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# F. A. ACKERMAN, JEWELER, DIES

## AT AGE OF 78

### Got Trade in Home City and Ran Shop in Arcade Many Years

*Die Apr. 1932*  
Frank A. Ackerman, 78, one of the oldest jewelers in Rochester, died yesterday at his home, 112 Grand Avenue.

Mr. Ackerman's store at 21 Reynolds Arcade has been a familiar spot to Rochesterians for more than a quarter of a century. He was born in Rochester, and after learning his trade, worked for a number of firms here and in other places for several years before he established his own business.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Eleanor Benson Ackerman; a daughter, Mrs. Thomas H. Martens; two sisters, Miss Louise C. Ackerman of Rochester and Mrs. C. H. Plummer of Philadelphia, Pa., and two grandchildren.

The body rests at 609 Clinton Avenue North, where funeral services will be conducted Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial will be made in Riverside Cemetery.

#### Ardent Wheelman

In his younger days Mr. Ackerman was an enthusiastic lover of the outdoors and an ardent devotee of the sport of bicycling. He owned one of the oldtime "high" bicycles, which were in common use before the advent of the "safety" models. He always retained a fondness for the big wheel; and, until recent years, he used once each year to register his protest against the later and more effete vehicles by getting out his old "high bike" and taking a turn through a few streets, just to prove that he had not lost the knack.

# JURIST PASSES UNEXPECTEDLY AT HOME HERE

## Heart Attack Proves Fatal in 67th Year—Had Served in the Assembly Previous to Appointment as District Judge

Simon L. Adler, 66, U. S. District Court judge since 1927 and senior judge in the Western New York District since 1931, died at 9 o'clock this morning at his home, 17 Argyle Street, following a heart attack.

He had been thought on the way to recovery from an illness which began last November.

Dr. C. P. Thomas, his physician, reports Judge Adler's progress had been satisfactory in recent days. He had been actively interested in his legal affairs and there had been real hope of his ultimate recovery.

He never married and his survivors include: A niece, Eleanor Anne Adler; two nephews, John and Mark, and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Mark Adler, all of Rochester.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Mt. Hope Chapel.

Judge Adler manifested until his death that devotion to public duty which had characterized his official life. He last presided at a court term in Elmira last January. He had kept himself busied with public affairs despite his illness.

One of the court clerks called on him last night and received instructions regarding court action in two bankruptcy cases. They were not completed in time for Judge Adler to sign necessary documents.

The Grand Jury in connection with May term of United States

1867—1934



*Mark*  
**Simon L. Adler, 66, United States District Court judge, who died today at his home, 17 Argyle Street, after a long illness.**

District Court here, Thomas E. Carroll, foreman, met this morning and adjourned until Tuesday, after adopting a resolution memorializing the life and services of Judge Adler.

Judge Adler's long service in the Legislature gained him statewide and national recognition. In the years he spent at Albany he sponsored many measures, which convinced thousands he was a man in

advance of the spirit of his own times.

#### Given Unique Testimonial

So general was the recognition of his ability that when the time neared for him to retire from the state service to don judicial robes he was the object of a testimonial unique in the history of Albany.

Gov. Alfred E. Smith, other state officials, justices of the Supreme Court, judges of the Court of Appeals, assemblymen and senators united in a testimonial dinner. Political animosities were laid aside for the occasion to pay tribute to one whose honesty and fairmindedness had been above question.

As a souvenir of the occasion Judge Adler treasured, until his death, a collection of seven pipes, "one for each day in the week," and a set of lavish accessories.

He was an inveterate pipe smoker. A familiar figure in the downtown district and the Federal Building, attention was attracted to him by his straight-stemmed pipes, especially in those days when the pipe smoker on the street was a novelty in Rochester.

#### Seneca Falls Native

Judge Adler was born in Seneca Falls, August 30, 1867, the son of Lewis and Anne Adler. He was graduated from the Rochester Free Academy.

He obtained his Bachelor of Laws degree from Cornell University in 1889 and then studied law at Harvard University from 1891 to 1892. In the intervening two years he had studied with the law firm of Perkins & Hays, leading Rochester attorneys of that day.

He was admitted to the bar in 1892 and started practice in Rochester in partnership with Isaac Adler under the firm name, Adler & Adler. From 1900 to 1907 he practiced in New York City, returning to Rochester to open an office of his own.

Judge Adler began his political career while in New York, acting as a Republican district organizer. He continued active participation in political campaigns when he returned to Rochester.

#### Elected to Assembly

He was elected to the Assembly in 1910. In 1916 he was chosen majority leader of that body.

While sitting in the Assembly he served as chairman of the commit-

tee on banks, which effected a complete revision of the banking law of the state.

He became senior judge of the Western New York District on the retirement of Judge John R. Harter Mar. 4, 1931.

His writing include "Sullivan Campaign 1779," "Money and Morals in the American Colonial," and "The Direct Primary in New York State." The first two monographs were republished by the Rochester Historical Society.

He was a member of the American, New York State and Rochester Bar Associations and the Rochester Athletic, Buffalo, Harvard-Cornell and National Republican clubs.

#### Praised by Rabbi

Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein characterized Judge Adler as a "learned and devoted member" of Temple B'rith Kodesh, although he never held any office in the temple.

Judge Adler's home was to his friends one of the beauty spots in Rochester. He had a choice collection of valuable paintings. His avocation, according to his friends was his devotion to the beautiful life.

# Aex Hopes To Avoid \$3,000,000 Bond Issue by Payroll Cuts—Directing of Finances New Job To Him.

There are new personalities at City Hall under the Democratic regime and behind each personality is a story. The Rochester Evening Journal herewith presents the third of a series of articles on these "new deal" leaders.

By J. CODY WALLER

The sun shines for the Democrats in the City Hall as Republicans of life-time service depart in gloom.

The Democrats have stopped crying about the short budget the Republicans left them, and are marching boldly to beat it.

The outlook is so bright that the City Hall boasts a comptroller who actually smiles. He smiles despite a counting house training which should develop a long face, a shaking head always ready to say "no."

Paul B. Aex, the new comptroller, behind his shell rimmed glasses, affecting the dignity of something between a kindly old-fashioned apothecary and a schoolmaster catching little Johnny grabbing a bite of an apple he had concealed in his desk, actually smiled as he was asked when the city is to offer \$3,000,000 in notes to New York bankers.

"Maybe we won't have to sell them; there is no hurry," he replied. "Tax returns are holding up, I am advised, and jobs are going down with such rapidity that the payroll soon will be pocket-size."

"The Council has authorized borrowing \$3,000,000 in anticipation of this year's tax collection. Just what we shall need, remains to be seen, but indications are it won't be \$3,000,000."

This task of directing the city finances is new to Aex, after more than twenty-seven years in the banking world, yet he likes it.

"It is different than banking or working for the state as bank examiner, but I can see where it will have a fascination," he said.

He still has to get his hand so well on the financial lever to be able to weed out the Republican excess, but that is coming, although

he didn't say so.

The Democratic researchers have their eye on the place.

Despite this, Aex has won the confidence of the whole staff under him, and they brag about the sincere, kindly comptroller who has come into the City Hall.

Paul Aex is a native of Mt. Morris. He is forty-seven, and forty-five of these years have been spent here. He was graduated from the old Rochester Free Academy, and had ambitions to be a lawyer. He spent five years in the office of George Gillette, brother of Supreme Court Justice Willis K. Gillette. In 1907 he turned from the law to banking, entering the Central Bank, now the Central Bank and Trust Company. In 1915 he was elected an officer and in 1922 made a director.

In the golden flood times of 1926 he withdrew from banking to manage the local office of Hemphill, Noyes & Co. That had its high spot, and its low after the financial crash in 1929.

Aex joined I. W. Steele and remained with this stock and bond house a year. In 1931 he became a state bank examiner. Last year he was made special deputy superintendent of banks for the Jamestown area, with responsibility for reorganized troubled financial institutions.

Then came the offer of the Democrats to make him comptroller, and Aex took his wife's suggestion that he take the position which would keep him in Rochester.

Aex with his wife and one son, seventeen, reside in Woodbine Avenue.

## Judge Adler

Death of Simon L. Adler, senior judge of the Western New York District United States Court, brings to an end a long career of public service.

Elected to the Assembly in 1910, he remained a member of that body until his elevation to the bench in 1927.

During the major portion of his service in the Legislature he was Republican majority leader of the Assembly.

It is customary to emphasize the purely political side of such work. But many of the measures which come before the Legislature involve no distinct political issue.

The job of those who guide the actions of a legislative body, among whom a majority leader is one of the foremost, calls for wide knowledge of the way in which laws adopted are likely to work out in actual practice.

Such knowledge can be gained only through long experience combined with ability and good sense.

A legislative leader who possesses these qualities will not merely serve his party. His work in committee and on the floor will head off many blunders, solve many difficulties, make the net result of legislative effort much more satisfactory than would otherwise be possible.

For this he will get credit only from the few who know.

Simon L. Adler was such a legislative leader. He understood the work, had much more than superficial knowledge of public questions, was a man of wide reading, as his fine private library indicated.

When he was named for the Federal bench in 1927 Governor Alfred E. Smith, members of both houses of Legislature and justices of the higher courts united in giving him the unusual honor of a testimonial dinner.

His career as a judge upheld the high opinion then expressed of his ability and fairness.

His death is a loss to the judiciary, as well as to his friends in Rochester and throughout the state.

# BAR AND BENCH MOURN ADLER; SERVICE TODAY

## Associates Will Bear U. S. Judge to Grave This Afternoon

Last rites for Federal Judge Simon L. Adler, whose unexpected death is mourned throughout state and country, will take place today at 2 p. m. with men who have been closely associated with him in office as active pallbearers.

Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein will be in charge of services in Mt. Hope Chapel. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery. A memorial service with members of the Rochester Bar Association participating will take place at noon in the Court House.

Active bearers will be: Joseph J. Doran, assistant U. S. Attorney; Edmund Clynes, clerk to Judge Adler; Edward Hanna, probation officer; Albert Skinner and Joseph Fazio, deputy United States marshals and Roland E. Logel.

### Honorary Bearers Listed

Honorary bearers will include: Federal Judge Martin T. Manton of New York, senior judge of the Circuit Court of Appeals; Federal Judge Frederick H. Bryant; former Federal Judge John R. Hazel of Buffalo; Federal Judge John Knight of Arcade; William Meier, former comptroller of the state of New York.

Halsey Sayles, Elmira attorney; Augustus Allan of Jamestown, former state assemblyman; William W. Relliey of Buffalo; William T. Plumb of Rochester, receiver for the New York State Railways; C. Schuyler Davis, Rochester attorney; Edward Rosenberg of Rochester, president of Fashion Park, and Isaac Adler, Rochester attorney, cousin of the deceased.

Rochester attorneys gathered yesterday morning in Federal

Court, its bench draped in black, to pay tribute to one of the state's outstanding jurists.

"We have lost not only an able and conscientious jurist, but a judge who through his kindness, patience and sympathetic understanding was endeared to every person associated with him," Judge Bryant said.

For 20 minutes friends paid tribute to the judge.

Former Supreme Court Justice Arthur E. Sutherland expressed the profound regret of judges, attorneys and friends over Judge Adler's death.

"He was a leader of his party in the state Assembly; many of the important statutes were written under his direction; he discharged his duties without fear or favor," Judge Sutherland said. "He was a fine man and a great judge."

The memorial service was in charge of Judge Sutherland. Assisting were C. Schuyler Davis, William T. Plumb, Homer E. A. Dick and Former County Judge Nelson E. Spencer, Raymond E. Westbury, president of the Rochester Bar Association, also paid tribute to Judge Adler.

**Many Express Regret**

Messages were received at Judge Adler's residence from all parts of the country yesterday, including telegrams expressing regret from Federal Judge Francis G. Caffey, F. Trubee Davison and Federal Judge John Woolsey.

A delegation from the Erie Bar Association will attend the funeral today. Members include: Supreme Court Justice Alonzo Hinkley; County Judge George H. Rowe, Thomas C. Burke, George Clinton Jr. and Ellis H. Gridley, president of the association. U. S. Attorney Richard H. Templeton of Buffalo and his staff of assistants also will attend.

# Simon L. Adler, Federal Judge, Dies Here at 67



**SIMON L. ADLER**

## Jurist Collapses at Breakfast, Succumbs; Ill 6 Months After Heart Attack

Death came today to Federal Judge Simon L. Adler of the United States District Court of Western New York, while he was seated alone at the breakfast table at his home, No. 17 Argyle Street.

Judge Adler, who was sixty-seven and unmarried, had been ill for the past six months. He died

of a heart attack.

Dr. Clarence P. Thomas, his physician, said Judge Adler had shown marked improvement during the past several weeks. Dr. Thomas had been visiting him daily.

Immediately upon hearing of the death of Judge Adler, Judge Frederick H. Bryant of Malone, on the bench in Federal Court now in session here, adjourned court for the day.

The bench was ordered draped in black in mourning for the late jurist and the flag on top of the Federal Building was lowered to half-mast.

Adjournment also was taken by the Federal Grand Jury here and a page in its minutes set aside to be inscribed with a memorial tribute to Judge Adler.

The former Republican majority leader of the Assembly for ten years was appointed Federal judge of the Western New York District in May, 1927, by Calvin Coolidge.

A year before his appointment, which was for life at a salary of \$10,000 a year, he terminated his service in the Assembly at Albany, after representing the Second Monroe District consecutive for sixteen years.

Cloaked with the reserve accompanying his position as senior judge of the Federal Court of this district, Judge Adler in recent years was known intimately only in a small circle of friends.

He became the senior judge on the retirement of Judge John R. Hazel on March 4, 1931.

**STRICKEN IN NOVEMBER**

Judge Adler was first stricken with a heart attack during the Elmira term of Federal Court last November and since that time had been confined to his home.

He had been sitting intermittently, conducting hearings at his residence, however, and only last night dictated opinions in bankruptcy matters to Edmund Clynes, clerk of the U. S. District Court.

One of Judge Adler's last decisions was rendered several weeks ago when Milton "Midge" Staud was brought before him at his home on a hearing of a writ of habeas corpus.

Judge Adler denied the application of Staud for the writ and in doing so upheld the ruling of U. S. Commissioner Cyrus W. Phillips before whom extradition proceedings to take Staud to Canada were conducted.

**SHOWED IMPROVEMENT**

His cousin and close associate, Isaac Adler, former vice-mayor of Rochester, said today that the judge had shown occasional indications of improvement since he was stricken six months ago.

"Judge Adler appeared unusually improved and in excellent spirits when he came down to breakfast this morning, his housekeeper informed me," Adler declared.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p. m. at Mount Hope Chapel. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery.

**BORN IN SENECA FALLS**

Judge Adler was born in Seneca Falls, August 31, 1867, the son of Lewis and Anne Adler.

After graduating from the Rochester Free Academy, he obtained his Bachelor of Laws degree from Cornell University in 1889 and then studied law at Harvard University.

He was admitted to the bar in 1892 and started practise in this city in partnership with Isaac Adler under the firm name of Adler and Adler, which is still retained by Judge Adler's cousin in his offices in the Lincoln-Alliance Bank Building.

From 1900 to 1907, Judge Adler practiced law in New York City, returning to Rochester to open an office of his own. He began his political career while in New York, acting as a Republican district organizer.

He continued active participation in political campaigns upon returning to this city and was elected to the Assembly in 1910. He was chosen majority leader of that body in 1916.

**EFFECTED LAW REVISION**

While serving as chairman of the committee on banks in the Assembly, Judge Adler and his committee effected a complete revision of the banking laws of the state.

When his appointment to the federal judgeship was under consideration, Judge Adler received the support of James W. Wadsworth Jr., then senator, against the opposition of dry Republicans, who submitted the name of Nathan D. Lapham of Geneva, Ontario County prosecutor.

While in the Assembly, Judge Adler was a strong advocate of the direct primary law. "The Direct

Primary in New York State" is among his writings.

**OTHER WORKS**  
His other works include "Sullivan's Campaign of 1779" and "Money and Money Units in the American Colonies," both monographs having been republished by the Rochester Historical Society.

He was a member of the American, New York State and Rochester Bar Associations and the Buffalo, Harvard, Cornell and National Republican Clubs.

Besides his cousin, he leaves two nephews, John Adler of Hamilton College, Clinton, N. Y., and Mark Adler of this city; a niece, Eleanor N. Adler of this city, and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Mark Adler of this city.

**PRaised BY BAR**

Informed of the death of his colleague, Judge BBryant, presiding at the May term of Federal Court here, said:

"Judge Adler was an excellent jurist.

"His decisions were tempered with a keen understanding of modern problems and his interpretation of the law was a credit to the bench. "A fine man has passed on."

Assistant United States Attorney Joseph J. Doran of Rochester said:

"My first case in Federal Court was tried before Judge Adler. And I have had many opportunities since to try cases before him.

"He was fair to the nth degree. His decisions were clear and motivated by the highest principles."

Judge Jacob Gitelman erad the following statement into the record of City Court, Criminal Branch:

"The court has just learned of the passing of Judge Simon L. Adler. His sense of justice, combined with his legal ability, made him an ideal judge.

"His untimely death brings sorrow not only to those who knew him but to the entire community. In recording his passing, the court shares that sorrow."

# Guilford R. Adams Rounds Out Of Service

*T. U. July 3, 31*  
Guilford R. Adams, 69, will complete his 50th year in the firm of Samuel Sloan and Company Sunday.

Mr. Adams entered the employ of Mr. Sloan in 1881 when the latter was engaged in retail plumbing and steam and gas fitting.

Ten years later the steam fitting was discontinued and the company entered a wholesale business exclusively.

In 1896 Mr. Adams was admitted to partnership, as was William E. Sloan, son of Samuel Sloan, forming the firm of Samuel Sloan & Company. He has been in charge of the purchasing department for many years, although recently his nephew and assistant, Clinton J. Turner, has relieved him of much detail.

Mr. Adams has always been interested in association work. He was elected president of the Eastern Supply Association in 1916 after serving as director and vice-president. At the end of a two-year term he was presented with a mahogany hall clock.

In 1920 he was elected first vice-president of the National Pipe and Supplies Association and a year later was made its president. On retiring from office two years after, he was presented with a sterling silver afterdinner coffee set.

Mr. Adams has seen many changes in the plumbing industry. There is a great difference between the limited choice of plumbing fixtures of 50 years ago and the equipment in the jobbers' show room today, he says.

"Looking backward for 50 years," Mr. Adams said, "one remembers the lack of telephone, typewriter and stenographer. I well remember our old letter press and one of my last duties in the afternoon was to prepare dampened blotting sheets and copy letters and orders that had been written in longhand during the day."

"Any success I have made I can attribute to the fact that my work has been a joy rather than a bur-

den; something to look forward to as each day presented new problems to solve."



Guilford R. Adams

**CARL C. ADE**, architect, has a birthday today. He was born in Rochester Mar. 10, 1892, and attended the public schools and Mechanics Institute. He studied in the offices of several Rochester architects, and in 1918 began practising for himself. He specializes in industrial and school buildings and many neighboring towns contain examples of his work. He is associate architect for the Masonic Temple now under erection.



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In 1917, Mr. Ade enlisted in the army and was commissioned first lieutenant of engineers. He is a member of Doty-McGill Post, American Legion; Rochester Lodge, F. & A. M., Ionic Chapter, Cyrene Commandery, Lalle Rookh Grotto and Damascus Temple; American Institute of Architects, Rochester Club, Shrine Club, Ad Club and Brooklea Country Club. He lives at 27 Thorndyke Road.

## Birthday *R. U. May 10 20* Greetings

To Rochesterians  
The Times-Union congratulates Isaac Adler and Thomas B. Breakey on their birthday anniversaries.

**ISAAC ADLER**, councilman-at-large, was born in Medina, May 10, 1860. He was brought to Rochester when 5



years of age and later attended Grammar School 10 and the Rochester Free Academy. His graduate academic work was centered in Harvard College, the University of Berlin and Harvard Law School, where he graduated in 1892.

Mr. Adler then returned to Rochester, entered the offices of the late Theodore Bacon, was thereafter admitted to the bar and formed a law partnership with his cousin, Simon Adler.

Mr. Adler was president of the city government plan committee which made the original study of city government and recommended a city manager charter for Rochester. He also assisted in the preparation of the charter and represented the City Manager League in the ensuing litigation.

Mr. Adler is a former president of the Harvard Club, the City Club, and has been president of the Tuberculosis and Public Health Association of Rochester and Monroe County since 1918.

Mr. Adler has three daughters, Mrs. Warren Morse and Miss Helen Adler of New York City and Miss Jane Adler, who is at school in Boston.

# DIMPLES AND POETRY—

At 94, Dr. Adams Has  
Diverting Stories of  
A Busy Nine Decades

# A DOCTOR LOOKS BACK

By MARGARET FRAWLEY

"And, over all, that grand and patient one  
Who held the battered helm at Washington,  
Whose brain was big with projects for his race,  
Whose heart was big with royal tenderness,  
Whose rod extended o'er the Southern tide,  
Rolled back the angry flood on either side  
And through the channelled waters, safe and dry,  
The grandest picture on the century's face!  
The glorious Moses of a ransomed race!  
We need not speak his name whose gracious pen  
Proclaimed the eternal brotherhood of men!  
For history hath made his fame her own,  
And Lincoln's name will outlive brass and stone!"

That is Abraham Lincoln as described by Dr. Frank Wayland Adams of 29 Faraday Street, physician and Civil War veteran. The above verse is included in "An Epic Poem on the Civil War in America" which Doctor Adams has read at Memorial Day exercises several times and which has now been privately printed.

Like the Great Emancipator, Doctor Adams will be having a birthday this month. Next Sunday, Feb. 18, he will celebrate his 94th anniversary. It will be a quiet celebration at the Faraday Street residence where Doctor Adams lives with his daughter, Mrs. Winifred Adams Burr. It will be an occasion also for ram-

iscences centering about the scrapbook Doctor Adams has made for his family.

He will finger again a letter from Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes relative to the amusing subject of dimples, re-live gay, merry days as an Amherst undergraduate, his brief years of service in the Civil War, and decades of ministry as family doctor to his friends and neighbors of Royalston, Mass.

His 94 years become Doctor Adams. Tall, erect and carefully groomed, he rose to greet his visitor yesterday. The handclap of the long slender fingers is still firm and friendly. The eyes are smiling, the lips firm above the graying Van Dyke beard. He marshalls ideas carefully, gives them expression logically in sonorous tones which suggest his own New England.

One of his most entertaining story concerns Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes with whom Doctor Adams studied at Harvard when he was preparing for a medical career. Graduated from Harvard, Doctor Adams and another medical friend were interested in pursuing their scientific investigations further. They were accustomed to do dissection work in their anatomical studies. Interested in the dimple, they sought to explore the muscular action which produces it. So absorbed did they become and so serious were they that Doctor Adams

finally wrote to Doctor Holmes to inquire his opinion. With characteristic wit, Doctor Holmes replied in a note written in 1869.

## Doctor Holmes' Letter

"Dear Sir:

"I am sorry for your perplexity and the more so that I cannot give you the anatomical solution of your question. Dimples are not common in the subjects of the scalpel.

"As to what a dimple means, I would not have asked that question at five and twenty. It used to mean youth and smiles and all that was charming in those days.

"Looking at it as I do at present I should say that a dimple is an early wrinkle that doesn't know what is coming to it.

"Make the most of these innocent little fossae while they last and take my word for it it is pleasanter investigating them in their native habitats that asking old professors what they have to say about it."

"Wishing you all opportunity for your study directly from nature, I am

Yours truly,  
Oliver Wendell Holmes  
(Signed)

Doctor Holmes reputation for wit, ably demonstrated in the letter, was such that he was always asked to take the first class after lunch at Harvard. He was the only professor whose ability to keep his students awake had been fully proved. The Holmes letter is one of Doctor Adams' prized possessions.

## Of Noted Family

Born at Brookfield, Mass., Feb. 18, 1840, Doctor Adams is a member of the Adams family, which

has given two presidents to the United States as well as numerous distinguished scholars and statesmen. His great grandfather was fourth cousin to John Quincy Adams. Doctor Adams tells a story that when he was born, the nurse took him up to the attic and held him up to the window in order that seeing the world for the first time from that vantage point, he might be "high-minded." Doctor Adams laughs when he recounts that tale.

Records of many of the gay escapades of the college years at Amherst between 1858 and 1862 are recorded by Doctor Adams in the scrapbook. There's an old pamphlet dated Oct. 8, 1858, announcing the burial of S. Gunn with appropriate panegyrics and many grave ceremonies. "S. Gunn" was the squirt gun used

in interclass rivalries between the freshmen and sophomores, which the college authorities banned in 1858 because it proved too troublesome.

A college student when the Civil War broke out, he wanted to enlist, but his family persuaded him to finish his college work first. So he consoled himself with daily drills with the other fellows on the campus and when he was graduated in 1862 he hurried down to the enlistment station. Joining as a private, Doctor Adams was elected by the soldiers in Company B, Massachusetts Regiment 51, to the rank

of first lieutenant. He served in the expedition under General Foss after some months had to resign his commission because of ill health.

When his health improved, Doctor Adams accepted a post as principal of the Academy at Falmouth, Mass. But the responsibilities of the class room proved irksome and confining. So the schoolmaster exchanged his robes for that of student again, and went to Harvard to study medicine.

Coming to Royalston to practice, Doctor Adams soon found himself closely identified with the community life of the Massachusetts town. His duties as physician were demanding, yet he found time for numerous civic activities. He was town clerk,

trustee of the public library, justice of the peace, Sunday school superintendent and deacon of the Congregational Church for many years. When Royalston celebrated his sesquicentennial anniversary some years ago Doctor Adams was president of the committee.

## In Rochester Seven Years

In that community also he and Mrs. Adams celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary some years ago with their children, Robert W. and Winifred Adams Burr, the grandchildren and their friends in the town participating. White Royalston is still home to Doctor Adams, he has since the death of his wife in 1927 trans-

ferred his residence to Rochester.

His work, "An Epic Poem on the Civil War in America," was begun in 1880 when Doctor Adams was invited to write a poem to be read in a Massachusetts town in connection with the exercises of the day. The poem as first written made reference to Charleston, the bombardment of Fort Sumpter, the story of the volunteer, the final victory, flowers of May for the fallen, and the last roll call. Expanded in successive years in response to requests for its reading at patriotic programs, Doctor Adams had it privately printed nine years ago. In his preface he said:

"It is not published as a commercial venture, nor merely to preserve a personal record, but to emphasize the fact that this people, saved from disruption in the great struggle of the sixties, has become the richest and most powerful nation in the world today, and that, without the happy welding of the North and South we could not have crossed the Caribbean and placed Cuba on her feet as an independent power, nor, later on in the greatest war in the world's history, gone overseas, and with a few mighty and decisive strokes aided in bringing to a speedy end the conflict that threatened the ruin of Europe. Long may this united people continue to be a blessing among the nations of the Earth."

Characteristic of the ringing challenge of the verses is the following:

"O South, deaf and blind to the just rights of the man!  
O North, blind and deaf to God's purpose and plan!  
Could ye only have read in the signs of the sky  
That Slavery was doomed and that Slavery must die  
Could ye only have seen, in that earlier hour,  
The wild storm of battle beginning to lower,  
Whose thunder was only the cannon's deep word,  
Whose lightning was only the flash of the sword,  
Whose rain drops were blood drops, rich, costly, and red,

And whose winds were but groans  
'mong the dying and dead,  
Methinks that ye twain, ere the struggle began,  
Would have seen down the future  
God's glorious plan,  
surgeon's knife,  
The cancer that threatened the  
And cleft, with one sweep of the  
Nations' life!"

Funeral Services  
**WAKE**  
BURIAL OF S. GUNN,  
X-MEMBER OF THE CLASS OF '60,  
Conducted by the Class of '61,  
AMHERST COLLEGE,  
Wednesday, Oct 6th, 1888.

An amusing souvenir of Amherst College, a placard announcing the "wake" of a gun used in interclass rivalries.

BOSTON  
MAR. 10  
8 P.M.  
MASS.  
Frank W. Adams Esq  
Patent for the Insam  
Hartford  
Conn.  
A treasured envelope with Doctor Adams' name written in Oliver Wendell Holmes' own hand.

Private

Bath March 10th  
1869

Dear Sir,

I am sorry for your perplexity and the more so that I cannot give you the anatomical details of your question. Dimples are not common in the district of the scalp.

As to what a dimple means, I would not have asked that question at five and twenty. It used to mean youth and smiles

Part of the letter on dimples written by Doctor Holmes.

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*Doctor Adams photographed yesterday in his daughter's home in Faraday Street.*

# KODAK OFFICIAL DIES ON CRUISE IN WEST INDIES

Herbert H. Adams, 58,  
Heart Attack Victim  
On Board Ship

Herbert H. Adams, of 3 North Goodman Street, distinguished World War veteran and engineering and maintenance superintendent of Eastman Kodak Company since 1922, died unexpectedly yesterday aboard a steamship in the West Indies.

In a dispatch to company officials here, his death was attributed to a heart attack. Mr. Adams was 58. It is expected the body will be held aboard the steamship Reliance until it docks within two weeks at New York City.

With Mr. Adams when he died were his wife and son, Henry P. Adams, and several other Eastman Kodak employes who embarked Feb. 16 at New York City for a cruise of the South Seas.

Born in Detroit, Mr. Adams first was graduated from Johns Hopkins and Massachusetts Institute of Technology with A. B. and B. S. degrees respectively before beginning a colorful business career that was interrupted by the outbreak of the war.

He served successively as divisional superintendent of the Michigan Central Railroad, general manager of the Toronto, Hamilton & Buffalo Railroad and president of the Kansas City Terminal railway.

His work as lieutenant colonel of the 12th Engineers in France and subsequently as colonel on the General Staff won him a citation for distinguished service and appointment as an officer in the Legion of Honor. On the General Staff he had charge of transportation in the so-called Zone of Advance.

In 1921 he joined Eastman Kodak Company as assistant superin-

tendent of the engineering and maintenance department, and in Jan. 1, 1922, was promoted to be superintendent, recognized as one of the important offices in the organization.

Besides his wife and son, Mr. Adams leaves a daughter, Mrs. Arthur E. Sutherland Jr., of Pittsford. He was a member of the Chamber of Commerce.

# Aldridge Mask Discovered In County Office

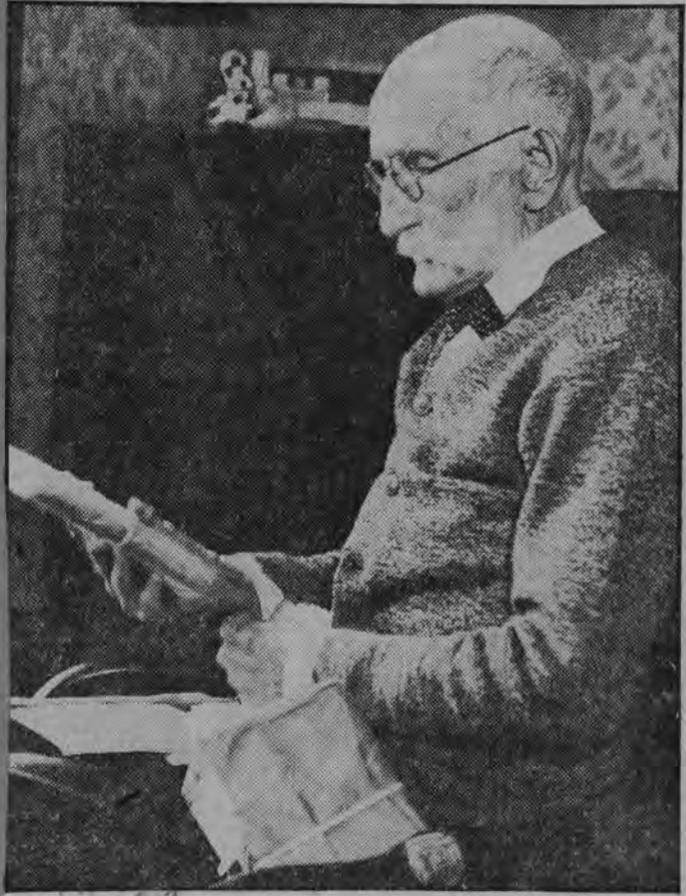
After it rested in the office of the Monroe County clerk since June, 1922, a death mask of the late George W. Aldridge, Republican leader, today was turned over to his son who plans to present it to the Monroe County Republican organization.

George W. Aldridge Jr., county commissioner of jurors, informed George J. Otto, secretary of the Republican County Committee, that he would like to present the mask to him.

The mask, in four pieces, was made by Leonard M. Weiner, who died four years ago. Mr. Weiner was with Jeffrey's undertaking firm, 32 Chestnut Street, for many years. The mask was given to the late James L. Hotchkiss, who succeeded Mr. Aldridge as county leader. At the time Mr. Hotchkiss was county clerk.

Mr. Aldridge senior died June 13, 1922, at Rye, and the records at Jeffrey's show the mask was made June 15 of that year when Mr. Aldridge's body arrived for burial. It was believed the mask was overlooked among Mr. Hotchkiss' effects when he left the office of county clerk. It was found by Roy F. Bush, present county clerk, who gave it to his son.

# Sergeant Allen, Oldest of Policemen, Dies Aged 95



SERGEANT FRANK B. ALLEN

Frank B. Allen, retired sergeant of the Rochester Police Department, Civil War veteran, and at the time of his retirement seven years ago the recognized dean of policemen in the United States, died yesterday afternoon at the home of his adopted daughter, Mrs. Charlotte Dana, 139 Alexander Street. He was 95 years old.

The body will rest at the home until 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon, when it will be removed to Mount Hope Chapel for funeral services at 2:30 o'clock. Burial will be in the family plot in Mount Hope Cemetery.

Sergeant Allen was one of 30 men sworn in as patrolmen Apr. 23, 1865, at the time of the formation of the then newly organized Metropolitan Police Department of Roch-

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# Freeman C. Allen Expires Following Heart Attack At Genesee Valley Club

Freeman Clarke Allen, assistant credit manager for the Eastman Kodak Company, World War veteran and prominently connected with the business, civic and social life of Rochester, died unexpectedly last night of a heart attack in the locker room of the Genesee Valley Club. He was 48.

The Eastman Kodak Company executive had been playing Badminton in the gymnasium with a group of associates, police learned, when he suddenly announced that he "had to quit."

In the locker room, he collapsed. Dr. Shirley R. Snow Jr., in the gymnasium, hurried to Mr. Allen's side but was unable to do anything for him. Mr. Allen was pronounced dead by Doctor Snow and a Genesee ambulance attendant. Coroner Richard A. Leonardo was notified.

Mr. Allen entered the service at Washington, D. C., June 10, 1918, and was commissioned a first lieutenant and assigned to the Quartermaster Corps. He trained at Camp Greene, N. C., and was assigned to El Paso, Tex., as zone supply officer. He was promoted to captain, Mar. 16, 1918, and discharged Feb. 28, 1919.

In business life he was a director of the Central Trust Company and Genesee Valley Railroad; secretary and director of the Rochester Credit Men's Service Corporation; a member of the National Association of Credit Men and a member of Municipal Harbor Commission.

He also was a member of the Country Club of Rochester, Automobile Club of Rochester, Rochester Community Players, Rochester Historical Society, Society of the Genesee and Rochester Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution.

### Born in Rochester

Mr. Allen was born in Rochester, Dec. 19, 1884, the son of the late



FREEMAN C. ALLEN

Frederic P. and Caroline C. Allen, and the grandson of Freeman Clarke, member of Congress and first comptroller of the currency under President Lincoln and also head of the old Clarke National and Rochester City Banks and the Monroe County Savings Bank. His father was cashier and later manager of the old German-American Bank.

He attended the Hill School at Pottstown, Pa., and upon his graduation in 1904 went into business. In 1913 he entered the employ of the Eastman Kodak Company and after a few years in the promotion department under Rudolph Spaeth

and later as an assistant to Frank W. Lovejoy, he became assistant credit manager.

Mr. Allen was active in the formation of Troop H, Depot Unit in 1916 and was with it when the outfit was sent to New York to guard the city's water supply in 1917.

### First County Legion Head

After the World War, Mr. Allen was one of the organizers of the American Legion in Rochester and was its first county commander. He was a past commander of Memorial Post. For years he has been active in local, state and national fields of the Legion.

Mr. Allen was active in Republican politics and civic affairs and several times served his ward as county committeeman. In six presidential campaigns he was a member of the Boys in Blue, crack Republican marching unit. He served on various Chamber of Commerce committees.

From boyhood, Mr. Allen was interested in historical subjects and possessed a notable collection of historical papers and documents, many of which are closely related to the history of Rochester and vicinity. Some of these he obtained from his father, grandfather and from his paternal grandfather, Samuel Percival Allen, who was part owner of the Rochester Daily Democrat from 1846 to 1864 and was for many years editor of the Monroe Democrat, a weekly. Others came from Levi Ward, father-in-law of Freeman Clarke. Mr. Allen also had a fine collection of postage stamps.

### Active in Church and Sports

He was a member of Brick Presbyterian Church and a former trustee of St. Peter's Presbyterian Church formerly located in Gibbs Street.

Mr. Allen took a keen interest in sports. As a member of the Country Club of Rochester he was an ardent golfer and was active in developing the Sports Club of the Genesee Valley Club of which he had been president for the last two years.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Eleanor Angle Allen; a son, Frederic Freeman Allen; a daughter, Jane Allen, and two sisters, Mrs. Euel P. Mills of Rochester and Mrs. Robert H. Jeffrey of Columbus, Ohio.

Funeral services will be conducted at the home, 40 Hawthorn Street, tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

aster. He was the last survivor of that group. After 17 years of duty as a night roundsman, he was made a sergeant in 1885 and for the last 40 years of his service was in charge of patrol wagon service. He retired at 88 on a pension, June 1, 1925.

When he entered the service most of the men of those days, including policemen, wore beards. Sergeant Allen was one of the bearded policemen of that date

and continued to wear whiskers until his death.

"There is no rule in the department against wearing whiskers," he often said. "I had my burnisides when I joined the force and I have worn them ever since."

### Had Robust Health

In the course of his service, Sergeant Allen saw many exciting episodes. He enjoyed robust health almost up to the time of his retirement. His formula for keeping young was: "Know how to make a joke and take one. Don't worry about things you can't help; keep busy; love your work and have regular habits."

During the entire 60 years of his service, Sergeant Allen was known as an officer who loved his work and was proud to be a policeman. He joined the service shortly after his discharge from the Union forces, where he served as a member of the 54th Militia, guarding Confederate prisoners at Elmira. He was a member of E. G. Marshall Post, G. A. R., and of the Exempt Firemen's Association.

He was born at Montezuma, Oct. 29, 1837, and came to Rochester at the age of 10. His only surviving relatives are three nephews H. P. Reibling of Rochester, J. Frank Jones of Lawrence, Kans., and Homer B. Jacobs of Victor.

# K. Y. ALLING, CITY PIONEER, DIES, AGED 84

One of Mechanics Institute Founders, Informed on Rochester's Early History, Business Man

*Rochester Public Library*  
*64 Oct 31*

Kenneth Young Alling, 84, pioneer resident of Rochester, died this morning at General Hospital after an illness of three weeks.

Mr. Alling was born in Rochester Aug. 6, 1849, the son of Stephen Y. and Sarah M. Alling. He was educated in public schools and attended the University of Rochester for three years in the class of 1871.

Following the university course Mr. Alling entered the linen business with his father. He also became identified with the leather and the lumber business. From 1880 until his retirement several years ago he was engaged in decorating and designing china.

Mr. Alling was one of the founders of Mechanics Institute and served on the board of managers several years. The institute started in the building now occupied by the Weed Hardware Company. It was his habit to visit the rooms in the morning and assist in perfecting arrangements for the day's session. He was also one of the founders of Immanuel Presbyterian Church and was active in First Presbyterian.

He was a member of the Delta Psi fraternity, which is not now represented on the Rochester campus.

Mr. Alling was possessed of a remarkable memory, which was invaluable in recording Rochester history. A few years ago there was some confusion in the matter of identifying the portraits of prominent citizens at the City Museum and Mr. Alling was called in for consultation. He was able to identify all but one in the group. He is survived by a sister, Mill

cent, with whom he lived. Private funeral services will be conducted Monday afternoon at the home, 134 South Fitzhugh Street. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery.



*Arthur E. Allbright*  
*H. L. ...*  
**A. E. ALLBRIGHT**

## FUNERAL WILL BE TOMORROW

Final Rites to Be at Home for Late Superintendent of Vaults at Rochester Trust Co.

Funeral services for Arthur E. Allbright, superintendent of vaults for the Rochester Trust & Safe Deposit Company, who died yesterday at his home, 515 Oxford Street, will be conducted tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home.

Mr. Allbright was in his usual health Friday. Death was attrib-

uted to heart trouble. Arthur E. Allbright was born in Blissworth, England, Jan. 26, 1864. He came to America when 21 and was identified with the Theodore Ricksecker Company of New York for many years. In 1909 he accepted the position of superintendent of vaults with the Rochester Trust & Safe Deposit Company, and held it until his death. In 1914 he was ordained an elder in Brick Presbyterian Church.

He is survived by his widow, Nellie Hall Allbright; two sons, Arthur H. and Richard U.; one sister, Mrs. William Mills, and two grandchildren, Eugene and Marjory Allbright.

*R.V.F. Rochester - Biography A*  
**Frank B. Allen** *1847-1933*

Ninety-five years ago, while stage coaches and the Erie Canal still constituted the chief means of transportation through New York State, Frank B. Allen was born at Montezuma. His death Wednesday of this week in Rochester recalls the fact that all but ten years of his life were lived in this city, to which he came as a boy.

Sergeant Allen, who joined the police force of the city of Rochester in the same year that witnessed his honorable discharge from the Union Army at the close of the Civil War, would have made a striking figure in any setting. In the years of his active service he was as straight as the proverbial ramrod and carried himself with true military bearing. His tall form and well-poised head made him conspicuous among the members of the force. His strict attention to duty, in season and out, was well known, and by reason of a rugged constitution and glowing health he knew few absences from duty. The fact that he continued in active service until 88 years of age was a subject of wide comment.

In the death of Sergeant Allen, Rochester has lost a veteran who was a living link with a heroic age in the history of the city and the nation. His passing removes the last of a group of police officers who formed the nucleus of what has now become a highly efficient modern police system. In more ways than one, the story of Sergeant Allen is the story of Rochester for three-quarters of a century.



**GEORGE F. ALLMAN**

## WIRE OPERATOR OF EARLY DAYS IS DEAD AT 68

*Doc 412133*  
George Allman Sat at Key at 18, Watched Machines Come in

*Rochester Public Library*  
*64 Oct 31*  
George Frederick Allman, veteran telegrapher, of 88 Wellington Avenue, died yesterday at the Genesee Hospital after an extended illness. He would have been 68 years old Apr. 12.

The body was taken to 137 Cady Street, where funeral services will be conducted Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Mr. Allman's life in many ways epitomized the course of a great

communication industry. He was a telegrapher almost from infancy, for he learned the game from his father and obtained his first employment as a messenger boy. He was a native of Buffalo, born Apr. 12, 1865.

**Operator at 18**

At 18 years old he was as a full fledged telegrapher. He got his first operator's job in Niagara Falls. He was just in time to take part in the great strike of 1885, when all the Western Union operators walked out.

After the strike, while an employe of the old American Rapid Telegraph Company in Rochester, he met Miss Dora Belding, a native of this city. They were married July 21, 1885. After working a year in Rochester, Mr. Allman went to New York, where he obtained his newspaper position as press operator for The Tribune, ancestor of The Herald-Tribune.

Rochester still seemed like home, however, and in 1889 the Allmans returned here, where Mr. Allman went to work for The Democrat and Chronicle. At one time or another after that he worked or substituted on every paper in the city, including The Evening Times and The Union-Advertiser, papers later consolidated to make The Times-Union.

**Became Brokerage Specialist**

Speedy telegraph communication brought broker's offices the country over in close contact with the metropolitan exchanges and made a great contribution to national business. Mr. Allman became interested in stock telegraph service and specialized in it from the turn of the century on. For a while he traveled widely, getting as far afield as South Dakota.

But again he returned to Rochester and began work with the Borbright Brokerage Company, a firm since incorporated into the Hibbard Palmer & Kitchen Company. He worked 23 years with that firm until his retirement in January 1932, because of ill health.

**Link Between Old and New**

To a notable degree, he was link between the early days of the telegraph instrument and the modern, high-speed automatic teletypewriters. He could recall the first crude typewriter developed and was the first telegrapher in Rochester to transcribe message

directly on a typewriter. Until then the operators had written out their messages in long hand. He always preferred the straight up and-down telegraph key and did not use the horizontal vibrator key known to telegraphers as a "bug."

He was a member of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church and served as vestryman more than 15 years.

Besides his wife, he leaves daughter, Janet B.; a son George Frederick Jr.; a grandson, George Frederick 3rd and three sister residents of Buffalo.

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64 Court St.

**Water Expert Dies**  
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JOHN F. AMOS

**JOHN F. AMOS  
TO BE BURIED  
ON SATURDAY**

**Water Company Chief  
Dies Suddenly at  
Charlotte Home**

Funeral services for John F. Amos, 58, chief engineer and chemist for the Rochester & Lake Ontario Water Company, who died unexpectedly at his home in Beach Avenue, Charlotte, will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Mr. Amos was in his office Tuesday and appeared in good health. He was taken ill about midnight.

Mr. Amos was born in Faxon, Pa., Dec. 21, 1875, and came to Rochester in 1904, when the water company was formed. He had acted as engineer and chemist since that date.

He was a member of Rochester Lodge of Masons, Ionic Chapter, Cyrene Commandery, Doric Chapter, Damascus Temple, the Shrine and the consistory. He had been patron of Golden Rule Chapter, O. E. S., since 1922 and a member of the White Shrine. He was affiliated with Rochester Council, O. C. C. of E., an engineering organization.

He leaves his widow, Mrs. Louise M. Amos; a son, Norman F.; a brother, Harry V. of Philadelphia, and a sister, Mrs. Virginia B. Casteel of Bradford, Pa.

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**W. K. ANGEVINE,  
GARLOCK FIRM  
OFFICER, DIES**

Former Postoffice Superintendent Here Passes at Macedon Home - Active in Masonry

Ward K. Angevine, 63, who for 30 years was employed at the Roch-

ester postoffice before going to Palmyra with the Garlock Packing Company, died today at his home in Macedon after an illness of a year.

Mr. Angevine was born in Rochester and was educated in the public schools. He was a superintendent at the Brighton postal station and the main office.

He left the service to go to Palmyra, where for 15 years he was private secretary of Olin J. Garlock. He later became a director and secretary of the Garlock company. When the war broke out, Mr. Garlock kept Mr. Angevine on his payroll and gave his services to the government. He served as director of census in preparing eligible material for the army and was a deputy U. S. Marshal for Wayne County. During an Armistice Day demonstration in the village Hans Giese, a former German consul, was attacked by the crowd and considerable trouble that followed was settled for the government by Mr. Angevine.

**State Bank Director**

He was a director of the State Bank of Palmyra and vicepresident and director of the Dealers' Steam Packing Company of Palmyra.

Before going to Wayne County he was active in Republican politics during the leadership of George W. Aldridge.

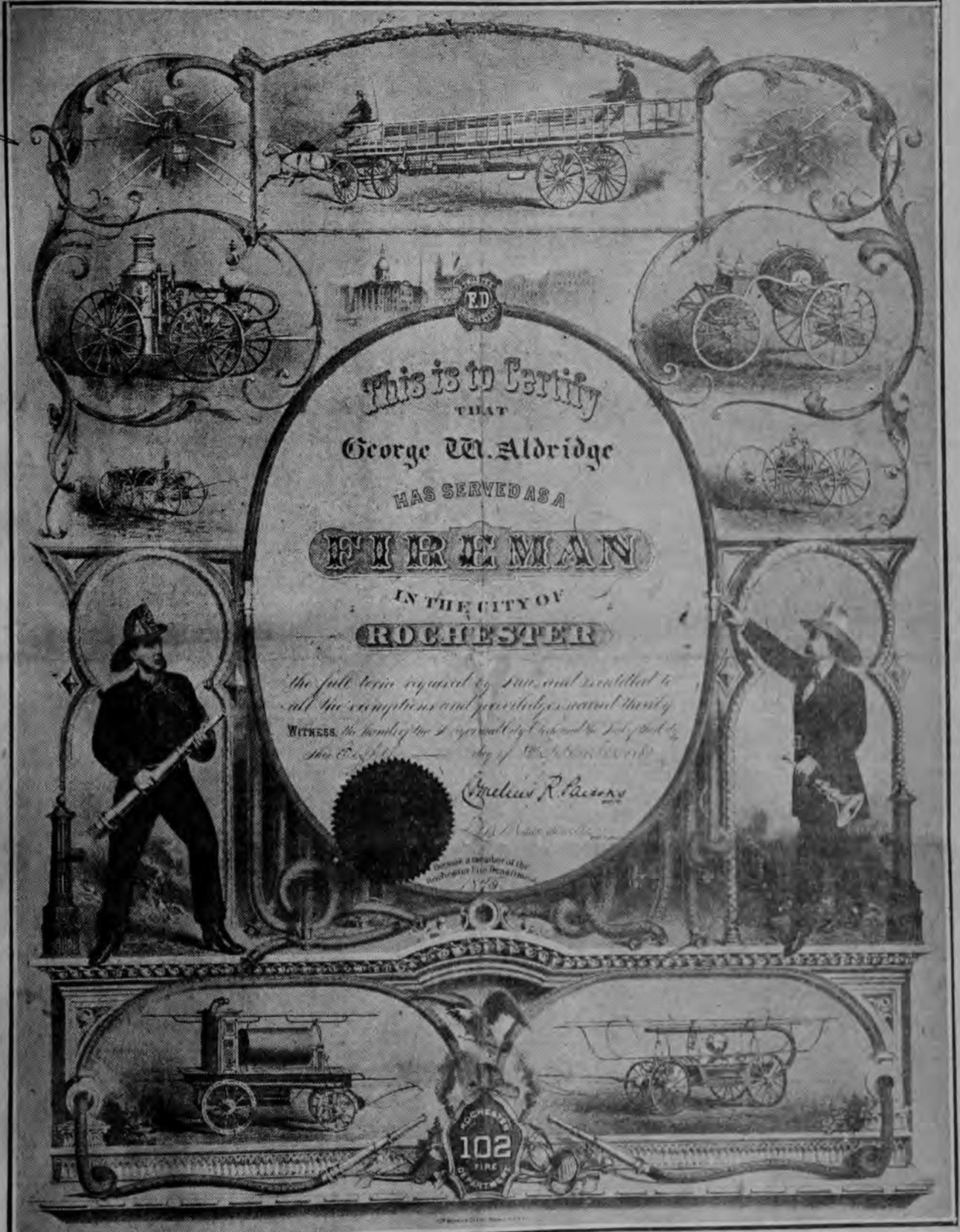
He was a life member and a past master of Yonnonidio Lodge of Masons, a life member of Hamilton Chapter, a member of Doric Council, the Consistory, and Damascus Temple of the Shrine. Several years ago he served as grand steward of the Grand Lodge of New York.

Mr. Angevine was a member of the Episcopal Church of Palmyra and the Rev. A. Sidney Attridge, rector, will officiate at the Masonic funeral, which will be conducted under auspices of Yonnonidio Lodge Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Rankin parlors, 756 Main Street East, Rochester. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

The survivors are his widow, Louise F.; two sons, Ward K. Jr. of Palmyra and Raymond M. of Rochester; two grandchildren, A. Louise Angevine and Raymond Jr.; two brothers, Harry H. of Rochester and Edward L. of Sodus, and a sister, Mrs. May Lewis of Rochester.

# Presents Aldridge Fire Helmet To Municipal Museum

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Memories of George W. Aldridge, late Republican leader, were stirred today when Mrs. Aldridge presented to the Municipal Museum the fireman's helmet her husband wore as a smoke eater in the Rochester Fire Department 50 years ago.

Mr. Aldridge served five years as a fireman, and on Sept. 8, 1880, received from Mayor Cornelius R. P.

sons, a certificate of his service. This certificate, which is reproduced in these columns today, was also presented to the city museum.

Director Arthur C. Parker of the museum expressed his pleasure at receiving these several evidences of civic duty performed by one of Rochester's foremost personalities.

The certificate which has a his-

torical significance reads:

"This is to certify that George W. Aldridge has served as a fireman in the City of Rochester the full term required by law and is entitled to all the exemptions and privileges secured thereby.

"Witness the hands of the Mayor and the City Clerk and the Seal of this City

"This eighth day of September, 1880.

"Cornelius R. Parsons.  
"Mayor.  
"L. M. Mandeville.  
"City Clerk."

The reproduced certificate shows the style of helmet worn in the fire fighting days of Mr. Aldridge and also the types of apparatus.

# Deep Water Fishing Drapery Expert's Ideal Vacation

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CLAUDE B. ANSBERGER

## MASONS PLAN A LAST TRIBUTE FOR ANGEVINE

### Lodge Ritual to Honor Dead Member at Funeral Today

Masonic organizations will be represented at funeral rites this afternoon for Ward K. Angevine, prominent Mason, veteran postal employe and business man who died early Saturday in his home at Macedon. The funeral will be conducted at 756 Main Street East at 3 p. m., Rev. A. Sidney Attridge, rector of Episcopal Church of Palmyra, officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Services will be under Yonnonndio Lodge, F. & A. M., with O. Laurence Angevine, a nephew of the deceased in charge of the ritual, assisted by Worshipful Master William Irvine and officers of the lodge of which Mr. Angevine was a life member.

Monroe Commandery 12, Knights Templar, of which Mr. Angevine also was a life member, will act as guard of honor under Eminent Commander Harold Dobson of Brockport, with George P. Yost as captain general of the guard.

Bearers will be Dr. W. T. Fulker-son, Karl W. Herman, Henry S. Smith, Arthur F. Burrows, Arthur T. Dawson and Curtis W. Barker.

HENRY G. AMISH, owner of the Genesee Realty Company, has a birthday anniversary today. He was born on a farm near Spencerport and educated in the public schools and the Cheshbrough Seminary. Twenty-four years ago Mr. Amish moved to Rochester. For a time he traveled for a shoe concern and then entered the real estate business.



Mr. Amish is a member of Germania Lodge, F. and A. M.; Rochester Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; Shrine Lunch Club, Real Estate Board of Rochester, Flower City Council, United Commercial Travelers of America; Rochester Commercial Travelers' Mutual Benefit Association and the National Shoe Travelers' Association. Mr. Amish lives at 35 Evangeline Street.

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loyal men and women who have given long years of service to a single business. They have seen tiny shops expand to giant companies and many of them have enjoyed the friendship of the founders.

What is an ideal vacation? As answered by Claude B. Ansberger, oldest employe of the H. B. Graves Company, furniture dealers in State Street, it reads like a story by Jules Verne, famous French author of deep-sea tales.

Conceding to begin with that "every man is entitled to his own views in the matter of ideal vacation," Mr. Ansberger said he gets his annual relaxation from business cares by deep sea fishing in the Atlantic, off the coast of Maine, and swimming with sea lions at Drake's Island.

In this Mr. Ansberger is backed to the limit by Mrs. Ansberger, who is even a better deep sea fisherman than her husband. Each Summer, when vacation time rolls around, the couple travels to Maine. There, together with kindred spirits, they engage a regular schooner, don oilskins and sail twenty or thirty miles out.

Around 100 fathoms of water, they "heave to" and get out a quarter-inch line, with a three-pound weight for a sinker and a hook almost big enough to hold a whale. Two soft clams and a mussel are used for bait.

Using a line that reaches to a depth of fifty fathoms, the fishing begins. Coupla tugs on the line, and there's a strike. It feels like the hook had caught a log.

The next step is to haul in the fish, but that's more arduous than the ordinary "small time" fisher has ever experienced. You can hardly haul in your catch with hands. Mechanical power is necessary, and for that purpose a special rigging has been provided on the schooner.

Last time Mr. and Mrs. Ansberger were out, they caught "merely" 500 pounds of fish, Mrs. Ansberger getting one around twenty-five pounds.

While Mr. Ansberger is away from his favorite fishing grounds, he raises gold fish in the back yard of his home, No. 40 Arnett Boulevard, where he has built a tank and a rock garden. He has around twelve species of tropical fish, beautifully colored, and altogether there are about 100 in the tank.

In business, Mr. Ansberger is an

expert in window draperies, in which he has been employed at the Graves store for thirty-two years. He was born in Canandaigua in 1874, and at the age of fourteen joined Mr. Graves' firm as a messenger and office boy. He has held a job there ever since.

Ocean and Daily Times.

When his father was named to the Supreme Court Bench in 1877, Angle returned to Rochester to become a partner in the law firm of J. L. and J. M. Angle. He continued this practice for 25 years, when he was made librarian of the Powers Law Library.

Mr. Angle was one of the consolidators of the laws of New York State under former Supreme Court Justice Adolph J. Rodenbeck and for many years after was engaged in the indexing of the New York State statutes.

**Held State Office**

His knowledge of the statutes of the state, described by the late Frederick Wadhams of Albany as the most exhaustive within his knowledge, won him an appointment in 1912 as sub-librarian of the New York State Law Library at Albany, a post which he held for several years.

Mr. Angle was closely identified with early yachting and canoeing activities on Irondequoit Bay and Lake Ontario and was a pioneer member of the Rochester Yacht Club and an organizer of the Rochester Canoe Club, which he headed as president for several years.

His only book, exclusive of many articles on the law, was "The Cruise of the Huff," written from his yachting experiences.

With Edward N. Walbridge, who recently retired with the rank of captain, Mr. Angle organized the First and Second Separate Companies of the New York State Naval Militia. He was given command of the Second Company and held it until the unit was reorganized to form the present outfit, retiring with the rank of lieutenant, senior grade.

**World War Service**

When the World War broke out, he was returned to the active list with his old rank and assigned to New York State Selective Service Headquarters at Albany, where he served as adjutant to Major Franklin M. Hutchinson, in command of the draft for the state. He also acted as intelligence officer and custodian of headquarters, serving until June, 1919.

Just before the war, his experiences in detail work on New York State laws took him to Northport, L. I., where he acted as a legal expert for the McKinney Publishing

Company. He also served for two years in the same capacity for the Thompson Publishing Company of Dansville.

His knowledge of early Rochester history, gained through first-hand experience and study of the early historians, was comprehensive and authoritative, and his many contributions to Rochester newspapers are preserved by the Historical Society, which published several of his papers on early Rochester history.

He leaves one son, James L. Angle, 141 Plymouth Avenue South; a sister, Mrs. Ludwig Schenck, 11 Melrose Street, and two nieces, Miss Eleanor Schenck of the same address, and Mrs. John Wenrich of Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

*W.F. Rochester*  
**JAMES M. ANGLE**  
**WIDELY KNOWN**  
**ATTORNEY DIES**  
*Rochester 64 Court St.*  
**Former Newswriter**  
**And Descendant of**  
**County Pioneers**  
*D.C. 12/12/33*

James Matthias Angle, descendant of a pioneer Monroe County family, a former newspaper man and attorney of note, died yesterday in this city.

Mr. Angle was the grandson of Matthias Lane Angle, who in 1818 moved from Balston Spa, near Albany, to Henrietta, where a clearing was made for a log cabin home. The journey from Albany to Henrietta consumed a month. James M. Angle's parents were James L. and Eleanor C. (Eaton) Angle.

After receiving his early education in Rochester private schools, he was graduated from Harvard Law School and continued his study of law in the office of his father here. He was admitted to the bar in 1871.

In 1874 he moved to Chicago where he became a member of the

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**E.F. ARRINGTON,**  
*Biography*  
**OPTICAL FIRM**  
**FOUNDER, DIES**  
*Rochester 64 Court St.*  
**Long Active in Affairs**  
**Of Societies, Sponsor**  
**Of Legislation**  
*D.C. 6-11-34*

Edward E. Arrington, 73, of 143 North Union Street, founder of the Empire Optical Company, died at his home last night.

Mr. Arrington was born in Salem, Mass., and came here early in life. He founded the optical company in 1896, and was president of the firm until his retirement about three years ago. He was active in sponsoring optometric legislation in New York State.

He was secretary of the American Optical Society from 1910 to 1915, former president of the New York State Optometric Society, and president of the Rochester Optometric Society. He was a member of Yonnonadio Lodge, F. & A. M., and Damascus Temple.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mary Arrington, and two

sisters, Miss Lena Arrington and Mrs. William Kingman, both of Dorchester, Mass. Funeral services will be conducted tomorrow at 3 p. m. at 683 Main Street East. The body will be cremated and the ashes taken to Salem, Mass.

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# Engineer And Executive Has Hobby Of Angling For Pike In Sodus Bay

An executive secretary, Rochester Engineering Society; editor of Rochester Engineer; secretary-treasurer of the Rochester Council of Civic Clubs; secretary-treasurer of Rochester Torch Club; and Rochester representative on an advisory council for a National Department of Public Works, Oliver Laurence Angevine asks: "How do I find time for a hobby?"

Be that as it may, for 20 years he has found time each year to indulge in a favorite pastime, catching pike in Sodus Bay. He is not the scientific angler, who reads sport catalogues to learn the latest developments in the craft which made Izaak Walton famous, but when it comes to reminiscing about past catches and speculating on those of "next year," he can hold his own with anyone.

Then, too, there are a few times during the year when Mr. Angevine can get away for a day to attend a theater in New York. There are few things he likes better, but the infrequency of this diversion eliminates it as a real hobby. Besides, he says it lacks the "kick" of "pulling out a big one."

## Likes To Fish



O. L. Angevine

# Death Takes Angle, Third in Generation Of Pioneer Family

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James Matthias Angle, the third generation of a family which settled in the Genesee Valley at Henrietta in 1818,



J. M. Angle

He leaves a son, James L. Angle, 141 Plymouth Avenue South; a sister, Mrs. Ludwig Scheneck, 11 Melrose Street, and two nieces, Miss Eleanor Schenck of the same address and Mrs. John Wenrich of Mt. Vernon.

### Educated in Rochester

He received his early education in the private schools of Rochester and after graduation from Harvard Law School studied in his father's law office, which was opened soon after the family's removal here in 1840. He was admitted to the bar in 1871.

In 1874 Mr. Angle removed to Chicago, where he was a member

of the editorial staffs of the Inter Ocean and Daily Times.

When his father was named to the Supreme Court bench of New York State in 1877 Mr. Angle returned to Rochester to take a partnership in the law firm of J. L. and J. M. Angle. After engaging for 25 years of law practice he was appointed librarian of Powers Law Library, serving several years.

When a legislative commission was appointed to consolidate the laws of New York State, former Supreme Court Justice Adolph J. Rodenbeck of Rochester was named to direct the work. Mr. Angle was one of the consolidators, and for many years following was engaged in this and also under another commission directed to assume the indexing of New York State statutes.

### Famed for Legal Knowledge

His knowledge of the statutes of the state, described by the late Frederick Wadhams of Albany as the most exhaustive within his knowledge, won his an appointment in 1912 as sub-librarian of the New York State Law Library at Albany, a post which he held for several years.

Mr. Angle was closely identified with early yachting and canoeing activities on Irondequoit Bay and Lake Ontario and was a pioneer member of the Rochester Yacht Club and an organizer of the Rochester Canoe Club, which he headed as president for several years.

His only book, exclusive of many articles on the law, was "The Cruise of the Huff," written from his yachting experiences.

With Edward N. Walbridge, who recently retired with the rank of captain, Mr. Angle organized the First and Second Separate Companies of the New York State Naval Militia. He was given command of the Second Company and held it until the unit was reorganized to form the present outfit, retiring

with the rank of lieutenant, senior grade.

**Served as Aid in Draft**

When the World War broke out, he was returned to the active list with his old rank and assigned to New York State Selective Service Headquarters at Albany, where he served as adjutant to Major Franklin M. Hutchinson, in command of the draft for the state. He also acted as intelligence officer and custodian of headquarters, serving until June, 1919.

Just before the war, his experience in detail work on New York State laws took him to Northport, L. I., where he acted as a legal expert for the McKinney Publishing Company. He also served for two years in the same capacity for the Thompson Publishing Company of Dansville.

His knowledge of early Rochester history, gained through firsthand experience and study of the early historians, was comprehensive and authoritative, and his many contributions to Rochester newspapers are preserved by the Rochester Historical Society, which published several of his papers on early Rochester history.

**JACOB ARK** assistant district attorney, a native of North Adams, Mass., came to Rochester in 1922. He entered the arts course in George Washington University and was graduated from Georgetown University with the degrees of bachelor and master of laws in 1921. For a period preceding his graduation he was an expert in the



Income Tax Department of the United States government. He was admitted to the Washington bar in 1922, Massachusetts bar in 1923 and the New York State bar in 1924.

Mr. Ark was connected with the law offices of John J. McInerney in 1922 and established his own office in 1925.

Mr. Ark is a member of the Rochester Bar Association, Doud Post of the American Legion, Aldridge Club, J. Y. M. A., Rochester Lodge of Elks, Teoronto Lodge of Odd Fellows, Young Men's Republican Club and Temple Berith Kodesh. He lives at 451 East Avenue.

# 'Jack' Ark Denies Having Hobby, But He Pursues Multitude Of Pastimes

Jacob (Jack) Ark, assistant district attorney, may be excused for remarking that he has no hobby, for to enumerate his many and diverse interests would take considerable time and effort.

Mr. Ark's vocation, is investigating crime and prosecuting criminals for Monroe County in the name of "the People of the State of New York." He is deeply interested in his work, but this does not prevent him from seeking diversion and entertainment outside the Court House. Perhaps he says he has no hobby in order to preclude showing favoritism.

In the first instance, Mr. Ark is a student of early English literature and believes there is no comparison between Seventeenth century authors and those of today. His library contains no books with uncut pages. Then again, fraternal affiliations occupy much of his time and his reputation as a "hail-fellow well met" person is widespread.

Mr. Ark enjoys witnessing all different classes of athletic events ranging from prize fights to a fast game on the handball court. Even more keen is his enjoyment when he participates actively.

Polo is at present eliciting his interest, and he says he finds it a wholesome sport. He is also enthusiastic about pistol shooting, but claims no laurels along this line as yet.

Coming nearer to his work, Mr. Ark derives a great deal of pleasure browsing about in the Appellate Division Law Library and looking up unusual cases of law. His interests are many and he shows no partiality to any of them.

## What, No Hobby?



Jacob Ark

Lived Here 74 Years



JULIUS ARMBRUSTER

*D.C. Mar 2, 1939*  
**J. ARMBRUSTER,**  
**UNION VETERAN,**  
**DIES, AGED 85**

*R.V.F. Rochester*  
Served on Old Executive Board Along with Late George W. Aldridge  
Rochester Public Library  
54 Court St.

Julius Armbruster, Civil War veteran and former contractor and business man, died yesterday at his home at 3625 St. Paul Boulevard. He would have been 86 years old on April 15, as he was born on that date in 1843, in Diessen, Germany.

Mr. Armbruster came to this country when he was 11 years old,

from that time had made his home in Rochester.

### Wounded at Winchester

He enlisted in Company D, Fifty-fourth New York Regiment, in 1861, and took part in numerous battles of the Civil War, among them Winchester, Spottsylvania, and Cold Harbor. At Winchester in 1862, Mr. Armbruster received a Confederate bullet in his face. Grazing his nose, it passed out at the back of his neck.

On his return to Rochester he entered the contracting business and later conducted a grocery store for many years in Central Avenue near Niagara Street. He was a political associate of George W. Aldridge on the old Executive Board at a time when it consisted of only three members, Mr. Armbruster, Mr. Aldridge, and James Aikenhead.

Mr. Armbruster had been a member of Peissner Post, G. A. R., since it was organized, and twice served as its commander. He was a charter trustee of Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

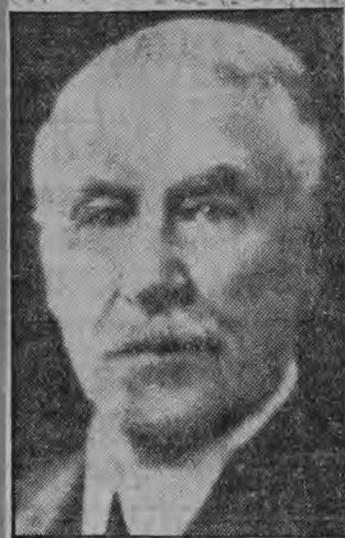
### Celebrated Golden Wedding

In 1923, on February 5, he and Mrs. Armbruster, now dead, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding, and last April his children and friends gave him a birthday party, for which Joseph Ochs of the Odenbach Company made the birthday cake.

Mr. Armbruster leaves seven daughters, Mrs. J. Ernest Mock, Mrs. August Miller, and the Misses Elizabeth, Josephine, Mayme, Martha and Flora Armbruster, all of Rochester, and three sons, Edmund Armbruster of Rochester, Benjamin Armbruster of New York, and Fred C. Armbruster of Shreveport, La.

Funeral services will be conducted at St. Thomas Church, Summer-ville Boulevard, at a date to be announced.

1848-1932



Freeling W. Arvine

## SERVICE TODAY FOR SCIENTIST AND INVENTOR

### Rites at West Avenue Home for Freeling W. Arvine, Who Died Sunday at Age of 84 Years

Funeral services for Freeling W. Arvine, 84, inventor and scientist, were to be conducted this afternoon at 3 o'clock at his home, 40 West Avenue. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Mr. Arvine, who died Sunday after a short illness at the age of 84, was one of the first to perfect a process for using gasoline, once a wasted byproduct in the refining of crude oil. He was born Jan. 18, 1848, son of a Baptist minister, in New York City.

After his graduation from Yale University and Sheffield Scientific

School, he joined the Connecticut Standard Oil Company as a chemist, specializing in the treatment of lubricating oils. In perfecting a process for using gasoline as a fuel, he is credited with having done much for development of the automobile.

He became a chemical engineer for mining interests in Nova Scotia in 1880, and retired from active business in 1900, when he came to Rochester to live. He retained his interest in all branches of science throughout his life, and was a member of the Rochester Engineering Society and the American Society for Steel Treatment.

He leaves his widow, Lily Church Arvine, and a daughter, Dr. Marion Arvine Coleman of New York City. A brother, the late Earliss P. Arvine, was a distinguished Connecticut lawyer and former president of the Connecticut Bar Association.

Active bearers at the funeral were to be: William, Edward and Sidney Alling, Grant Clements, Frank Adams and John E. Mathews.

Honorary bearers: Dr. Joseph Coleman of New York City, George Colburn, James Johnston, Dr. Herman LeRoy Fairchild, Dr. Franklin W. Bock, Fred A. Phillips, Thomas Frost and Dr. Gilbert Welch.

The Rev. Sherman W. Haven, assistant minister of Central Presbyterian Church, was to officiate.

GEORGE C. ASLAN, a second lieutenant in Company A, 108th Infantry, Federalized National Guard, is 40 years old today.



He has served more than 10 years in the unit in which he was commissioned and is best known for his ability as instructor of recruits. Mr. Aslan lives at Point Pleasant.

## DEATH CLAIMS

### C. H. ATINKSON, EX-FIRE CHIEF

Retired Fire Fighter Aged 78—Joined Alert Hose Company in 1872—Named Chief 1922.

Charles H. Atkinson, 78, former deputy chief of the Fire Department, died today at his home, 5 Van Street.

Chief Atkinson was born in Rochester Jan. 9, 1855. After attending public school he entered the Rochester Business Institute from which he graduated. In 1872 he became a member of the Alert Hose Company and was later elected foreman. In 1888 he joined the newly organized paid department and in 1893 was made captain of Hose 11. In the same year he received the rank of battalion chief. In 1922 he was appointed deputy chief.

### Two Other Companies

When Chief Atkinson joined Alert Hose Company there were two other volunteer hose companies, the Actives and the Protectives, in addition to four engine companies and one hook and ladder truck. The engines and hook and ladder truck were favored with horses to draw them but the hose carts man power had to take the place of horse power, and the volunteers raced the carts along the city sidewalks, regardless of protestations of the Common Council that the middle of the street was the place for hose carts.

One of the most hazardous and spectacular fires of his experience was that in 1885 when naphtha being conveyed to the Citizen Gas Company through a pipeline from the Vacuum Oil Company leaked into the city sewers through a break in the pipe and became ignited. The explosion was terrific, blew out man-holes in the sewer, throughout the Main Street section and completely wrecked several buildings.

It was an unfortunate man in the basement of a mill building at Mill and Platt streets who touched a match and ignited the naphtha fumes which had seeped into the basement from the sewer. From then on the firemen had a hot time. Explosion after explosion followed. The oil company had been pumping its naphtha through the broken pipe from early in the morning until the explosion occurred at 4 o'clock.

**Sibley Blaze**

The burnig of Corinthian Hall in 1903 and the Sibley fire are other outstanding events in Chief Atkinson's history.

Despite the hazards of his profession the chief has suffered very few accidents. Outside of a broken leg received when a hose line got away from a fellow and struck him he has nothing serious to record.

Chief Atkinson retired in 1925, with 52 years of service to his credit. He is survived by a daughter, Miss Ann B. Atkinson.

Funeral services will be conducted Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

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George F. Argetsinger

# City's Comptroller Started Hard Work With Coal Company

THIS is the fourth of a series of articles introducing new officials in the city administration.

By CHARLES E. WELCH

George F. Argetsinger, the new city comptroller, started out in life to earn his own way as a teacher and got his first taste of hard work in rolling logs down the mountain-side in his native state of Pennsylvania.

He ate salt pork, thick gravy, and bread and jam; made his own bunk at night in a hand-made bed of bark under the trees on the mountain side and had the best time of his life.

"Yes, sir," he said, "I skidded logs down the mountains in Pennsylvania, while I was employed by the Red Run Coal & Lumber Company, and at night, for weeks and weeks, I gathered up pieces of bark from trunks of trees, formed them into a sort of shell the shape of my body, then crawled in on them and pulled a blanket over me."

That was back in 1893, when Rochester's new comptroller was chief clerk of the Red Run Coal & Lumber Company. Nineteen years before that—Jan. 23, 1874—George F. Argetsinger was born in Rutland, Pa. He was educated in Teachers' College, Mansfield, Pa., which offered everything in the way of an educational course from a kindergarten to a first year college course. He was graduated in 1890, took a two years' post-graduate course there, taught school during part of the following year and then started his log-rolling career.

**Came to Rochester in 1893**

In the same year 1893, he came to Rochester as paymaster for the William S. Kimball Tobacco Company, which occupied what is now City Hall Annex at 34 Court Street. Some time later he was hired by L. B. Eddy as a traveling salesman for L. B. Eddy & Co., Rochester spice concern. On the death of Mr. Eddy he, with several others, purchased the business and conducted it until 1913, when they sold out.

For eight years, from Jan. 1, 1911, to the fall of 1918, Mr. Argetsinger represented the 45th District in the State Senate and during his senatorial career he was offered and declined the Republican nomination for lieutenant governor. In 1918 he was drafted by Otis H. Butler as associate manager of the foreign division of the American Red Cross in Washington and had

Charge of all Red Cross work throughout the world during the war, with the exception of continental United States and the war zone. After the signing of the armistice, he was offered by, and accepted, a position as assistant to Randolph Ortman, president of many Chicago enterprises, including the American Manganese Company and Ajax Forge Company.

Later, Mr. Argetsinger became identified exclusively with the Ajax Forge Company as treasurer, later as vicepresident and treasurer, then became assistant chairman and later chairman of the management board and later on executive vicepresident, which was practically acting president of the company, Mr. Ortman being in Europe. In the summer of 1922 he sold his stock and returned to Rochester.

**Studied Business**

During most of the ensuing nine years his attention has been devoted chiefly to investigating business conditions and making personal studies of various business enterprises for New York and Chicago financial interests. Since assuming the office of comptroller, a position to which he was appointed Jan. 2 last by City Manager C. Arthur Poole, he has negotiated a number of successful bonds and note sales for the city.

While state senator, Mr. Argetsinger served as chairman of the executive committee of the Republican state committee.

capacity he was widely known, died yesterday in the Highland Hospital when he failed to rally after an operation. He was 49 years old.

Tribute to Mr. Austin was paid yesterday by Robert C. Watson, president of the bank.

"Frederick A. Austin came to us a bookkeeper some 12 years ago," Mr. Watson said, "The painstaking care with which he performed his services, his dependability and constant efforts to please both associates and patrons won for him a host of friends to whom his sudden passing will come as a great shock. He will be greatly missed by us and also by the patrons of our Women's Department, where he served as head teller."

A native of Spencerport, Mr. Austin lived in Rochester for 18 years. Before his connection with the bank he served as clerk for 10 years in the County Treasurer's office. He was a member of the Etolian Lodge of Masons, Spencerport.

Mr. Austin is survived by his wife, Mrs. Emma Repp Austin, and two sons, Robert Y. and John B. Austin; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Austin of Spencerport; one sister, Ruth Austin of Buffalo; four brothers, Perlee D. Austin of Kenmore, N. Y., and D. Cole Austin, E. Earl Austin, Assemblyman W. Ray Austin, all of Spencerport.

Funeral services will be conducted at his home at 2 today. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery.

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July 31, 1930

# F. A. AUSTIN, TELLER, DIES AT HOSPITAL

## Rochester Trust Employee Passes after Operation; Praised by President Rochester Public Library

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## Birthday Greetings

To Rochesterians

The Times-Union congratulates William Atkin on his birthday anniversary.

*Ret. Mar. 5 '78*

**WILLIAM ATKIN**, retired street car conductor and candidate for supervisor of the Third Ward in the 1927 primaries, was born on Tremont Street March 5, 1863, and has lived there ever since.



He attended Grammar School 3, and then went to work for the East Side 99-Cent Store run by Umsted & Stratton. Five years later Mr. Atkin entered the employ of the New York, Lake Erie & Western freight house located on Exchange Street. In 1890 he began his 37-year career as street car conductor with the New York State Railways when the last horse cars were disappearing from service.

Mr. Atkin retired last July and entered politics, a drafter of the Citizens' Republican League. Later he was endorsed by the City Manager League. At the primary election he was defeated for the supervisorship of the Third Ward by five votes.

In 1892 Mr. Atkin married Rebecca Warren. The wedding took place in Rochester. They have four children, Mrs. A. C. Hawley, Mrs. John Cutherson of Irondequoit, Chester A. Atkin and Thomas Atkin of Kansas City, Mo.

Mr. Atkin is a member of Corn Hill Methodist Church.

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## His Ambition

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### DAVID H. ATWATER

THE ROCHESTER JOURNAL HEREWITH PRESENTS THE TENTH OF A SERIES OF "THUMBNAIL" SKETCHES OF THE BACKGROUND OF CANDIDATES FOR OFFICES IN THE FORTH-COMING PRIMARY FIGHT. DR. DAVID H. ATWATER, G. O. P. DESIGNEE FOR CORONER, IS THE SUBJECT.

*For Coroner:*

David H. Atwater, M. D., designee of Republicans.

Born—Millville, N. J., November 8, 1875.

Schools—Public and private of New Jersey and Berlin, Germany; Brown University and Syracuse Medical College, graduating from the latter in 1902.

Rochester—Came in 1903 after year's practise in Columbus Hospital, New York.

Married—April 5, 1904, to Beatrice Bardeen of Syracuse.

Child—One son.

Public service—Completing his twelfth year as coroner.

Home—No. 347 Seneca Parkway.

Religion—Unitarian.

Clubs—Rochester Pathological, Rochester Medical Association, American Medical Association, New York State Medical Society, Warren C. Hubbard Lodge, F. & A. M., Elks, Memorial Post American Legion, Rochester Ad Club, Brown Club.

## ATTORNEY WHO DREW CHARTER OF 1880 PASSES

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George C. Austin Had  
Hand in New York's  
5-Borough Plan

pany. He had much to do with the creation of the New York Public Library and was instrumental in the creation of the city of Rensselaer.

Austin married Miss Harriet Newman at Watkins, Oct. 8, 1889. Press dispatches said he had been worried about her illness and financial matters and that he had been ill himself.

His body was found Thursday morning in a sitting position in a wash room on the 21st floor of the Equitable Building, New York. Near it on the floor was a revolver. A note directed that his partner, Scott McLanahan, of the law firm of Gleason, McLanahan, Merritt & Ingraham, of 40 Wall Street, be notified and that his body be sent to an undertaker for cremation.

Death of George C. Austin, New York attorney, former Assemblyman and author of the city of Rochester charter adopted Feb. 14, 1880, was reported yesterday in press dispatches from New York.

The charter drawn for Rochester by Austin was in effect until 1900, when the White charter, forerunner of the present City Manager charter, was adopted. The Austin charter was not repealed by the Legislature, however, until 1907.

He also introduced and pushed the bill which gave New York City its modern charter and united the five boroughs into one municipal

# Assembly Candidate Has War Record

*J. Am. Aug. 28, 1931*

THE ROCHESTER JOURNAL HEREWITH PRESENTS THE SIXTEENTH OF A SERIES OF "THUMBNAIL" SKETCHES OF THE BACKGROUND OF CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE IN THE COMING PRIMARY FIGHT. W. RAY AUSTIN, G. O. P. DESIGNEE FOR THE ASSEMBLY, IS THE SUBJECT.

*For Member of Assembly, Fifth Monroe District:  
Wallace Ray Austin, designee of Republicans.  
Born—July 25, 1888, at Spencerport.  
Schools—Spencerport, University of Rochester and University of Buffalo, graduating from the last in 1913 as a pharmacist.  
World War Service—September 7, 1917, to May 17, 1919, Field Artillery.  
Public Service—Town clerk of Ogden and Member of Assembly.  
Home—Spencerport.  
Religion—Congregationalist.  
Married—Gertrude Kitchem, 1920.  
Clubs—Etolian Lodge, No. 479, F. & A. M., and I. O. O. F.*

Rochester Public Library  
54 Court St.



W. RAY AUSTIN

## BAKER FIRMLY FIXED IN POST AT WASHINGTON

*Former Commissioner of Public Works Here Supervising Plans for Expenditure of \$25,000,000*

*Washington Bureau  
The Times-Union*

Washington—Harold D. Baker, former commissioner of public works at Rochester, N. Y., is firmly entrenched as director of construction in the Engineering Department of Washington city government, and already has undertaken supervision of plans for nearly \$25,000,000 worth of municipal construction work.

He has 800 men and women under his direction.

### Protests Swept Aside

Although he claims the work here is more arduous than were his duties as commissioner of public works at Rochester, the Washington position is more to his liking for the reason that it is exclusively executive.

The protest of civic interests against the appointment of "an out of town man" for the position Baker holds has been swept aside by the city officials, who express

complete satisfaction with the Rochester man's ability.

Today Baker is appearing before a closed session of the committee on appropriations of the House of Representatives to plead for additional funds for construction and repair work in the district.

### Municipal Center Planned

Elaborate plans for the construction of an entire new municipal center in Washington, to house all the city's governmental activities and to be constructed at a cost of approximately \$23,000,000, are under Baker's supervision. At the same time his office is preparing plans for a new one million dollar high school and a new tuberculosis hospital which is to be erected at a cost of \$650,000.

All municipal construction work—fire houses, schools, police precinct stations, hospitals, etc.—is under Baker's office.

# Al Is Real Dirt Farmer, Finding Both Pleasure And Exercise In Work

R.T.U. - Feb 13, 1930

Albert H. Baker, former Monroe County sheriff, who was known in the old days as the "peach king of Greece," has a hobby and a useful one at that.

His hobby is work. "Get any pleasure out of it?" he echoed, when asked the question. "And how!"

When Al was known as "The Sheriff," he had another hobby—one that came to him by reason of his office as the county's chief peace officer. That hobby was shooting. During his three years in office he put in his spare time training his eye and his trigger finger until he became known in official circles as about the best marksman turned out of the county service. Recognizing the value of the relationship, he not only trained himself and his staff of deputies, but he carried the shooting idea right home with him with the result that his wife, his daughter and his son soon became proficient in the art of drawing and handling a gun. Many an old tomato can was riddled with bullets during the summer months, while the former sheriff's family was enjoying the high altitude of Al's summer home on the shore of Honeoye Lake. He had a target in the Exchange Street jail which he and his wife, Lydia and Algie peppered with bullets on occasions when, if the attendants did not know that Al and his family were on the firing line, they might have suspected there was an uprising among the inmates.

But Al's shooting days are gone, just as are the days when he was lord and master over the jail. His real hobby now is work and hard work.

The former sheriff has a penchant, which may be akin to a hobby, for buying up farms. Brought up in rural environment, it is only natural that his thoughts and desires should lead him back to the farm.

"Rise early and work late, that's my motto," he says, "and if you think it isn't a worthwhile hobby and one that will keep you fit, just try it."

## Early To Rise!



Albert H. Baker

# Clay Babcock, 33 Years With Mutual, Retires as Manager



CLAY BABCOCK

After 33 years of service with the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, Clay Babcock, manager of the Rochester agency, has tendered his resignation, which has been accepted as of May 1. He will remain with the company as a special representative.

The Rochester agency covers 12 counties east and south of Rochester, extending to the Pennsylvania line.

Mr. Babcock became cashier of the local office in 1897 and was made manager in 1908. Since he took charge, the new insurance written in each year has exceeded that of every previous year, and during the last twelve months has been the largest amount ever paid for in the history of the agency.

He is a charter member of the Life Underwriters and was president of that body in 1910.

Mr. Babcock says that he has no definite plans for the immediate future except that he intends to spend a year or more in rest and his favorite pastimes, fishing, boating and golf.

He will be succeeded by Harold J. Fett, at present manager of the Mutual Life Agency at Wheeling, W. Va., where he has been very successful.

The only change in the Rochester office will be in the manager, the balance of the organization remaining the same, William R. Punch, cashier; Arthur C. Boshart, assistant cashier; W. Merle Smith, agency organizer; John C. Post, service representative.

Since 1844 the Mutual Life has maintained an agency in Rochester, and in the Rochester Directory and Gazeteer of that year was a full page advertisement of the company. H. A. Brewster, 20 Buffalo Street, was the agent at that time.

## Birthday Greetings

R.T.U. Aug. 20 '37

The Times-Union congratulates Sheriff Albert H. Baker and George C. Lennox, who observed their birthday anniversaries yesterday.

**S**HERIFF ALBERT H. BAKER, often described as one of the most generous and open-hearted men in Rochester, was born in Deerfield, N. Y. He attended school at Utica until his family moved to a farm in Greece, N. Y.



Three years ago he was elected sheriff of Monroe County and on Jan. 1, 1929, at the expiration of his term, will relinquish his office.

Mr. Baker is a member of Liederkantz, J. E. W. S., Rochester Consistory, Mad River Club, Moose, Monroe County Fish and Game Protective Association, Damascus Temple, Rochester Lodge, F. & A. M., Rochester Athletic Club and the Rochester Lodge of Elks.



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