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JAMES W. FITZGERALD

Now starting his second year with Alling & Miles, Inc. selling both new and used cars for this old established Hudson dealer and distributor. Mr. Fitzgerald has been selling automobiles for 6 years and prior to this connection was in the circulation department of the Rochester Journal. "I have always followed automobile advertising and have sometimes questioned the statements made by manufacturers, but can conscientiously say that what Hudson writes in its advertising is none too strong. Hudsons will do all the ads state and then some," says Mr. Fitzgerald.

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## DEATH TAKES CLINTON FISH, CIVIC LEADER

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Printing Company  
Head Succumbs  
At Age of 60

Clinton G. Fish, printing executive and leader in Rochester civic clubs, died yesterday (Apr. 23, 1937) in his historic old country house, Five Mile Line Road, Pennfield, at the age of 60.

Born in Rochester and a graduate of city schools, he organized the Clinton G. Fish Company, printers, in 1907. He was a graduate of Mechanics Institute and served on the faculty as instructor in designs and lettering prior to embarking into business.

He was president of the Rochester Ad Club in 1916 and was elected president of the Advertising Affiliation of Ad Clubs of Buffalo, Rochester, Cleveland and Detroit the same year.

Mr. Fish was an active member of City Club of Rochester and served as an officer. He was also a member of the old Rochester Athletic Club, Rochester Lawn Tennis Club and the Men's Club of First Unitarian Church. He lived in a Pennfield mansion which was erected in 1805 and is a landmark in Monroe County.

Funeral services will be conducted tomorrow at 4 p. m. in First Unitarian Church with the Rev. David Rhys Williams and the Rev. C. Clare Blauvelt officiating.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Helen Murray Fish, and a son, Benjamin M. Fish.

## Dr. Fisher, Dean of Organists, Dies

Dr. George Edward Fisher, dean of Rochester organists, died unexpectedly yesterday at his home, 1848 Edgemere Dr., Greece.

He had been retired from active musicianship for more than four years after a career he began at 18 as organist of Calvary Presbyterian Church here.

Born here in 1872, he studied piano as a boy under Edgar Sherwood, famous musician and teacher of his day, and developed interests which brought him a full life not only in his chosen field but in many other pursuits.

At 19, he became organist and choir master of Lake Avenue Baptist Church and remained there 34 years, retiring in April, 1926, when he himself conducted a vesper service marking the end of his work at the church. The combined choirs of the Baptist Temple and the Lake Avenue Church, 140 strong, and 60 soloists from other churches participated in the program.

Among the speakers was the pastor, Dr. Albert W. Beaven, now president of Colgate-Rochester



DR. GEORGE EDWARD FISHER

Theological Seminary, who said of Dr. Fisher:

"When it can be said of a man that the things that he loves are good friends, little children, flowers, poetry, good books and fine music, we have paid him a high tribute,

and this can be fairly and truly said of him."

For 15 years, Dr. Fisher was private organist for the late George Eastman. He designed the organs at the Eastman and seven other private homes in the city, directed the installation of organs in many churches here and in other cities.

He retired as musical minister of the Central Presbyterian Church, Buffalo, in 1936, after several years of service.

He never gave up his pursuit of musical knowledge and the perfection of his art. He made four trips to Berlin to study organ under Grunicke, court organist for the former Kaiser Wilhelm, his last trip being in 1910.

He was fond of poetry as well as music, and could recite hundreds of poems from memory.

He leaves his wife, Fern L. Fisher; a daughter, Carol C. Fisher; three brothers, Frank H. and C. Elmer Fisher, Rochester, and Dr. Edgar J. Fisher, New York. He was a fellow in the American Guild of Organists and was a member of Corinthian Temple Lodge, F. & A. M. Funeral services will be announced later.

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## Clinton G. Fish

Until the illness which led to his death, Clinton G. Fish was an active leader in Rochester civic clubs.

He was president of the Rochester Ad Club in 1916 and deeply interested in everything the club undertook. He was also a member of the City Club and served as an officer.

Clinton G. Fish was a delightful man to meet and to talk with. He was that rather rare type of person who, while holding views of his own, is just as much interested in what another has to say and can consider it fairly.

He had a host of friends, who will keenly feel the loss of this strong, lovable personality.

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## Clinton G. Fish

The distinction and service which now characterize the Rochester Ad Club was a goal pursued with vision and energy by those who organized and led the club in its earlier days. Among them no one was more energetic or conspicuous than Clinton G. Fish, whose death was reported Saturday.

Mr. Fish had artistic ability and skill in his profession, for he made his printing business a profession. He had the character and engaging human qualities that made friends of business associates and made friendships persist.

A leader not only in the Rochester Ad Club, but in the group of clubs which formed the Advertising Affiliation of this area, he was influential in their affairs both as their official head and after he had held their highest offices.

His civic interests were wide. His activity and leadership in the City Club were only one phase of these. Friends paid him a well deserved but sad last tribute yesterday.



## DEATH CLAIMS EX-SUPERVISOR OF WARD HERE

*Times-Union JUN 25 1940*  
**D. J. Fitzsimmons,  
Once Umpire,  
Dies at 65**

Funeral services for Daniel J. Fitzsimmons, 65, of 399 Gregory St., former 13th Ward Democratic supervisor and onetime professional baseball umpire, will be held at 8:30 a. m. tomorrow at 742 Meigs St. and at 9 a. m. at St. Boniface Church. He died Sunday (June 23, 1940).

Mr. Fitzsimmons, a native Rochesterian, was Democratic leader in the 13th Ward for almost 40 years. In his youth he played first base with St. Boniface Church team and in 1918 was instrumental in organizing the Rochester Catholic Baseball League. As an umpire he officiated for several years in the South Atlantic and Northwestern Leagues.

In 1913 he received the Democratic nomination for ward supervisor and was elected, serving two years. Five years later he was the Democratic candidate for the Assembly from the Third Monroe District. In 1933, running against Timothy J. Kelly for supervisor, Mr. Fitzsimmons lost by 13 votes.

A tire and automobile accessories store he ran for a number of years at his home address was closed when he was taken ill a year ago. He was an active member of the Rochester Lodge of Elks and of the Monroe County Division, Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Surviving him are his wife, Mrs. Irene B. Fitzsimmons; three daughters, Miss Edna Fitzsimmons, Mrs. Lavelle Dapore and Mrs. Milton Fisher; two brothers, Duane and Charles Fitzsimmons; a sister, Mrs. Lewis Ross, and four grandchildren. Burial will be in Holy Sepulcher Cemetery.

## Church Rites Arranged for Ward Leader

*Times-Union JUN 25 1940*  
Last rites for Daniel J. Fitzsimmons, 65, tire dealer, former professional baseball umpire and onetime Democratic supervisor for the 13th Ward, will be conducted tomorrow at 8:30 a. m. at 742 Meigs and at 9 a. m. at St. Boniface Church.

Mr. Fitzsimmons died Sunday. His home was at 399 Gregory.

A native of Rochester for nearly 40 years he was Democratic leader in the 13th Ward.

### Served As Umpire

After some years playing baseball in his youth, he became an umpire for the South Atlantic and Northwestern Leagues.

He was first elected ward supervisor in 1913, and served two terms. In 1918 he was candidate for the Assembly from the Third Monroe District, and in 1933 he again ran for supervisor, losing by 13 votes to Timothy J. Kelly.

A year ago, when he became ill, his tire and auto accessories store at his home address was closed.

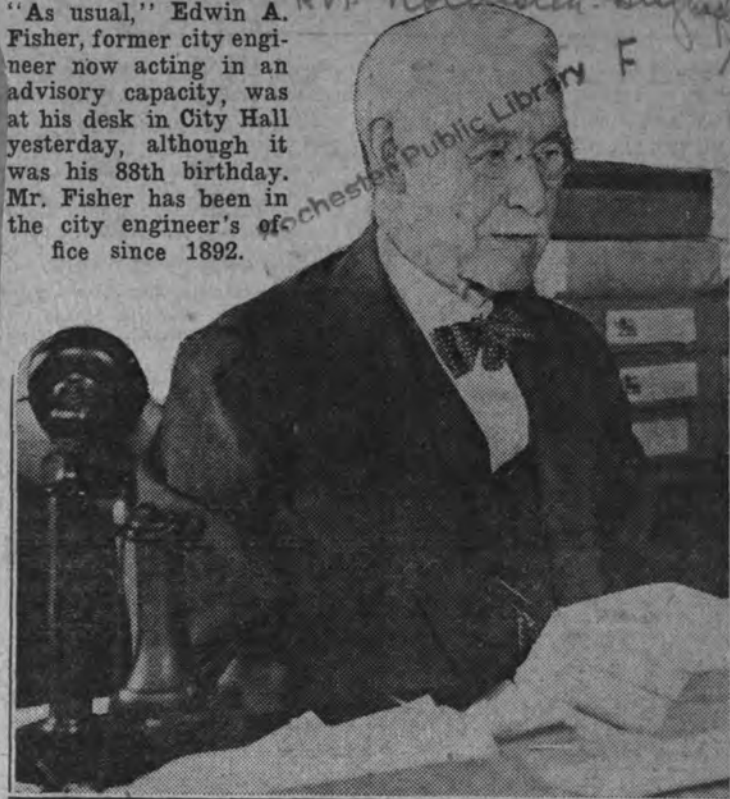
### Active in Elks

An active member of the Rochester Lodge of Elks, he also held membership in the Monroe County Division, Ancient Order of Hibernians.

He leaves his wife, Irene B. Fitzsimmons; three daughters, Miss Edna Fitzsimmons, Mrs. Lavelle Dapore and Mrs. Milton Fisher; two brothers, Duane and Charles Fitzsimmons; a sister, Mrs. Lewis Ross, and four grandchildren.

## His Birthday—But Also a Work Day

*RVP Rochester Signal*  
"As usual," Edwin A. Fisher, former city engineer now acting in an advisory capacity, was at his desk in City Hall yesterday, although it was his 88th birthday. Mr. Fisher has been in the city engineer's office since 1892.



## *R+C July 18, 1935* Veteran Ex-City Engineer, 88, Won't Enter Water Argument

Edwin A. Fisher, white-haired city engineer emeritus, was willing yesterday, his 88th birthday, to discuss the past and present of Rochester engineering but he scrupulously avoided reference to the future.

Between opening and reading greetings from colleagues in City Hall, he sat at his old desk and talked about the water situation, the sewage problem and river deepening but he delicately sidestepped politically embarrassing questions.

Rochester needs an additional supply of water, he said. There is no emergency this year and there may not be any next year but Hemlock and Canadice Lakes "do not contain a sufficient margin of safety to carry the city through a series of dry years."

Asked where that additional supply should be obtained, Mr. Fisher just smiled.

"There is no need of getting into

an argument where it will do no good," he said. "At the same time it will not help a cause you favor by speaking prematurely."

The engineer, who retired from active duty in 1927 only to return the next day, looks with pleasure on the PWA job at the Irondequoit disposal plant. That job marks the completion of a project outlined by one of his associates of many years, the late Emil Kuischling, consultant to the city. Kuischling started his plans in 1907.

Fisher was born in Royalston, Mass., educated in that state, taught school for several years and then began his engineering career in an office in Westfield, Mass. He came to Rochester as an engineer for a railroad and joined the city service in 1893 as a principal assistant during construction of the Hemlock conduit 2 and gate house. He held posts of city engineer and consultant prior to his retirement.



# The Civic Scene

By HAROLD W. SANFORD

D. & C. JUL 17 1937

## Some Thoughts on Mr. Fisher's 90th Birthday

IT IS appropriate that a column devoted to civic affairs in Rochester and Western New York should take some account of the career of a man which reaches a milestone today. Edwin A. Fisher, practical authority on planning, student and authority on flood control; Rochester's quiet but determinedly persistent champion of sound planning and engineering, is 90 years old today.

A quiet social marking of the event at his home tomorrow will do fitting honor to the kindly, genial man. His personality has endeared him to his associates and to the circle of friends that with his advancing years has grown increasingly wider.

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WHAT is it that Edwin A. Fisher has stood for in Rochester in the last several decades? Sound engineering. Yes, his competence has been recognized, and his advice and counsel sought by several administrations. But, more than that, he has stood for the basic principles of planning, as applied to the city's practical problems.

It is a coincidence, perhaps, but a fortunate one for Rochester's future, in spite of successive administrations' neglect of the essence of the principle in their policies, that Rochester should have had as honored citizens Charles Mulford Robinson and Mr. Fisher.

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MR. Robinson, newspaper writer, poet, dreamer, aesthete, first came to wide notice for a thin volume published by the Engineering Press. In this volume he pointed out the importance in sound city planning procedure of the practical arrangement of streets and the proper zoning of various areas for business, industrial, residence and recreational purposes.

Though this theme later was expanded in his more comprehensive "City Planning," still the bible of planners throughout the country, this first thin volume laid the foundations for the profession, and contains the essence of his significant contribution to modern city development. Mr. Robinson later became widely known as the designer of the civic center of and as the first college lecturer on city planning, but his feet were always on the ground; he clung to his first theme that planning was not a matter of civic centers and fine buildings primarily, although they had their place;

it was a matter of looking first to the streets and sewers and water supply and arrangement of practical facilities.

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MR. Fisher is an engineer, but he has not been an ordinary engineer. Grounded as he is in the practical aspects of his profession, he soon grasped the necessity of making comprehensive plans and of relating the practical side of a city's development to the city's ultimate growth and scope. Mr. Robinson was an aesthete who preached the practical side. Mr. Fisher has been a practical man who has recognized the necessity of looking into the future and planning comprehensively.

As the city's planning superintendent, he served under a citizen board which had the capacity and the vision to suggest sound planning procedure. Even after the board got little recognition for its ideas and its early members resigned in despair, he continued along with his practical direction of the city's engineering activities to keep the principle of planning alive.

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ROCHESTER has had two city plans, one official, the other unofficial. It never has had a carefully worked out schedule and program of public works, related to a program of financing that would conserve its borrowing power for purposes most urgently needed. It has not yet begun to realize officially the need of planning for the whole metropolitan area in such matters as water supply and street and sewer development.

Mr. Fisher has long known the soundness of both of these basic planning ideas. He has done much. Denver and other western cities to show their practical necessity. Some day an administration will be put into power which will give to these ideas their full and proper place. And when they are so recognized Mr. Fisher's monument will have been erected.

But he is in no need of a monument today. He does not need congratulation, though he will receive much congratulation. He has gone his quiet, constructive way neither seeking praise nor shunning blame. At 90 he is still vigorous in mind and strong in body. He may yet live to see full recognition of his sound suggestions. He is a long way from being a prophet without honor in his own city.

## Engineer Emeritus 90 Today Will Celebrate by Working

### Reception Tomorrow Will Pay Honor to Edwin A. Fisher

City Hall's "grand old man" will be 90 today but won't pay any attention to it.

Edwin A. Fisher, city engineer emeritus, who has designed everything from a small road to a gigantic water system, will mark his ninth decade as he has marked every other natal anniversary since joining the city service in 1893—by going to his desk.

Mr. Fisher rounded out his 89th year yesterday afternoon by accompanying City Engineer Morgan D. Hayes on an inspection trip of a grade crossing elimination project.

Tomorrow his friends and associates will honor him at a reception at his home, 30 Albemarle Street. Tonight a family dinner will be held at the Home Dining Rooms, East Avenue.

Tireless in his pursuit of engineering planning, Mr. Fisher has just completed what some term his greatest work, a full study and report on flood control of the Genesee River. The city already is working on first steps in this plan and the federal government has taken the entire proposal under advisement.

Meanwhile City Manager Harold W. Baker had informed the veteran engineer that he has "two or three other things" for him but so far has not disclosed them.

Born in Royalton, Mass., in 1847, Mr. Fisher came to Rochester in 1882 as a civil engineer on a railroad. In 1893 he joined the city engineering staff and served as deputy engineer, city engineer, consulting engineer and superintendent of planning.

Legal restrictions forced his retirement in 1927 when the then Mayor Martin O'Neill bestowed on him the title of "city engineer emeritus." Without pay, he has served the city daily since then in an advisory capacity, devoting his time mainly in late years to



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water development and flood control. He is nationally recognized as a municipal engineer.

## Fisher Marks 93d Birthday

Edwin Augustus Fisher, city engineer emeritus, interrupted his labors on flood prevention long enough today to receive tribute from fellow workers on his 93rd birthday.

Fisher, guest at a private luncheon at Hotel Rochester, officially retired from city service Dec. 21, 1926, after 33 years. Since that time, however, he has served as "city engineer emeritus," doling out advice from his years of experience to younger associates.

For the past five years he has devoted most of his time to flood prevention in Rochester. Already he has published one voluminous report on the subject.

## Engineer Marks 90th Birthday

Don't worry about your age and live long, according to Edwin A. Fisher, city engineer emeritus, who today resumed his engineering routine at City Hall "on the road to 91."

Mr. Fisher reached the age of 90 Saturday and a reception and tea in his honor, given by his daughter, Mrs. Frederick Barnum, at his home, 30 Albemarle Street, yesterday afternoon was attended by his City Hall associates and many friends.

Mr. Fisher retired as city engineer 19 years ago when Martin B. O'Neill, then mayor, bestowed on him the honorary title of "city engineer emeritus."

He continues to put in his time each day at City Hall, however, acting in an advisory capacity, without compensation, to the city administration.

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# 'Yesterday Has My Labor--Tomorrow My Dreams'



Venerable Edwin A. Fisher, city engineer emeritus, was deep in reverie yesterday when two prominent officials toasted him (with water) at a reception at his birthday observance.

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## City Engineer Emeritus, 90, Credits Long Life to Work

RWF Biography F.

If you want to live to be 90, "don't count the years."

That's the advice of Edwin A. Fisher, city engineer emeritus, who played host to more than 50 friends and acquaintances yesterday, and told them with a laugh that "90 doesn't feel any different from any other age."

City Manager Harold W. Baker, left, who had worked with Mr. Fisher for 14 years, and Supreme Court Justice William F. Love fete the 90-year-old consultant

Receiving his guests from his favorite armchair in his home at 30 Alebmarle Street, the "grand old man of City Hall" declared that his long and healthy life was attributable to one factor—his work. It is engineering, he believes, which has kept him keen and zestful these many years. Though retired 10 years ago, he has continued to go to his office each day for a 6-hour period.

"But," Mr. Fisher smiled, "I really don't work for the city now, you understand. I just go to the office every day to study and to see how things are going."

But the years since his retirement have not been spent in gardening, or playing checkers, or any of the other activities associated with retirement.

### Drafts Flood Control

With the help of his devoted Filipino assistant, Perfecto Covas, Engineer Fisher recently completed a work considered by his associates to be of even greater value than the Hemlock Lake water conduit or the Irondequoit Sewage Disposal plant, both of which came under his supervision.

This new achievement is a report on flood control in the Genesee Val-

ley. The city is at work on the plan already, and the federal government has the report under consideration.

Having had 50 years' experience with engineering projects in this locality, Mr. Fisher's report, if its proposals are carried through, is expected to make the Genesee Valley impregnable to flood.

When asked about his plans, now that the flood report is completed, Mr. Fisher declared that he "can

always find work to do." If not, there's research and study.

### His Age Goal 97

There's one ambition driving this 90-year-old engineer, however. That is to live as long as his lifetime friend, Dr. Frank G. Adams of Faraday Street. It is Fisher's belief that Doctor Adams has reached his "majority." He's 97.

Present at the reception and tea given in Mr. Fisher's honor yesterday by his daughter, Mrs. Frederick Barnum, were his three sons, Lewis Fisher, Edwin H. Fisher and Lewis G. Fisher; his two daughters, Mrs. Robert Copeland and Mrs. Barnum. Four granddaughters presided at the tea tables.

Also present were City Manager Harold W. Baker and Mrs. Baker, Dr. and Mrs. Raymon M. Kistler, Judge and Mrs. Arthur E. Sutherland, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Vedder, City Engineer and Mrs. Morgan D. Hayes and former City Manager and Mrs. C. Arthur Poole, now of Niagara Falls.

Mr. Fisher is an honorary member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, the Rochester Engineering Society, and the American Public Works Association. He has been a member of the city engineering staff since 1893.

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For the Living



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## Has Own Recipe for Longevity



A "day at the office" was Edwin A. Fisher's recipe for a long and happy life as he celebrated his 91st birthday yesterday. Mr. Fisher, for many years city engineer, still has his desk and works with the regular engineering staff at City Hall.

## Hard Day's Work at Office Cited As Best Way to Be Active at 91

There's nothing like a day at the office to whet one's appetite and keep the spirit up.

On that simple formula hangs the philosophy of life of Edwin A. Fisher, city engineer emeritus, who yesterday celebrated his 91st birthday.

White-haired and jovial, Fisher dined out with his daughter, Mrs. Robert A. Copeland, and returned home to spend his birthday quietly. "I believe in celebrating once every 10 years," Fisher laughed.

He was referring to a testimonial dinner held in his honor last year when he reached 90. And by eating good "victuals" and keeping fit with a day behind his desk in City Hall, Fishers plans to be on hand nine years hence for the second big celebration.

From his wealth of experience, the keen-eyed veteran has given valuable assistance to city authorities although he has served without compensation, other than his pension, since he retired from active service Jan. 1, 1927.

Yesterday the staff of the city engineer's office sent him a giant bouquet and friends mailed more than a score of greeting cards. Fisher lives with his daughter, Mrs. Fred Barnum at 30 Albemarle St.

Fisher was an engineer before President Roosevelt was born, and 42 of the 69 years which he has given to that profession have been devoted to the city, under many administrations.

Over four decades he has planned and watched materialize such public works as the Cobbs Hill Reservoir, Broad Street over the old Erie Canal bed, deepening of the Genesee River to control floods and scores of other tangible products of his city planning.

## Officials Fete Fisher at 93

Friends and fellow workers yesterday honored Edwin A. Fisher, city engineer emeritus, at a luncheon celebrating his 93rd birthday at Hotel Rochester.

Public Works Commissioner William H. Roberts, toastmaster, introduced the speakers, all of whom lauded Fisher for his work since his retirement some years ago.

Among those attending were Henry L. Howe, city engineer; Morley Turpin, archivist of the Rush Rhees Library, University of Rochester; Clarence M. Platt, deputy corporation counsel; Arthur L. Vedder, superintendent of maps and surveys; former Mayor Martin B. O'Neill, now deputy city assessor, and former City Manager Harold W. Baker.

## Veteran City Engineer, 93 Today, Reads Self Out of U. S. Service

venerable city engineer emeritus, who spent a lifetime serving the community, has had to spurn an offer to serve the nation.

He recently replied to a federal questionnaire inquiring into his availability for service in emergency, that others would have to carry on.

The reason is that today he celebrates his 93rd birthday.

But, although unable to aid Uncle Sam directly, Mr. Fisher continued yesterday to devote the wisdom of his age to the city. He completed his daily, Monday through Friday, stint of work in City Hall, and quietly went home.

Today his associates will fete him at a private luncheon in Hotel Rochester, City Engineer Henry L. Howe, announced.

To attend the affair, Mr. Fisher will break into his labors involving flood prevention in Rochester. He has devoted most of his time, without pay, to that work for more than five years, and already has published one voluminous report.

Mr. Fisher, who was born in Roy-



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alston, Mass. July 17, 1847, technically retired Dec. 31, 1926. At the time, then then Mayor Martin B. O'Neill appointed him "city engineer emeritus." So while the state law compelled his retirement after 33 years of service for the city, nothing prevented him from reporting for work daily.

Since that day Mr. Fisher has kept his desk in the engineering department. He has freely given his advice and plans to younger associates and to top flight city officials.

It is said in City Hall that more than one official has been led out of a "bad spot" by the wisdom of the veteran engineer. Across his desk have passed key plans for water supply, flood control, sewage and garbage disposal and other major city interests.

Mr. Fisher always left his Albemarle Street home in time to be in City Hall at 9 a. m. He took a brief stroll during lunch hour, and then worked on until 4 p. m. when he left for home.

Into his long career he has packed railroad engineering and construction, bridge building, water works designing and city planning. But his major interest has been the betterment of Rochester.

That's why his associates, young and old, will honor him today.

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# At 93, Edwin Fisher Still Looks Forward

**Engineer Praised by Former Associates At Birthday Fete**

After 93 years, just look to the future.

Thus Edwin A. Fisher, venerable city engineer emeritus, expressed himself yesterday at a testimonial luncheon on his 93rd birthday by his City Hall associates in Hotel Rochester.

"I hope," he said in a brief response, "I can show my appreciation for this in the future."

About 35 men who worked with Mr. Fisher at varying times during his long association with the city joined him at the table. The veterans among them lauded him for his accomplishments as they were presented by Public Works Commissioner William H. Roberts, the toastmaster.

Henry L. Howe, city engineer, praised him for his patience and the thoroughness of his work. Young engineers of several generations have benefited by the voluminous reports he made out on the many problems he tackled, Howe said.

Morley Turpin, archivist at the Rush Rhees Library, University of Rochester, a longtime associate of Mr. Fisher, said the engineer emeritus was an "inspiration" to him during his years in City Hall. Deputy Corporation Counsel Clarence M. Platt termed the guest "a big man."

Because he "always backed his men to the limit," Arthur L. Vedder, superintendent of maps and surveys, found much to say of Mr. Fisher. The man who named him city engineer emeritus, former Mayor Martin B. O'Neill, now deputy city assessor, revealed he "had no regrets."

Former City Manager Harold W.



Honored by associates at a luncheon yesterday, Former City Engineer Edwin A. Fisher, who stays on job despite pension, couldn't resist marking an engineering plan on tablecloth.

Baker, with whom Mr. Fisher ant engineering problems, attended worked closely on several import- the luncheon.

# Fireman James P. Flanagan Dies Unexpectedly in Home

FEB 9 1939

City Fireman James P. Flanagan, 35, father of five children, died unexpectedly yesterday (Feb. 8, 1939) at his home, 215 Durnan St. Death was attributed to natural causes by Coroner Richard A. Leonardo.

Assigned to Engine 20, Dewey Avenue, following his appointment to duty eight years ago, Flanagan is survived by his widow, Mrs. Marcella Streb Flanagan; two sons, Richard and James Flanagan; three daughters, Mary, Janice and Joan Flanagan; two sisters, Miss Zita Flanagan and Mrs. Margaret Gunderman, and a brother, Michael Flanagan.

Funeral services will be conducted at 9 a. m. Saturday in the home and at 9:30 o'clock in St. Andrew's Church. Burial will be in Holy Sepulcher Cemetery.

## James P. Flanagan, Fireman, Dies

Fireman James P. Flanagan, 35, of 215 Durnan St., died unexpectedly at his home early today.

Dr. Richard A. Leonardo, coroner, issued a certificate of death from natural causes. Flanagan was a member of Engine 20, Dewey Avenue. He had worked until Tuesday, his day off.

## Flannigan Defended

Editor, The Times-Union  
A former resident of Rochester spending several days here on business, I chanced to see the article dealing with the charges against William E. Flannigan, superintendent of municipal buildings, this title being the one by which he was designated when I lived in Rochester.

To those who know Mr. Flannigan, the charges of insubordination and neglect of duty are incredible. Here is a man who has had a splendid record of 32 years of service, and who has given unstintingly of his time and strength that the city buildings might be maintained in an efficient and economical manner.

"Bill" Flannigan, beloved by his many friends and associates and held in high esteem by those who came in contact with him during his long term of service, is a man of the highest integrity.

He has always been kindly and considerate in his dealings with others, has always fitted himself in quietly and unobtrusively with each change of administration as it came along, and above all, has always been known to cooperate fully and cheerfully with his superiors.

To say that he toiled early and late at his job is no exaggeration. It seemed many times that he was needed everywhere at once.

During the periods when expositions and such events were being held his presence on the grounds was demanded daily for weeks at a time and he spent many long

hours on his feet supervising the preparation of buildings and the maintenance of them while the shows were in progress.

In a few years Mr. Flannigan will probably reach the retirement age, a time to which he has probably looked forward through his long years of service, as one when he could retire honorably and in comfort.

I should like to see the Republican administration of Rochester make this possible for a public servant who has given so many years service to his city, rather than for it to pursue the present course, which can only be a blot on the party's escutcheon.

FORMER RESIDENT.

Rochester.

## R. G. Flack Joins Erickson Perkins

Inclusion in the staff of Erickson Perkins & Company of Reginald G. Flack, veteran customer's man, was announced today by Walter H. Baumer, member of the firm.

Mr. Flack formerly was with a number of well known brokerage houses. He started 25 years ago with A. B. Enos and successively thereafter was with Dreyton and Pennington, Thomson, McKinnon, Shields & Company and Granberry & Company.





George L. Flannery, as he appeared in 1918.

## DEATH CLAIMS G. L. FLANNERY, WAR VETERAN

Served as Major in Reserve Corps—President of Vinegar Company—Ill for Many Years

George Leo Flannery, 50, of 264 Clay Avenue, business man and World War veteran, died yesterday, Feb. 18, 1935, at the Health and Diet Sanitarium, East Aurora.

He had been ill four years. Funeral services will be held Thursday at 8:30 a. m. from the home of his mother, Mrs. George F. Flannery, 148 Augustine Street, and at 9 a. m. from Sacred Heart Church. Burial will be in Holy Sepulcher Cemetery.

Mr. Flannery entered the Army at Fort Niagara, Aug. 23, 1917, as a private. He was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Infantry Officers' Reserve Corps Nov. 27, 1917; served overseas from Apr. 14, 1918, to Aug. 31, 1918, and saw action at Aisne-Marne, Oise-Aisne, and French Lorraine.

### Promoted to Major

In 1919 he was promoted to major in the Officers' Reserve Corps. He resigned three years ago because of ill health. He was a charter member of the Old Guard and formerly belonged to the American Legion.

Mr. Flannery was president of the C. L. Powell Inc., vinegar manufacturers, and held memberships in several civic organizations.

He was a nephew of the late Albert M. Flannery, secretary of the old Union-Advertiser, and a grandson of Thomas Flannery, vicepresident of the Union-Advertiser.

He is survived by his widow, Muriel Turpin Flannery; two daughters, Sheila A. and Nancy E. Flannery; his mother, Mrs. George F. Flannery; three sisters, Marie I. Flannery, Mrs. William Nesley, and Mrs. Charles Suter, and two brothers, Bernard T. and Herbert V. Flannery.

## C. W. Flesch Passes Metal Firm Founder

Charles W. Flesch, secretary-treasurer of Charles W. Flesch Company Inc., died yesterday (July 24, 1939) in Strong Memorial Hospital after an illness of six weeks. He was 51 years old.

Born in Rochester, Mr. Flesch was associated with the firm of Flesch & Schmitt Metal Works for many years, withdrawing five years ago to form his own company. He was a member of Germania Lodge F&AM, Rochester Consistory, Damascus Temple, The Jesters and the Rochester Club.

He is survived by two sons, Charles and Robert; two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Goosen and Mrs. Mary Schmidt; two brothers, Henry and John Weidmiller. Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p. m. Thursday in the home, 60 Pavilion.

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## ILLNESS COSTS LAWYER'S LIFE

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Attorney George V. Fleckenstein,

son of a former Rochester postmaster and once deputy corporation counsel for the city, died yesterday (Mar. 1, 1936) in the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. L. Magner, 379 Genesee Street, after an extended illness.

Son of Postmaster Valentine Fleckenstein, he was born in Rochester 68 years ago and attended city parochial schools and the old Rochester Free Academy. He attended Canisius College, Buffalo, and was graduated from Columbia School of Law, New York, in 1890.

Mr. Fleckenstein practiced law in the city for more than 45 years, serving in the office of city corporation counsel from 1898 to 1900. He was a member of the Order of Elks, Rochester Yacht Club and the defunct Rochester Whist Club.

Surviving are his daughter, Mrs. James L. Magner; two sons, George V. Jr., of Freeport, L. I., and Leo W. of Rochester; a brother, William; a sister, Mrs. Charles H. Allen of Seattle, Wash., and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted in the home of his daughter at 8:30 a. m., Wednesday, and in St. Monica's Church at 9 a. m., the Rt. Rev. Msgr. John P. Brophy, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Holy Sepulcher Cemetery.

## DEATH CLAIMS G. A. FLEMING, 75, GENESEE AIDE

County Home Head Served 29 Years In Bethany

Batavia — Death yesterday claimed George Ashley Fleming, 75, superintendent of the Genesee County Home at Bethany for the past 29 years. He died of a cerebral hemorrhage in the home after a prolonged illness. He was 75.

Fleming's management of the home frequently was commended by the Board of Supervisors and the New York State Department of Social Welfare. It was under his direction that an extensive forest plantation was started on the county reservation. A marker placed by the state designates it as the first county reforestation project in the state.

He assumed the superintendency after serving as the town of Bethany supervisor for six years. He was a native of Pavilion and a former farmer and agricultural implement dealer.

Active in grange affairs, he was a charter member of the Bethany subordinate. He also was affiliated with Batavia Lodge, F&AM.

Surviving are his widow, three sons, G. Arnold, Bethany, Deputy Sheriff Pierson C. of Stafford and Prentiss H. of East Bethany; a daughter, Mrs. Howard G. Morse, Linden; a sister in Wyoming and seven grandchildren.

In keeping with his request, the funeral rites will be held at the County Home at 2:30 p. m. tomorrow so that inmates may attend. Batavia Lodge 475 will conduct rites at the grave in East Bethany Cemetery.



## He Reached Top in National Shrine Climb



Esten A. Fletcher, who died yesterday, received the highest honors in the national Shrine. He is pictured at the left about a quarter of a century ago before starting the long climb to the top in the national field. In center, surrounded by

Canadian dignitaries, he receives on behalf of the Shrine the deed to the crippled children's hospital from Henry J. Mott, KC, in Montreal. At right he is pictured with his fez and badge of office as imperial potentate in 1931.

Rochester Masonry and the order in the nation loses a towering leader in the death of Esten A. Fletcher. His leadership and services locally embraced every branch of the order; his election to the 33d degree testified to the respect and honor in which Masons nationally held him, and his election as imperial potentate of the Shrine in 1930 was testimony of his qualities as a leader and inspirer of men. The qualities which won him honors among Masons also underlay his contributions as a citizen, marked by his service on the local War Industrial Board in the last war and his prominence in Republican party affairs.

### Final Rites Arranged For Esten A. Fletcher

Rochester Masonic groups will have charge of funeral services at 3 p. m. tomorrow in Mt. Hope Chapel for Esten A. Fletcher, former Imperial Potentate of the Mystic Shrine, who died Sunday, (Mar. 2, 1941), in Park Avenue Hospital.

Honorary bearers will be representatives of various Masonic orders and organizations with which Mr. Fletcher was connected in his business and social life.

The Rt. Rev. David Lincoln Ferris, bishop emeritus of the Episcopal diocese of Rochester, and the Rev. Jerome Kates will conduct the religious service. John B. Mullan will have charge of the Scottish Rite rose service while the Masonic service will be in charge of Zetland Lodge.

## Masonry Mourns Death Of Esten A. Fletcher

Rochester Masons today mourned Esten A. Fletcher, prominent member of their fraternity who rose to the highest national office in the Shrine.

Mr. Fletcher will lie at his home, 271 Chili Ave., until noon Wednesday. Funeral services will be conducted at 3 p. m. Wednesday at Mt. Hope Chapel by Bishop Emeritus David Lincoln Ferris of the Rochester Episcopal Diocese and the Rev. Jerome Kates, rector of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church.

Masonic services will be conducted by Zetland Lodge, and John B. Mullan will have charge of 33d Degree Masonic rites.

Mr. Fletcher died Saturday in Park Avenue Hospital after an illness of several weeks. He was in his 73d year.

For nearly 40 years, Mr. Fletcher's consuming interest, aside from his business, was Masonry. It became his hobby when he joined the organization in 1902, when he received his first degree in Corinthian Temple Lodge, 805.

Genial, tall, and massively built, he was a magnificent figure in his brilliant ceremonial robes, familiar in many a Shrine ritual and public parade, his white hair crowned by a towering fez that accentuated his black, bushy eyebrows.

### Made Imperial Potentate

His name was known to Shriners throughout the country, and in 1930, after having progressed upward through various offices, he was chosen for the coveted position of imperial potentate of the Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North America.

During the next year, he paid official visits to 120 of the 157 Shrine temples, traveling more than 70,000 miles. He was received by four presidents, in Cuba, Mexico, Panama, and the United States. He lunched with former President Hoover in April, 1931. On Feb. 11, 1931, he was among the Masons who called on Thomas A. Edison in an impressive tribute on the late inventor's 84th birthday.

On his return home, his own temple, Damascus, paid Mr. Fletcher and his divan of imperial officers a royal tribute in a full day's program that included a gala parade, and a dinner for 2,500 at Masonic Temple.

### Organized Lodge

He was the first master of Zetland Lodge, which he assisted in organizing; served in the Grand Lodge as senior grand deacon from 1925 to 1927, was exalted to the Royal Arch in Ionic Chapter, 210; was a member of Cyrene Commandery, 39, Knights Templar, in which he was advanced to the chair of eminent commander. In the Cryptic Rite he was received into Doric Council, 19, Royal and Select Master, and received his degree in the Scottish Rite.

He served as sovereign prince of Rochester Council of Princes of Jerusalem, and as commander-in-chief of Rochester Consistory. In 1913, he was crowned a sovereign grand inspector general, 33d degree, in Philadelphia. He also was a member of the Red Cross of Constatine and the Royal Order of Scotland.

Born in Ivy, Ontario, Canada, July 23, 1867, he went to work for his father, a lumberman, when he was 13. In 1900, he came to Rochester and opened his own lumber business, retiring 17 years later. While identified with the lumber industry he was president of the New York State Lumber Dealers' Association, was a trustee of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce, and in 1917-18 was a member of the War Industries Board.

### Headed Planning Board

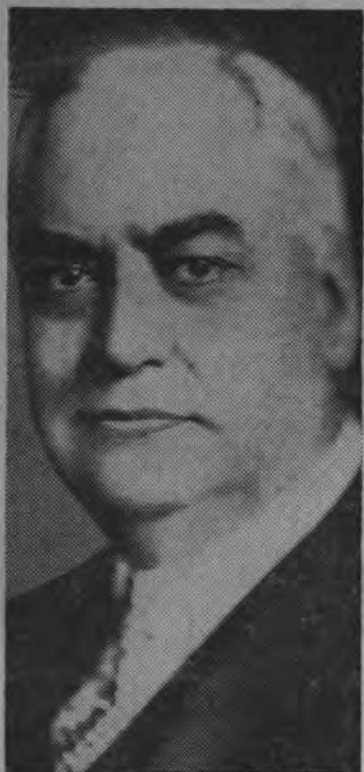
He was a member of the Rochester Club, a director of the Central Trust Company and a past president of the Builders Exchange. He was chairman of the Monroe County Planning Board in 1931.

At his death, he was treasurer of the Genesee Brewing Company, and was president of the Rochester Brewers' Exchange.

He leaves his wife, Magdalene Oehmie Fletcher; a sister, Mrs. Mima Garratt, Toronto; a brother, Col. F. W. Fletcher, Lexington, Ky., and several nieces and nephews.



## Death Ends Career



ESTEN A. FLETCHER  
once Shrine Imperial Potentate.

## DEATH CLAIMS E. A. FLETCHER, SHRINE LEADER

Esten A. Fletcher, imperial potentate of the Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North America in 1930-31, one of Masonry's first citizens of Rochester, died yesterday at Park Avenue Hospital after several week's illness. He was 71, and lived at 271 Chili Ave.

Mr. Fletcher had been identified with Masonry since he joined Corinthian Temple Lodge, F&AM, in Rochester in 1902. Into almost two score years he put a career in the fraternity that has few parallels in city or nation, a career culminated by his election as imperial potentate over 157 Shrine Temples in North America.

Mr. Fletcher was born in Ivy, Ont., July 23, 1869. His father was in the lumber business in that lumbering province, and after leaving school at 13, young Fletcher followed that trade. He moved to Buffalo in 1893, and at the turn of the century he came to Rochester.

### Set Up Lumber Business

In this city he established a lumber business in partnership with Frank Phelps in operation of a lumber yard in Allen Street. Successful from the beginning of the enterprise, Fletcher was able to retire in 1917 and to devote more time to the civic and fraternal duties that were being pressed upon him.

Masonry attracted Fletcher from the start, and he moved with zest into its many branches. He received his degree in the Scottish Rite in 1903, the same year he became a member of Damascus Temple of the Shrine.

Mr. Fletcher took an active part in the work of the Consistory, and for more than 25 years was one of the leading figures in that body. He served as Sovereign Prince of Rochester Council of Princes of Jerusalem in 1909, and as commander-in-chief of the Rochester Consistory from 1914 to 1920. For his loyal and arduous work he was crowned Grand Inspector General, 33rd Degree, on Sept. 16, 1913.

### Was Grand Lodge Officer

Mr. Fletcher was exalted to the Royal Arch in Ionic Chapter in 1906, and the same year became a member of Cyrene Commandery and received the Order of the Temple. He accepted an office in that branch, and was advanced regularly to Eminent Commander in 1912. He received Cryptic Rite in Doric Council in 1916, and in 1917 assisted in the formation of Zetland Lodge, serving as its first master.

From 1925 until 1927 Mr. Fletcher was senior grand deacon of the Grand Lodge. He also was a member of the Red Cross of Constantine, the Royal Order of Scotland, Lalla Rookh Grotto and Royal Order of Jesters. Mr. Fletcher also was president of the Masonic Temple Association and active in making plans for construction of the present Temple in Main Street East.

From his induction in 1903, he was a leading spirit in Damascus Temple and general Shrine affairs. He became potentate of Damascus Temple in 1911, and also a well

known figure at the annual conventions. Following a trip to the West Coast in 1919, a journey during which he visited many Temples in the nation, he was proposed for election as outer guard in the Imperial Council of Shriners of North America by Damascus Temple.

### Nominated by Owen

The Damascus delegation carried the endorsement to the Imperial Council meeting in Portland, Ore., and upon his nomination by Charles S. Owen, who later became mayor of Rochester, Mr. Fletcher was elected. It was the first step in the ladder that was to take him to the high office of imperial potentate.

Mayor Owen also nominated Mr. Fletcher for the office of imperial potentate in Toronto in 1930. Subsequently he accompanied the imperial potentate on many of his official visits. Those trips carried

the Rochesterian to all parts of the continent.

Mr. Fletcher was active in many civic affairs in Rochester, including serving on the War Industries Board in 1918. He frequently was proposed for political office, the latest being for 39th District Congressional Representative when it became apparent that Representative Archie D. Saunders of Batavia was about to retire from public life. He was an active Republican, and attended the 1932 national convention as a delegate from the 39th District.

### Director of Bank

Following the repeal of the 18th Amendment, Mr. Fletcher became associated with the Genesee Brewing Company in 1932, and held the post of treasurer at the time of his death. He also was president of the Rochester Brewers Exchange and at one time was a principal figure in a movement to unite the brewers of the nation in a single organization.

Mr. Fletcher was a member of the Rochester Club, a director of the Central Trust Company, past president of the Builders Exchange. He was president of the New York State Lumber Dealers Association in 1911, and chairman of the Monroe County Planning Commission in 1931.

Surviving him are his wife, Magdalene Oehmie Fletcher; a sister, Mrs. Mima Garratt, Toronto; a brother, Col. F. W. Fletcher, of Lexington, Ky., and several nieces and nephews. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

## MASONS HONOR E. A. FLETCHER AT LAST RITES

## Leaders of Order Attend Mt. Hope Funeral

Final rites for Esten A. Fletcher, national Masonic leader, were conducted here yesterday afternoon at Mt. Hope Chapel with high officials of Masonic organizations throughout the country attending.

County Judge George Rowe of Erie County, a member of the Imperial Line of the Shrine, represented the Imperial Potentate, now convalescing after a serious illness in San Francisco.

Charles Wells of Chicago represented the National Court of Jesters of which Mr. Fletcher was a national director until two years ago. John M. Mullan of Rochester, highest ranking 33rd Degree Mason in New York State, represented the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, Scottish Rite.

The Rt. Rev. David Lincoln Ferris, bishop emeritus of the Rochester Episcopal Diocese, and the Rev. Jerome Kates, rector of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, officiated.

Mr. Fletcher, a former imperial potentate, who died Monday, had been a Masonic leader here and in the country for many years.

## Bank Directors Honor Esten A. Fletcher

Directors of the Central Trust Company yesterday paid tribute to Esten A. Fletcher, a member of the board since 1927, in a resolution recounting the directors' praise for his service.

Mr. Fletcher died Saturday in Park Avenue Hospital. Funeral services will be conducted at 3 p. m. today in Mt. Hope Chapel. High-ranking Masons and business and civic leaders will be honorary bearers.

## College Head Plans Reunion

It will be a happy family reunion at 52 Avondale Park tonight when Edgar Martin Flint, newly appointed president of American College, Madura, India, arrives on a year's furlough.

He will rejoin his wife, Mrs. Susanna Q. Flint, their three sons and daughter at the home of his father, Simeon Flint.

Mrs. Flint returned to Rochester on furlough last year to attend the graduation of her daughter, Thelma, from Wellesley College. She brought with her the two youngest sons, David and Maurice. John, the eldest, is a student at Yale University.

President Flint was graduated from the University of Rochester in 1909.

He has been at American College, under the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, for more than 20 years, as professor of chemistry and physics and as treasurer.

Mr. Flint succeeds as president of American College Dr. Bryan S. Stoffer, who this June will be inducted as president of Doane College, Crete, Neb.

## Academy Awards Prize

Edward F. Flint Jr., 235 Landing Rd., has been awarded the Alumni Prize of Governor Dummer Academy, South Byfield, Mass., for work meriting "extraordinary commendation." Flint, a mechanical engineer specializing in optical design, is a member of the Bausch & Lomb Scientific Bureau, Optical Society of America and University Club.



## Son to Visit with Family In Dayton After 49 Years

*Time-Union, F. D. & C. AUG 6 1937*

William G. Fluker—"just to see what they look like"—is going to Dayton, Ohio, to visit members of the family he has never known.

Fluker, a Rochester Gas & Electric Corporation employe for the last 25 years, now lives at 94 Van Bergh Avenue.

In 1888, he was placed in an orphan asylum when his father, a salt works employe, was seriously injured and sent to the soldiers' home in Dayton. A Port Gibson family adopted him, and he worked on a farm until he was 16.

Shortly after his 16th birthday he yielded to a hankering to see his father, whom he had practically forgotten, and went to Dayton. He found his father had remarried,

and learned that he had a half-brother and a half-sister. He left without seeing them the next morning and never returned.

In due course the father died and a lawyer tracked down Fluker to settle a small estate.

Fluker, however, had drifted completely away from the family, he said, and "just wasn't interested."

However, because he's driving West on his vacation beginning Aug. 14, he'll stop off "just to see what my folks (they're his only living relatives outside his own family) look like."

## Albert Florack

*Time-Union, MAY 5 1937*

Albert Florack Sr., 76, for 18 years superintendent of Sea Breeze Park, died today at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Albert P. Moranz in Union Hill, after four months' illness.

Mr. Florack, who was born in Brooklyn, was active in Irondequoit politics many years and for 20 years was a constable in that town. He retired as superintendent of the amusement park in 1932, because of ill-health.

He was a member of Flower City Tent, Maccabees.

He is survived by his widow, Louise Held Florack; two sons, Albert Jr. of Sea Breeze and Fred E. Florack of Point Pleasant; two daughters, Eleanor Florack and Mrs. Albert P. Moranz of Union Hill; a sister, Emma Englert of Rochester, and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Saturday morning at the home of Albert Florack Jr., 51 Alice Street, Sea Breeze.

## Airport Architect Named

Appointment of Joseph Flynn, architect, to complete the city's plans for airport improvement was announced today by Public Works Commissioner Thomas J. Morrison.

*Time-Union, MAR 9 1937*

## John Fogarty, Former Hotel Man, Dies at 80

*Time-Union, JUN 29 1940*  
John H. Fogarty, 80, retired real estate man and former hotel operator and accountant, died early today at his home, 129 Meigs, after an illness of three weeks.

Mr. Fogarty had lived in Rochester nearly 50 years. He was one of the first graduates of Rochester Business Institute, which he attended after being graduated from Macedon Academy.

He became an accountant, later went into the hotel business, operating small hotels in Victor and Fairport. He afterwards went into real estate, retiring about 10 years ago.

He leaves two sisters, Mrs. Margaret F. Bowden, Rochester; and Mrs. Lawrence Welch, Fairport; a daughter, Margaret F. Bowden, Rochester, and two nephews, Edward J. Welch, Fairport, and George J. Payne, Rochester.

## Soldier Killed in Hawaiian Collision

*Time-Union, AUG 2 1940*  
U. S. Army Sergeant Frank Fogarty, 28-year-old son of Mrs. Anna Fogarty, 71 Anthony St., is dead today in Honolulu, Hawaii, of injuries suffered in an auto collision, the Associated Press reported.

Death came last night to the veteran of nine years in the Army just a month before his third enlistment term was to end and he was to come home to Rochester.

Born in Portland, Me., Fogarty came to Rochester with his family while a small boy. He attended Immaculate Conception School, enlisted in the Regular Army at the age of 19.

He served six years at Fort Jay on Governor's Island, was stationed at Fort Shafter, Honolulu, the last three years. He was recently promoted to sergeant.

Surviving are his mother, four brothers, John and William of 71 Anthony, George of Watertown, and Richard of Long Island City; an uncle, George Crowley, 196 Reynolds St.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

## Injuries Fatal



**SERGT. FRANK FOGARTY**  
*Injuries suffered in an auto accident in far-off Hawaii ended in death last night for Sergeant Fogarty of Rochester.*

## Soldier, Accident Victim, To Be Buried Here

*Time-Union, SEP 26 1940*  
Funeral Mass for Frank J. Fogarty, 28, a sergeant of the 9th Signal Service Company of the Signal Corps at Honolulu, will be celebrated at 11 a. m. tomorrow in St. Monica's Church. He died Aug. 21, 1940, of injuries suffered in an automobile accident on the island. A service will be held at his home, 71 Anthony St., at 10:30 a. m. Full military honors will be accorded.

The sergeant, who was to have come home this month when his month when his enlistment was up, leaves his mother, Mrs. Anna Fogarty; four brothers, John V., Richard S., George H. and William B. Fogarty, and two nieces. Burial will be in Holy Sepulcher Cemetery.

## DEATH HALTS SOLDIER'S PLAN TO VISIT HOME

*Time-Union, AUG 29 1940*  
**Sergeant Fogarty  
Dies in Hawaii  
After Crash**

Death yesterday had halted plans of U. S. Army sergeant in Hawaii to visit his mother and brothers in Rochester.

He was Frank Fogarty, 28-year-old son of Mrs. Anna Fogarty, 71 Anthony St., and a veteran of nine years in the Army. Sergeant Fogarty died of injuries suffered in an auto collision, the Associated Press reported.

His third enlistment term was to end in a month and he had planned to come home to Rochester. He was promoted to sergeant only recently.

Besides his mother, he leaves four brothers, John and William Fogarty of this city, George Fogarty of Watertown, and Richard Fogarty of Long Island City, and an uncle, George Crowley, 196 Reynolds St.

## Youngster, 5, Stricken In Hornell Visit

*Time-Union, MAR 5 1940*  
Richard Paul Follett, 5, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison F. Follett of 19 Bedford Street, died in St. James Hospital, Hornell, Tuesday night (Mar. 5) following a short illness.

With his mother, a graduate of Park Avenue Hospital nursing school, he was visiting in the home of his maternal grandfather, Mrs. Ella Evans, in Hornell over the weekend when he was stricken Sunday. His father, now connected with the Rochester Telephone Corporation, was widely known as an athlete while at East High School.

Funeral services will be conducted tomorrow at the home and interment will be at White Haven at 2:30 p. m.



**RICHARD FOLLETT**



## Speaker to Describe Trip Through Europe

*RVF Rochester, Bldg. F.*  
*D.C. OCT 14 1936*  
 Marion B. Folsom, Eastman Kodak Company treasurer, will speak at the men's dinner in Brick Church Institute Friday evening on "Impressions of Business and Political Europe." The facts on which Mr. Folsom will base his talk were gathered in England, France and Germany last June, when he was sent to Geneva, Switzerland, by the United States Chamber of Commerce as U. S. delegate to the International Labor Conference.

## Kodak Treasurer Considered for Post On Board to Fix Wage, Hour Standards

### Marion B. Folsom Held Security Advisor Job

The name of Marion B. Folsom, Eastman Kodak Company treasurer, was mentioned yesterday as under consideration for appointment to the five-man board which would fix wage and hour standards under legislation now before Congress.

Informed Washington officials said if Congress establishes the board, the President probably will appoint members representing labor, business and the general public. As passed by the Senate and now waiting action by the House, the wage-hour measure gives the board authority to order wage increases or shorter hours in industries which pay less than 40



MARION B. FOLSOM

cents an hour, or have a work-week greater than 40 hours.

### Believed in Favor For Knowledge Of Conditions

Board members, under the scheduled legislation, will receive \$10,000 annually.

Sources close to the White House believe Mr. Folsom's name is being favorably weighed because of his record as a member of President Roosevelt's Advisory Council on Social Security and because of his knowledge of socio-economic conditions in general. A year ago, Mr. Folsom served as American employers' delegate to the International Labor Conference in Geneva.

He is now president of Rochester Chamber of Commerce, and retired president of the Council of Social Agencies.

## FOLSOM EYED FOR U. S. JOB

*RVF Rochester, Bldg. F.*  
*D.C. JUN 25 1938*  
*Wash. Post and Chronicle*

Washington—Marion B. Folsom of Rochester, Eastman Kodak Company treasurer has taken a prominent place among those suggested for administrator for the new wage-hour law.

Friends of the Rochesterian in industrial and labor circles are urging the selection of Folsom, it is understood, on the basis of his nationwide reputation as a business executive and his recognized insight into labor relations.

It was pointed out that he was a member of the original committee that worked out the social security act and is now a member of the Social Security Advisory Board. He is, in addition, a member of the Business Advisory Council in the Department of Commerce.

While Folsom would be confronted with the necessity of making a personal sacrifice in accepting the \$10,000-a-year job, it was said that the same problem is faced by all those who have so far been mentioned.

Although the law does not become operative until 120 days after it is signed by the President, it is generally believed that the administrator will be selected soon.

Among others suggested for the post are Lowell Mellett, former editor of the Washington News, Scripps-Howard newspaper, and now executive director of the National Emergency Council; Dr. Isador Lubin, commissioner of labor statistics, Department of Labor; Prentis Conly, executive assistant to W. A. Harriman, chairman of the Business Advisory Council; Dean Lloyd Garrison of the Wisconsin Law School; Leon Henderson, special economic advisor to the PWA; Gen. R. E. Wood, president of Sears-Roebuck & Co., and S. Clay Williams, chairman of the board, R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company.

## Work Significant

*Times-Union APR 2 1936*  
 A Rochesterian who contributed many inventions to the photographic industry will be buried today. He is William F. Folmer, former president of the Folmer-Graflex Company, later head of the same establishment after it had been taken into the Eastman Kodak Company.

Mr. Folmer's inventions contributed to significant developments in both war and peace-time photography. The Graflex camera marked a distinct advance; its later development permitting unbroken pictures of several miles of terrain revolutionized war methods and contributed to government mapping, forest and water surveys. The Graflex camera was widely used in newspaper photography.

Rochester's industries have been developed through the genius of such men as Mr. Folmer. The concentration here of industries requiring both scientific research and factory employes of a high type has been largely responsible for Rochester's high character as a community. Mr. Folmer was one of the pioneers; his life was a community asset.

## Council Re-elects Kodak Executive

*Times-Union JAN 16 1940*  
 Washington—Marion B. Folsom, treasurer of the Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, was re-elected vicechairman of the Business Advisory Council of the Department of Commerce, it was announced yesterday.

The council also elected William L. Batt, president of SKF Industries, Philadelphia, as chairman to succeed W. A. Harriman, board chairman of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, who was council chairman for the last three years. Harriman will remain on the council as a member of the executive committee.

Others elected include Clarence Francis, president of the General Foods Corporation, New York, as vicechairman; Harvey Couch, president of the Arkansas Power & Light Company, Pine Bluff, Ark., as vicechairman, and John D. Biggers, president of the Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Company, Toledo, as vicechairman.

## Folsom Renamed By U. S. Chamber

The Business Advisory Council of the U. S. Department of Commerce has re-elected Marion B. Folsom, treasurer of the Eastman Kodak Company, as vicechairman, it is reported in a Washington dispatch.

William L. Batt, president of SKF Industries, Philadelphia, was elected council chairman to succeed W. A. Harriman, board chairman of the Union Pacific Railroad Company. Harriman, who was council chairman for the last three years, will remain on the council as a member of the executive committee. Others elected are the following vicechairmen: Harry Couch, president, Arkansas Power & Light Company, Pine Bluff, Ark.; Clarence Francis, president, General Foods Corporation, New York; John D. Biggers, president of Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Company, Toledo.



# A LIGHTHOUSE KEEPER-MAKER

Bill Folwell Never Dreamed Those Beacon Towers Were Operated by Switches and Buttons, so He Builds His Own Old-Fashioned Models

RVF Biography, F.

By Florence James

**B**ILL Folwell will take the old-fashioned lighthouses, any day in the week.

He's the assistant at the Ontario Beach Park lighthouse control station, where everything is done by pushing buttons or throwing switches.

Bill's original idea of lighthouse work included a high rock in a raging sea with giant foam-capped waves licking at the base of lighthouse. But fate, in the guise of Civil Service, dealt him the wrong cards and made him a button-pushing lighthouse keeper.

His usual daily routine at the station is to throw a few electric switches to accomplish in a few moments the tasks that occupied old time lighthouse keepers for hours. That's all the work there is. True, there is responsibility, but there is much leisure.

It is in these leisure hours that Bill Folwell's thoughts go back to his original idea of lighthouses. And it is then he turns his hand to his hobby of whittling all sorts of models of old-fashioned lighthouses.

"Even if it isn't dangerous, this job isn't exactly as simple as one might think," the 37-year-old ex-sailor will tell you. "There's a lot of responsibility and you have to be on your toes to know what to do with all these gadgets in case anything ever goes wrong."

But nothing ever seems to go wrong, Bill admits, and it's hard to keep yourself occupied for 12-hour stretches just by thinking of what could happen and what you would do if anything did happen. This has resulted in Bill Folwell becoming something of an authority on early lighthouses by reconstructing them in miniature, down to exact scale. He does all his carving, whittling and painting in the trim red brick control plant, epitome of a new era in sea safety.

Prize of his collection is a model of the old Charlotte Harbor lighthouse built in 1820 and still standing adjoining the home of George D. Coddling, head keeper at Ontario Beach Park. The replica is made from a beam taken from the interior of the original structure.

A lamp base, built around a small ship steering wheel and decorated with carved anchors and lacquered rope seamen's knots, was his Christmas gift to his wife. It has a place of honor in the living room of their home, 29 Whitney Pl., Charlotte. The other models are on view in the control station.

Although Bill says he doesn't exactly plan to take the Folwell family, including Junior, 10, and Honey, 8, to live "on a rocky



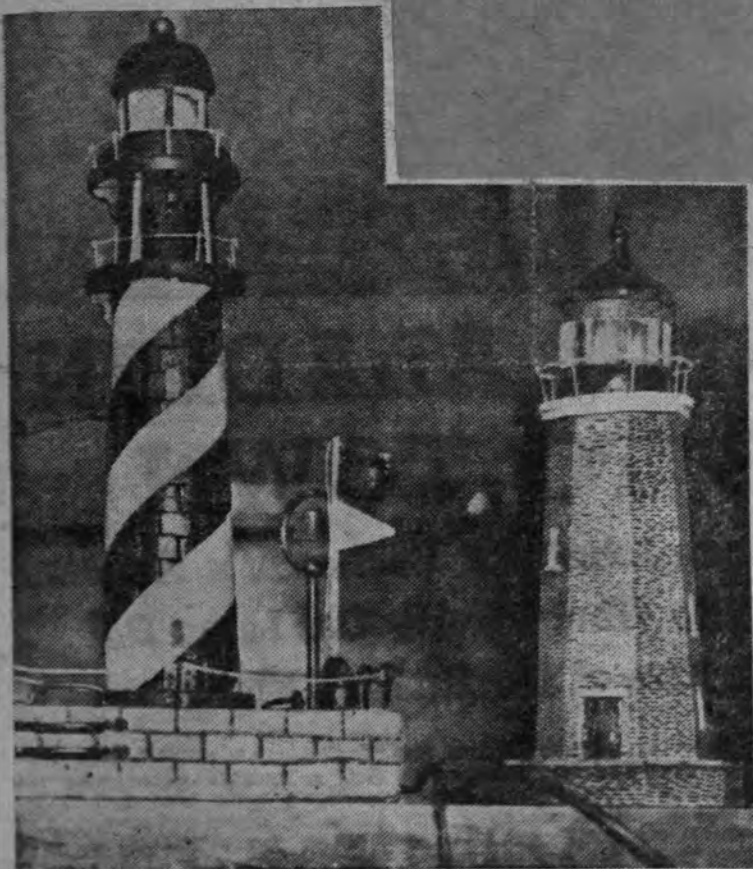
Bill Folwell with the nautical lamp he fashioned during his leisure hours and which he presented to his wife for Christmas gift.



island in a raging sea," he does feel an occasional urge for more excitement than the peaceful Charlotte station offers. Now 37, he served eight years in the Navy and two years with the Coast Guard before beginning his present work in 1932.

Concentration on handiwork is sometimes hard, too, Bill confesses, because he usually works with his blue sweater sleeves pushed up to his elbow, exposing the beginning of two arm lengths of meaningful tattooing. Then his mind wanders to the occasions of the various markings.

There's a Spanish lady and an Indian maiden at the top of each arm. There is "The Rock of Ages," a ship sinking in the sea at sunset and labeled "A Sailor's Grave," and various drawings of sailor's knots on the lower arms.



Here are some of the miniature replicas of old-fashioned lighthouses fashioned to exact model scale by ex-Sailor Bill Folwell.

Tattooed chains encircle each wrist.

A four-masted schooner came very close to sailing four sheets to the wind across Folwell's chest for the rest of his days. That was when he was on leave in

Norfolk, Va. Only the fact that he had to work the next day, and such a huge picture was too painful to complete in one installment, kept him from having green waves rippling over his diaphragm and a crow's nest reaching up to

### Last Rites Conducted For Luther R. Foote

Funeral rites for Luther R. Foote, retired Rochester shoe manufacturer, were conducted today at his home, 119 Meigs, where he died Tuesday. He was 86.

Beginning business in 1896, Mr. Foote was one of the first shoe men in the country to manufacture a special shoe for babies known as a "soft sole." His factory was at 123 Mill St., where he later manufactured women's shoes and slippers. He retired 20 years ago.

Mr. Foote leaves his wife, Blanche L. Foote; a daughter, Mrs. Elsie F. Bush, Mt. Lebanon, Pa.; a sister, Mrs. George Page, Batavia, and three grandchildren.

Burial today was in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

### Luther R. Foote Services Held

Funeral service for Luther R. Foote, 86, retired Rochester shoe manufacturer, were conducted yesterday at the home, 119 Meigs St., where he died Tuesday (March 5, 1940). Burial was in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Mr. Foote began business in 1896 and was one of the first shoe men in the country to manufacture a special shoe for babies known as a "soft sole." He retired 20 years ago.

He leaves his wife, Blanche L. Foote; a daughter, Mrs. Elsie F. Bush, Mt. Lebanon, Pa.; a sister, Mrs. George Page, Batavia, and three grandchildren.

his throat.

"All this decoration cost me \$57," Bill remarked, moving his muscles so that the ladies grimaced. "I had it done when I was young and foolish, but at least it's a souvenir I'll always have."

Folwell enlisted in the Navy when he was 17 as soon as the United States declared war, was never hurt and was never on a battleship or destroyer that was damaged in all his eight years as a seaman. But he saw the Western Hemisphere from northern Europe to southern South America.

Chasing bootleggers back to the Canadian border was the chief occupation of the Rochester Coast Guard station during the two years that Folwell enlisted in the Coast Guard after he had resigned from the Navy. He left that service in 1932 to take a Civil Service examination for his present position.

At a school for lighthouse keepers in Buffalo, Folwell learned that the romantic and exciting tales about guiding navigators actually amount to an understanding of generators, batteries, condensers, amplifiers, barometers, lenses and related equipment.

Two 80-foot radio towers are utilized to signal the Ontario Beach station identification to boats during the summer when

lake traffic is heavy. Directions are broadcast hourly during clear weather and continuously when it is cloudy so that boats may know their positions from Rochester.

A barometer warns of any change in weather and if the visibility is ever less than five miles another button is pushed and the fog horn starts its blasts. The East light, across the Genesee River from the control station, requires no attention except a routine cleaning. Its steady green light is regulated by a clock which tells not only the hour but the day, month and time of sunset and sunrise. Neither the East nor the main light have ever failed in Folwell's experience. Thirty-two volt batteries are on hand in case of emergency.

Lighthouse keeping during the summer months is a tedious grind for Bill, who would like to have more time to fish. He works 12 hours for four nights and 12 hours for four days before his day off rolls around. There's an annual 30-day vacation and the winter schedule is lighter.

The Coast Guard still operates old-fashioned lighthouses along desolate, rock-bound coasts, Bill Folwell reminds himself when he gets to thinking of buttons and switches, and he undertakes another, more elaborate miniature.

### Mr. and Mrs. Forbes Parents of Daughter

Mr. and Mrs. George B. Forbes, formerly of this city, are parents of a daughter, Angeline Sturtevant, born Aug. 16 in Brunswick, Me.

Mrs. Forbes has been spending the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Riley Jr., in Brunswick. For the past year Mr. and Mrs. Forbes have been residing in Minneapolis where Mr. Forbes was director of the Junior Blake School. They expect to return to Rochester next month, when Mr. Forbes will resume his duties at Harley School.

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## BENCH AND BAR HONOR FOOTE

Bench and Bar offered congratulations to former Justice Nathaniel Foote, who yesterday observed his 86th birthday by a morning at his office at 800 Powers Building, an afternoon attending induction ceremonies for President Alan Valentine at the University of Rochester, and being the guest of honor at a surprise dinner in the evening, given by his family at his home, 112 Brunswick Street.

Justices of the Appellate Court, on which Justice Foote served from 1912 to 1919, when he resigned under the age limit, were hosts at a luncheon on Thursday to their former associate.

Yesterday morning when he arrived at his desk he found letters of congratulation from Justice William F. Love and other friends, a stack of cards, a bouquet from this office associates, Mann, Strang, Bodine & Wright, and another from the Rochester Bar Association, of which Justice Foote was the first president when the association was organized in 1893.

Justice Foote, who was admitted to the bar in 1870 at Binghamton, came to Rochester in 1873. He was appointed a justice of the Supreme Court in 1905 and elected to a full term the same year. In 1912, he was designated associate justice of the Appellate Court and served until his retirement in 1919, when he resumed the practice of law. He was a delegate to the New York State Constitutional Convention in 1894. In June, 1917, he received the degree, LL.D., from the U. of R., and the same year Hobart conferred a similar degree upon the jurist. He has been a vestryman of St. Paul's Church for 30 years.

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Today marked the anniversaries of two Rochester men.

Nathaniel Foote of 112 Brunswick Street received congratulations on his 85th birthday in his law office in Union Trust Building. Mr. Foote, formerly a justice of the Supreme Court for 15 years, retired from the bench in 1919 and has since held the position of Official Referee of the Supreme Court.

Born in Morrisville, Madison County, he has degrees from Hamilton, Rochester, and Hobart. Judge Foote was to celebrate by attending the concert this afternoon at the Eastman Theater and a family dinner party tonight.

## Foote Observes 87th Birthday

Judge Nathaniel Foote, who has served on both the Supreme Court and Appellate Division bench and who has been an official referee since his retirement at the age limit, celebrated his 87th birthday yesterday at a tea in his home, 112 Brunswick Street.

His daughter, Mrs. Charles N. Perrin of Buffalo; her husband, and two grandchildren, Miss Janet Jessup of Buffalo and Miss Natalie Barry of Rochester, were present.

## Vestryman Feted For Long Service

Members of the Vestry of St. Paul's Episcopal Church last night presented former Supreme Court Justice Nathaniel Foote with a gold cross as a tribute for 50 years service as a vestryman.

The presentation was made by Benjamin E. Chace, church treasurer, and the Rev. George T. Norton, S. T. D. rector, in Justice Foote's home, 112 Brunswick St. Justice Foote was named a vestryman in December, 1889. He was elevated to the position of senior warden upon the death of Hiram Sibley.

In addition to the engraved cross, the vestrymen presented Justice Foote with a resolution lauding his work in behalf of the church during the half century.

## DEATH CLAIMS N. F. FOOTE, 65, SON OF JUDGE D. & C. JAN 22 1939 Advertising Man Succumbs in New York

Death yesterday in New York City claimed Nathaniel Frederick Foote, 65-year-old son of retired Supreme Court Justice Nathaniel Foote, Rochester, who survives him.

Prominent in advertising business circles of New York and Boston, Mr. Foote died unexpectedly of a heart attack in his hotel apartment. His body was found by his wife, Mrs. Mabel Norton Foote. Efforts of a police emergency squad to revive him were unavailing.

Only a few days ago Mr. Foote had visited his father here, stopping off on a business trip to Buffalo. He spent three weeks at his father's home over the Christmas holidays.

Born in Morrisville, Mr. Foote was brought to Rochester by his parents at an early age. He spent his boyhood here and prepared for college at Professor Hale's School for boys. He was graduated from Amherst College, class of '97, and entered Albany Law School.

For a brief time after graduating from law school Mr. Foote practiced with his father. Then he entered the advertising profession, going with the Paul Block Associates, with whom he remained for 20 years. For a number of years he had conducted his own agency with offices in Boston. It represented many national magazines, among them Forum and Century.

At Amherst he was a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity.

Besides his father and wife, Mr. Foote leaves two daughters, Miss Eleanor Norton Foote and Miss Natalie Frederika Foote; and three sisters, Mrs. Charles N. Perrin, Buffalo, and Mrs. Louise Foote Jessup and Mrs. Edmund H. Barry, both of Rochester. Funeral arrangements had not been completed last night.

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## Ready To Enter Business

Note to business executives: This is one of a series of articles designed to acquaint you with the qualifications of Democrat and Chronicle carriers who have reached the age when they desire to enter wider fields of business. These carriers have been through a long period of training and experience in this newspaper's carrier organization.



Raymond M. Ford, Age 23

Education: Raymond has carefully prepared for a business career. He has had two years of Bookkeeping, three years of English, one year of Business English, one year of Commercial Law and Business Mathematics. Raymond is also somewhat of a mechanic, fools around a great deal with radio transmitters and receivers, can read blueprints and do electrical wiring.

Type of work preferred: Raymond wants an office job. He started work as a carrier in 1931. He has won many awards for hard, productive work as a Democrat and Chronicle carrier salesman.

If you would like further information regarding Raymond Ford, or an interview with respect to employment, call the circulation manager, Democrat and Chronicle, Main 7400.

## DEATH CLAIMS D. & C. PRINTER

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Death wrote "30" to the long career of William H. Ford, veteran printer, yesterday.

"Billy," as he was known to his associates in The Democrat and Chronicle composing room, died in his home, 206 Laburnum Crescent, after an illness of two months. He was 72.

For more than 25 years, "Billy" Ford devoted his life to the making of the daily "Democrat." He worked on the old Rochester Herald also, his total service in the printing industry exceeding 40 years. He was a linotype operator in later years but also knew what it meant to "stick type" by hand and set "30," the printer's sign-off symbol.

A native Rochesterian, Mr. Ford was born in Alexander Street where East High School now stands. He was one of the founders and the first president of the Genesee Valley Park Golf Club.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Dora Ford; a daughter, Mrs. Ethel Ford Weller; two sisters, Mrs. Annie Requa and Mrs. Lily Hart, and two grandchildren, all of this city.

Funeral services will be conducted tomorrow at 2:30 p. m. at the home. Interment will be in Riverside Cemetery.



By Arthur P. Farren

**I**T took a shotgun to make Superintendent John C. (Jack) Forbes a fireman.

Forbes admits "I've always liked to climb." That's why he was working as a linesman with a telephone company in 1909, at the age of 20. Apparently farmers had problems in those days. *B&C May 21, 1939*

Perched high upon a pole near Victor one sunny day, Forbes was blandly sawing a tree-limb to clear the wires. Suddenly an irate tiller of the soil rushed from the farmhouse, shouted vehemently, pointed a shotgun in Forbes' direction and let fire. Forbes descended in haste, and resigned on the spot.

Fighting fires would be tamer, he reasoned. Taking a Civil Service exam in which he stood 12th, with a rating of 99.8 in the athletic test, he won appointment as a hoseman.

He will mark 30 years with the department in December. For the last 10 he has been superintendent of the Hose and Supply Division and is "right proud" of the savings to the city made in that time.

"Nowhere in the country outside of New York and Chicago," Forbes claims, "is there a hose department as efficient as the one right here at our North Street headquarters—and I've been looking them over in every large city in the nation."

For several years he spent his vacations traveling the nation learning all he could about hose from the southern cotton fields to the New England weaving mills to the fire departments where it was tested.

There are approximately a half million strands in a 50-foot length of hose, he points out. In his charge are more than 70,000 feet of hose used by the 25 city fire companies—and Forbes can take just one glance at any length, name the company to which it belongs, the manufacturer, its age and the condition it is in.

### *Picture in PF.*

"Successful fire fighting depends on adequate hose," he asserts. "When a section of hose breaks while in use, it sometimes causes serious injury to firemen or bystanders and delays action so that the fire may get beyond control."

Such breaks are rare in Rochester—only three in 10 years. It is his task to test all hose before it is purchased, inspect it, whether used or not, every three months, and "dry out" all hose taken off any fire truck following a call.

His principal means of testing is a 50-foot long table in the basement, at one end of which are several pressure gages by which he applies tests up to 600-pounds pressure on the hose jackets. To "dry out" the hose he hauls it up a long rope and hangs it overnight in the 75-foot high tower; companies whose hose lines are in the tower are given reserve supply hose from one of the 18 reels in the tower room.

Average life of a length of hose is five years, Forbes says. Each year he okays the purchase of approximately 5,000 feet of it, to replace a like number of feet which he has "condemned as inadequate." But it is not discarded; it is then sent to city parks, playgrounds and other departments for use.

Forbes also has charge of all supplies, inhalators, gas masks, flashlights, helmets, and so on. An example of the saving he employs: The department today makes its own helmet numbers at one-sixth of what it used to pay for them.

So proud is he of his department that Forbes spends hours showing official visitors and delegations the equipment and how it works. His knowledge of hose, a combination of experience and extensive reading, is clearly evident as he gives explanations in a rapid-fire baritone.

Born in Rochester in 1889, he attended Schools 32, 19 and 4, did odd jobs in a depart-

ment store and had charge of stock in a machine factory before becoming a telephone linesman.

His career with the fire department is studded with variety. Starting "at \$2 a day for a 24-hour day," he drove horses for a time. When the first motors came into the department, he was chauffeur for two fire commissioners and three city mayors for a number of years. At present his personnel is an assistant and three men.

His recollections of many of the city's big fires is vivid. Never seriously injured himself, he recalls several uncomfortable escapes, among them the time he fell from a ladder 15 feet to a banister below and the time he and several others just cleared a falling wall.

"We don't have the fires we used to have," Forbes declares. "The fire prevention bureau is doing a splendid job. Driving to fires, not the fires themselves, is proving to be the greatest hazard these days."

Of medium height, more Irish than Scotch, with sparse, graying hair, Forbes is well-built and spry for his years. His job is his hobby, but he admits liking swimming and baseball. He says he plays golf "in the three figures" and enjoys three-handed pinochle every Friday night with his wife and a friend at his home, 131 Bartlett St. He is an active Mason and has been vestryman at the Church of the Epiphany for six years, as well as president of the church men's club.

Fishing and radio-listening strike his fancy, but his keenest enjoyment comes from traveling. "My wife likes it also," he remarks, relievedly. When he retires "some five or six years hence," Forbes hopes to have a lake cottage for summers here and a cottage in Florida for the winters. Florida, he says, is "the firemen's heaven, where policemen and firemen have a club of their own, get courtesy cards from the local constabulary with a lot of free privileges—and enjoy fishing."



# GEORGE G. FORD PASSES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

## Retired Head of Y, Chest Activity In 72nd Year

Ill but two days, George Grant Ford, civic leader, past president and general campaign chairman of the Rochester Community Chest, died late yesterday afternoon (Sept. 8, 1936) in Genesee Hospital. He was 72 years old.

Mr. Ford, who lived at 129 Dartmouth Street, served as chairman of the Community Chest budget committee for 11 years. Named on the committee in 1921, he was appointed chairman four years later. In 1927 he decided to devote the rest of his life to Community Chest work and served as the Chest's guiding hand until retirement from active work three years ago.

### Advanced From Clerk

Born in Elba, N. Y., Mr. Ford was educated in Rochester and graduated from the old Rochester Business College in 1884. A year later he moved to Rochester to work as billing clerk for Lewis P. Ross, wholesale boot and shoe dealer. In his 32 years with the firm he successively advanced from clerk to bookkeeper, cashier, office manager and credit manager.

In 1897, as a co-founder of the Rochester Germicide Company, he became director and president of the company board. A year later he was elected president of the Rochester Credit Men's Association and re-elected in 1913. He was a director and first vice-president of the Citizens' Bank organized in 1917. The same year he was named a director of the Young Men's Christian Association.

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GEORGE G. FORD

### Gave Much Time to Chest

Appointed to the Community Chest budget committee in 1921 he gave much of his time to Chest Campaigns, and in 1927, after he had been elected president of the YMCA, he decided to devote 12 months of the year to Community Chest work. In that capacity he aided in organizing the Community Chest trust committee, on which he served as vicechairman. In 1930 he was named president and general campaign chairman of the Chest, serving on a year-round, full-time basis, and was re-elected in 1931 and 1932. As president of the YMCA he was re-elected for five successive years.

A member of First-Asbury Methodist Episcopal Church, he served as secretary-treasurer on the church board of trustees for many years.

Mr. Ford is survived by his wife, Carrie F. Ford; a son, Elliott P. Ford; one daughter, Mrs. George Francis of Paden City, W. Va., and one grandson, George H. Francis.

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## Death Takes G. G. Ford, Civic Leader

George Grant Ford, 72, of 129 Dartmouth Street, former Community Chest and YMCA leader, died yesterday (Sept. 8, 1936) in Genesee Hospital after two days illness.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2:30 p. m. at Asbury-First Methodist Church, where the body will lie from 1:30 o'clock. The Rev. Weldon Crossland, D. D., and the Rev. Lloyd Moffett, pastor and assistant pastor, respectively, of Asbury-First Methodist, and the Rev. Robert E. Brown, D. D., former of Spencer-Ripley Methodist mer Asbury pastor and now pastor of Spencer-Ripley Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery.

Mr. Ford, named to the budget committee of the Community Chest in 1921, was chosen as chairman four years later. Beginning in 1927, he devoted his entire time

to the Community Chest and retired from active work only three years ago. He was vicechairman of the Chest trust committee, which he helped organize, and was general campaign chairman of the Chest in 1930, 1931 and 1932.

### 'Y' Head Five Years

He was elected president of the YMCA in 1927 and re-elected for five successive years. He had been a director of the "Y" since 1917.

Mr. Ford was born in Elba, but was educated in Rochester. Graduated from Rochester Business College in 1884, he became a billing clerk for Lewis P. Ross, wholesale boot and shoe dealer, in 1885, and then, during the next 32 years, rose to be credit manager.

### Business Leader

He was co-founder of the Rochester Germicide Company in 1897, becoming director and president. In 1898 he was elected president of the Rochester Credit Men's Association, a post to which he again was named in 1913. He was a director and first vice-president of the Citizens' Bank, organized in 1917.

Besides his widow, Carrie F. Ford, he is survived by a son, Elliott P. Ford; a daughter, Mrs. George Francis of Paden, W. Va., and a grandson, George H. Francis.

## George G. Ford

George Grant Ford, who died Tuesday at 72, after a brief illness, had an active and most useful career.

Beginning as a clerk for Lewis P. Ross, wholesale boot and shoe dealer, he rose by energy and ability to become a trusted executive, in charge of the financial end of the company. His work was recognized in the will by which Mr. Ross left him a share in the business.

Mr. Ford was also interested in other business and banking enterprises, but was best known for the devoted service he gave to the Community Chest. He was a member and later chairman of the budget committee, vice chairman of the Chest trust committee, and several times general campaign manager. For years he gave nearly his whole time to Community Chest work.

He was also a director and for six years president of the YMCA, a contributor and worker in many worthy civic enterprises and institutions.

Through the death of George G. Ford, Rochester loses a citizen who was outstanding in his services to the community.

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Served Community

Rochester has had many public spirited business men but perhaps few have given so unsparingly of their leisure years to the community's service as George G. Ford, whose death in the General Hospital Tuesday at the age of 72 closed his career.

Mr. Ford's life was an epitome of the lives of many men who started life in a small Western New York village and who have found wider spheres of usefulness in the larger cities of the region or in other cities.

His business success was consistent and the clear result of the qualities of integrity, perseverance and enterprise which make business success. But, like many others, he had a deep devotion to the community which had given him his opportunities and in his later years he began to devote more and more of his time to community service.

As early as 1917 he became interested in YMCA work, showing an interest and competence in its work which resulted in his election to the association presidency in 1927. In that year he determined to devote his whole time to Community Chest work. He organized the community trust committee, later was a member and chairman of the budget committee and in 1930 president and chairman of the campaign committee. Service to his church went along with his community service.

Rochester has many assets that make it one of the most fortunate cities in the country, but there will be general agreement in the statement that its most precious asset is the spirit of its leading citizens which Mr. Ford so well exemplified.



George P. Decker, 74, of 143 Plymouth Avenue South (above) attorney and student of Indian lore, died this morning in Strong Memorial Hospital. Edward R. Foreman, 67, city historian (below) succumbed Saturday, Feb. 22, 1936, at his home, 1740 Highland Avenue.

## E. R. FOREMAN RITES PLANNED

Funeral services for Edward Reuben Foreman, 67, city historian, will be held in First Presbyterian Church tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Mr. Foreman died at his home, 1740 Highland Avenue, Saturday, Feb. 22, 1936. The body was removed to the undertaking chapel of Ingmire & Nagle Company, 137 Chestnut Street, where it may be viewed by friends until tomorrow noon.

Mr. Foreman was born in Lima, Mar. 9, 1868, son of Joseph and Irene E. Waldo Foreman, the latter being a descendent of John and Hannah Cogswell Waldo, who settled in Ipswich, Mass., in 1635.

He was educated in Genesee Wesleyan Seminary and the University of Rochester, being graduated by the latter institution in 1892 with the degree of Ph. B.

He was elected July 14, 1931, a member of Phi Beta Kappa and was awarded the honorary degree of M. A. He was admitted to the bar in 1894 and was assistant corporation counsel in Rochester from 1894 to 1898.

Mr. Foreman was secretary to Mayor J. Rodenbeck in 1902 and 1903, from 1904 to 1907 was special counsel to the city law department. He was appointed city historian in 1921. He compiled three volumes on the historical activities of Rochester and Monroe County and the part played by city and county in the World War. He was president of the Rochester Historical Society from 1914 to 1918, treasurer of Genesee County Historical Society in 1923 and trustee of New York State Historical Society since 1924. He edited many historical works of value, including the Publication Fund Series for the Rochester Historical Society and four volumes of the Centennial History of Rochester.

In the World War, Mr. Foreman engaged in YMCA work. He held membership in Theta Nu Epsilon fraternity and was an elder of Third Presbyterian Church for six years, although a member of First Church in his later years. He was president of Rochester Bar Association 1924 to 1926 and of Associated Alumni, University of Rochester, in 1927 and 1928. He was married in 1909 to Mary Louise Payne, who died two years ago. Surviving are a stepson, James L. Angle of Rochester; a sister, Mrs. George B. Graham of Buffalo, and five nieces and nephews.

## Edward R. Foreman Dies, Noted as City's Historian

Pneumonia Fatal at 67  
—Held Many Local  
Offices

Edward Reuben Foreman, city historian and former holder of several city offices, died last night (Feb. 22, 1936) at his home, 1740 Highland Avenue. He was 67.

His death followed a two weeks' illness of pneumonia.

Passing of Mr. Foreman brought to a close a life spent in literary labors in legal and historical fields. His flair for this type of work received recognition in 1931, when he was elected a Phi Beta Kappa and received an honorary A.M. degree from University of Rochester for his accomplishments in these spheres of writing.

Although many volumes bear the stamp of his enthusiasm and industry, two works compiled and edited by him stand out in the public mind.

### Compiled War Record

One is the World War Service Record in three volumes: Volume I, titles "Those Who Died for Us," contains the names of those who did not come back from the great conflict; Volume II, "Those Who Went Forth to Serve," is the record of those who went and came back, and Volume III, "Those Who Supported the Service," tells of those who were prominently identified with the war service at home.

The other work is the "Publication Series of the Rochester Historical Society." This is divided into two parts, the first being in nine volumes under that title and the second, of which four volumes have been published and a fifth one is ready to come from the press, is called the "Centennial Series."

### Officials Hailed Books

The World War service record was acclaimed by federal and state officials as the most complete record of such activities published by any city in the United States.

All of this work has been done during his tenure of office as City Historian, a position to which he was appointed by Mayor Hiram H. Edgerton in 1921, and in which he has served continuously since.

### Head Historical Society

Mr. Foreman was five times president of Rochester Historical Society, was treasurer of Genesee Country Historical Society in 1923, and in 1924 was elected to the board of trustees of New York State Historical Society. From 1924 to 1926 he was president of



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the Rochester Bar Association, and in 1927-28 was president of Associated Alumni of the University of Rochester.

Mr. Foreman was born in Lima, a son of Joseph and Irene E. Waldo Foreman, Mar. 9, 1868. His mother was a descendant of John and Hannah Cogswell Waldo, who came to Ipswich, Mass., in 1635. He was graduated from Genesee Wesleyan Seminary at Lima in 1888, and from the University of Rochester in 1892 with the degree of Ph.B.

### Admitted to Bar in 1894

He was admitted to New York State Bar at Rochester on Oct. 5, 1894; was appointed assistant corporation counsel that year and served through 1898.

In 1902-03, he was secretary to Mayor Rodenbeck; in 1904-07, as special counsel of the Law Department of the city in charge of law publications, he was author of the Municipal Code of the City of Rochester.

He was first elected president of Rochester Historical Society in 1914 and served till 1918, when he entered upon YMCA war work, at which he stayed through 1919.

After his appointment as City Historian in 1921, he served under seven mayors.

Mr. Foreman was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon, Theta Nu Epsilon and Phi Beta Kappa fraternities and the Rochester Bar Association. He was a ruling elder in Third Presbyterian Church for six years, although lately he has been a member of First Presbyterian Church.



# E. R. FOREMAN LAID TO REST

Funeral services for Edward R. Foreman, 87, city historian, who died Feb. 22, 1936, at his home, 1740 Highland Avenue, were conducted this afternoon at First Presbyterian Church.

The Rev. John J. Lawrence, pastor, officiated.

Burial was in Mt. Hope Cemetery. Honorary bearers were:

Mayor Charles Stanton, City Manager Harold W. Baker, Councilmen William W. Campbell, Samuel B. Dicker, John Hart, Julius R. Hoestery, Lester B. Rapp, Frederick J. Ruppel, Anthony C. Santa and Joseph E. Silverstein.

Edward G. Miner, Carl S. Hallauer, Supreme Court justices, Ben Kenyon, Willis K. Gillette, John C. Wheeler, William F. Love, and former justices, Arthur E. Sutherland and Adolph J. Roderbeck.

Judge John D. Lynn, Dr. Arthur C. Parker, Roland B. Woodward, Judge William F. Lynn, Alexander T. Simpson, Surrogate Joseph M. Feeley and Dr. John Lowe, city librarian.

The Rochester Bar Association adopted resolution at noon.

John A. Jennings, Frank H. Goler, Harold L. Field, William B. Boothby, Walter H. Cassebeer, Howard Van R. Palmer, George J. Skivington, Joseph R. Webster, Thomas P. McCarriek, Kenneth B. Keating, Ednor A. Marsh, Stephen J. Warren, W. Smith O'Brien.

Howard H. Clapp, Burlew Hill, Eugene J. Dwyer, George B. Draper, Stuart J. Page, Paul Folger, Herbert J. Menzie, James J. Spinning, superintendent of schools, William T. Plumb, Nelson P. Sanford.

Herbert J. Stull, Eugene Van Voorhis, Charles Van Voorhis, Nicholas J. Weldgen, Ernest C. Whitbeck, George S. Van Schaick, Nelson E. Spencer, James L. Whitely, Robert A. Wicks, Francis S. Macomber, Edward M. Rausch, Wheeler C. Case.

# LAST TRIBUTES PAID BY BAR TO TWO MEMBERS

## Edward Foreman, George P. Decker Laid to Rest

Two lawyers long active in civic affairs but in widely different ways, yesterday were accorded final tokens of regard of their friends, including resolutions adopted by the Bar Association, as funeral rites were conducted simultaneously for George P. Decker and Edward R. Foreman.

The wish of Attorney Decker, champion of the Iroquois, life long Democrat, liberal churchman and for half a century a practicing lawyer, for a strictly private funeral, was respected. The Rev. Justin W. Nixon, D. D., pastor of Brick Presbyterian Church, officiated at services in Mount Hope Chapel, with only members of the family present.

Mr. Decker's desire for private services was observed by the Bar Association, which in adopting resolutions of sympathy, expressly omitted appointment of a committee to represent the Bar at the funeral. The committee on resolutions was composed of: Herbert J. Menzie, former law partner of Mr. Decker; John D. Lynn, G. Fort Slocum, Joseph McLean and Charles VanVoorhis. County Judge William F. Lynn presided at the Bar meetings for both Mr. Decker and Mr. Foreman.

City officials, including Mayor Charles Stanton, City Manager Harold W. Baker and all city councilmen, and many lawyers, professional men and business leaders were honorary bearers at the funeral of Mr. Foreman, city historian and active for many years in compiling and editing legal and historical manuscripts.

Services were conducted in First Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. John J. Lawrence, D. D., officiating. Representing the Bar Association at the funeral were: Former Justice Adolph J. Rodenbeck, Nelson P. Sanford, J. Arthur Jennings, Clarence M. Platt, George B. Draper and William T. Plumb. Burial will be at the convenience of the family in Lima, where Mr. Foreman was born.

# District 2 Names Head of Schools

## Lester B. Foreman Of Williamson Designated

Lester B. Foreman, 32-year-old Cornell University alumnus and vocational agriculture teacher at Williamson Central School, yesterday was elected to succeed the late Mark B. Furman as superintendent of schools in Monroe County Supervisory District 2.

Foreman was selected by the district board of school directors at the first meeting ever held for that purpose, since the late Mr. Furman, of East Rochester, had served since 1912 when the office was established by the Board of Supervisors.

Foreman was elected to fill the unexpired term of five years to which his predecessor was named last spring.

The new superintendent will take over his duties by Dec. 1, following formal approval of his appointment by the state commissioner of education. He will share the office of Monroe County's other three superintendents, John C. Malloch, Wallace W. Rayfield and Fred W. Hill in the Courthouse. All three have served since 1912.

A native of Bovina, Delaware County, Foreman was graduated from Cornell in 1926. He taught at Hammondsport High School from 1926 to 1931 when he became agriculture teacher at Williamson. He has been active in the Grange, 4-H Club and church work. He is married and has one son.

The salary of the new superintendent will be decided by the Board of Supervisors who will appropriate a sum in addition to \$3,000 paid by the state.

Towns under the second district supervision are Rush, Perinton, Pittsford and Mendon.

## New Superintendent



LESTER B. FOREMAN

# Death Closes Legal Career Of Forsyth

The Rochester bar lost a venerable and distinguished member last night when Daniel W. Forsyth died of a heart attack at his home, 2 Kingsboro. He was 85.

Mr. Forsyth, uncle of Walter S. Forsyth, surrogate candidate, and C. Benjamin Forsyth, deputy corporation counsel, was born in Port Huron, Mich.

To a career of more than 50 years in law, he added extensive civic service. He was first alderman of the 19th Ward, a member of the Board of Education in 1883, and was assistant district attorney for several years. During the illness of his brother, the late George D. Forsyth, he was acting district attorney.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Cora A. Forsyth, and his two nephews. Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Saturday, at 263 Park Ave., with burial at Mumford.

# Teacher Gets County Post

Lester B. Foreman, vocational agriculture instructor at Williamson Central School, today became superintendent of schools in Rush, Perinton, Pittsford and Mendon.

The 32-year-old Cornell alumnus was elected yesterday to succeed the late Mark B. Furman as director of educational institutions in Monroe County Supervisory District 2.

He will share an office in the Court House with Monroe County's three other superintendents, John C. Malloch, Wallace W. Rayfield and Fred W. Hill.

If formal approval of his appointment is received from the state commissioner of education he will assume his new duties Dec. 1. His salary will be decided by the Board of Supervisors, who will appropriate a sum in addition to \$3,000 paid by the state.

Following his graduation from Cornell University, Foreman taught at Hammondsport High School. In 1931 he became agricultural instructor at Williamson, where he was active in Grange and 4-H Club work. He is a native of Delaware County, is married and has one son.

# D. W. FORSYTH DIES IN HOME

Member of a distinguished family of Rochester lawyers, Daniel W. Forsyth, one of the city's oldest attorneys, died last night (Oct. 13, 1937) at his home, 2 Kingsboro Rd., at the age of 85 years.

He died of a heart attack after working during the day at his office in the Powers Building.

Born in Port Huron, Mich., Mr. Forsyth practiced law for more than 50 years and long was active in public life of the city. He served as the first alderman of the 19th Ward, was a member of the Board of Education in 1883 and for several years was an assistant district attorney. For a short time late in the last century he was acting district attorney during illness of his brother, the late George D. Forsyth.

He leaves his widow, Mrs. Cora A. Forsyth, herself a former member of the board of Education, and two nephews, Walter S. Forsyth, Democratic candidate for surrogate, and Deputy Corporation Counsel C. Benjamin Forsyth.

Funeral arrangements last night were incomplete.

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# Benjamin Forman, Back from World Tour, Hails American Press as Real News Fount

## U.S. Carries Hod of Information, Says City Merchant

Travel may be broadening, but if you want an authoritative slant on what's going on in the world, read your American newspaper.

That advice is from Benjamin Forman, president of B. Forman Company, who with Mrs. Forman last week disembarked at New York City after a six-month business and pleasure tour around the world.

The American press, said the Clinton Avenue South merchant yesterday as he sat in his office again directing the business bearing his name, is "carrying the hod of information for the rest of the world."

Increased tension in Europe and Asia, he claims, has made the already widely muzzled foreign press all but inarticulate.

"Even discussion is discouraged," he said. "When, for instance, you ask about war, people shrug in resigned fashion and say they will think about it when it comes."

### Found Russia Busy

Mr. Forman dodged discussion of business conditions and trends. However, he said: "I did notice that people in Europe seem to be busy with a purpose. This is especially

true of Russia where the government is using every means to develop the country's vast resources."

In Manchukuo and Siberia Mr. and Mrs. Forman were thrilled by some of the most interesting sights and experiences of their entire trip, he declared.

Scenery, however, was limited in the Japanese puppet state. At intervals, Mr. Forman said, the shades in the railroad coach would be lowered and they would ride closed in for hours.

### Soldier Guards Coach

"At either end of the coach stood a little Japanese soldier with rifle and bayonet to make sure the shades stayed down," he added.

In China, too, the military rode the trains. Sometimes they outnumbered the civilian passengers. "Bandits" was the universal answer to any questions about why they were present.

On the Amur River, the "powder train" of Asia and the scene and subject of recent Japanese-Russian clashes and controversy, the Formans saw Soviet troops working feverishly to complete bridges and fortifications.

But more powerful than cannon, thinks Mr. Forman, is the Japanese spirit. "They're all for one and one for all; don't underestimate the strength of that," he said. From troubled Asia to Moscow

## D. & C. JUL 8-1937 Manchukuo, Siberia Offered Thrills to Him and Wife

was the next stage of the trip. After his visit to the Soviet capital. Mr. Forman does not agree that the government is to blame for the little tourists see.

### Blames Tourists

"The average tour parties schedule only brief stopovers, he explained, "and it's little wonder Americans come home with only recollections of a glimpse of the Kremlin and a motor factory."

Before going to China, Japan and Russia, the Formans saw South America, South Africa, the Straits Settlements and the East Indies. From Moscow they went to London for Coronation Week. The great pageant over, they traveled to Switzerland and Vienna and then to Paris, where they spent considerable time for business purposes before leaving to board the Normandie for New York.

The reporter wanted to ask when Mr. Forman would start packing for another jaunt to those far places, but he didn't get a chance.

An office aide put his head in the door. "Will you be here tomorrow, Mr. Forman," he asked.

"Tomorrow?" answered the store head. "I'll be here from now on."

## RVF Biography, F. F. S. Forman Elected Law Firm Member

Frederick S. Forman has been elected a member of the law firm of Oviatt, Gilman, O'Brien &



FREDERICK  
S. FORMAN

Law School. He lives at 2351 East Ave., Brighton.

Other members of the firm besides Oviatt include Andrew L. Gilman, J. Emmett O'Brien and Harold H. Barnsdale.

## New Post Opens To Rochesterian

Abraham Foster Jr., vice-president of the National Surety Corporation and a native of Rochester, will become manager of the Fidelity and Surety Department of the Association of Casualty and Surety Executives, it was announced yesterday. His office will be in New York.

After receiving his grammar and high school education in this city, Foster took his law degree from the University of Buffalo in 1927 and was admitted to the bar the following year, beginning practice in this city as a partner in the firm of Maloney and Foster.

He was then called by George S. VanSchaick, of this city and then superintendent of insurance, as counsel to the superintendent. In August, 1933, Foster accepted the vicepresidency of the National Surety Corporation and two years later was appointed assistant general council, retaining his rank of vicepresident. His home now is in Rockville Center, L. I.

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William R. Foster, University of Rochester and Rochester Business Institute graduate, is author of an article entitled "Plateaus Can Be Prevented" in the current issue of Business Education World.

## S. B. Foster, Bartholomay President, Dies

Sandys Birket Foster, 67, president of the Bartholomay Company, for more than 40 years, died yesterday at his home, Rock Beach, Irondequoit.

He had been in ill health for more than four years.

Mr. Foster came to America from England and joined the auditing firm of Price & Waterhouse in Chicago. When the Bartholomay Brewing Company here was purchased by an English concern, he became its treasurer. In 1899 he became president, a post he held until Jan. 1, 1938. He was instrumental in transforming the brewing company into a dairy and ice cream firm with the coming of prohibition.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Katherine H. Foster; two daughters, Mrs. Frances Foster Sawyer and Mrs. Dudley Russell.

His body will rest at 137 Chestnut St. until tomorrow night. Funeral services will be held in Chicago.

## Foster Funeral To Be in Chicago

Funeral services for Sandys B. Foster, 67, president and chairman of the board of the Bartholomay Company Inc., who died late Tuesday in his home, Rock Beach, Irondequoit, will be conducted tomorrow in Chicago, where the body was taken last night. Services will be in Rose Hill Chapel there.

Mr. Foster, a native of England, had been an executive of the Bartholomay Company since 1897 and president since 1899. Despite an accident suffered some years ago he was active up to the time of his death and had been in his office as usual Monday.

Son of the late Joseph Foster, an honorary M. A. of Oxford University, England, Mr. Foster came to the United States to join an accounting firm, which he left to take his position with the Bartholomay company.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Katherine H. Foster, and two daughters, Mrs. Frances Foster Sawyer and Mrs. Dudley Russell.

## D. & C. JUL 4 1940 Former Resident Passes in West

J. Franklin Fox, former resident of Rochester and shoe manufacturer in Boston, died June 21 at his home, Foxley Ranch, Encino, Calif., according to word received here yesterday. He was a life member of Hamilton Chapter, Monroe Commandery and Damascus Temple, Rochester.

He was born in Hemlock, attending schools in Livonia and Lima. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Marjorie Mossman Fox, and his daughter, Mrs. Ludlow Shonnard Jr., of Beverly Hills.

## Joseph Fox Rites S. & C. JUN 25 1940

Last rites for Joseph W. Fox, 62, building superintendent of the Rochester Trust & Safe Deposit Company, will be conducted Monday at 2 p. m. at his home, 471 Columbia, where he died yesterday after a long illness.

Mr. Fox had been employed by the trust company for 18 years. He was a member of Craftsman Lodge, F&AM. He leaves his wife, Frances Goodman Fox; three daughters, Mrs. Frank Webster, Newark, Mrs. W. Clayton Berl and Miss F. Marion Fox, Rochester; a son, Joseph E. Fox, Rochester, and a brother, George H. Fox, Edwardsville, Ill.



# Banker's Son Found Dead in Lacoma Lake

**Insurance Man, 41,  
Missing for Week  
From Home**

The body of Jerry B. Foster, 41, insurance man and son of William W. Foster, president of the Union Trust Company, was found yesterday floating in Lacoma Lake, a half mile east of Bushnell's Basin.

A verdict of "possible accidental death" was issued last night by Dr. Richard A. Leonardo, coroner. Foster has been missing since Wednesday, May 19, when he left his home, 583 Harvard Street, to inspect his cottage on the lake preparatory to putting it in shape for summer use, Doctor Leonardo said.

Operatives of the John A. Doyle Detective Agency, who have been seeking the insurance man since his disappearance, found the body and notified Leonardo. It was fully-clad, including a top coat.

Neither the coroner nor the private operatives found signs of violence. Doctor Leonardo speculated that Foster may have slipped or fallen off a pier near his cottage, possibly striking his head on the dock just before entering the water. Foster was considered an expert swimmer.

Leonardo said the body had been



JERRY B. FOSTER

in the water, from all indications, since the day Foster left his home. All the victim's personal effects were intact. The lake near the pier is about 10 feet deep.

The coroner said he did not know how Foster reached the cottage unless he took a Canandaigua bus to the nearest point on the main highway and walked into the woods to the lake. From all information available, Leonardo said, he was alone at the time. He

## Death During Visit to Cottage Believed Accidental

added that Foster has not been driving an automobile in recent months.

### Search Started

Search for the insurance man started Wednesday night when his family became alarmed over his failure to appear. Service of the Doyle Agency were sought and operatives worked at the lake and in Rochester.

His father was called to the scene when the body was discovered.

A separate investigation was launched last night by Sheriff's Deputies Bernard Blanchard and Earle Sharpe.

Associated with the Earl Colborn Insurance Agency, Foster has resided in Rochester since about 1915. Born in Syracuse, he received his early education there and in Philadelphia and attended the University of Rochester in 1915-16. He was a member of Rochester Ad Club.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Challiss R. Foster; two children, Challiss E. and Helen B. Foster, and his father.

The funeral will be from his late home, 583 Harvard Street, tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

## Found in Lake



Jerry B. Foster

## Banker's Son Dies in Lake; Rites Saturday

Funeral services for Jerry B. Foster, 41, insurance agent, whose body was found floating in Lacoma Lake yesterday, will be conducted

at his home at 583 Harvard Street tomorrow afternoon.

Foster, son of President William W. Foster of the Union Trust Company, is believed to have fallen on the pier of his summer home and tumbled into the water May 19.

Lacoma Lake is nestled at the bottom of a circle of wooded hills near Bushnell's Basin. Foster went there to work around his secluded cottage May 19.

Coroner Richard A. Leonardo, who issued a verdict of possible accidental death, reported today he learned from the family that Foster was subject to seizures and it was believed he fell during an attack.

Foster was associated with the Earl Colborn Insurance Agency. A native of Syracuse, he lived here since 1915 when he came to Rochester to attend the university.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Challiss R. Foster, and two children, Challiss E. and Helen B. Foster.

## G. W. Fraley Rite Slated for Today

Funeral services for George W. Fraley, 69, former Rochester alderman and supervisor, will be held today at 8:30 a. m. in the home of his brother, Edward Fraley, 31 Wentworth Street. Services in Saint Paul and Peter's Church will follow at 9 a. m.

Mr. Fraley, a life long Republican, was alderman from the old 11th ward a quarter century ago when it was predominantly Democratic. He later became supervisor. He was a charter member of the Rochester Athletic Club. Before prohibition, he operated a restaurant and saloon at Brown and Winthrop Streets.

He was a member of Rochester BOPE. He died last Thursday in Rochester General Hospital. Survivors are two sisters, Mrs. Lulu Nunn, Lakeland, Florida, and Mrs. Amelia Nunn, this city, and two brothers, William Fraley, Auburn.

# Foulkes Appointed 2d Time To City Civil Service Body

**Cartwright Names  
Baker Designee  
To Same Post**

Louis S. Foulkes, ardent city manager plan advocate, will serve as city Civil Service Commissioner by appointment of City Manager Louis B. Cartwright.

His earlier appointment by City Manager Baker held invalid by Corporation Counsel William H. Emerson. Foulkes was asked yesterday to accept the post at the



LOUIS S. FOULKES

hands of Baker's successor, and he accepted. Foulkes, who took oath once last Friday, was sworn in again by Robert H. Link, city personnel director.

Emerson, in a formal opinion filed with Cartwright yesterday support his opinion that an appointment to office in anticipation of a vacancy therein is effective only in case the officer making the appointment still is in office when the vacancy occurs.

But Baker, who appointed Foulkes shortly before noon Friday, went out of office at noon, while the term of Franklin T. Everett, predecessor to Foulkes, did not expire until midnight Friday. Everett, Emerson pointed out, thus was commissioner up to the time his opinion was rendered, despite Baker's appointment.

Cartwright's appointment was viewed at City Hall as a masterpiece of political strategy as well as an excellent choice, intrinsically.

It had the full approval of Arthur Lochte, Republican county chairman, it was learned last night.

In appointing Foulkes, it was viewed as certain in political circles, Baker aimed to rouse the city manager element of the city against the Republican organization. But in reappointing him after the original appointment had been found invalid, Cartwright totally destroyed any such plan's effectiveness.

Foulkes will serve six years at \$1,200 a year. He was one of the city's first councilmen and was elected as a City Manager League candidate in 1927 when he defeated Fred S. Kusmaul, a former alderman. In the east council district, Foulkes was re-elected in 1931 when he defeated Charles Van Voorhis, the Republican organization candidate, but in 1935 he declined to be a candidate for a third term because of ill health.

Other members of the commission are Fred D. Lamb, chairman, a Democrat, and Dr. Joseph L. Guzzetta, former councilman, a Republican.

## Foulkes Elected To Bank Board

Louis S. Foulkes Jr., secretary of the Vogt Manufacturing Corporation, has been elected to the Board of Trustees of the East Side Savings Bank, Joseph H. Zweeres, president, announced, following a meeting of the trustees yesterday.

## Frederick W. Frank Burial Rites Tomorrow

Last rites for Frederick W. Frank, 25 Saranac St., well-known Mason, will be conducted at 609 Clinton N. at 2 p. m. tomorrow with burial in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Mr. Frank died at his home Saturday night. He was a member of Germania Lodge 722, F&AM; a past master of Germania Lodge of Perfection and a member of the Rochester Consistory and Damascus Temple.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Louisa Frank; a son, Harold Frank, a daughter, Mrs. George Hommel, and one grandchild.

## Frank Becomes Vice Mayor

Councilman Harry H. Frank's oath of office as vice mayor of Rochester was filed today with City Clerk Thomas P. O'Leary.

Frank, last of the city officials to take the oath, was sworn in by Ralph Schauman, council messenger, last night at Frank's home where he has been confined by illness since late in December.



