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Dr. Frank Wayland Adams of 29 Faraday Street, who today observed his 95th birthday anniversary, is the oldest living graduate of Amherst College.

## Oldest Amherst Graduate Hailed on 95th Birthday

The oldest living graduate of Amherst College, Dr. Frank Wayland Adams of 29 Faraday Street, today observed his 95th birthday anniversary.

Congratulations from his fraternity and his college greeted Doctor Adams this morning. Dr. Stanley King, president of the college, wired:

"Our alma mater sends you her warmest congratulations on your 95th birthday. We are proud of your record as an officer in the war of the Union, as a member of the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and in your profession of physician. Your college salutes you and wishes you many years of happiness."

From his fraternity came the message: "Sigma Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon salutes and congratulates you on your 95th birthday."

Doctor Adams was graduated from Amherst in 1862. Only one other member of his class, not a graduate, survives. Doctor Adams has lived in Rochester since 1927 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Winifred Adams Burr. His son, Robert Adams of Boston, was in Rochester for the anniversary today. Several old friends will be dinner guests at his home tonight.

A member of the historic Adams family which gave the United States two presidents, Doctor Adams is proud of his heritage.

He is the author of "An Epic Poem on the Civil War in America," originally delivered in accordance with New England tradition as a patriotic address on Memorial Day. He is a veteran of the G. A. R. and was for many years active in civic former home. He served as town affairs in Royalston, Mass., his clerk, library trustee, peace justice and representative in the Massachusetts legislature.

So ably did Doctor Adams serve as superintendent of the Royalston Congregationalist Sunday School, he was annually re-elected to the position even after moving to Rochester.

## Operation on Noted Author Success

### Samuel Adams Views Boyhood Locale From Hospital

Times-Union DEC 18 1934  
By CAROLYN RICHARD

From the windows of his room in General Hospital, Samuel Hopkins Adams, Washington commentator and author of notes can look out upon the crowded house-tops of his boyhood locale, the old Third Ward and School's playground.

Mr. Adams has been sojourning in the General a week while recovering from a surgical operation, the success of which now assures him the ability to walk for the rest of his life. It has been a full and active one for 63 years and he is glad to find that it may continue to be so.

A staunch Democrat, Mr. Adams' comment on national affairs was to express his strong belief in the principles of the present administration.

"I'm a strong New Dealer," he said, and chuckled. "I get a lot of enjoyment out of Franklin D. He's not afraid to be wrong, goes ahead on a theory we should have put into government a long time ago—the scientific use of the principle of trial and error. Unless we have the courage to break out new paths, our civilization will come to an end."



Samuel Hopkins Adams, retired newspaperman, commentator on Washington politics and author, takes his mental relaxation in detective stories, he admitted to The Times-Union reporter who interviewed him in General Hospital. Mr. Adams, whose home is near Auburn, is recovering from an operation performed here last week.

Politics, however, no longer claim as much of the attention of this famous newspaperman as they used to do. Most of his writing now is magazine fiction or for the movies. He, by the way, was the author of the clever story for "It Happened One Night," which starred Claudette Colbert recently.

Hollywood is not what it used to be in the old days of the silent movies, Mr. Adams believes. The talkies, in his opinion, have necessitated the introduction of a

more intelligent type of actor and more competent acting, which has had the effect of raising the general morale of the famous screen colony and putting more of real artistic value into movie productions.

When Samuel Adams returns sometime this week to his home near Auburn he indicated that he will take pleasant memories with him of his hospital visit.

As the nurse ushered visitors away with a stern professional look, Mr. Adams took occasion to pay tribute to The Times-Union newscaster, Al Sigl, who in his opinion has "an excellent sense of news proportion, beyond what is usually heard over the air."

## Directory Famed, Aabs Wed 50 Years

First in the directory, first in the telephone and first in the hearts of their ever-widening family are the Aabs of Aab Street.

Yesterday, Mr. and Mrs. August T. Aab observed their golden wedding anniversary with a dinner attended by their seven children, 15 grandchildren and one great-grandchild, followed by a reception for friends. There, too, they were first

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# George W. Aldridge, Jury Commissioner, Dies of Brain Tumor

Rochester Public Library

Funeral services will be held tomorrow for George W. Aldridge, 44, Monroe County commissioner of jurors, who died Sunday, Dec. 30, 1934, in Strong Memorial Hospital.

The ushers will be Dr. Dexter Perkins, Dr. Arthur J. May, Edward Royce, Dr. Willson Coates and C. Storrs Barrows.

Mr. Aldridge was taken to the hospital early last week. An operation Saturday disclosed he was suffering from a brain tumor that had progressed to a point where it could not be removed. Death came Sunday shortly after 3 p. m.

Son of the late George W. Aldridge, for years Monroe County Republican leader, Mr. Aldridge was appointed commissioner of jurors in June, 1923. He succeeded John M. Steele of Pittsford, incumbent for 25 years. The elder Aldridge was collector of the Port of New York at the time of his death.

He was the last of the male line in the Aldridge family. His grandfather and father both served as mayor of Rochester.

## Voted for Socialist

George W. Aldridge Jr., served two terms of five years each as commissioner of jurors and was renamed in 1933, but not without opposition. Harry J. Bareham, then GOP county leader, refused to endorse him because Mr. Aldridge admitted having voted for Norman Thomas, Socialist candidate for President in 1932.

A petition signed by 100 Monroe County lawyers, however, helped turn the tide in the incumbent's favor. The petition praised the "high character and quality of the work done by Mr. Aldridge, and the resulting vast improvement in the jury system of Monroe County." Among the signers were most of Rochester's leading attorneys.

It was urged editorially and elsewhere that the job of commissioner of jurors should be divorced from politics and that Mr. Aldridge should be appointed strictly on his merits and the improvements made.

## Renamed Unanimously

By unanimous action of the resident Supreme and County Court judges, he was reappointed. The nomination was made by Justice Benjamin B. Cunningham, and seconded by Justice Willis K. Gillette. Justice William F. Lynn, a Democrat, also voted affirmatively.

Editorial comment in Rochester's newspapers praised Mr. Aldridge's record for several reasons, among them the increase in number of

One of Mr. Aldridge's last public addresses was before the Monroe County League of Women Voters in Hotel Seneca Oct. 24. He displayed his customary wit in discussing the advisability of having women on juries and stood his ground in the face of vigorous rebuttal from the audience.

Born in Rochester, Mr. Aldridge attended Bradstreet's School and later Brown and Nickolls School in Cambridge. He was graduated from Harvard University in 1917 with honors in psychology and philosophy.

During the World War, Mr. Aldridge served in the U. S. Army Intelligence Department. Shortly after the Armistice he married Edith Brooks Hunt of Cambridge.

Mr. Aldridge's first work was a state position in Albany. He later worked at the advertising business

in New York until his death in 1922, when he returned to Rochester, moving into his residence in Pittsford known as the "Red Brick House."

For a time after returning, Mr. Aldridge worked as legislative correspondent in Albany for the Rochester Hearst papers.

Surviving are his mother, Mary J. Aldridge, and his widow.

Funeral services will be tomorrow at 3 p. m. in the home. The Rev. David Rhys Williams, D. D., of First Unitarian Church will officiate. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery.



George W. Aldridge

accepted jurors from 8,000 to 17,000, thus putting the whole system on a broader basis, and the fact he materially reduced the cost of administration.

When he first took office, the taxpayers were spending \$9,200 a year for the juror system; in 1933, with more than double that number of jurors, the cost approximated \$8,250.

## INNIS P. ALLEN SUCCUMBS TO BRIEF ILLNESS

Ford Shoe Company's  
President Passes  
At Age of 61

Innis P. Allen, president and treasurer of C. P. Ford & Co., Rochester shoe manufacturers, died yesterday (July 25, 1935) in Genesee Hospital after a brief illness.

Born in Auburn, Oct. 5, 1863, Mr. Allen attended the schools there. He came to Rochester about 1885 and became associated with the Ford concern about 30 years ago. Formerly treasurer, he became president about five years ago.

He was a member of Genesee Valley Club, Masons and Washington Club. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Sallie Davis Allen; three daughters, Mrs. Conrad Breck, Mrs. Walter S. Forsyth and Mrs. Elmer L. Sylvester.

Funeral services will be conducted in the home, 76 Edgemere Drive, tomorrow at 2 p. m., Rev. William C. Compton, rector of Church of the Ascension, officiating. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery.



G. E. August

## DEATH TAKES G. R. ADAMS, 74

Gulford R. Adams, 74, associated with Samuel Sloan and Company for more than half a century, died today, Feb. 26, 1936, at his home, 110 Grosvenor Road.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday at 3 p. m. at the home.

Mr. Adams was born in Lowville, Lewis County, May 22, 1862. His father was Dr. Ira Adams, direct descendant of the father of President John Adams.

While still a boy, he came to Rochester and entered the employ of Samuel Sloan, who conducted a plumbing and steam and gas fitting establishment in Exchange Street in 1881.

In 1896 he was taken into partnership by Mr. Sloan with the latter's son, William E. Sloan, the firm taking the name of Samuel Sloan & Company with Mr. Adams having charge of the purchasing department.

He was elected president of the Eastern Supply Association in 1916 after having served as a director and vicepresident.

National Pipe and Supplies Association honored him in 1921 by naming him president of that organization after he had served a term as vicepresident.

He was twice married, his first wife being Miss Clara Elizabeth Lobb. This union resulted in two children, Mrs. Dean Todd Pryor of Rochester and Mrs. Corwin W. Kindig of Saratoga Springs. Some time after his first wife's death, he married Miss Anna Louise Walls, who survives with a daughter, Dorothy-Jane Adams, and the two daughters by his first marriage.

## DEATH CLAIMS G. E. AUGUST

Was Identified with Local  
Furniture Concerns  
For Years

Long prominent in the business world here, G. Edgar August died today, Mar. 4, 1936, at his home, 857 Harvard Street, after an extended illness. He was 53.

Mr. August was born Sept. 24, 1883. He was from 1918 until a brief period before his final illness, general manager for the People's Outfitting Company, and later for a time with the Garson & Wood Furniture Company. He retired several months ago because of ill health.

Mr. August was a member of Yonnonndio Lodge of Masons. He is survived by his widow, Minnie J.; a daughter, Jane; his mother, Mrs. David August; a sister, Edith, all of Rochester, and a brother, Albert of Fairport.

Private funeral services will be conducted at Jeffreys', 32 Chestnut Street.



**FLOYD W. ANNABEL**, who has been nominated by the Democratic Party for Supreme Court justice to succeed himself, is a native of Howard, Steuben County.



He was born 49 years ago, was educated in Avon High School and in Syracuse Law School. Following his graduation and admission to the bar he took up the practice of law in Bath in 1911, continuing there until last August when he was appointed by Governor Lehman to fill a vacancy on the Supreme Court bench caused by the resignation of Justice Edwin C. Smith of Bath.

Justice Annabel was the unanimous choice of the Democratic judicial committee and the judicial convention to succeed Justice Smith. He is a member of the Steuben County Bar Association and of the Board of Education of Bath.

## Film Actor Spends Yuletide In Visit with Parents Here

### Ross Alexander Plans More Picture Work In Hollywood

Young Ross Alexander came home to spend Christmas with "Mom."

And "Mom," it may be said here, is a grand lady even though she refused to be photographed with her movie star son.

She asked if she might remain in her own kitchen while Hollywood's newest leading man was questioned because "after all he's my boy and I'm his protector."

The handsome young veteran of a decade on Broadway and two years in the movie colony slipped home to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Smith, of 433 Woodbine Avenue, by plane last Thursday.

He who was once plain Alexander Ross Smith of West High and now prefers to be called Ross Alexander will appear in his first leading roles early in January.

#### Slated for New Film

Work has just been completed on "Backfire" and "Applesauce" and Alexander made for home and his first vacation in more than a year. Under contract to Warner Brothers, the Rochesterian, who is 28 and would need proof of age in a voting booth, will return to the coast in the middle of January to begin work on another picture.

His next will be "Nowhere," once screened in the silent days by Richard Barthelmess. Meanwhile he will rest in his West Side home. Fresh from a triumph in "Midsummer Night's Dream," Alexander refused to compare the stage and screen.

"I was through six flops on Broadway," he said, "and so I know the stage fairly well. I once drew 12 weeks' pay in two years down in New York."

"The stage means one technique and the screen another. It's simply a matter of learning all over again."

"One thing the movies do for you however. Once in a while you can go into a projection room and get a glimpse of how lousy you are. On the stage you can never see yourself."

#### Recalls Tough Days

But for a contrast, he suggested, take New York and Hollywood.

In California they really know how to live, he says. In New York you have to make money to live.



ROSS ALEXANDER

"I know," he added, "as I said before, I was in six flops down there."

The tall, lean actor reddened when his successes were mentioned and he turned the conversation back to the days when dollars were few and parts in successful productions less.

Those days are gone, he hopes, for the rest of his life. For the present he is awaiting the call of Warner Brothers which will send his next starring vehicle into production.

Alexander's name broke into the news several weeks ago when his wife took her life in their Hollywood home.

## Rochester Screen Star Takes

### Ross Alexander Weds Hollywood Player In Arizona

Ross Alexander, Rochester's contribution to filmdom, stepped into plane in Hollywood last night, flew to Yuma, Ariz., and was married to Ann E. Dolan, 21-year-old actress.

The youthful motion picture star, whose last wife, Aleta Friel, killed herself in a fit of despondency Dec. 7, 1935, was married by Judge E. A. Freeman, Yuma's "marrying justice," early last evening. Alexander is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Ross Smith of 433 Woodbine Avenue. His parents could not be reached last night.

The marriage came as a surprise. Alexander's name has been

linked in recent months with that of Anita Louise, blond leading lady, with whom he starred this year in "Brides Are Like That." Miss Dolan is a newcomer to Hollywood.

The youthful actor, who began his career in West High School and subsequently went to Broadway, became a center of publicity last December when an investigation was conducted into the death of his wife, Aleta, comely actress. The investigation came on the request of her father, Dr. William Friel of Jersey City who flew to Hollywood for "a more complete investigation."

Later a coroner's jury verified Alexander's report that his wife had taken her life after a minor quarrel in which she threatened to "go home."

Alexander began his career by going to New York at the age of

## Second Bride

### Takes Plane to Yuma For Surprise Rites—No. 1 Ended Life

16 and playing in several Broadway productions. He married Miss Friel in 1924 and after an unspectacular career on the Great White Way went to Hollywood three years ago.

He was recognized as a promising juvenile by Hollywood producers and received several important parts, winning a major role in "Midsummer Night's Dream." Since the beginning of 1936 he has been starred in half a dozen productions. He spent a vacation with his parents in Rochester during the latter part of December, 1935, and the early weeks of January, 1936. He is 28 years old.

**Elmer Adler**, one of the greatest living authorities on type and printing, showed me his printing plant the other day. The shop is called Pynson Printers. It devotes itself to slow and careful printing, on small presses, of artistic jobs. The boys were working on an edition of Stevenson's "Kidnapped," for the Limited Editions Club. They've been at that one job, this way and that, for a year and a half. But it'll be a dandy when it's done.

Adler, young-looking, bald, earnest and enthusiastic, comes from Rochester. He took up printing as a hobby when a mere lad. His shop is in the Times Annex on 43d street, but has no connection with the New York Times.

The Museum of the Printed word is an institution maintained in the Times Annex. It's worth the time of any visitor to New York. Arthur H. Sulzberger, head man of the Times organization, established the museum. Mr. Adler designed it and helped set it up. It tells the story from earliest scribbings on clay tablets to today's newspaper.



Aleta Friel



Ann Nagel



# YOUNG ACTOR, CITY NATIVE, DIES IN WEST

## Body in Barn of Hollywood Home Beside Gun

Hollywood—(AP)—Ross Alexander, Rochesterian and wise-cracking young film actor, was found dead in the barn back of his home in Van Nuys last night.

His wife of six months, the former Anne Nagel, film actress, said she believed he committed suicide.

She was too hysterical to talk coherently.

A maid said, "between 7:30 and 8:30 o'clock tonight, Alexander took his pistol and went out to the barn. He said he was going to kill a duck.

"We heard a shot. And then he did not come back."

The pistol was found beside the actor's body.

The maid ascribed no reason for the act.

Alexander's first wife, Aleta Frele, a stage actress, committed suicide about a year ago.

### Attended West High

Alexander, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Ross Smith of 433 Woodbine Avenue, Rochester, and former West High student, followed his first wife in death by little more than a year.

It was Dec. 7, 1935, that Aleta Frele, Broadway actress and the Rochesterian's first wife, fired two shots into her head just outside their home in Hollywood.

Alexander, whose real name was Alexander Ross Smith Jr., gained greatest fame in his movie career when he played the role of Demetrius in the Max Reinhardt production of "Midsummer Night's Dream." Critics at that time forecast a great future for him.

### Visitor Year Ago

About a year ago Alexander visited his parents' home, following the suicide of his first wife. He spent several weeks here at that time.

His elopement with Ann Nagel, a motion picture actress, last September, brought him into prominence again.

Prior to entering the motion picture field, Alexander had spent two years on Broadway and it was as a struggling young actor there that he met and married his first wife. Following her death, on demands of her father, an inquest and investigation was conducted, but there was no evidence to indicate other than suicide. She had been disappointed over the results of screen tests, it was said at the time.

Alexander Ross Smith was only 16 when he changed his name to Ross Alexander and tackled Broadway. He had previously done some amateur theatrical work in Rochester.

Six weeks of training at the Packard School in New York and he was picked to play in Blanche Yurka's "Enter Madame."

There followed in succession two seasons with a repertory company in New York and Boston.

Then came appearances in "The Ladder," "Night Hostess," "Let Us Be Gay," "That's Gratitude," "After Tomorrow," "The Party's Over" and "The Stork Is Dead."

Noted by moving picture scouts, he was given a role in "The Wiser Sex," followed by several minor roles, and then "Flirtation Walk," which established him as one of the best of light comedians in Hollywood. He has also been seen here in "We're in the Money," "Gentlemen Are Born" and "Maybe It's Love," and "Midsummer Night's Dream."

## Star's Parents Told of Death

The parents of Ross Alexander, screen actor, Mr. and Mrs. A. Ross Smith of 433 Woodbine Avenue, were returning to Hollywood today on a tragic mission.

The Rochester couple, who had spent Christmas with their son in Hollywood, were intercepted at Little Rock, Ark., when en route back to Rochester and told that their son had been found dead in the barn on his estate Saturday night.

Police listed the Rochester actor's death as suicidal, but an inquest will be held late this week at which his widow, Anne Nagel, screen actress, will tell of her husband's actions before the shooting, according to an Associated Press dispatch from Hollywood.

It is expected that Alexander's body will be brought back to Rochester for burial. Funeral arrangements awaited arrival in Hollywood of his parents.

Alexander, who was 29, last visited his parents here about a year ago, after the death of his first wife, Aleta Frele, who committed suicide Dec. 6, 1935.

Although he married Ann Nagel last September, he had never recovered from the shock of his first wife's death, friends said.

# Ross Alexander Ends Life With Bullet; Had Brilliant Stage and Film Career

## Rochester Movie Star Gun Victim



Ross Alexander, Rochester movie star who was found shot to death in Hollywood last night, is shown here as he appeared in his role of Demetrius, in "Midsummer Night's Dream."

## Motive Found In Death Of Alexander

Hollywood — (UP) — Ross Alexander, young Rochester actor, committed suicide because of grief over the death of his first wife, Aleta Frele, the coroner's office said today in an informal report.

Alexander's body was found Saturday in a hay mow at the rear of his ranch. Death was caused by a wound in the head and apparently occurred a few minutes after he left his second wife sitting at a cocktail table with instructions to "call me when dinner is ready."

Miss Frele shot herself a year ago with a gun of the same caliber as that used by Alexander.

Ross Alexander, who ducked out of West High School 13 years ago to launch a brilliant stage and film career, was dead today, victim of a bullet through his brain.

Police who investigated the tragedy on the young star's ranch near Hollywood Saturday night pronounced the shooting suicide.

Alexander, the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Ross Smith of 433 Woodbine Avenue, went west from Broadway three years ago with his first wife, Aleta Frele, to seek screen success.

Despondent over her inability to carry film roles, the wife committed suicide Dec. 6, 1935. Grief-stricken, Alexander returned home and at first remained aloof from old friends. Later time seemed to soften his sorrow and he returned to Hollywood.

Last September Alexander eloped with Ann Nagel, a young film beauty. Alexander's delighted parents left here shortly before Thanksgiving to meet the bride and to spend Christmas with their son, who was playing starring parts.

Saturday night Alexander left his house shortly after 7 p. m. with a revolver in his hand, saying he was going to shoot a duck in the barn.

When he did not return to the house for dinner a search was launched. Alexander was found in the hayloft, a bullet wound in his head and his revolver lying beside him.

Cornelius Stevenson, the young star's chauffeur-butler, told police that on Dec. 6, the anniversary of the first wife's death, he had had to struggle with his master for possession of cartridges for the pistol later found beside him.

Although reported to have left for home several days ago, Alexander's parents were not in Rochester today and could not be located. Funeral arrangements were said to be awaiting the recovery of Mrs. Alexander, who was prostrated by her husband's death.



# Alexander Death Marked 'Suicide' By Coast Police

Dec Jan. 9, 1937

## Despondency Over Passing of First Wife Blamed for Ex-Rochesterian Movie Star's Shooting Self

Hollywood—(AP)—The death of Ross Alexander, portray-  
er of youthful insouciance on the screen, was pronounced  
suicidal yesterday by Detective Lieut. Ray Giese.

The body of the dark-haired actor  
was found Saturday night in a  
barn on the estate where he and  
his bride, Ann Nagel, lived since  
their marriage Sept. 18, 1936. Cor-  
nellius Stevenson, Alexander's chauff-  
eur, who found the body, said a  
pistol was clutched in Alexander's  
hand.

The actor's death was a tragic  
finale to the story of a young couple  
who deserted the Eastern stage to  
gain film fame. Alexander's first  
wife, Alita Freil, shot herself to  
death Dec. 6, 1935. Alexander said  
she was depressed because she  
could not carry film roles—because  
her professional progress did not  
keep pace with his.

### Never Shook Despondency

Giese said he was informed Alex-  
ander never had shaken his de-  
spondency over the death of his  
first wife. Stevenson told him that  
last Dec. 6, on the anniversary of  
her death, he struggled with his  
master for possession of cartridges  
for the pistol found Saturday night.

Stevenson told police that his  
master left the house about 7  
o'clock with his pistol, announcing  
he was going to kill a duck.

Stevenson's wife, a maid, took up  
the narrative.

"He met the hired man who had  
already killed it and returned,"  
said Elita Stevenson. "Then he  
went out again and told Cornelius  
to call him from the barn when  
dinner was ready. When Cornelius  
did, he found the body, the pistol  
and a lighted torchlight beside it."

### Wife Becomes Hysterical

Miss Nagel, pretty young film  
actress, sat in the house knitting  
after her husband walked out into  
the night. She became hysterical  
when Stevenson reported what he  
had found.

Stevenson said Alexander was  
alive and moaning slightly when  
he found him. He did not regain  
consciousness.

Death came to Alexander at the  
peak of his brief cinema career.  
He had just completed a musical  
picture in which he appeared in  
the male lead opposite Ruby  
Keeler.

Alexander's parents, Mr. and  
Mrs. Ross Alexander Smith of  
Rochester, N. Y., left a few days  
ago after spending Christmas with  
the couple.

Alexander, whose real name  
was Ross Alexander Smith, was  
29 years old. He came to Holly-  
wood in 1934 after appearing on  
the Broadway stage.

### Gay During Day

Miss Nagel told officials her  
husband had been gay during the  
day.

With Miss Nagel yesterday at  
the Alexander home were her  
mother, Mrs. C. F. Nagel, her  
grandmother, Mrs. A. A. Green,  
and her aunt, Mrs. J. S. Rustic  
of Boston.

Vivian Jones, gardner at the  
place, said his employer climbed a  
ladder to the barn loft, where the  
body was found, twice Saturday  
morning. Jones added that when  
Alexander said he wanted to shoot  
a duck he told him it would be  
better where he to chop off its  
head.

"I did and he turned away, say-  
ing he didn't like the sight of  
blood," Jones said.

Alexander had been shot in the  
temple with a 22-caliber pistol.  
His death was listed yesterday in  
police records thus: "Suicide—  
Case closed."

## Death of Ross Proves Shock To Neighbors

### Parents of Alexander Visitors at His Home Over Christmas

By JACK BURGAN

On the stoop of 433 Woodbine  
Avenue yesterday afternoon lay a  
grocer's handbill, a copy of the  
Community News, and a rain-yel-  
lowed Christmas Eve issue of the  
Times-Union. Crushed between the  
doorknob and the jamb was an-  
other handbill and an envelope  
bearing a November postmark.

The Sunday afternoon quiet was  
jarred occasionally as automobiles  
rolled through the street, slowed  
in front of the house while people  
pointed and stared, and then  
moved on.

"That's where Ross Alexander  
lived," they said.

The shades of the comfortable  
white clapboard house were par-  
tially drawn and fully curtained.  
The paper littering the steps down  
to the sidewalk completed the  
story of a house which has been  
closed since the week before  
Thanksgiving when Mr. and Mrs.  
A. Ross Smith, proud parents,  
started a holiday trip westward  
as guests of a motion pictures star,  
29-year-old Ross Alexander, their  
only son.

### Reunion of Families

The trip started happily—Mr.  
Smith suffered a toothache on the  
way, a letter to friends said, and  
the tooth was removed in Cali-  
fornia. The visit was a reunion of  
the Smith family.

It was a meeting with Ann  
Nagel, 21-year-old actress whom  
Ross married in September, and  
Christmas was a celebration for  
bride and bridegroom's families.

The holiday ended Saturday.  
Ross' parents are enroute home.

Handsome young Ross, the  
promising juvenile actor who stood  
on the threshold of screen fame,  
took his own life at his ranch in  
the San Fernando Valley.

Yesterday the telephones of  
neighbors in the Woodbine Avenue  
section rang incessantly. Friends  
of the days before Ross skipped  
out of West High School and on  
to the Broadway stage 13 years  
ago, found telephone service to  
the Smith home discontinued.  
They wanted more information.  
There was none. "Ross Alexander,  
Rochesterian and wise-cracking  
young film actor, was found dead  
in the barn back of his home in  
Van Nuys last night. A pistol was  
found beside his body," the dis-  
patches had said. That was all.

### Letters from Mother

Ross, the slender, easy-going  
youngster who had starved and  
starred on Broadway and in Holly-  
wood, was dead. That's all neigh-  
bors knew. Two letters from his  
mother to a neighbor added noth-  
ing.

They were the letters of any  
mother who had watched her boy  
succeed in his profession.

"Perhaps you think the Smiths of  
Rochester aren't important out  
here on the Warner Brothers' lot,"  
said one. "They photographed  
Ross' home all day."

"Ross is working hard on his  
next picture. We went to the studio  
three times last week and met  
Ruby Keeler, who is playing op-  
posite him."

"They are going to call the pic-  
ture 'Ready, Willing and Able.' I  
do hope they change the title."

The letter went on. Ross was  
happy in his new home. He and his  
wife had been given a pair of pea-  
cocks to add to their menagerie of  
goats, donkeys, cats, ducks, dogs  
and fish. The Nagel family had  
come from Boston and they had  
celebrated Mrs. Smith's birthday  
shortly before Christmas.

### Home Newly Furnished

By a coincidence Ann Nagel's  
grandmother celebrated her birth-  
day on the same date. Ann was a  
beautiful girl and she called Mrs.  
Smith "mother."

The Alexander home had been  
newly refurnished since Ross' first  
wife, Alita Freil, committed sui-  
cide.

Somehow Mrs. Smith fancied she  
could feel her presence around the  
house, she said.

Ross kept one reminder of Alita.  
It was an unfinished sweater which  
she had been knitting before she  
died. The little work basket re-  
mained in the living room where  
she had left it, by wish of Ross.

The trip had been a happy one.  
Ross was on his way to bigger  
things. Producers and critics said  
so. His career as a juvenile was  
ending and his maturation to a  
full-statured star was beginning.

The Woodbine Avenue neighbor-  
hood around the intersection of  
Melrose Street was quiet yesterday.  
Only the telephone rang often.

## Services Held For Alexander

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Burial of Ross Alexander, 29,  
screen actor, for whom funeral  
services were held yesterday in  
Glendale, Calif., awaits the arrival  
of the Rochester native's parents,  
Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Ross  
Smith of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith had reached  
Arkansas on a return trip to Roch-  
ester, after visiting their son, when  
they were notified that the young  
actor had taken his life.

The Rev. Glen MacWilliams offi-  
ciated at the services yesterday in  
the Little Church of Flowers, ac-  
cording to the Associated Press.  
Anne Nagel, movie actress and  
second wife of Alexander, sat with  
her family behind a screen near  
the casket during the services.

## ACTOR'S BURIAL IN CALIFORNIA

Times-Union JAN 9 - 1937  
The body of Ross Alexander,  
young Rochester motion picture  
actor who took his life Jan. 2, will  
be buried and remain in Forest  
Lawn Park, Glendale, Calif.

Funeral services were held Fri-  
day in Glendale. Alexander Ross  
Smith, father of the late actor, who  
made final arrangements for his  
son's burial, said he and Mrs. Smith  
will probably remain in Southern  
California for several days.

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Ross Alexander



# Actor's Death Ruled Suicide

*RVF Biography, A* • **D. & C. JAN 7 1937**  
A coroner's jury in Los Angeles found yesterday that Ross Alexander, young Rochester motion picture actor, shot himself to death with suicidal intent, a dispatch said last night.

Ann Nagel, film actress and second wife of Alexander, testified he appeared in good spirits the day he ended his life, Jan. 2.

"He went over our plans for the new year and spoke of a second honeymoon," she said.

Alexander, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Ross Smith, 433 Woodbine Avenue, and a former West High School student, was found dead in the barn back of the Alexander home in Van Nuys, a Hollywood suburb. His first wife, Aleta Freeland, a stage actress, took her life about a year ago.

## Burial of Ross Alexander Arranged for Home City

*RVF Biography - A* • **D. & C. JAN 5 1937**  
Ross Alexander will be buried in Rochester—the city where in amateur theatricals he began his climb to screen fame.

A dispatch from Hollywood, where the former West High School boy took his own life Saturday, said funeral plans were not complete but that burial was being arranged for Rochester.

With Ruby Keeler of dancing peaks, the 29-year-old Rochester-bred Alexander had just completed a musical picture, "Ready, Willing and Able" which would have gained him a star's rating, according to critics who have seen previews.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Ross Smith, 433 Woodbine Avenue, are in Hollywood where they had spent Christmas with their son on the estate where he lived with his bride, Ann Nagel.

Alexander was found Saturday night in a barn on the estate, a pistol clutched in his hand. He was believed to have been unable to shake off despondency over the death of his first wife, Aleta Freeland, who killed herself a year ago.

## Rochester Biography - Ross Alexander

**Funeral Simple**  
**D. & C. JAN 9 1937**

**Screen Actor Credit To Profession, Says Rochester Minister**

115 South Avenue  
Glendale, Calif. — (AP) — Simple funeral services were held in the Little Church of the Flowers yesterday for Ross Alexander, 29, screen actor whose death Saturday was officially termed suicide.

"Ross was a credit to his profession — pleasant, straight-forward, always known as a good fellow," the Rev. Glen MacWilliams said.

The widow, Anne Nagel, screen actress, sat with her family behind a screen near the flower-banked casket.

Burial was postponed until Alexander's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Ross Smith, arrive from Arkansas. They were en route home to Rochester, N. Y., when informed of their son's death.

## Scholarship at Salzburg Awarded Eastman Senior

*D. & C. May 14, 1937*  
Childhood ambitions of a 3-year-old boy neared fulfillment yesterday when Victor Alessandro—now 21 and a student at Eastman School of Music—was awarded a summer-session scholarship at the Mozarteum Academy in Salzburg, Austria.

Selected by a committee of the Academy as the "outstanding young American student conductor," Alessandro, a senior at Eastman and conductor of the student orchestra, will begin his four-month study July 12. He will be tutored by prominent musical technicians in Austria and will conduct Austrian orchestras during the Salzburg Festival in August.

"When I was 3 years old, I told everyone I would be a conductor," Alessandro said yesterday, "and this award makes it seem my prediction may come true."

According to Dr. Howard Hanson, head of Eastman School and one of Alessandro's teachers, this is the first time the award has been presented to an American. Similar scholarships are awarded to violinists and pianists. All expenses of the recipient, except ship passage, are paid.

A student at Eastman for the last four years, Alessandro was honored last January when asked to conduct the Municipal Orchestra at the Composers' Forum in New York City. Last month when "Songs for Autumn," symphonic composition by Frederic Woltmann which won the Prix De Rome scholarship, was broadcast over the NBC network by Eastman's student orchestra, Alessandro swung the baton.

What his teachers have termed a "stupendous" repertoire has piled up beneath Alessandro's orchestra stick. In applying for the scholarship, he listed more than 150 standard compositions—including many symphonies and several operas—and 50 American works.

"Every night, just before retiring," Alessandro modestly explained, "I have studied an operatic or symphonic score. In the morning, when my mind is clearest, I have usually run over the score again. In this way, I have memorized nearly 200."

Son of the director of instrumental music in Houston, Tex., public schools, Victor said he learned sight-reading of music from his parents. At operatic concerts, he explained, he was a constant source of embarrassment to them for he stood in the aisle and attempted to conduct the orchestra.

## FLOWERS



*T. M. May 15, 1937*  
**For the Living**

The Times-Union extends its congratulations to Victor Alessandro, a student at the Eastman School of Music, who has been awarded a summer-session scholarship at the Mozarteum Academy in Salzburg, Austria. He is a senior at the Eastman school and conductor of the student orchestra. This is said to be the first time this award, which also reflects credit on the school, has been made to an American.

## Wins Music Scholarship

At an age when most small boys are deciding to become either a fireman or policeman, Victor Alessandro used to pretend he was leading an orchestra.

He never wavered from that ambition, and now at 21, the young Eastman School of Music student is auspiciously launched on what his tutors predict will be a brilliant career.

On July 12 he will begin four months study at the Mozarteum Academy in Salzburg, Austria, under a scholarship awarded him by an Academy committee as the "outstanding young American student conductor."

Alessandro, son of the director of instrumental music in Houston, Tex., public schools, is the first American to be so honored, according to Dr. Howard Hanson, director of the Eastman School. At Salzburg he will conduct Austrian orchestras during the Salzburg Festival in August, and will study under noted musical technicians.

Last January he led the Municipal Orchestra at the Composers' Forum in New York City, and in April he conducted the Eastman School Symphony Orchestra during the American Music Festival.

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## DEATH CLAIMS EDMUND ALLEN, CITY ENGINEER

*RVF Biography, A*  
**Illness Fatal for Retired Official At Olean**

*D. & C. Sept. 28, 1939*  
Olean—Edmund E. Allen, Olean city engineer, died in the family home here yesterday, following a long illness. Allen was born at Deerfield, Mass., Nov. 23, 1855, and for the last 44 years has resided in Olean. He was a graduate of the Deerfield Vocational School and Worcester Polytechnic Institute of Worcester, Mass., majoring in civil engineering.

He became engineer of the City of Olean in May, 1896, continuing in that capacity until January, 1910, when he became associated with the New York State Highway Division, and continued at the

work until 1916. In that year he was recalled to the city engineer's office, which he served until his retirement, in 1922, when he opened an office for private practice which he continued until 1932.

Allen is survived by his widow, Mrs. Harriet B. Allen; three daughters, Miss Ruth S. Allen at home, Miss Agnes B. Allen, Rutherford, N. J., and Miss Mary Allen, Buffalo; two sisters, Mrs. Francis S. Allen, Deerfield, Mass., and Miss Mary E. Allen of Deerfield, N. J.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. tomorrow, the Rev. Whitney N. Truesdale, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating. The funeral party will leave tomorrow afternoon for Deerfield, Mass., where committal service will be held that day.



# He Began Early . . . And Is Winning Prizes with Baton



Victor Alessandro, who yesterday learned that he had won a scholarship at Salzburg, Austria, for his orchestra conducting, started in early as a music leader, as can be seen from picture above, taken when Victor was a conductor at 3.

## Aldridge Wreath Placed on Grave

Friends of George W. Aldridge gathered at his grave yesterday in Mt. Hope Cemetery to place a wreath in commemoration of the 15th anniversary of his death.

In the group were Herbert W. Pierce, Harry J. Bareham and Justice Willis K. Gillette. They comprise a committee which raised a fund following Mr. Aldridge's death in 1922 to purchase a monument and set up a small endowment for the annual purchase of a wreath.

Mr. Aldridge, noted Monroe County political leader, died suddenly while playing golf on the Westchester-Biltmore course in Westchester County. He was collector of the Port of New York

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## D. & C. NOV 7 1938 GOP of 3rd Ward Honors Late Chief

The late George W. Aldridge, Republican leader of Rochester for several years, was honored yesterday when members of the Third Ward Young Republican Club placed a wreath on his grave in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Charles W. Punch, leader of the ward, which Aldridge directed for many years as the most successful political organization in Monroe County, spoke at the service.

Rites were preceded by a motor parade from club headquarters at 210 Plymouth Ave. S.

## D. & C. NOV 9 1938 GOP Group Visits Aldridge Grave

While most party adherents kept close to the voting booths yesterday a handful of Republicans went to Mt. Hope Cemetery where they placed a wreath on the grave of George W. Aldridge, Monroe County Republican leader for more than a quarter of a century.

Carrying out the practice of the many years since the leader's death were Harry J. Bareham, former Republican county leader, former Judge Willis K. Gillette and Herbert W. Pierce, former public works commissioner.



## 36 D. & C. JULY 15, 1938 DEATH CLAIMS HILTON YOUTH

Hilton — Raymond Albiker, 22, leader among the community's younger set, died of a heart attack yesterday morning at his home here.

A graduate of Hilton High School, young Albiker was one of its most popular pupils. He was active in musical groups and was a leader in young people's activities at Hilton Baptist Church. He attended Brockport Normal School last year. Hunting, too, was one of his favorite pastimes. He was an organizer of the Hilton Gun Club and was president last year.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy W. Albiker, two sisters, Mrs. Earl Hilfiker, Freeport, L. I., and Mrs. Fred Robinson, Rochester, and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Nimon, Hilton. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p. m. tomorrow from the residence. Burial will be in Parma Union Cemetery.

## Rites Set For Fireman Fatally Hurt

Funeral services will be held Saturday for William Henry Allart, 51, Rochester fireman who died yesterday, a week after he returned to active duty following several months of hospitalization for injuries suffered in a fire.

Mr. Allart succumbed after a stroke at his summer home in Kreag Rd., Fairport. The services Saturday will be held there at 2 p. m. Burial will be in White Haven Memorial Park. The Rev. Sherman W. Haven, assistant pastor of Central Presbyterian Church, will officiate.

Mr. Allart was a Rochester fireman for 23 years. A member of Truck 9, last December he suffered a broken shoulder and a triple fracture of the right arm in a fire in Waring Rd. He was three months in Genesee Hospital and later was confined to his home. A week ago, he returned to work as driver for John Hoffman, supervisor of apparatus.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mrs. Clara G. Allart; two sons, William H. and Howard L. Allart; two sisters and two brothers, and one granddaughter.

Funeral arrangements are in charge of Battalion Chief Frank B. Kelly, Lieut. William Elston and Fireman Arthur Enrich.



# FLYING ALLENS TO LEAP AGAIN DESPITE DEATH

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## Get New Partner Replacing Sister Killed in Fall

Batavia—(P)—A pretty girl balloon jumper plunged 2,000 feet to her death last fall and this city thought balloon jumping was ended here forever.

But yesterday four jumpers overhauled equipment for the opening of the county fair "season."

Last spring there were only three. Most famed of the four are Florence and Eddie Allen, "teen aged brotner and sister. It was their sister, Gloria, 17, who died during a leap from a balloon late last year while the horrified Eddie and Florence watched her fall. For a while the "Flying Allens" said they would never go aloft again.

### Get New Partner

But this spring they obtained a new partner from Connecticut to fill out the trio and will go aloft for the first time at a "preview" of the World's Fair in New York next month.

They come from a balloon jumping family. Their father and grandfather were jumpers.

And, this spring a cousin, Warren Allen Jr., joined the ranks with his own balloon. Warren is a factory employe with a wife and children who plans to do his "jumping" as a sideline.

"I'm going to keep my job at the factory and just jump at nearby fairs and celebrations during the summer," he explained.

Warren made his first spring "warmup" jump last weekend.

### Youth Seeks Career

Still another seeker of a career in balloon jumping is 17-year-old Chester Nephew. Nephew was eager to jump last year but his home-made balloon refused to carry him aloft. The first time he filled it with hot air it caught on fire and the next time it exploded before getting off the ground.

Nephew lost his title as the balloonist - who - couldn't - get - off - the-ground last Sunday when Warren Allen loaned him his equipment for a trial leap. Nephew soared to 2,000 feet and parachuted down like a veteran.

"I'm going to make a career of jumping," Nephew asserted. "I'll have my home-made outfit in shape again soon and I'll use that to earn enough money to buy a new one."

# Retired Parachute Jumper Celebrates 89th Birthday

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Dansville—Martin A. Allen, who with his two brothers the late Ira and Comfort Allen, back in 1877 began the family stunt of parachute jumping from a balloon, will observe his 89th birthday today.

His hearing is slightly impaired and his left leg is crippled by rheumatism, but his health as a whole is good and he is enthusiastic over the parachute jumping of his grandnephew, Edward Allen, 20; his grandniece, Florence Allen, 18, another grandnephew, Warren Allen Jr., 35, and the latter's wife, Pearl Graves Allen, 34, all of Batavia.

Allen, who made his last jump here in 1918 when he was 68 years of age and his brothers claimed to be the first in America to parachute jump from a balloon. They tested parachutes with sandbags released from a balloon to which a rope had been attached, at a height of 500 feet before attempting parachute jumps themselves.

For many years the three brothers toured the country sometimes as the "free attractions," at fairs and often barnstorming with their own outfit. Martin A. Allen between jumps collected rattlesnakes and other reptiles and exhibited them as a sideline.

Allen retired a few years ago after conducting a jewelry business and watch and clock repair shop in Main Street for over half a century, and for sometime afterward did repair work for friends in his Ossian Street residence.

Three generations of the Allen family in nearly 62 years have made over 3,000 parachute jumps and until Gloria Allen of Batavia was injured fatally in Blackstone, Va. in 1937 there had been only one accident. That occurred in Nunda 16 years ago when Warren Allen Sr. of Batavia fractured his legs when his chute was whipped against a tree by high winds.

# Death Takes Member of 'Flying Allens'

Dansville—James Nelson Allen, 55, member of "The Flying Allen Family," died yesterday, Aug. 3, 1939, in Dansville General Hospital following an appendectomy.

Although he never had made any parachute jumps himself, he always had aided the ground crew in filling "the big bags" with gas for his father, the late Comfort Allen, and his uncles, Martin A. Allen and the late Ira Allen, who claimed to be the first in the United States to make parachute jumps from a balloon.

His uncle Martin, who lives in Ossian Street here, is 89. Later, James assisted his brothers, Warren and Edward B. Allen of Batavia and Edgar W. Allen of Dansville, all three of whom were active parachute jumpers.

Edward and Edgar are twins and his nephew, Edward Allen Jr. of Batavia are carrying on the family tradition. Another niece, Gloria Allen, was fatally injured in making a descent in Georgia nearly two years ago.

Allen lived in Dansville most of his life. He had been employed by the Foster-Wheeler Corporation here until this summer and also was engaged in farming.

Surviving are his widow, Emma; one daughter, Mrs. Marjorie Jordan of Groveland; three sons, James Allen Jr., Raymond and Richard Allen at home; three sisters, Mrs. Ella Dixon, Mrs. James A. Palmer and Mrs. Owen Colwell, all of Dansville, and three brothers, Warren and Edward R. Allen of Batavia and Edgar W. Allen of Dansville.

# Dime Perfume Worth Gold

Today's 10 cent perfumes probably surpass those once worth many times their weight in gold. Dr. Charles F. H. Allen told Rochester members of the American Chemical Society Monday night.

Dr. Allen, a member of the synthetic organic research laboratory of Eastman Kodak Company, was describing methods by which the chemist has improved upon nature in creation of perfume blends.

"The chemist has introduced many perfumes not obtainable from natural sources at all," Dr. Allen pointed out. "And 10 cent perfumes are better than those for which caravaneers often lost their lives in the early days of history."

# Carlton Native Named to Post

Albion—Word has been received here of the appointment of Dr. Harold B. Allen, Carlton native, as head of the National Farm School at Doylestown, Pa.

Recently returned from Salonica, Greece, Dr. Allen had served for several years as educational director of Near East foundation. He was recently a member of the Phelps-Stokes committee to study Indian Administration on the Navajo Reservation. Dr. Allen was selected from a large list of candidates for his present position.

Dr. Allen lived and attended school in Carlton, south of here. He attended Rutgers University receiving his B.S. degree there in 1922 and in 1928 his master's degree. In 1937 he was honored with an award from Rutgers for his unusual achievement in the foreign field.

# Funeral Planned Today For John W. Allen

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a. m. today for John Wheelock Allen, 89, at 65 Landing Road.

A direct descendant of Eleazer Wheelock, founder of Dartmouth College and a grandson of William Allen, president of Dartmouth and later president of Bowdoin College, he died Sunday, (Oct. 10, 1937) at the home of his brother, William H. Allen, 65 Landing Road.

Mr. Allen also was a great-grandson of the Rev. Thomas Allen of Pittsfield, Mass., the "fighting parson" of Revolutionary fame who led a company of his parishioners at the Battle of Bennington. He also was descended from Governor William Bradford of Plymouth.

Besides his brother in this city, he is survived by another brother, Chandler B. Allen of Biddeford, Me., and a sister, Miss Constance Eugenia Allen of Portland, Me.

After funeral services this morning, the body will be taken to Toronto, Ont. for burial.

# Dr. Ray Allen Passes at 75; Rites Monday

The Rev. Dr. Ray Allen, 75, treasurer of the Genesee Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, died yesterday at his home in Kenmore, Buffalo suburb. He had been retired from active ministry for several years.

One-time district superintendent of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Rochester, he was a member of the board of trustees of Genesee Wesleyan Seminary for approximately 15 years.

Dr. Allen had served as a missionary in India and came to Rochester to accept the pastorate of the North Ave. M. E. Church. He later was minister of the East Ave. M. E. Church in Hornell and of churches in Avon and Le Roy.

After his retirement, he conducted several tours to the Holy Land and in 1927 was caught in a severe earthquake that rocked the area. In 1932 he was one of 26 leading Methodist ministers who advocated the presidency of Herbert Hoover in a signed statement. He had been a delegate to the general councils of the Methodist Episcopal Church for several years.

He was to have been present at a meeting of the board of the Seminary Monday afternoon. Trustees informed of his death will attend his funeral services at the Kenmore Church at 2 p. m. Monday.



## Funeral Planned Tomorrow For Ex-President of Lima

**RVE BIOGRAPHY, A.**  
Lima—Funeral services for Mahlon Peck Allen, a retired business man and former village president, whose death occurred Wednesday, will be held at 2:30 p. m. tomorrow in the home, with the Rev. Edward L. Whittemore, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of which Allen was a lifelong member, officiating. Burial will be in Oak Ridge Cemetery.

Born in Ionia, Mich., Nov. 15, 1852, he came with his parents to West Bloomfield in 1857, attending school there and at Genesee Wesleyan Seminary here, and was a graduate of the former Rochester Business College.

Coming to Lima, in 1877, he was employed in a hardware store and in 1885, he established a hardware and implement business, which served a wide area. In 1914, he turned the business over to a son, the late Willard Allen.

Always showing an active interest in civic affairs, Allen was instrumental in organizing the former Allen Hose Company of the Lima Fire Department at the turn of the century. He was a Republican and a member of Union Lodge, F&AM.

Besides his widow, the former Belle Scott, he leaves two sons, Howard S., of Lima and Raymond P., of Akron, Ohio; a granddaughter, Miss Virginia Allen of Rochester.

Increasing recognition of Mr. Allen's ability and service came with the continued growth of the bank. In 1927 the new trustee was elected assistant secretary and five years later, Mar. 9, 1932, he was elected secretary.

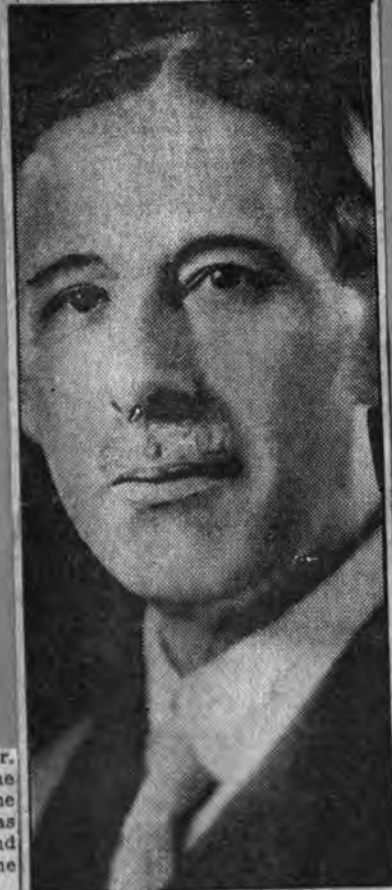
Mr. Allen has maintained interest in many organizations. The history of his early American ancestry has been his hobby for many years. The son of Maj. Daniel P. Allen of the Civil War and a great-grandson of Daniel Allen, one of the defenders of Concord in the Revolution, Mr. Allen is also a direct descendant of George Allen, one of the founders of Sandwich, Mass. in 1638.

He is a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, the Rochester Historical Society, the Warren C. Hubbard Lodge 964, F&AM and Rochester Consistory, Rochester Ad Club, YMCA, the American Institute of Banking, Automobile Club of Rochester, and the South Avenue Baptist Church of which his son-in-law, the Rev. David E. Haglund, is the pastor.

Mr. Allen's other daughter is Mrs. Leland S. Somers. Mrs. Allen, his wife, died in 1925.

## Rose from Messenger

**RVE BIOGRAPHY, A.**



HENRY B. ALLEN

## BANK HONORS

### HENRY ALLEN

**D. & C. DEC 11 1935**

Henry Buford Allen, secretary of the East Side Savings Bank of Rochester, has been elected to its board of trustees.

The honor has come to Mr. Allen in recognition of outstanding service during his 42 years of service. When he began as a messenger in 1894, the East Side Savings Bank had been established 25 years. At that time there were 6,159 depositors and a total of \$2,411,703 in deposits. Today there are 54,977 depositors and \$27,799,303 in deposits.

## Gets Realty Honor



WARREN W. ALLEN

## BANK ATTACHE JOINS U.S. UNIT

Warren W. Allen, manager of real estate department of the Lincoln-Alliance Bank and Trust Company, has been elected to membership in the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers.

This honor came to Allen after extensive examinations by the Institute, directed under members of the Board of Education, this city. Allen is the first Rochesterian to pass the tests. His success was announced recently in Chicago after meeting of the Governing Council of the Institute.

The Institute is the outstanding professional appraisal society in the country. In its aims and purposes it is analogous to the professional societies of engineers, architects and accountants. Membership is decided by written examination, submission of actual appraisal reports and furnishing of other satisfactory evidence that the individual has requisite degree of appraisal ability and experience.

Allen, who lives in Egypt, also is a member of the Real Estate Board of Rochester and the Office Building Managers' Association.

## ALLEN, HEAD OF CHILD AGENCY, SEEKS \$7,500 ALBANY POST

**R. E. News Jan. 17, 1939**

By J. CODY WALLER

Complete reorganization of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children is contemplated, it was revealed today in the disclosure that Superintendent Whitcomb H. Allen is in Albany, where he may take a similar position at a salary of \$7,500.

Thomas J. Hargrave, president of the society, said Allen had not resigned here, but if he should, the position of superintendent would be abolished.

The society has been stripped of much of its work through transfer of child placing to the county welfare department, and child study work to the Rochester Guidance Center, he said.

Any action hinged on the return of Allen from Albany, who is expected back in Rochester Thursday.

Allen's salary here was cut from \$7,500 to \$5,500 when the budget for the S. P. C. C. was cut by directors last year.

Another disclosure today was that between forty and fifty employees of the S. P. C. C., who have been absorbed by the county welfare department, have been blanketed under Civil Service without taking Civil Service tests demanded of other county welfare employees.

The explanation for this was that the S. P. C. C. workers were in the state retirement system with pension rights demanding protection.

County employees compelled to take Civil Service examinations which resulted in many facing dismissal, were listed as temporary workers until 1937, and so outside of both Civil Service and the retirement system, officials said.

## TRIBUTE GIVEN HEAD OF SPCC

Resolved to return eventually and make his home in Rochester, Whitcomb H. Allen will leave Wednesday to begin preliminary work on his new job as general manager of the Mohawk and Hudson River Humane Society at Albany.

As a reminder of 17 years of service to Rochester's social welfare field as director of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, Allen will carry with him a solid gold and silver cigarette case. It bears an inscription of "affection and esteem" from the directors and staff of the SPCC. He will officially begin his new duties Apr. 1.

The token, which was presented to Allen at a testimonial dinner in the Genesee Valley Club attended by 190 Rochesterians, is only one of many expressions of well-wishers which have come to the office he will soon leave. Tributes were paid publicly by Special County Judge Henry D. Shedd as principal speaker at the dinner in the Valley Club; Thomas J. Hargrave, chairman of the SPCC Board who was toastmaster, and Guy D. Harris of the staff. The dinner was arranged by Mrs. Alvah G. Strong, member of the board.

Allen will be succeeded by Robert M. Mulford, promoted to the post of director from the staff.

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## E. M. Alling Elected To Auto Group Post

**RVE BIOGRAPHY, A.**  
Edmund M. Alling, president of Alling & Miles Inc., 82 Stone Street, was elected first vicepresident of the New York State Automobile Merchants Association at the annual meeting in Albany yesterday. J. B. Rusterholtz, Syracuse, is the new president.

The dealers endorsed unanimously a proposed increase in the state appropriation for the Motor Vehicle Bureau as a "safety measure."



# SPCC Head Gets New Job

*RVF Biography A.  
T-1m, Jan. 20, 1939*

Whitcomb H. Allen, for 17 years head of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, today announced he has accepted a new post in Albany as of Apr. 1.

"The position here is being abolished because it is unnecessary under the present organization," he explained. "It's not a question of my resigning."



Whitcomb H. Allen

Both children and animals will come within the scope of his new job as general manager of the Mohawk and Hudson River Humane Society, he said.

"The salary is not the sum that has been quoted," he continued. "Because the society is a private agency, I do not feel at liberty to reveal it."

## Took Cut Last Year

Allen's salary here was cut from \$7,500 to \$5,500 last year when the SPCC was reorganized.

Allen succeeded Richard S. Redfern as SPCC superintendent in 1921. Since then a child study department was organized, a child placing department taken over from the county, and a farm for homeless boys established at Rush.

## Native of Maine

The child study department last month became the nucleus of a child guidance clinic, and the placing department was returned to the county some time ago during the gradual reorganization of child-caring agencies here.

Born in Wilton, Maine, July 14, 1888, Allen came to Rochester 35 years ago. From 1908 to 1913 he was secretary to Police Chief Joseph M. Quigley. In 1913 he became confidential clerk to Judge John B. M. Stephens of Children's Court.

He was County Court stenographer and special clerk at Children's Court before going to the SPCC. He is married and has three children.

# Joseph T. Alling, 82, Dies; Chairman of U.R. Trustees

*Rochester Public Library*

**D. & C. SEP 21 1937**  
**Business Leader  
Long Prominent  
In Civic Affairs**

Joseph Tilden Alling, chairman of the trustees of the University of Rochester and chairman of the board of Alling & Cory Company, died last night in Strong Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Alling, who was 82 and resided at 901 East Avenue, was removed to the hospital early Saturday morning after feeling indisposed for several days. Up to Friday, however, he closely followed affairs of the wholesale paper company with which he was associated for 62 years.

He appeared at his offices Wednesday and Friday and complained of a sore throat although he did not consider the trouble serious.

## Active in YMCA

Packed into his life were a series of successes, touching fields of business, education, philanthropy, church and good government movements.

Although the University of Rochester was his major interest in the past 15 years, he achieved wide recognition for his work in behalf of the Young Men's Christian Association, the original Good Government League and the Central Presbyterian Church Sunday School.

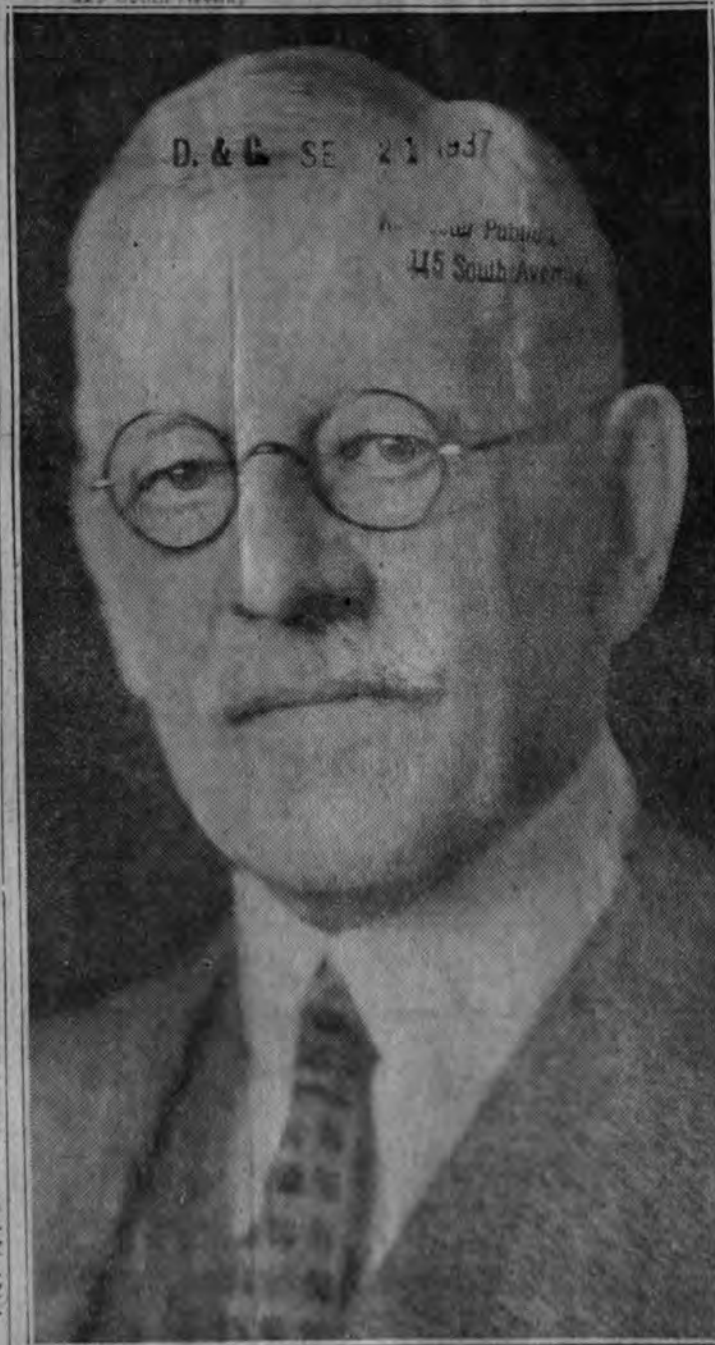
He served as an overseas secretary for the YMCA during the World War.

## Native of Rochester

Mr. Alling was born in Rochester, Jan. 19, 1855, of pioneer stock. His father, William Alling, who joined the stationery and bookselling firm of Marshall & Dean in Rochester and was graduated in 1876. In 1884 he received the degree of master of arts from that institution.

After attending school at the Rochester Free Academy, Mr. Alling entered the University of Rochester and was graduated in 1876. In 1884 he received the degree of master of arts from that institution.

Joining his father's firm, he was made a partner in 1881. The firm, up to then a partnership of sons of the founders, William Alling and David Cory, was incorporated in 1908 and Joseph P. Alling became president. He held that post until Jan. 1, 1935, when he resigned to become chairman of the board and Richard M. Harris was named to succeed him.



JOSEPH TILDEN ALLING

During his association with the company, the firm expanded its activities to include plants in Pittsburgh and Buffalo.

On his 70th birthday, Mr. Alling was surprised by a visitation from massed employees who presented him with a portfolio containing sketches of two carved benches

that were to serve as a memorial to him on the University of Rochester campus.

One of its most interested alumni, the University of Rochester elected Mr. Alling a trustee in 1892. From 1903 to 1916 he served as treasurer and later its first vicepresident, chairman of the executive and

finance committees and in 1932, chairman of the board.

During that span, he was influential in the selection of two of its three presidents, Dr. Rush Rhees and Dr. Alan Valentine, the present president.

## Donated to University

Unsparring of time and funds to promote the university, he donated \$100,000 to the Greater University campaign and served as a member of the campaign executive committee. His advice and counsel long have been credited as contributing largely to the progress the institution has made.

His associates last night rated his interests, aside from his business, as first, the university, and then the YMCA and Community Chest.

Like the lifelong interest he displayed in the good government movements, Mr. Alling always was a staunch supporter of the YMCA, and the history of that organization in Rochester is closely linked with his own.

## Directed 'Y' Campaigns

Although he termed himself, at times, a "promoter," Mr. Alling utilized his forceful personality only to pushing to completion some civic project designed to better the city. He directed YMCA campaigns and when necessary, as during the war, stepped directly into the picture. In these ventures, he was a close ally of Herbert P. Lansdale, a key figure for years in local YMCA matters.

In 1888 and 1913 he aided actively in building campaigns. He was local president for six years and in 1894 was state president. During the World War he left his business to serve both country and his association.

After the declaration of war, he went to Camp Dix as associate general secretary. When Mr. Lansdale, general secretary, was called to headquarters of the National War Work Council, of which Mr. Alling also was a member, Mr. Alling succeeded him. In 1918, he was a member of a special investigating committee sent to France and on his return delivered 100 addresses throughout the country for the United War Work Committee.

Formation of a Sunday school class in Central Presbyterian Church that was to develop into the largest in the country and the birth of the Good Government Party are other bright spots in Joseph Alling's life.

The Sunday school class was started in 1884 as an average class. It grew until it contained 1,000 active members and at one time 100 occupations were represented among the students. In 23 years, it was estimated he taught 12,000 persons.

From this group grew the Good Government group or what the politicians shortly after the turn of the century called the "Goo-Gooes."



Allied with the late Dr. Clarence A. Barbour, later president of Brown University, and others Mr. Alling opened a drive for higher standards in municipal affairs.

#### Backed Manager Plan

Efforts of their militant reformers were rewarded through election and re-election of a reform mayor and definite removal of the board of education from political control. In later years, Mr. Alling again sprang to the support of a good government movement by aiding the City Manager League and the Lincoln Republican Club.

Other civic and political matters that found him on the firing line were the drive to change the jury law, the movement to organize a children's court, and start of the campaign to exterminate tuberculosis that resulted in erection of a sanatorium.

His name also was associated with the early days of the Christian Endeavor, the Federation of Church and the prohibition cause.

For his work in behalf of war refugees in the Balkans, Mr. Alling was decorated in 1931 with the Order of St. Sava by Yugoslavia.

#### Leaves Widow, 3 Sons

Mr. Alling married Rose Lattimore of Rochester June 23, 1884. Mrs. Alling survives him along with their two children, Dr. Harold L. Alling, head of the department of geology, University of Rochester, and Dr. Eric L. Alling, psychiatrist, of Keene, N. Y. Mrs. Alling has been a patient in Strong Memorial Hospital since last week.

Among his other activities, Mr. Alling was one of the founders of the Northwest Electric Company, secretary and treasurer of the Riverdale Cemetery Association, director of the Lincoln-Alliance Bank & Trust Company and the Rochester Capital Corporation, president of Rochester Chapter, American Red Cross, 1917; president of the National Paper Trade Association, 1914-16, the Rochester Federation of Churches, 1920-21, and Rochester Public Health Association, 1907-09.

A Republican, he was a 32nd degree Mason and Knight Templar. Mr. Alling was a member of a number of Rochester clubs including the Genesee Valley, University, Fortnightly, Rochester Country, Faculty City and Rochester, as well as the Chamber of Commerce. He also was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, honorary scholastic fraternity, and Psi Upsilon fraternity.

Funeral services will be held at the convenience of the family.

#### Alling Career Praised By U. R. President

"The death of Mr. Alling brings to an end a career of distinguished and unselfish service in many fields," said President Alan Valentine in behalf of the University of Rochester last night.

"Prominent among them was his lifelong devotion to the University

of Rochester. A graduate of the Class of 1876, he became a member of the Board of Trustees in 1892 and succeeded John P. Munn as chairman of the Board in 1932.

"Throughout his life and indeed within five days of his death he gave continuously and generously of his time and money in support of the University. His career covers the whole history of the University; he attended college under its first president, Doctor Anderson, and was active and influential in the selection of Dr. Rush Rhees in 1900 and in the present president in 1935.

"Vigorous in enthusiasm and opinion but considerate of the convictions of others, energetic in action but wise in counsel, a practical man but an uncompromising supporter of high ideals, his death represents not only an irreparable loss to his University but the end of a great epoch of which he shared the making. We who knew him, even through briefly, will miss the warm loyalty of a personal friend."

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#### 'YM' Leaders Laud Alling

Further tribute to the memory of Joseph T. Alling was paid today by Herbert P. Lansdale, his former associate in YMCA work, and S. Wirt Wiley, general secretary of the Rochester YMCA.

Mr. Alling, chairman of the board of Alling & Cory, wholesale paper concern, and chairman of the board of trustees of the University of Rochester, died Monday night in Strong Memorial Hospital.

In his tribute, Mr. Lansdale, former general secretary of the YMCA here, with whom Mr. Alling worked both in Rochester and, during the World War, at Camp Dix.

"The YMCA could never have done what it did in Rochester without him, and some of us never could have done what we did during the war without his backing."

"Rochester has lost a great citizen and personally I have lost a great friend."

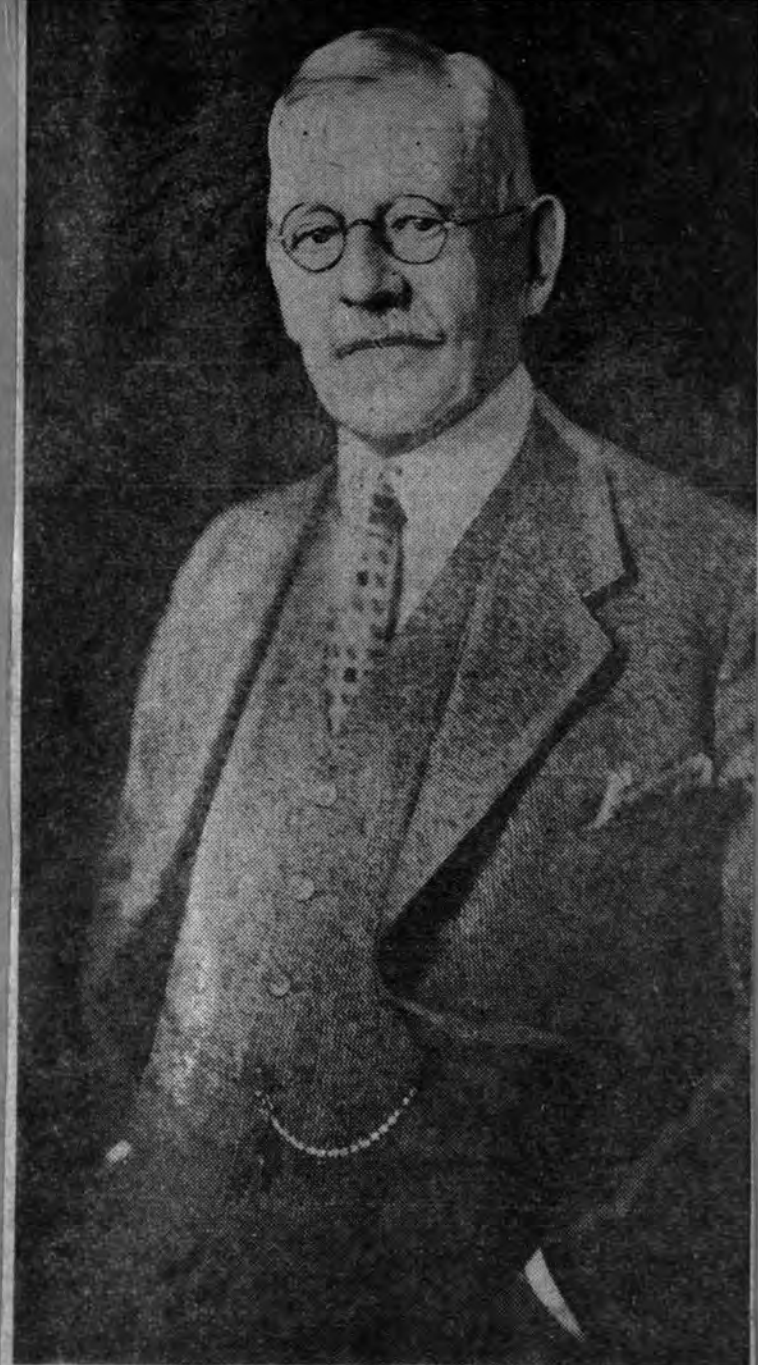
Mr. Wiley, declaring that Mr. Alling was widely known and appreciated as a YMCA leader, and asserting he gave "distinguished service" in war work, said:

"The YMCA movement has benefited greatly by his leadership and scores of its workers have been enriched by his friendship."

The cremation of Mr. Alling's body already has taken place. Interment of the ashes will take place after Mrs. Alling recovers from an illness, at the convenience of the family. Memorial services will be held in a week or two, under auspices of the University of Rochester.

#### Philanthropist-Educator Dies

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JOSEPH TILDEN ALLING

#### Joseph T. Alling Dies; Civic Leader, Educator

Another link with early Rochester had been snapped today with the death of Joseph Tilden Alling, business man, educator, philanthropist and active advocate of good government.

Not only in years—he was 82—but in associations, Mr. Alling's life tied together pioneer Rochester with Rochester of today and of the future.



The predecessor of the Alling & Cory Company, with which Mr. Alling had been connected since 1881, employed as clerks Millard Fillmore, later president of the United States, and Washington Hunt, one of New York State's early governors.

As a student at the University of Rochester in the 1870s, he attended classes when Dr. Martin B. Anderson, the university's president, directed the institution. Later, as a trustee of the university, he was influential in the selection of its last two presidents, Dr. Rush Rhees and Alan Valentine.

But it was not in the past, but in the present and for the future that Mr. Alling lived and worked. Despite his age and despite a sore throat, Mr. Alling was active until Saturday, when he was taken to Strong Memorial Hospital, where he died last night.

#### Chairman of U. R. Trustees

Mr. Alling, who lived at 901 East Avenue, was chairman of the board of trustees of the university and chairman of the board of the Alling & Cory Company, wholesale paper concern with branches in Pittsburgh, New York, Buffalo, Cleveland and Akron.

Success followed him from youth. At the University of Rochester, from which he received his bachelor of arts degree in 1876, he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, honorary scholastic fraternity. He received his master of arts degree from the university in 1884.

His earlier education was received at the old Free Academy.

In 1881 he joined his father, William Alling, in the paper company, which in 1908 was incorporated by the founder's sons, Joseph T. Alling and David Cory, with Mr. Alling as president. He remained president until 1935, when he became chairman of the board.

#### A Founder of Northeast

His business interests, however, were even wider. He was a founder of the Northeast Electric Company, secretary and treasurer of the Riverside Cemetery Association and a director of the Lincoln-Alliance Bank & Trust Company and of the Rochester Capital Corporation.

Yet business activity alone could not confine his energies. In 1892 he became a university trustee; from 1906 to 1916 he was treasurer, then first vicepresident of the board, chairman of the executive and finance committees and, from 1932, chairman of the board.

He was an executive committeeman in the Greater University campaign, and donated \$100,000 to the institution in that drive.

Always an active aide of the Rochester YMCA, when the World War drew in the United States he served first as associate general secretary and then as general secretary at Camp Dix and later served on a special investigating committee in France. After the

war he spoke throughout the country for the United War Work Committee.

#### Linked with Lansdale

He was closely associated with Herbert P. Lansdale in his Rochester "Y" work. He was local president six years and state president

in 1894. He took an active part in building campaigns in 1888 and 1913.

His connection with the Sunday school of Central Presbyterian Church was to have a far-reaching effect on city government; for from his class grew the Good Government or, as the politicians dubbed it, the "Goo-Goo" group. Though the politicians laughed, the "Goo-Goo" took the Board of Education out of political control and helped the city obtain a new charter.

Later he assisted the City Manager League and the Lincoln Republican Club.

His Sunday school class, in which in 23 years he taught about 12,000 persons, grew to an active membership of 1,000 and represented more than 100 occupations.

#### Backed Prohibition

Mr. Alling's name also was linked as a worker with the Christian Endeavor, the Federation of Churches, and the prohibition cause.

He also was president of the Rochester Red Cross Chapter in 1917, president of the National Paper Trade Association, 1914-16; president of the Rochester Federation of Churches, 1920-21, and president of the Rochester Public Health Association, 1907-1909. He worked in a campaign against tuberculosis that resulted in the erection of a sanatorium.

He was a Republican, 32d degree Mason and a Knight Templar; a member of the Genesee Valley, University, Fortnightly, Rochester Country, Faculty, City and Rochester clubs and of the Chamber of Commerce and Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

#### Honored by Yugoslavia

In 1931 Yugoslavia awarded him the Order of St. Java for his aid to Balkan war refugees.

Mrs. Alling, the former Rose Latimore of Rochester, whom he married June 23, 1884, has been a patient at Strong Memorial Hospital since last week. Besides his widow, he is survived by two sons, Dr. Harold L. Alling, head of the university geology department, and Dr. Eric L. Alling, psychiatrist, of Keene, N. Y.

Funeral services will be held at the convenience of the family.

#### Civic Leader

Rochester pauses to pay well deserved tribute to one of its most valuable and influential citizens. Few individuals have contributed so substantially to the city's upbuilding in the last half century as has Joseph T. Alling, dead at 82. Leader in philanthropic and civic movements, influential director of the University's affairs, citizen determined to keep the city's government abreast of its achievements in other fields, his long life has counted basically in making the modern city.

Mr. Alling was a leader in the early Good Government movement. Later when under other leadership a major movement to modernize the city's government was started, he gave it his wholehearted support. If civic zeal has slackened in recent years, those who would revive it can take a leaf from his book.

As graduate, trustee and chairman of the Board of the University, Mr. Alling was instrumental in bringing Dr. Rush Rhees to the city. He saw and assisted by his means and advice the University's sound expansion. When the choice of a successor to Dr. Rhees became necessary he had a major part in selecting the promising leader who is rounding out the University's development in scholastic and research fields.

The men's Bible class that for years bore his name testified to his service to his church. At the YMCA his name is high among those who have made the association what it is today. In the city's leading philanthropic and social service movements he was always found in the center of the group of leaders that made them both expressive of the city's social conscience and competent to turn that conscience to practical uses.

His business success testifies to his grasp of practical affairs and made possible his significant contributions of time and energy as well as of his wealth.

Joseph T. Alling's name will be remembered long as one who helped Rochester vision its golden age among the cities of the world.

#### Joseph T. Alling

In his long career as a Rochester business and civic leader, Joseph T. Alling made a most unusual record of service to his community.

The business firm of Alling & Cory, with which he was associated for over 62 years, expanded under his leadership and always maintained the highest standard of integrity and dependability.

He was interested in many organizations contributing to the welfare and progress of the city, all of which he supported wholeheartedly. A trustee of the University of Rochester since 1892 and chair-

man of the board since 1932, Mr. Alling was influential in the growth and development of the institution. To it he gave not only the benefit of his advice and leadership but generous financial aid as well.

He was an executive committeeman in the Greater University campaign, and donated \$100,000 to the institution in that drive, which was unquestionably one of the most remarkable demonstrations of support of higher education any city ever has given.

The Community Chest and the YMCA also claimed a good share of his attention and enthusiasm. He directed campaigns for the "Y," served at one time as its president, and was very active in its work during the War.

The important part he took in the formation of the Good Government League, which accomplished removal of the Board of Education from political control, and had other lasting benefits, indicated Mr. Alling's keen interest in good municipal government.

Thus, practically every important organization for social, cultural, political or economic betterment enlisted his sympathy and support. He was a man full of energy and the driving force of enthusiasm, much of which was devoted to advancing the public good.

Mr. Alling's was a long life and a full life—a life of which his city can be proud.

His name and services will long be remembered with respect and affection; his death brings a deep sense of loss.

## Tribute Paid Joseph Alling

Tribute to the late Joseph T. Alling as "a loyal and helpful colleague" was paid at a memorial service in Strong Auditorium, River Campus, yesterday afternoon.

Faculty members, students and friends of Mr. Alling, chairman of the board of trustees of University of Rochester who died Sept. 20, heard him eulogized by Dr. Rush Rhees, President-emeritus, as a man "quite positive and outspoken in opinion, but ready to acquiesce and carry on if conclusions were adverse to such opinion."

"Through all our years together in the service of the University," Doctor Rhees said in part, "Joseph Alling has been a source of strength and courage. . . . By nature and disposition a leader in any cause which interested him, his leadership was early proved in behalf of his alma mater. . . . Resourcefulness and care characterized his conduct of the university's finances (while he was treasurer from 1902 to 1916) until he was made vicechairman of the board of trustees and chairman of the executive committee."

Doctor Rhees reviewed the large gifts made by Mr. Alling to the university and his efforts in behalf of the Greater University Campaign in 1921-1924.

Prof. John R. Slater said in part, "Mr. Alling was not a man who would have welcomed eulogy. His long and useful life was filled with public service and private beneficence, of which the record needs no adornment. He was one of those many citizens of Rochester who built upon the foundation of successful business a later life devoted to public welfare."

"Some men grow more and more like what they make or sell—strong and hard like steel, clear and brittle like glass, learned like books, beautiful like music. Our friend had some qualities of good paper—its tensile strength and resilience, its whiteness, its usefulness for all good purposes."



## Rhees Pays Tribute To Joseph T. Alling

Dr. Rush Rhees, president-emeritus of the University of Rochester, informed at Ellsworth, Me., of Joseph T. Alling's death, sent this message today:

"Joseph Alling throughout his life knew no compromise with wrong. He was a Christian who for years guided the thought and formed the characters of a host of young men.

"As a trustee of the university since 1892, he did more than any other alumnus to advance the prestige and service of his Alma Mater.

"A staunch friend and loyal follower of Christ, he served his generation faithfully."

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## Memorial Services Scheduled for Alling

Memorial Services for the late Joseph Tilden Alling, chairman of the board of trustees of University of Rochester, will be held in Strong Auditorium, River Campus, Thursday at 5 p. m.

In addition to faculty members and students, friends and associates of the University benefactor will be welcome. University officials state services will preserve the simplicity of character consonant with the occasion and wishes of the family.

## Memorial Rites Set for Alling

Faculty members, trustees and students of the University of Rochester will join in memorial services Thursday for Joseph T. Alling, chairman of the Board of Trustees, who died last Monday at the age of 82.

President-emeritus Rush Rhees and Prof. John R. Slater will lead the simple rites. Friends and relatives of Mr. Alling, and employees of the Alling & Cory Company will attend. The services will be at 5 p. m. in Strong Auditorium, River Campus.

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## Joseph Alling Eulogized In Memorial Services

To Joseph T. Alling a "long and useful" life filled with public service and private beneficence," University of Rochester faculty members, students and trustees paid tribute yesterday in memorial services in Strong Auditorium, Alling, chairman of the U. R. trustees, died Sept. 20.

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## Director of Theater Began in College

Leonard Altobell, who is directing the first production of the Rochester Summer Theater, "Rope's End," which will open at 764 Broad Street on July 8, decided on a theatrical career when he was in college.



LEONARD  
ALTOBELL

There he received the best player award in a dramatic tournament of colleges. He has studied dramatic art at the New York School of the Theater during the past two years. In school productions he played Captain Stanhope in "Journey's End" and the lead in "The Valiant," and he appeared in "Hotel Universe," "La Locandiera," "Rope's End," "Hamlet" and other plays. He will act the lead in the Summer Theater's second offering, "A Bill of Divorcement."

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## RABBI ALPERT PASSES AFTER HEART ATTACK

## Funeral Services Will Be Held Tomorrow

Seized with a heart attack yesterday afternoon, Rabbi Isaac S. Alpert, 74, of Beth Joseph Center Synagogue, 1150 St. Paul St., died last evening at his home, 36 Durgin St.

In good health until yesterday, he had conducted services in the morning at the synagogue, of which he had been leader for four years. Born in Russia, he came to America in 1893 and lived in Syracuse for 32 years before coming here.

Funeral services will be held at the synagogue tomorrow noon. Whether burial will be here or in Syracuse awaits decision of his sons, Joseph and Benjamin Alpert of Syracuse. Besides the sons he is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Nathan Kolko, of the Durgin St. address.

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## There's Station's Original Site!



Jay E. Allis, left, Medina, celebrated his 81st birthday by visiting the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station in Geneva. His father was a member of a committee which selected the station site. A former fruit grower and interested in new varieties, he's shown talking over "old times" with Station Director P. J. Parrott.

## VETERAN CITES STATION START

Geneva—Prices obtained by one grower on peaches from a small orchard started the development

of Western New York's peach orchards, according to Jay E. Allis, Medina.

Allis recently celebrated his 81st birthday by visiting the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station. Among the first of the large commercial peach growers of the state, Allis is now out of the business but he is convinced that new

varieties are needed.

At the present time he is working on nursery stock, taking a particular interest in peaches. At the Station he consulted with Richard Wellington on new varieties developed here. Allis is probably one of Station Director P. J. Parrott's greatest admirers. His father was a member of the original committee that selected the site for the Station and he recalls the work which Professor Parrott started when he first came to Geneva.

"The professor was a young fellow not too long out of school in those days," said Allis, but growers soon learned that distance and hours meant nothing if he could be of service to them. The result has been what he says or thinks about fruit growing is gospel to state orchardists."

## Benjamin C. Amesbury

The name of Benjamin C. Amesbury has been linked with the city transportation system for so long that his death brings a real wrench with the past no less than a personal loss to a large part of the city. He was of that sturdy American stock that climbs upward from a small beginning, takes advantage of opportunity and ends up on a high rung of influence and responsibility.

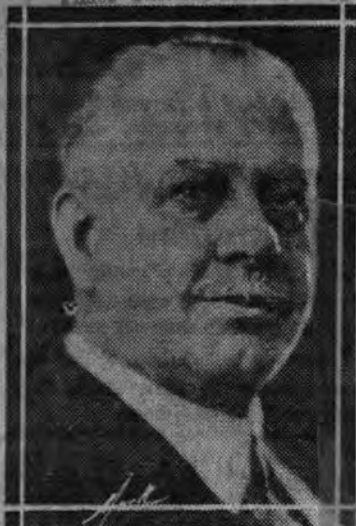
Mr. Amesbury had gone virtually all the way from bottom to top of the city transportation system in fifty years of faithful service. He was a driver in the horse car days of the late eighties, a motorman with the introduction of electrified cars, and subsequently inspector, general foreman of construction, roadmaster, superintendent, and eventually general superintendent of construction.

He knew Rochester and particularly its transportation problems as few others have known them. The city has lost a useful official and his friends a valued associate.



# Amesbury, Railways Executive, Dies After 50 Years of Service

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BENJAMIN C. AMESBURY

## FUNERAL SET THURSDAY FOR B. C. AMESBURY D. & C. JAN 4 1938 Railways Employee For More than 50 Years

Funeral services for Benjamin C. Amesbury, veteran employee of the New York State Railways who died yesterday (Jan. 3, 1938) at his home, 70 Empire Blvd., will be conducted Thursday at 2 p. m. at 532 Lake Ave., with burial in Brockport.

Starting as a driver more than 50 years ago in the horse car days, he was one of the oldest employees of the company and was general superintendent of construction at the time of his death which followed a minor operation last October.

"Mr. Amesbury's rise was due to conscientious performance of duty and the company mourns his death," was the tribute paid by John F. Uffert, general manager.

When trolleys displaced the old horse-drawn cars in 1891, Mr. Amesbury took over the controller of an electric car and later became an inspector. In the building of the Rochester & Sodus Bay

Benjamin C. Amesbury, for 50 years in the employ of the Rochester lines, New York State Railways, died early today at his home, 70 Empire Blvd. Death followed a minor operation Oct. 1.

Mr. Amesbury's service with the railways dates back to horse car days, when he was a driver. He was one of the oldest employees of the company, in point of service.

When the trolley system was electrified in 1891 Amesbury became a motorman and later was promoted to inspector. When the Rochester and Sodus Bay line was being built he became general foreman of construction. When the line was completed, he was made roadmaster and later superintendent.

Amesbury served in that position until the road was consolidated with the Rochester Railway and Rochester and Eastern Rapid Railway. He was then made division superintendent of the Rochester city lines and in 1900 he was appointed assistant superintendent of transportation.

At the time of the receivership appointment in 1929 he was named general superintendent of construction of the Rochester lines, a position he held until death.

John F. Uffert, general manager, said today:

"No man can point to longer and more faithful service with any company. Mr. Amesbury's rise from one position to another was due to conscientious performance of duty. He leaves a host of friends in the company who will mourn his death."

Funeral will be Thursday at 2 p. m.

line, he was made general foreman of construction. He became roadmaster when it was completed and later superintendent of that line.

Consolidation of the Rochester Railway and Rochester & Eastern Rapid Railway placed him in a new position as division superintendent of the city lines and in 1900 he was named assistant superintendent of transportation.

He was made general superintendent of construction of the Rochester Lines in 1929 under the receivership.

He is survived by his wife, Maude Dalmadge Amesbury; a sister, Mrs. Etta J. Kregal; two brothers, George and Richard Amesbury.

## DR. E. S. AMSLER DIES, NOTED AS HURDLES STAR

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Chosen in 1908 to  
Represent U. S.  
In Olympics

Dr. Edward S. Amsler, prominent local physician and in his youth a well known intercollegiate athlete, died yesterday (Feb. 5, 1939) in General Hospital. He was 56 years old.

Considered one of the few outstanding track athletes to come from Rochester, Dr. Amsler, who lived at 120 Laurelton Road, was intercollegiate hurdles champion while a student at the University of Pennsylvania from where he was graduated in 1906.

A year before his graduation he went abroad with a team of college track and field stars and in 1908 was chosen to represent the United States in the Olympic Games at Athens, Greece, but studies held first claim to his time and he did not accept the honor.

Dr. Amsler's activities were far flung. He was a captain in the United States Reserve Corps, a member of Ancient Craft, F&AM, Cyrene Commandery. He was a member of Grace Lutheran Church, Rochester Rotary Club, Monroe County Medical Society, Rochester Medical Society, and was on the staff of both General and Park Avenue Hospitals.

He is survived by two sisters, Miss Emma and Miss Elizabeth R. Amsler; two brothers, Charles W. Amsler, Los Angeles, and John J. Amsler, Rochester.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday in the home, with burial in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

## Dr. Amsler Rites Set; Noted As Track Star

Dr. Edward S. Amsler, 56, physician, former athlete and Reserve Corps captain, will be buried in Mt. Hope Cemetery after funeral services at his home, 120 Laurelton Rd., at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday.

Dr. Amsler died yesterday in General Hospital after a long illness.

Intercollegiate hurdles champion while attending the University of Pennsylvania, from which

he was graduated in 1906, Dr. Amsler in 1905 traveled in Europe with a team of American track and field stars. Although chosen on the 1908 American Olympic team which went to Greece, Dr. Amsler declined the place to devote his time to study. He was considered one of the few top ranking track stars to come out of Rochester.

Captain in the United States Reserve Corps, he was a member of Ancient Craft, F. & A. M., Cyrene Commandery, Grace Lutheran Church, Rochester Rotary Club, Monroe County Medical Society, Rochester Medical Society. He was a member of the staffs of General and Park Avenue hospitals.

Surviving are two sisters, Miss Emma and Miss Elizabeth Amsler; two brothers, Charles W. Amsler, Los Angeles, and John J. Amsler, Rochester, and a niece, Mrs. Leticia Wilson.

## Youth Selected For Middy Post

Savona — Herbert Anderson of this village has been selected by Representative W. Sterling Cole

for admission to the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis.

Anderson already has qualified in the scholastic examination and his acceptance by the academy is dependent only upon his passing the physical test.

The young man is a graduate of Savona High School and was president of his class in 1936. Last year he attended Bucknell University.



HERBERT ANDERSON

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Career Ends at 56



Dr. Edward S. Amsler, Rochester physician and former intercollegiate track star, died yesterday in General Hospital at 56.

## Harold A. Anderson Dies In Warsaw Hospital

Harold A. Anderson, 42, native Rochesterian and golf professional at Silver Lake Country Club, Perry, died yesterday afternoon in Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Mr. Anderson suffered a stroke Saturday afternoon in the club locker room after returning from a match.

Born in Rochester and a graduate of Colgate University, he had served as a golf professional for 15 years in Florida and Canada. He was a war veteran.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mabel Anderson, Perry, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William T. Anderson, 247 Barton Street, Rochester. Funeral services were incomplete last night. D. & C. FEB 12, 1937



# 'Dead Man' Back, Seeks Relatives



CHARLES ELMER ANDERSON

Once believed dead, Anderson has come to Rochester to seek his sisters. Here he thumbs through a city directory for a clue which may lead him to them.

They do come back.

Charles Elmer Anderson, 50, itinerant circus worker, erroneously believed to have died more than five years ago, was in Rochester today.

He is trying to find his three sisters and tell them he is alive, despite the fact a coroner in Wellsburg, W. Va., issued a certificate of death for him in June, 1932.

Anderson today appealed to The Times-Union to broadcast his story. He believes his three sisters, Anna, Clara and Helen, are married and live in or near Rochester.

Wants to Say Hello

He wants to "say hello to them," tell them that the suicide's body found on a hill near Wellsburg in June, 1932, was not his. He is staying at the Rescue Mission.

Anderson said he learned that he was supposed to be dead when a fellow worker in Canton, Ohio, Harry Geis, visited relatives in Wellsburg, and came back to him with the story that he, Anderson, was believed to have committed suicide.

"As soon as Geis came back and told me about it," Anderson said today, "I hurried down there, near where I had worked as a coal cutter. I found that the Rev. William Fryer had identified the body, the coroner had issued a certificate and it had been buried as mine."

## Sheriff Startled

According to Anderson, Sheriff Robert Lowe, "thought it was me, too. They identified the body by the teeth, which were something like mine. You should have seen the sheriff's face when I walked into his office."

"It can't be you," he said, and I said, "Other folks have come back from the dead."

Mr. Anderson is short and stocky. He has worked as a coal cutter in Pennsylvania, with Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey, and in rolling mills in the Middle West. His sisters, he says, are all in their 40's. He has twin sons and now lives in Canton.

## 'Dead Man' Finds Sisters

Three sisters and a brother, who haven't seen each other in 15 years, were united in Rochester today.

The brother, Charles Elmer Anderson who says a Wellsburg, W. Va., coroner mistakenly issued a certificate of death in his name five years ago, appealed to The Times-Union yesterday to locate the sisters whose married names he did not know.

Immediately after the 1:30 p. m. newscast, two women telephoned—one to say a Mrs. Reinhard Hertzlin, 300 Reynolds Street, was the former Clara Anderson and the other to describe Mrs. Charles L. Hehr, 311 Westfield Street, as Anna Anderson. The third sister, Mrs. Edward Ambeau, 165 Hager Road, Greece, was located through Mrs. Hertzlin.

Anderson, an itinerant steel mill employe, was echoing "Hello" in a voice long feared dead by his relatives.

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## Man Returns from 'Death' to Seek Kin Who Think Him Buried 5 Years Ago

Five years ago Charles Elmer Anderson was "dead."

Today he is in Rochester, staying at the Rescue Mission and trying to locate his three sisters who believed him dead and buried after a certificate of death had been issued by a Wellsburg, W. Va., coroner in June, 1932.

Anderson, an itinerant circus worker, learned a short while ago from a fellow worker in Canton, Ohio, that the body of a man who committed suicide on a hill near

Wellsburg in June, 1932, was believed to be his. It was identified by the Rev. William Fryer, Wellsburg, and Sheriff Robert Lowe, Anderson said.

His three sisters, Anna, Clara and Helen, are married and live in or near Rochester, he said. Anderson has worked as a coal cutter in Pennsylvania, with Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey Circus and in rolling mills in the Middle West. He has twin sons and now lives in Canton.

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## 'Dead' Man Pays

### Visit to Sisters

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"Dead" five years ago, Charles Elmer Anderson popped into town Friday, was reunited with three sisters, and headed westward yesterday afternoon.

An itinerant steel worker, Anderson was believed dead after the body of a suicide found on a hill in Wellsburg, W. Va. five years ago was identified as his.

The reunion took place in the home of Mrs. Reinhard Hertzlin, 300 Reynolds Street. The other two sisters are Mrs. Charles L. Hehr, 311 Westfield Street, and Mrs. Edward Ambeau, 165 Hager Road. Anderson who lives in Canton, Ohio, promised to keep in touch with them as he left town for the West.

## Noted Baptist,

### Once City

## Pastor, Dies

A two-month illness today had ended the long ecclesiastical career of Dr. Frederick Lincoln Anderson, 75, noted Baptist theologian and former minister of old Second Baptist Church in Rochester.

Dr. Anderson, professor emeritus of new testament interpretation at the Andover Newton Theological School, died at Newton, Mass.

He was a native of St. Louis, Mo. For several years he was assistant professor of Latin at the University of Chicago and for 20 years was manager of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.

Dr. Anderson was minister of Second Baptist Church, now the Baptist Temple, from 1888 to 1900.

In 1928, he was nominated as one of seven Massachusetts delegates-at-large to the Republican National Convention in Kansas City.

## F. K. ANDERSON, DOCTOR, DIES

Dr. Forrest Kendall Anderson, member of the dermatology staff of the Rochester General Hospital and formerly a staff physician of the State Department of Health, died Saturday in his home in New York City.

Well known in Rochester medical circles where he was regarded as a promising young specialist, Doctor Anderson succumbed to a lingering illness. He was but 31.

Rochester friends first learned of his illness when he recently wrote his intention to resign his post here to Dr. Harry D. Clough, medical director of the General Hospital.

Doctor Anderson, a native of El Paso, Tex., attended the University of Texas and Baylor College of Medicine in Dallas, Tex., where he was graduated in 1929. After private practice in Texas he was for several years with the New York Department of Mental Hygiene at Letchworth Village and at Craig Colony, in Sonyea. He later joined the staff of the State Department of Health.

Doctor Anderson was a lieutenant in the United States Army Reserve Corps, and was a member of the Livingston County Medical Society.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Tirzah Waite Anderson, whom he married in 1932; his mother, Mrs. Clara Anderson, of El Paso, Tex.; a brother, Roscoe Anderson, of Monterey Park, Calif., and a sister, Mrs. W. W. Wamel of Sacramento, Calif. Funeral services will be held today in Oakland, Me.

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## FIRST 'QUIZZER' BACK IN ACTION

*D. & C. MAR 20 1938*  
The City Club's lead-off man, S. Douglas Anderson, Fairport, was back at his post after two weeks' absence yesterday—and everyone felt better for it.

For many years Anderson, with his long white hair, his kindly bespectacled face and his questioning voice, has occupied a unique position in the City Club.

He's the man who asks the first question. And for a good many seasons club presidents have opened the forum by looking down at the midfloor table Anderson invariably occupies.

It has become a City Club tradition that he should ask the first question. No one speaks until he's had the opportunity. When he's present he always has a penetrating query on tap. When he's absent—well, it doesn't seem quite right, and everybody's a bit disappointed.

By Anderson's own estimate he's been putting the first question since about 1909, "when this club was organized."

Once a resident of Rochester, he served as a business consultant—that is, he was called into consultation in somewhat of a trouble-shooting capacity by factories and other industrial plants, he says. He's an accountant by profession, but is now in what he describes as "virtual retirement."

"Somebody's got to start the ball a-rolling," he chuckled in explanation yesterday.

"I do it because I'm convinced that one can draw out more information by constant interrogation than is perhaps contained in the for mal talk just heard. After all, there are two sides to every question, and questions bring out both of them."

## Dean C. Anderson, 56, Sportsman, Passes

*SPD 1939*  
Dean Carl Anderson, 56, of 711 Highland Avenue, sportsman and skeet shooting enthusiast, died early yesterday (Sept. 8, 1939, at Strong Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Anderson had been a salesman for Sidney B. Roby Company, mill and auto accessory supplies, for the last 20 years. He drove an ambulance during the World War.

He was well known as a member of the Community Gun Club and other skeet shooting organizations and had attended skeet shooting matches throughout this part of the country.

He leaves his wife, Gertrude Anderson; a sister, Mrs. Clara St. John, and a brother, Ralph Anderson, both of Toledo, Ohio. The body will be at 32 Chestnut St. until 1930 p. m. today, when it will be taken to Toledo for burial.

## HIS 34TH YEAR AS POLICEMAN

*Rochester Public Library*  
115 South Avenue

When Capt. Anthony A. Andrews, head of the Detective Bureau, walks into his Exchange Street office this morning, he will be starting his 34th year as a policeman.

Appointed to duty Feb. 1, 1904, Andrews served for a time as police athletic instructor before being transferred to plainclothes duty.

Two years ago on the same date he succeeded the late Capt. John P. McDonald as bureau chief. Police records show Andrews has missed only two days of service because of illness during his 33 years on the force.

His home is at 180 Laburnum Crescent, and when not fighting crime, he wages, weather permitting, a constant battle against par on the fairways of vicinity golf courses. *D. & C. FEB 1-1937*

## Andrews Resigns Job As Detective Captain

*RVF Biography, A*  
Lieutenant Collins  
Slated for Vacant  
Police Post

Detective Captain Anthony A. Andrews today resigned from the Police Department, effective April 16.

Thirty-five years a policeman, Captain Andrews is past sixty years of age and was subject to retirement under the "Collins Law," which authorizes the commissioner of public safety to retire any officer at sixty years.

Asked why he was resigning at this time, Captain Andrews only answer was:

"No comment."

He will leave Rochester in a day or so for Pinehurst, where he will spend his fulltime golfing.

"But I won't be able to golf all the time," he said, "so I guess I'll have to get a hobby to help pass the time."

### 'SQUARE COPPER'

After receiving Andrews' resignation today, Safety Commissioner Thomas C. Woods said:

"I've worked with Andy twenty years and always will remember

him as an efficient and loyal peace officer. The Police Department loses an executive of sterling character, who has long been known as a 'square copper'."

Captain Andrews was a lieutenant in the U. S. Army during the Spanish-American War. Afterward, returning to Rochester, he joined the Police Department February 1, 1904.

He patrolled downtown beats in the tough sections in those days and early won and maintained a reputation as a "tough cop." At that time, policemen were expected to maintain order on their beats without assistance and with the fewest possible arrests, the theory being that a police nightstick was a better law enforcer, in minor matters, than a courtroom.

As physical instructor of the Police Department, a post awarded on merit, the captain taught boxing and gymnastics in a day when there was more emphasis on police physical training than there is today.

He was promoted to a Grade A detective, August 10, 1910, by Commissioner Charles S. Owen. Com-

missioner R. Andrew Hamilton made him a detective sergeant in 1921. Commissioner Harry Bareham elevated him to detective lieutenant in 1925.

### FOLLOWED M'DONALD

Upon the retirement of the late Detective Captain John P. McDonald, Andrews was promoted to detective captain by the late Commissioner Walter P. Cox.

Rugged at sixty, Andrews neither drinks nor smokes. In recent years his principal exercise has been golf. He plays eighteen holes in ninety minutes. He carries extra golf clubs which he never uses. This is to give the bag some heft, he says, to augment the exercise.

Years ago, Captain Andrews was a wrestling champion, bicycle racing champion and a weight lifter.

His successor as detective captain is expected to be Detective Lieutenant Edward Collins.

## Captain Andrews Resigns as Detective Chief

*T-Union, Mar. 23, 1939*  
Detective Capt. Anthony A. Andrews resigned today as the Municipal Civil Service Commissioner prepared to consider Public Safety Commissioner Woods' request for permission to name three supervising detectives without a Civil Service examination.

Andrews, who has headed the bureau since 1935, asked to be relieved of his duties Apr. 15, the date he would have returned from a vacation to begin Apr. 1.



CHIEF ANTHONY ANDREWS  
Quits Detective Post

## Capt. 'Andy' Renowned As 'Square' Cop

By AL MOSS  
Times-Union Police Reporter

Rochester Police today lost the services of one of the most picturesque characters of the department—Captain Anthony (Andy) A. Andrews.

Andy was known to the so-called underworld and reputable citizens alike, as a "square shooting cop." He always prided himself on never having double-crossed a crook in his life, but he never let down on one, either.

While many did not know it, Andy, (he confessed it today) is 60 years old. But he still handled the roughest of the lot that occasionally "pop off."

Andy is a "golf bug" and will devote much of his time playing golf. He soon will leave for Pinehurst, N. C.

Andy was an athletic instructor in the Police Department years ago. He owned the first motorcycle in Rochester, 40 years ago. He gave exhibitions in the old Fitzhugh Hall in a six-day bicycle race program. He also rode the first motorcycle in the department.

Woods said Andrews' resignation had not been asked. In a statement, the commissioner declared:

"His work in the Police Bureau has been of the highest order and his sincerity and honesty won him the esteem of his associates.

### 'Highest Commendation'

"I personally have known Captain Andrews for more than 20 years. I have had occasion to observe his work and have only the highest commendation for his many activities."

Detective Lieut. Edward Collins is expected to succeed Andrews.

The Civil Service Commission, it is believed will approve Woods' request to name the supervising detective this afternoon.

The plan, approved by City Manager Baker, provides for three detectives to be named to supervisory positions, at a salary increase from \$2,546 a year to \$2,750.

If the application is approved by the commission, Woods will have the power to appoint the supervising detectives or to replace them as he pleases. They will be under his direct supervision.

### Reorganization Slated

It is expected one promoted detective would supervise each of the three detective platoons. The appointments will be the first step in a long awaited reorganization of the Detective Bureau.

Andrews, a member of the Police Department 35 years, was named detective captain to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of the late Capt. John P. McDonald.



Edward Collins



## 'You'll Be Missed Around Here'



Police Chief Henry Copenhagen (right) bids goodbye to Capt. Anthony A. Andrews of the Detective Bureau, who resigned yesterday after 35 years in the Rochester Police Department.

## Retiring Detective Head Recalls Spine-Chilling Burglar Gunplay

By ROY ELLIOTT

"Don't ever let anyone tell you he hasn't been scared when he's had a gun pulled on him. That's the bunk."

Andy Andrews, detective captain who resigned yesterday after 35 years of police work in Rochester, was doing a bit of reminiscing in his Police Headquarters office yesterday afternoon as he wound up final details of his administration. The talk got around to what he termed his "closest call."

That was in the days when the Rochester Police Department was experimenting with its first motorcycle, and Andrews rode it. But the only part the motorcycle played in the story was in getting Andrews to the scene of action, the block bounded by East Avenue, Gibbs Street, East Main Street and Swan Street. Somewhere in that area a burglar had taken refuge in a police hunt, and police had the block surrounded.

"I started a search of the backyards and areaways," Andrews said, "trying every door, looking into every corner or anyplace a man could hide. Finally I found myself in the last backyard, with apparently every possibility exhausted. About to give it up, I had put my gun back in the holster, when I happened to see one of those old-fashioned sloping cellar doors in one of the buildings. I raised the door, not expecting to find anything more than in the other places, but there on the steps was my man—and he had a gun pointed straight at me."

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"Scared? I want to tell you that yellow streaks were racing right up and down my backbone, and that had turned to jelly. Throwing back the door, I whipped out my gun at the same time and there we were—guns pointed at each other. And any man who tries to tell you he isn't scared in a situation like that is crazy."

"Drop that gun or I'll blow your brains out," I told him. Then I didn't know what would happen. I've never shot a man and I don't believe I ever would, and I knew then that I wouldn't shoot him. Then I saw his gun waver just about half an inch and I knew I had him weakening."

"Drop that gun!" I ordered again. He slowly lowered his hand, dropped the gun, put the handcuffs I tossed him on while I still held my gun on him. Was I relieved!"

That and other incidents in his career has made Captain Andrews a great exponent of the powers of vocal persuasion in dealing with criminals. And his theories have worked remarkably well, his associates aver.

Appointed to the Police Department Feb. 1, 1904, Andrews for years patrolled beats, and so effectively that when he took over a beat in the clothing district where burglaries had been numerous, he didn't have one recorded against him thereafter.

"I never patrolled my beat the same way twice," Andrews commented yesterday. "After turning a corner, I might suddenly turn around and go back a block or two I had just covered. I frequently ran up and down fire escapes, both

for the exercise and to try windows. Plenty of them were unlocked, too—so many that there were complaints from proprietors about being awakened nights by police calls that they had left windows unlocked. And never a night went by that I didn't sprint a hundred yards or so while covering my beat, just to keep in condition."

Keeping in condition has been one of Andrews' fetishes throughout his career. He neither drinks nor smokes, and now past 60 years of age, he is one of the most physically able men in the Police Department. He insists on maintaining a dog trot around golf courses when he plays, frequently reducing much younger opponents who try to keep up to near-collapse at the end of a

round.

He was a champion bicyclist in his day, at one time taught boxing and gymnastics in the Police Department. He was a wrestling champion and a weightlifter.

Promoted to Grade A detective Aug. 10, 1910, Andrews became a detective sergeant in 1921, lieutenant in 1925 and on the retirement of the late Capt. John P. MacDonald was elevated to the office which he resigned yesterday.



ANTHONY A. ANDREWS

Andrews has a furlough coming to him before his resignation takes effect Apr. 15, and in a day or so he will leave for Pinehurst for a bit of golfing. It's his only hobby—besides police work—and he admits he'll have to do some looking around for something to occupy his time. He's wistfully philosophical about leaving police work.

And he'll be missed. That was evidenced yesterday afternoon by a constant trooping in and out of his office of associates at police headquarters as word of his resignation spread. They tried for the most part to be jovial about it, for they knew Captain Andrews would prefer it that way. But some of them had a difficult time of it.

They'd all had arguments with Andrews at some time or another, for Andrews could argue and fight if occasion arose. But he also forgot arguments readily. And some of those with whom he had had the bitterest setts in the past were inclined to choke up a bit yesterday as they dropped in to shake his hand.

He was, they said, the kind of a guy you could fight with—and respect.

## C. E. Andrews, Builder, Dies

Chester E. Andrews, 53, for 30 years a member of the contracting firm of John Andrews & Sons, died early today in Strong Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

Mr. Andrews lived at 1599 Clinton N. At his death he was in the contracting business with his brothers, Clifford J. and Foster S. Andrews.

Born in West Eaton, Madison County, he attended school there and came to Rochester with his family in 1905.

He leaves his wife, Malvina M. Andrews; a son, Clifford E. Andrews; his mother, Mrs. Addie E. Andrews; a sister, Mrs. David J. Gardner, and his two brothers.

Last rites will be conducted at 2 p. m. Monday at 532 Lake Ave., with burial in Irondequoit Cemetery.

## Rev. F. R. Andrews Dies in Penn Yan

Penn Yan—The Rev. F. Ray Andrews, 92, one of the oldest Masons in Yates County, died yesterday in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Laura Andrus Foster, 113 Main St.

A native of Potter, he had lived in that township nearly all his life, serving at one time as minister of the Friend Methodist Church. He lived for many years in the historical Potter place where King Louis Phillips of France was once reputed to have hidden while in exile in this country.

The Rev. Mr. Andrews was a 32nd degree Mason, affiliated with the Corning consistory of the Scottish Rite and Penn Yan Masonic Lodge. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Foster and Mrs. Verna Wettling, Potter; one son, Frank Andrews, Potter; one brother, the Rev. S. W. Andrews, Perryville. Funeral services will be at 2 p. m. tomorrow in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Wettling, with burial in Friend.

## Former Rochesterian Loses Father

Rochester friends have been advised of the death in Norwich, Conn., Thursday of Frank Arnold, father of the Rev. Kenneth F. Arnold, former assistant rector at St. Andrews Episcopal Church here and now of Clifton Springs, and Howard Arnold of New York City, a graduate of Eastman School of Music.

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# W. P. Andrus Dies at 69

Active in the city's business life for nearly 25 years, Waddell P. Andrus, 69, former president of the Hi Speed Hammer Company Inc., died this morning (Mar. 26, 1937) in Strong Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Andrus had been in poor health since last September, when he was injured in an automobile accident.

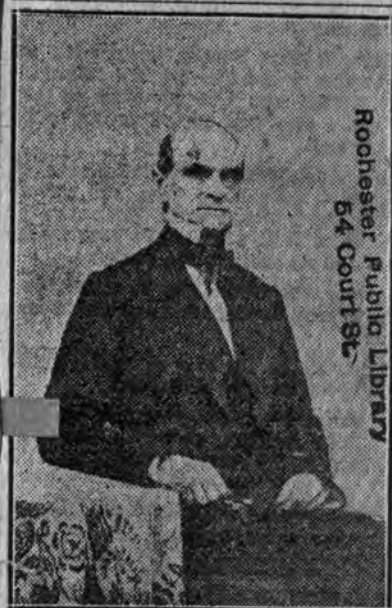
He was known for his quiet philanthropies, contributing to the Children's Convalescent Home, the People's Rescue Mission, and various welfare and denominational institutions. Each Christmas he distributed gifts and funds to newsboys and needy persons.

Since his wife's death four years ago, Mr. Andrus had lived at the Sagamore Hotel. He is survived by a sister, Mrs. W. C. Hedelston of Oxford, Miss; and a niece, Mrs. Leslie A. White of Rochester.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 11 a. m. at the Ingmire & Nagel Company parlors, at 137 Chestnut Street. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery.

intimately connected with the growth of Ithaca Village, and prominent in its activities, was born at Harwinton, Conn., in 1800, the son of Phineas Andrus and Anna Cadwell. In 1810 his father died and William went to live with a farmer named Squire Brace, who personally undertook the education of the boy and taught him much that was valuable to him in later life.

It was said that this farmer, whenever he killed a sheep, was in the habit of giving the pelt to young William, who carefully preserved it and then disposed of it at the best terms,



WILLIAM ANDRUS.

depositing the proceeds of these sales with his guardian.

About 1815 he left the farm and moved to Hartford, Conn., where he began learning the gold-beater's trade, but soon abandoned it and went the following year to New York, where he finally secured a position with a printer by the name of Paul. In the city he practiced the strictest economy, saving everything he could for investment, and buying second-hand clothing in Chatham street.

Early in the twenties of the last century young Andrus left the printing office and entered upon the business of a traveling auctioneer for his brother Silas of Hartford. In the capacity of book agent he first visited Ithaca, and hired the front part of the store owned by Miles Finch in which to display his goods. He made many friends during this short visit, and notably Ebenezer Mack, editor of the American Journal and bookseller, who proposed a partnership between himself and William Andrus, which was finally effected in the year 1824.

The firm which started that year as Mack & Andrus became, in 1826, Mack, Andrus & Woodruff; in 1842, Andrus, Woodruff & Gauntlett; then Andrus, Gauntlett & Co., Andrus, McChain & Co., and finally Andrus & Co.

a business man William Andrus

hard working, and scrupulous in everything which he owed and in demanding the same from others. He always took a personal interest in each of his employees and did all he could to help them.

Among the public offices which he held in Ithaca are the following: Trustee of the village in 1833, 1835, 1839 and 1849; supervisor of the town, president of the Mechanics' Society in 1845, a trustee of the Ithaca Academy from 1837 until the time of his death, member of the fire department, for 13 years a director of the Tompkins County Bank, vice president of the Ithaca Savings Bank, director of the Ithaca and Towanda



CATHERINE KELLOGG ANDRUS.

Railroad Company, and one of the charter trustees of Cornell University. He was also identified with the history of the Reformed Dutch Church, now the First Congregational, from its beginning in 1830.

In 1825 William Andrus married Catherine Kellogg of New Hartford, Conn., a young woman of unusual education for those days, to judge by the letters which she wrote to her fiancé, many of which have been preserved. In one she states that "My mother has ever been decidedly opposed to the practice of writing letters on the Sabbath," proving herself to be correctly brought up according to well established principles of the day, but nevertheless seizing the opportunity while the rest of the family were at church to write her William, for whom she remained "sincerely yours."

Mr. Andrus died in 1869. Ten grandchildren of William Andrus and Catherine Kellogg are now living: Mrs. Caroline A. Wixson of East Aurora, the Misses Catherine C., Minnie T. and Frederica Andrus and Miss Anne S. Andrus of this city; William A. Church of Ithaca, Edwin F. Church of Elmira, Mrs. Agnes M. Pratt of Cambridge, Mass.; Mrs. Burton S. Chamberlain and Mrs. Jeanette H. Diven of Elmira.

# Ex-Business Man, Now Thespian, Back in Town with Lunts

Tall Charles Ansley, who left a Rochester business for Broadway footlights, came back today in distinguished company.

He is part of the cast of "Idiot's Delight," the Robert Sherwood play which goes on the stage of the Auditorium tonight with Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontanne in the leading roles.

Ansley, selected by the Lunts last fall, has a minor role—that of an Italian officer. At one time in the play's New York run, he was understudy to Mr. Lunt.

President of the Boutell Manufacturing Company, 554 Lyell Avenue, Ansley attained prominence in local dramatics through his work as the tutor in "The Swan," produced by the American Association of University Women at Strong Auditorium, River Campus, last April.

He did some work with the Community Players, later was a radio motion picture commentator.

Broadway bound, he went to New York in August, 1936, tramped the streets for six weeks looking for a stage part and finally broke in with the Lunts when he filled the Italian officers' uniform, reports have it, "to perfection."

The Lunts are taking "Idiot's Delight" to the Pacific Coast and Ansley will go with them.

He lived at 170 Spring Street in Rochester.

ning his third year in high school, according to McFarlin. He was a graduate of St. Thomas' parochial school and active in local Sea Scout activities.

In a wire basket on the youth's bicycle were a newspaper bag a route book of a weekly paper which Anselm delivered to Irondequoit subscribers. His pockets yielded \$1.45, the approximate amount, friends told McFarlin, of his weekly collections.

Missing from home since Saturday night, Anselm apparently was last seen when he completed his route with a delivery at a Rock Beach Road home, a check of the route book revealed.

Questioning of Anselm's friends, McFarlin said, revealed nothing which might have prompted the youth to attempt his life. He was described as a quiet type, inactive in sports, but keenly interested in model boat building, wood carving and scouting.

Coroner Richard A. Leonardo said his investigation showed no evidence of foul play and that there were no marks of violence or abuse on the youth's body. Leonardo said he would withhold issuance of a death certificate pending a more complete investigation in conjunction with McFarlin.

Besides his parents the youth is survived by a brother, Robert J. Anselm. The funeral will be conducted at 8:30 a. m. Wednesday from the home and at 9 a. m. in St. Thomas Church. Burial will be in Holy Sepulcher Cemetery.

# BOY, 17, FOUND DEAD IN TREE

The body of 17-year-old Frank Anselm, Jr., Irondequoit High School pupil, was found hanging from a tree in Gunson Woods, at the east end of Harvinton Drive, by a chum of the dead youth yesterday afternoon.

Finding of Anselm's bicycle near the path which leads from the street to the woods, pointed the way to discovery of the tragedy by Ted Lindquist, 17, of 4386 St. Paul.

Irondequoit Police Chief Harold McFarlin quoted Lindquist as saying he came upon the bicycle, then followed a single line of footprints leading toward the trees. The woods, intersected with paths, are a favorite playground of neighborhood boys, McFarlin said.

Anselm lived with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Anselm, at 146 Wildmere Dr. and was begin-



# James Annin, Fish Hatchery Expert; Dies At Caledonia

*RT. U. Feb 20, 1930*  
Famous Sportsman and Conservationist Dies Suddenly After Appearing to Be in Good Health—Introduced Brown Trout Into New York State.

James Annin, 79, of Caledonia, dean of commercial trout farmers of the United States and probably of the world, died at the home of his son, Harry K. Annin of Caledonia, late yesterday.

On the very springs in which Seth Green first artificially propagated trout, Mr. Annin founded a service to owners of American sports resources that has become famous in two continents.

Fingerling trout from the Annin Hatchery have "peopled" the waters of practically all famous streams in northeastern United States, and Mr. Annin as stocking consultant was a welcome guest at many noted estates.

Spring Creek, beside which Mr. Annin lived and died, has been waded by many old time American sportsmen, the famous Reuben Wood being among the distinguished guests who wet their lines in the Annin waters.

James Annin was born in Boston, July 23, 1850, and in 1852 his parents removed to Le Roy. His father was a noted fisherman, and the son early became an enthusiastic sportsman. A day or so before he died his father asked to be carried to the streamside in Caledonia where his feeble arm laid out one final cast and took a beautiful two-pound trout. He gazed at the catch, and was carried to his waiting carriage, his last fishing done.

James Annin probably knew as much of woods and waters as any American of his time. He was a superb shot upon grouse and woodcock, the shyest of feathered game, and his fly-casting arose to the majesty of a fine art. He was the earliest importer of fine English tackle and was a master judge of the seasons and use of artificial flies.

## Introduced Brown Trout

Mr. Annin served 10 years as superintendent of all the New York State fish hatcheries and was the

chief mover in securing the establishment of brown trout in New York waters, which have taken the place of speckled trout that failed to survive in our denuded rural lands.

He was one of the few people who ever perpetrated a joke on President Theodore Roosevelt. The redoubtable "T. R.," governor of New York, had been urged by sentimental naturalists to stop the stocking of streams with the brown European trout. While the matter was debating Governor Roosevelt visited Caledonia and was given a trout luncheon at the state hatchery, the details of which were arranged by James Annin. "T. R." asked for brook trout and was served a handsome fish.

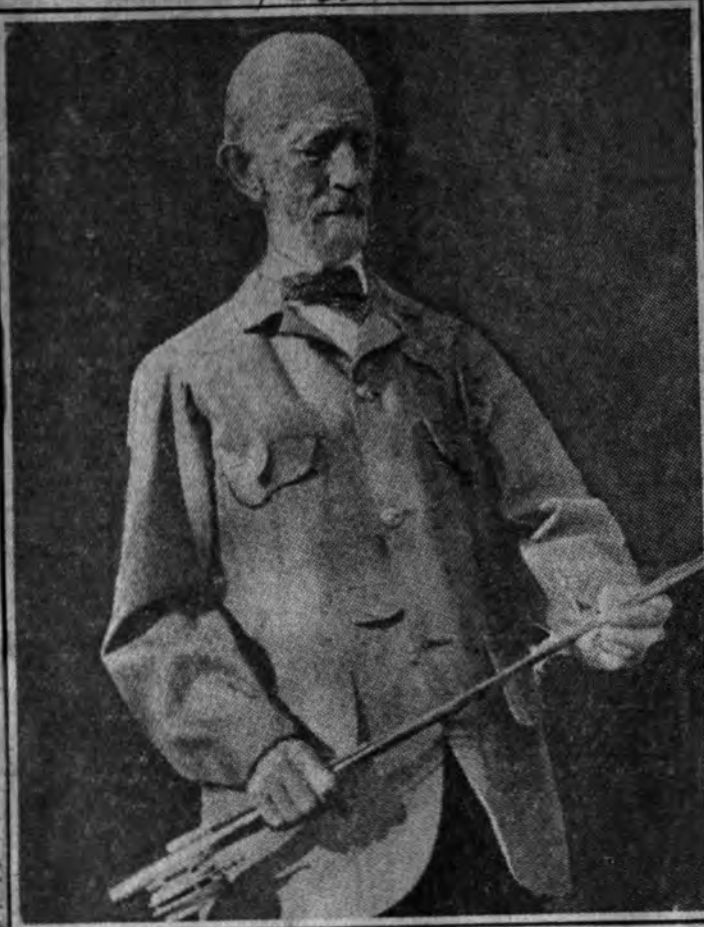
"There," exclaimed the governor. "There's a fish! That's none of your brown trout. That's a native American brook trout!" Mr. Annin stepped quietly to his side and informed the governor that he had just eaten a two-pound brown trout. The controversy was over and New York waters were thrown open to the favorite fish of Isaak Walton.

Mr. Annin organized a half century ago a club upon his waters, the sole surviving active member of which is Pharellus V. Crittenden. This club contained on its membership rolls the names of many old-time Rochester anglers such as James K. Hart, Charles Babcock, Willis G. Mitchell, Cornelius Crittenden and George Eastman.

At noon yesterday Mr. Annin returned from the private hatcheries on his estate where he had spent the morning and ate a hearty dinner with his family in the stately stone mansion deep in a grove of tall elms, beeches and oaks. He appeared in good health and joined heartily in the table talk.

Shortly after he was stricken, became unconscious and died at 5:30 in the afternoon.

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James Annin, noted fish culturist, who died yesterday at his residence Caledonia.

In the same house two months ago his wife died. She was the former Jeannette Campbell of Caledonia, and was married to Mr. Annin in 1877. They had been children together and all her life she had been an ardent admirer of the skilled fisherman. From childhood they had studied and fished Spring Creek and Oatka Creek.

Mr. Annin is survived by one daughter and three sons: Mrs. Howard Sinclair, of Caledonia; James C. of Miami, Fla.; Harry K. and Howard of Caledonia; also a brother, Herbert E. of Margaretville, N. Y.; and two sisters, Mrs. Claude Pettingill of La Crosse Wis., and Mrs. Harriet Annin Baker of Le Roy.

The noted sportsman was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church of Caledonia, where for years he was a trustee and an elder. Funeral services from this church will be conducted 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

In speaking of his father's great interest in a sportsman's career, Harry K. Annin today said that his father had pioneered with Seth Green in the artificial propagation

of fish and then devoted his talents to the conservation of fish and game.

He introduced the small-mouthed bass into England when he stocked the streams on the estate of Lady Amherst 30 years ago. He was honored by Germany when he exhibited there at a national exposition, and of late years had remarked that he was the oldest living member of the American Fisheries Society, which he joined in 1878.

Appleby is a veteran realty broker, and for many years has specialized in the field of appraisals and expert testimony. He is manager of the Alliance appraisal department and a graduate of the appraisal class of 1937 given by Columbia University and the American Institute at Columbia University last summer.

## Studies Appraisals



LINUS APPLEBY

## ALLIANCE AIDE SETS STUDIES

It was announced yesterday by Frank A. Drumm, president of Alliance Realty Corporation, Lincoln-Alliance Bank Building, that the corporation has enrolled its vicepresident, Linus S. Appleby, in appraisal course given by the University of Chicago in cooperation with the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers.

The course will be given at the University of Chicago, Aug. 8 to 20, and will be entitled "The Valuation of Investment Properties." The dean of the faculty will be George LeRoy Schmutz, Los Angeles.

These summer appraisal courses have become very popular and are attracting real estate appraisal experts from the majority of the large insurance companies, nationally-known banks and trust companies.



# Realty Appraiser Elected Member of U.S. Institute

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## Veteran Broker Gets Title of MAI from Affiliation

Alliance Realty Corporation of Rochester has announced election of Linus S. Appleby, vicepresident and manager of the appraisal department of the corporation, to active membership in the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers which affiliation carries the title of "MAI."

Appleby is a veteran real estate broker and specialist in the appraisal field. He is a licensed broker and an active "A" member of the Real Estate Board of Rochester.

He has been an intensive student of modern methods of real estate appraising and is a graduate of the real estate appraisal course given by Columbia University in co-operation with the American Institute.

Appleby was also a student at University of Chicago case study course, sponsored by the institute last summer. His final examinations for Membership were taken last fall.

The American Institute of Real Estate appraisers has a membership of 660 in thirty-seven states and Canada, and numbers in its membership outstanding authorities in the real estate, mortgage and appraisal field.



LINUS P. APPLEBY  
... he's an MAI now

Warren W. Allen, manager of the real estate department of the Lincoln-Alliance Bank of Rochester, is also a member of the American Institute.

## Funeral Service Set For Explosion Victim

Funeral services for Earl Armstrong, 47, Honeoye Falls resident who died in Strong Memorial Hospital Tuesday night of injuries caused by the explosion of boiling lead at his home in the afternoon, will be at 2:30 p. m. tomorrow in Honeoye Falls Presbyterian Church.

The Rev. John Buyer will officiate.

Member of a pioneer Mendon family, Mr. Armstrong was superintendent of the Mendon Presbyterian Church for 12 years and an elder for 10 years. He was an assessor of the town of Mendon for eight years, holding that office at the time of his death, and was director of the Mendon Grange Insurance Association for about 10 years.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. George Armstrong; six sisters, Mrs. Raymond Peters, Mrs. Wallace Habecker, Mrs. Mabel Habecker, Mrs. Neil Shermon and Miss Margaret Armstrong, all of Mendon; Mrs. Charles Busby of Pittsford, and one brother, William Armstrong of Pittsford.

# Who's 'Boss' Remains Undecided by Couple To Mark 63rd Anniversary on Mar. 15th

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## 'That's Why We Get Along,' Says Wife Of Greece Man

For three score years and three, Mr. and Mrs. John Appleton in Worcester Road, Greece, have been unable to decide who is boss in their family.

That's the reason, they claim, they will be celebrating their 62nd wedding anniversary Mar. 15.

"We've never decided who should run things," said white-haired, 82-year-old Mrs. Appleton with a short, tinkly laugh. "We always thought we'd wait until we were a little bit older before deciding. I guess that's the way we always got along."

### Met in Canada

It hasn't been long at all—these 62 years, Mr. and Mrs. Appleton will tell you. Life has been fun and full of living ever since they met more than half a century ago at a party in Park Hill, a suburb of London, Canada.

When the children grew up and moved to the United States, Mom and Dad Appleton followed them.

"Us being alone way up there didn't seem right," Mrs. Appleton said, "and so we just packed our things and came along. That was in 1924."

First in Cleveland and then in Greece, Mr. Appleton built houses. He retired a few years ago, but couldn't leave his trade entirely. In the long afternoons and evenings when the "kids" can't come over to visit them, he makes camp chairs. Saws the wood himself, puts the slim sticks together with iron screws and even sews the canvas.

"It gives me something to do," the carpenter said. "Last summer I sold nearly 40 to friends and neighbors around here."

While Johnnie, she still calls him that, with a lingering inflection on the last syllable, does his carpentering, Mrs. Appleton, he still calls her "Mother," makes rag rugs. Sometimes he brings his work into the kitchen just to be around while she putters with the supper dishes.

### Have Six Children

Two of the Appleton's six children, Mrs. Minnie Mawson and George, live in Greece. Both Almon and Everett live in Los Angeles. Mrs. Sarah Andrews lives in Connecticut and John is in Buffalo.

"They're all so good to us," Mrs. Appleton said, looking around the comfortably-furnished front room of their small home.

There's going to be a home-coming in Worcester Road when the



Sixty-three years married, and Mr. and Mrs. John Appleton of Worcester Road, Greece, never have been anything but happy; their formula—don't decide "who should run things"

Appleton's celebrate their anniversary. There will be a supper prepared by Minnie and then just a "nice evening at home with the children."

On Mar. 10, Mr. Appleton will be 83.

"Poor o'Johnnie," Mrs. Appleton lamented in mock pity, "he only had five days of freedom after he had 'come-of-age' on his 21st birthday. Then I snared him."

And the little old lady's daughter made the little old house in Worcester Road suddenly very bright.

## Couple to Celebrate Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Attridge, 130 Woodbine Avenue, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary today at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Martin H. Reynolds, 130 Depew Street. The couple was married Mar. 3, 1887, by the Rev. John Graham, pastor of the Evangelistic Church, in his parsonage in Union Street. Each came to Rochester 53 years ago. After their wedding, they lived for a time in the old Eighth Ward, and then for a period in the 11th Ward. For more than 40 years they have made their home in the 19th Ward.

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## Wins RPI Scholarship

Melvin W. Arsove of Rochester has been awarded a four-year full tuition scholarship by Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute at Troy.

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# Folks Eating More, 260-Pound Chef Finds

## Club Cook Celebrates 25 Years on Job With Big Pie

Black-moustached, 260-pound Johnnie Appel did three things last night to celebrate his 25th anniversary as chef for the Rochester Club.

He baked himself a juicy cherry pie—the kind that'd make any dieting lady weaken—and then ate it with the fervor of a cook who's cooked everything that can be cooked.

He drank a toast in pale pink punch with the "boys," his under-chefs.

He told the world what's happened in the cookery business since 1912.

"People are eating lots more these days than they used to," and Johnnie took a man-sized hunk out of the dripping pie. "They're eating lots of steaks and chops and pies. They don't think of their

figures as much as they used to."

12 Courses Common Then

Twenty-five years ago, the chef claims, dinners used to be more elaborate. Serving a 12-course dinner was a matter-of-course. Things were garnished with art and served with an array of seasonings that would make a meek man dizzy.

"Scaling" dinners down to meet half a dozen menu price figures is Johnnie's only problem—especially now that he's sending 250 to 300 lunches each day from the good-smelling pantries he rules.

"We used to have just one price," he mourned over the last brown crust crumb, "and every one was happy. Now we have to serve dinners at anything from 60 cents to a couple of dollars."

Johnnie had some definite tastes in food a quarter of a century ago when he stepped from his kitchen on a North German Line ship to try his luck as a Rochester chef. But he's lost them all.

"You Like Everything"

"When you go around tasting everything to see if it's cooked up

## Kitchen Aides Beam As Johnnie Appel Reviews Past

right," he said, "you can't like one thing more than another. You just like everything—if it's seasoned well."

Even the German dishes that Johnnie concocted for eight years in Munich hotels and restaurants have lost their special place in his cook's heart.

"Sauer kraut — she's just the same as noodles to me," he said, shrugging his well-fed shoulders.

Johnnie's 14 helpers beamed on him last night. If their salads are good, they say, it's because Johnnie put an extra dash of salt on them. If their cakes are fluffy, it's because Johnnie hovered over them while they baked.

In fact, Johnnie was the whole works in the Rochester Club kitchen last night—and not just because it was sort of a birthday party, either.

## Funeral Friday For Cornell Law Senior

Funeral of Thomas E. Armstrong, 80 Thorndale Ter., Cornell University law senior, will be held from St. Augustine's Church at 10 a. m. Friday, with burial in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Death resulted from drowning early yesterday morning. Armstrong's body was recovered from Cascadilla Gorge, Ithaca, some distance below the Linn St. bridge.

The early verdict of suicide issued by Coroner William Siles was withdrawn last night on the basis of "new information which requires further investigation."

The coroner pointed to absence of fractures and presence of multiple scratches and abrasions, which indicated the youth had fallen only a slight distance into the gorge. Siles said the bruises and lacerations apparently came from contact with the rocks as the body was carried along by the swift stream.

Friends of Armstrong, both in Rochester and Ithaca, say they are convinced that death must have been accidental. They point to absence of motive and to the young man's apparent state of mind and actions over the week-end. He phoned his home in Rochester, called at the residence of a member of the Cornell law faculty and consulted with others in the law library regarding a case on which he was working. All refer to his good spirits and the enthusiasm with which he was undertaking his concluding term's work, which would have begun yesterday.

Dean Robert S. Stevens of the law school referred to Armstrong as an exceptional student and facing a promising legal career. He was ranked among the first dozen members of the senior class and had been assured a position with a prominent law firm on his graduation in June.

The Rev. Arnold is a graduate of Suffield School, Suffield, Conn., the University of Rochester and the General Theological Seminary in New York City. He was ordained by Bishop Ferris on St. Barnabas Day, June 11, 1936, in St. Andrew's Church, Rochester, and was appointed as minister in charge of St. John's Church, Clifton Springs.

## Funeral Rites Conducted for Cornell Senior

Solemn High Mass for Thomas E. Armstrong, 24, was said at St. Augustine's Church at 10 a. m. today. Interment was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

The bearers were Wesley Grant, Donald Fischer, Charles Gedes, Warren Phillips, Albert Free and Ralph Kelly, all formerly University of Rochester classmates.

Honorary bearers, from the Cornell Law School, were Ralph Gregg, Matthew G. Leary, Peter Ward, Edward Collins, Charles Sutton, John H. Norris, George Brownell, Edward Harris and Alfred Slawson.

Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Edward J. Waters, assisted by the Rev. Robert H. Kenney as deacon and the Rev. Daniel O'Rourke as subdeacon. In the sanctuary were the Rev. Robert Henry and the Rev. William Darcy Bolger.

### Drowns in Gorge

A senior in Cornell Law School, Armstrong lost his life through drowning in Cascadilla Gorge at Ithaca, ruled accidental by the coroner following investigation.

From the time Armstrong's body was brought to his home at 80 Thorndale Ter., Tuesday, there was a steady stream of friends to pay tribute to his memory. The house was banked with flowers, gifts of his associates, both at the University of Rochester and Cornell, and from others with whom he had worked.

Strong advocate of self help, while in school and college he had worked as school bus driver, library assistant and in local factories. Last summer he worked nights in the Eastman plant and studied law days in a Rochester law office.

### Letters of Sympathy

Many letters of sympathy and appreciation of Armstrong's character and ability reached his father, Frederick E. Armstrong, engineer with the Taylor Instrument Companies. These included a letter from the head of the Rochester legal firm with which he was to have had a position on his graduation. A few days before his death he had written regarding this. Other letters came from Dean Robert S. Stevens and members of the faculty of Cornell Law School where Armstrong was ranked among the dozen highest in the senior class.

A delegation of a half-dozen representatives of the school arrived in Rochester for the funeral last night and more came this morning, accompanied by Prof. Lewis H. Morse, law librarian.

## Camp Arey Founder Dies at 88 Years

Funeral services were to be held at his home in Roslyn, L. I., today for Albert L. Arey, once general science teacher at the old Rochester Free Academy.

Mr. Arey, who was 88, died Wednesday in his home.

His geniality and kindness winning him scores of friends among his pupils, Mr. Arey taught here from 1887 to 1900, when he went to New York. In 1892 he founded what is now Camp Arey on Keuka Lake, a project designed to promote nature study by young boys.

He was a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the Society of the Genesee, and the American Physicists' Society.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Florence Arey; four daughters, Mrs. Conrad C. Koegler, Pittsford; Mrs. Andre C. Fontaine, Mrs. James D. Street and Miss Ethel Arey, Long Island.

## Funeral Service Today For Professor Arey

Funeral services for Prof. Albert L. Arey, remembered by a generation of Rochesterians who attended the old Rochester Free Academy, will be held today at his home in Roslyn, L. I. At the time of his death Wednesday (Sept. 14, 1938), he was 88.

Author and teacher, Professor Arey was beloved by the many pupils of the old school and members of his science classes who etched their names on the windows of the school, windows recently given to the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences.

He taught in Rochester from 1887 until 1900, going to New York. He was a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the American Physicists' Society and the Society of the Genesee. In 1892 he founded the now Camp Arey of Keuka Lake on Canandaigua Lake for nature study by young boys.

Professor Arey leaves his widow, Mrs. Florence Arey; four daughters, Mrs. Conrad Koegler, Pittsford; Mrs. Andre C. Fontaine, Mrs. James D. Street and Miss Ethel Arey, Long Island.

## Bishop to Take Part in Rites

Clifton Springs—The Rev. Kenneth Arnold will be ordained Tuesday at 11 o'clock in St. John's Episcopal Church, by the Rt. Rev. David L. Ferris, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Rochester.

The Rev. Mr. Arnold will be presented for ordination by the Rev. Frederick Crosby Lee, rector of St. Andrew's Church, Rochester, and secretary of the diocese.

The Rev. Charles W. Walker, rector of St. Mark's Church, Newark, and dean of the Northeastern Deanery, will deliver the ordination sermon and the Rev. Bartel Rheinheimer, coadjutor bishop of Rochester, will read the gospel.

The Rev. C. W. Compton, rector of Ascension Church, Rochester, will be epistoler and the Rev. John Williamson, rector of St. John's Church,odus, will read the Litany of the ordination.

Other clergy who will take part in the ceremonies will be: the Rev. Howard Hassinger, rector of St. Peter's Church, Geneva, who will act as master of ceremonies; the Rev. Charles Loughton McGavern, canon of St. Paul's Church, Buffalo, will act as sub-deacon; the Rev. Robert Bosher, rector of Christ Church, Stannardsville, Va., will be the bishop's chaplain.

## Veteran Merchant Marks 85th Birthday

George Arthur, 81 Thurston Rd., who came to Rochester from Scotland nearly 60 years ago, today celebrated his 85th birthday. He was one of the pioneers here in the drygoods business, since he was associated with the old A. S. Mann Company on State St.



## Carves Own Niche



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"It's a disadvantage."

WILLIAM ARNOLD

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## Actor's Son Discounts Fame Heritage

Edward Arnold's son says he has two strikes on him because he is Edward Arnold's son.

Not that he's complaining—this husky 200-pound, son of the husky motion picture actor with the hearty, body-shaking laugh. He thinks his dad is the greatest guy in the world and one of its finest actors.

His name is William Arnold. He is a serious-minded, 19-year-old image of his father. He has played in six pictures but his heart is set on an operatic, not a screen career.

He is living in a simply-furnished room at Rochester Central YMCA while studying voice and piano at Eastman School of Music. He followed his teacher, Frederick H. Haywood, here for the summer school season.

What's it like to be the son of a celebrity? "It's a disadvantage, definitely!" says young Arnold. "People expect you to be conceited. You're on a spot with two strikes on you."

Arnold is "quite critical" of himself, he says, and thinks it will be 10 years at least before he can hope to sing his favorite role of the tenor, Rudolfo in La Boheme.

## His Railroading Ends



JOHN A. ASHE

Tue, Oct 13, 1937

## Retires After 56 Years Railroading

John A. Ashe won't like this piece about his retirement after 56 years of railroading.

An uncompromising Irishman whose face and figure are as firmly chiseled as if he were 17 rather than a white-haired 70, Mr. Ashe is very definite in his likes and dislikes. Newspaper stories come in the latter category—very flatly so.

### Fascinating Work

But railroading falls in the former class. Even when Mr. Ashe, now trainmaster of the New York Central, started as a telegraph operator in Nova Scotia at the age of 14, he knew he'd be in the railroad business all his life.

"It's fascinating," he said briefly, caught for a moment off-guard in his caution with newspapers. Then he thought better of telling why, and in an offhand manner said mockingly:

"There's so much variety, you know. Always someone being bawled out or telling a funny story."

In a more serious vein he admitted it was time he "loafed a little." But though he and Mrs. Ashe go to California for the winter, where two of their four sons live, they won't escape entirely from railroads.

### Rare Collection

For Mr. Ashe has an unusual collection of railroadiana which mere retirement won't keep from growing. Included are tickets dated 1849, lists of supplies made out in 1838, payroll lists showing how railroaders earned as much in a month in the 19th century as they do in a week today.

But the prize of the lot is a medal given Mr. Ashe's father by King Edward VII when he had completed 52 years with the Intercolonial Railway, now part of the Canadian National.

## Retiring Rail Aide Honored at Dinner

John A. Ashe, who as New York Central trainmaster, has seen thousands of departures, last night knew how it felt to "leave."

He entered retirement yesterday when 30 executives of Rochester and neighboring divisions tendered him a farewell luncheon in the Rochester Club. To flowing words of praise from Paul Folger, attorney, the veteran of 54 years of railroading headed for retirement. He carried with him considerable luggage, the gifts of associates. Mr. and Mrs. Ashe will spend the winter in California.

The executives also paid tribute to C. A. Raymond, Rochester district supervisor, who leaves to become supervisor of the Buffalo division.

## FIREMAN SINCE 1893 CARRIES ON

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Capt. George F. Asmuth of Engine 24, Ridge Rd., entered his 45th year of service as a "smoke-eater" yesterday. He lives at 882 Genesee Pk. Blvd.

Appointed when 21 in 1893, he is one of the oldest firemen in Rochester in point of service. Yesterday, he recalled many thrilling experiences while fighting most of the largest fires while in the department.

Asmuth's hobby is collecting newspaper clippings on all the fires in Rochester and some of the larger ones in other cities and towns. He has several large scrapbooks filled with accounts of fires since he has been in the department.

## DEATH CLAIMS HENRY ASMUS

Ithaca — Funeral services for Prof. Henry Asmus, 65, America's only professor of horseshoeing will be held at 1 p. m. tomorrow in the Masonic Temple.

Asmus, associated with the Veterinary College at Cornell University for 26 years as an assistant professor of farriery, died of a heart attack about 12:30 a. m. yesterday in his Reservoir Avenue home. The illness came over him less than two hours after returning from Elmira with a party of friends who attended a meeting of the Shrine Club.

Professor Asmus came to America in 1907, a pupil of professor Lungwitz of Berlin, an outstanding authority scientific farriery. He set up a shop in Lowville and lived there five years before coming to Cornell as an instructor in farriery. He was made assistant professor in 1914 and has held that position since in the Veterinary College's Department of Surgery.

## R. P. I. Student Chosen For Part in Comedy

Benjamin L. Averbach, student at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, has been selected as a member of the cast for the play, "She Stoops to Conquer," to be staged by the Rensselaer Players. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Averbach, 191 Moulson Street.

## G. W. Ashton, Early Immigrant, Dies at 88; Funeral Tomorrow

Funeral services will be conducted at 137 Chestnut St. at 3 p. m. tomorrow for George W. Ashton, 88, who came to America as an infant with his parents in a sailing vessel.

Mr. Ashton died Sunday in Rochester.

He was born June 22, 1850 in London and lived with his family for about 25 years in New York City, where he became associated with Cale Montgomery, book and art publishers. The firm later sent him to Rochester as its representative.

Mr. Ashton G. W. Ashton



During his 26 years at Cornell, Professor Asmus made the reputation of being the country's leading figure in the field. He frequently was called to all parts of the country to give advice on horse shoeing. He was a constant adviser to the United States Army. Horse owners of Kentucky, Maryland and Virginia often had him at their stables for consultation on the proper shoeing of a valuable mount.

He is survived by his widow; a son, Dr. Reimer A. Asmus of Vineland, N. J., 1927 graduate of the Veterinary College, Cornell; a daughter, Mrs. W. A. Sutorius of Sayville, L. I., and Mrs. A. G. Bedell of Kings Ferry. There are five grandchildren in this country and four brothers and five sisters in Germany.

retired in 1901 to farmlands he purchased near LeRoy.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. M. J. DeWitt, Rochester; Mrs. Maude E. Sellen, owner of Kan-Ya-To Inn, Skaneateles, and Mrs. Mabel Meier, Skaneateles; a son, George J. Ashton, Los Angeles, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. Sarah A. Sparkes, Brooklyn, six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

The Rev. William C. Compton, D. D., will officiate at services tomorrow. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

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