Misses Elizabeth, Marie and Teresa, who arrive tomorrow evening from California. Besides these, he is survived by an uncle, Mike Real, and two aunts, the Misses Kitty and Mollie Real.

Charley Real was a quiet unassuming gentleman of the kindliest nature. He was a member of the Elks, an was the personification of all the cardinal principles of that brotherly order. The younger generation lost a young man of great promise when he died.

The family has been sorely stricken. His mother died Saturday, his sister-in-law, Mrs. Leo Real, Sunday afternoon and he answered the Great Summons early this morning. Announcements later.