

Mr. Van Natta is a member of the Episcopal Church, and has the following lodge and club affiliations: Fidelity Lodge No. 51, F. & A. M.; Eagle Chapter No. 58, R. A. M.; St. Augustine Commandery K. T. No. 38; Kalurah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Binghamton, New York, and President Tompkins County Shrine Club; Masonic Club; B. P. O. Elks; Rotary Club, of which he served as secretary for two years; Chamber of Commerce; Ithaca Country Club; and Tompkins County Fish & Game Club. He is a Republican in politics.

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**William A. Luce**, who is proprietor of the Luce Dairy Company, and treasurer of the Artic Ice Cream Company, Inc., is recognized as one of the dependable business men of Ithaca, and is a member of a well known pioneer family of Tompkins County. He was born in the Town of Lansing, Tompkins County, November 14, 1885, the son of George N. and Rebecca (Teeter) Luce.

George N. Luce was born on a farm in the town of Lansing, and died in 1904. He is buried in Kline Cemetery, Ithaca. His wife, also born in Tompkins County, died in 1926. He was the son of Israel Luce, who was a millwright and carpenter by trade. He was the son of Israel Luce, Sr., a prominent pioneer of Tompkins County, who settled there in 1799. To George N. and Rebecca (Teeter) Luce were born five children: 1. Frank, who died in infancy. 2. Maggie M., who died in infancy. 3. Hattie E., married Alson E. Buck, farmer, lives in the town of Lansing. 4. George Raymond, farmer, lives on the old homestead. 5. William A., the subject of this sketch.

William A. Luce is a graduate of the district schools in the Town of Lansing and Groton High School. He also took special work in dairying at Cornell University in 1907 and from 1908 until 1912 was identified with the dairy plant at the University. He then became interested in the dairy business in Ithaca as owner and manager of the Luce Dairy Company. Mr. Luce specializes in Guernsey milk and Grade "A" milk, as well as

other dairy products, and has established an excellent business in the city. His plant is located at 410 Hillview Place. In 1926 he was one of the organizers of the Artic Ice Cream Company of Ithaca, and he has been treasurer and director of this concern since its inception.

On September 17, 1913, Mr. Luce was united in marriage with Miss Marguerite Smith, who was born at Ithaca, April 11, 1893, the daughter of Glenn T. and Nellie Smith, natives of Ithaca. Mr. Smith is a well known citizen of Ithaca, where he has lived for many years. For twenty years he was a clerk in the grocery store of Wanzer & Howell, later owned his own store at Hillview Place, and in 1929 engaged in farming. He is a Republican, a member of the Aurora St. Methodist Church, and belongs to the Grange and Farm Bureau. To Mr. and Mrs. Luce were born two children: 1. William A., Jr., born June 3, 1918, attends Ithaca High School. 2. Barbara Jean, born October 4, 1923.

Politically, Mr. Luce is an independent Republican. He is an active member of the Aurora St. Methodist Church, and belongs to Hobasco Lodge, No. 716, F. & A. M., Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Chamber of Commerce, Tompkins County Fish & Game Club, Ithaca Gun Club, and Ithaca Rifle Club.

Mr. Luce and his family have a summer home at Rocky Glen, on Lake Cayuga.

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**Amos A. Barns.**—One of Ithaca's progressive business leaders and highly esteemed citizens is Amos A. Barns, heating and electrical engineer, with offices at 440 State Street. He was born at Utica, N. Y., April 17, 1885, the son of George S. and Eureka (Rogers) Barns.

George S. Barns was a native of Utica, and died in that city, April 16, 1899. He was educated in the district schools and during his life was interested in general farming and stock raising. He also was a buyer and shipper of stock. Mr. Barns was a Republican and took an active part in local politics. He held membership in the Congregational Church and belonged to the Grange.

His wife was born on a farm near Utica and died December 21, 1891. They are buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Utica. There were two sons in the Barns family: 1. Amos A., the subject of this sketch. 2. Vincent E., lives at Delhi, N. Y. By a later marriage George S. Barns had a daughter, Hope A. Barns, who is city librarian at Utica.

Amos A. Barns acquired his early education in the public schools of New Hartford, N. Y., and in 1909 received the degree of Bachelor of Science at Cornell University. In 1900 he entered the employ of Childs & Company, harness manufacturers, at Utica, and later became city salesman. In 1903 he was employed on the Utica Daily Press and later entered Cornell University. From the date of his graduation until 1912 he was interested in general farming near Danby, N. Y., and he then conducted a farm implement business at Ithaca, with which he was identified until 1922. He then established his present business as a heating contractor.

On November 24, 1909, Mr. Barns was united in marriage with Miss Grace Willetts, of Troy, N. Y., born April 24, 1889, the daughter of John H. and Mary (Jennings) Willetts. Both Mr. and Mrs. Willetts were natives of Tompkins County. He served as superintendent of city schools at Troy, N. Y., for more than twenty years. He died February 12, 1925, and his wife died July 7, 1909. They were buried at Danby. Mr. and Mrs. Barns have a son, George Raymond, born July 2, 1913. He attends Cornell University.

Mr. Barns and his family are members of the Congregational Church and he belongs to the Elks Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Cornell Club of Ithaca, and Chamber of Commerce.

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**Dorman S. Purdy**, who is successfully engaged in the insurance business in Ithaca, with offices at 139 East State Street, is a native of New York. He was born at Corning, Steuben County, July 2, 1894, the son of Dr. Mark S. and Katherine (McLean) Purdy.

Dr. Mark S. Purdy was a native of Bradford, New York. He attended the public schools of Corning and Morrison, Illinois, and in 1882 received the degree of Bachelor of Science at Cornell University. He was graduated three years later from the Chicago Homeopathic College with the degree of Doctor of Medicine, and from 1885 until 1908 successfully engaged in practice at Corning. He retired in the latter year and died in Ithaca in 1909. His widow was born at Lawrenceville, Pennsylvania, and now lives at Painesville, Ohio. Doctor Purdy also was proprietor of the Highland Pines Sanitarium from 1893 until 1908. He was a Republican and a member of the Presbyterian Church. His father was Dr. William S. Purdy, who was one of Steuben County's prominent pioneer physicians. Roger Purdy was the founder of the Purdy family in Tompkins County, having settled here in 1800. He was a native of Orange County, New York.

To Dr. Mark S. and Katherine (McLean) Purdy were born four children: 1. Dorman S., the subject of this sketch. 2. Dorothy, married James R. Hillas, lives at Morristown, New Jersey. 3. Donald, who is assistant professor of psychology, at the University of Kansas. He is a graduate of Cornell University, Bachelor of Arts in 1920, Master of Arts at Princeton University, and Doctor of Philosophy at Harvard University. He has also been an instructor at Harvard, Princeton, University of California, and Vassar College. 4. Charlotte E., married George W. Griffiths, lives at East Orange, New Jersey.

Dorman S. Purdy is a graduate of Corning Free Academy and Ithaca High School. He received the degree of Bachelor of Science at Cornell University in 1916 and during the following three years was interested in the general insurance business in Ithaca. However, in 1919, he became identified with the New York State Conservation Commission. After several years he returned to his former business interests in Ithaca.

Mr. Purdy was married August 15, 1922, to Miss Hazel Scott, a native of Clear Lake, South Dakota, the daughter of William S. and Amy (Harvey) Scott. They were natives of Brandon, Wisconsin, and are now residents of Trumansburg, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Purdy have no children.

Mr. Purdy is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church, and is past master of Hobasco Lodge, No. 716, F. & A. M., and present District Deputy Grand Master of the Cayuga-Tompkins Masonic District, and a member of Eagle Chapter, No. 58, R. A. M., and Southern Tier Council, No. 16, R. & S. M.; Masonic Club; Tompkins County Fish & Game Club, past president and past secretary.

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**John H. Post**, who is special agent for the Home Life Insurance Company of New York, with offices at 101 South Aurora Street, is a representative business man of Ithaca. He was born at Throopsville, Cayuga County, March 31, 1879, the son of John H. and Rachel (Dunning) Post.

John H. Post was a native of Cayuga County and died at Throopsville, New York, in 1891. His wife was born at Kings Ferry, Cayuga County, and died in 1900. He was reared on a farm near Fleming, New York, and was always interested in general farming, being the owner of large farms on the west shore of Owasco Lake, where his father had settled during the very early history of New York. John H. Post was a Republican. Mrs. Post held membership in the Baptist Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Post were born three sons: 1. Jay S., a farmer, lives in the town of Fleming, Cayuga County. 2. Howard M., who died in 1883. 3. John H., the subject of this sketch.

John H. Post attended the grade and high schools of Auburn and from 1895 until 1897 was a salesman for the Dunning Hardware Company, of Auburn. He spent one year with the H. R. Olmstead Company, hardware, at Syracuse, and in 1898 became identified with Choate Bros., hardware, of Auburn. He remained with that concern until 1904, when he purchased the business with a partner, and in 1905 purchased his partner's interest in the enterprise. In 1909 Mr. Post came to Ithaca as manager of the retail department of Treman-King & Company, and remained in that capacity for a period of fifteen years, and from 1924 to 1929 he was manager of the wholesale department. In May, 1930,

he assumed his present duties as special agent for the Home Life Insurance Company of New York.

Mr. Post was married March 29, 1899, to Miss Mary Brightman, who was born at Auburn, October 29, 1878, the daughter of James and Jane (Record) Brightman. The former was born in England and the latter in Jefferson County, New York. Both are deceased and are buried in Soule Cemetery, near Auburn, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Post have no children.

Mr. Post is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church, and is affiliated with the B. P. O. Elks, No. 636, Rotary Club, Ithaca Gun Club, and Tompkins County Fish & Game Club, being director and secretary of the latter organization.

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**Frank A. Bangs** is proprietor of a plumbing and heating establishment at 526 West Buffalo Street, and is one of Ithaca's substantial young business men. He was born at Candor, Tioga County, December 24, 1892, the son of John F. and Catherine (Werner) Bangs.

John F. Bangs was a native of Candor, and spent most of his life in that section, being associated with his father, John A. Bangs, as owners of saw mills throughout Tioga and Tompkins counties. After the father's death, the son continued the business until 1910, at which time he located in Ithaca with the lumber firms of Robinson & Carpenter and Potter & Allen. In later life he was an engineer in the employ of the Rothschild Dry Goods Company. Mr. Bangs died in 1927 and is buried at Candor. His widow is a native of Tioga County and lives at Buffalo, New York. Both were members of the Methodist Church and Mr. Bangs was a Republican. To John F. and Catherine (Werner) Bangs were born four children: 1. George W., lives at Rochester, New York. 2. Le Neta, married Henry D. Keiser, lives at Ithaca. 3. Frank A., the subject of this sketch. 4. Le Vida, married Merton Taylor, lives at Buffalo.

Frank A. Bangs is a graduate of Ithaca High School. During 1904-05 he was an apprentice plumber in the shops of the late

F. H. Higgins, of Ithaca, and for five years was employed by Masters & Son. He then spent five years with the Forest City Plumbing Company, and later returned to his former employment with F. H. Higgins. He engaged in the plumbing and heating business for himself at 130 East Seneca Street in 1926, and three years later removed to his present location.

Mr. Bangs was married June 15, 1916, to Miss Mary Howley, a native of Ireland, the daughter of John J. and Bridget (O'Hare) Howley, natives of Ireland. The former resides in Ithaca and the latter died in 1928. Mr. Howley has been in the employ of the D. L. & W. Railroad for twenty-five years. Mr. and Mrs. Bangs have two children, John Francis, and Alice Marie, twins, born June 27, 1917.

Politically Mr. Bangs is a Republican. He is a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and belongs to B. P. O. Elks, No. 636, Knights of Columbus, Eagles Lodge, and Chamber of Commerce. He is serving as a member of the Board of Plumbing Examiners for the city of Ithaca.

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**Richard C. Robinson**, investment securities, is among the representative and well known young business men of Ithaca. He was born at Walton, Delaware County, New York, June 23, 1904, the son of George Elmer and Addie B. (Robinson) Robinson.

George Elmer Robinson lives retired at Walton, New York. He is a native of Greene County and was educated in the district schools. His entire business career was spent in the employ of the Walton Novelty Works, with which he was identified for a period of forty-eight years. When the business was liquidated in June, 1930, Mr. Robinson retired. He is a Democrat, a member of the Congregational Church, and belongs to the Firemen's Club. His wife was born at Walton. Their only child is Richard C., the subject of this sketch.

The boyhood of Richard C. Robinson was spent in Walton and he attended the public schools. After his graduation from high school he spent two years at Ithaca College. He was then a mem-

ber of a theater orchestra at Geneva, New York, during 1923, and until 1925 played with the Majestic Theater orchestra at Hornell, New York. He began his career in business at Binghamton, New York, with Miller & Company, and in May, 1932, came to Ithaca to engage in business for himself as a broker. He has offices in the Carey Building.

On September 3, 1924, Mr. Robinson was united in marriage with Miss Catherine T. Burrell, of Chicago, Illinois, born August 26, 1904. She is the daughter of Judge Almon W. and Luella (Townsend) Burrell, natives of Steuben and Wayne counties, respectively. Judge Burrell was associated in the practice of law with his father, Alonzo Burrell, until 1912, and at present is engaged in private practice at Canisteo, New York. He is a Republican, and has served as assistant attorney general from 1924 until 1930. He also was county judge and district attorney of Steuben County, and at the present time is the attorney for the receiver for the First National and Citizens Trust Company at Hornell. He is a Republican, a member of the First Methodist Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge. He is a prominent member of the Steuben County, New York State, and American Bar Associations. Mr. Robinson is a graduate of Ithaca High School and Ithaca College. To Mr. and Mrs. Robinson have been born two children: 1. Kathryn, born June 27, 1925. 2. Richard C., Jr., born August 26, 1927.

Politically, Mr. Robinson is independent. He is a member of the Methodist Church, and is affiliated with Walton Lodge, No. 559, F. & A. M., Walton Chapter, No. 559, R. A. M., Balbec Grotto, M. O. V. P. E. R., Ithaca, B. P. O. Elks, and Chamber of Commerce.

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**Robert F. Price** is prominent in the city of Ithaca as a Podiatrist and Chiropracist, and has offices in the Ithaca Savings Bank Building. He was born in this city, August 3, 1904, the son of Benjamin F. and Elizabeth (Farrell) Price.

Benjamin F. Price was a resident of Ithaca throughout his life. He was educated in the public schools and for a number of



years was interested in the trucking and transfer business. Later he was identified with the Ithaca Laundries Company, Inc., and in 1924 became owner and manager of the Aurora Hotel, with which he was identified at the time of his death in October, 1931. He is buried in Calvary Cemetery, Ithaca. His widow is a native of this city and still lives here. To Mr. and Mrs. Price were born two children: 1. Robert F., the subject of this sketch. 2. Jean Elizabeth, born January 4, 1919, a student.

After his graduation from the parochial schools, Robert F. Price attended Ithaca High School and was graduated in 1925. In 1929 he was a member of the graduating class of the Institute of Podiatry in New York City. He has since been located in practice in Ithaca.

Doctor Price is a Democrat, a member of the Immaculate Conception Church, and belongs to the Eagles Lodge. He is unmarried.

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**Glenn O. Lanning.**—Among the dependable merchants of Trumansburg may be mentioned Glenn O. Lanning, grocer. He is a native of Tompkins County, born at Enfield, September 7, 1888, the son of Charles Vincent and Addie (Rolfe) Lanning.

Charles Vincent Lanning is a native of Enfield. He attended Enfield Academy and as a young man engaged in farming with his father. During the past twenty years Mr. Lanning has been a resident of Trumansburg. He is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with Trumansburg Lodge, No. 157, F. & A. M., and the Grange. Addie (Rolfe) Lanning was born at Enfield and died in April, 1931. She is buried at Trumansburg. Two sons were born to Mr. and Mrs. Lanning: 1. Raymond C., lives at Enfield. 2. Glenn O., the subject of this sketch.

Glenn O. Lanning grew up on his father's farm near Enfield and received his education in the public schools. He was interested in farming until 1916, at which time he entered the grocery business as a clerk in the store of Davies & King, at Trumans-

burg. Later, he conducted a transfer business here, and subsequently purchased the grocery business of Arthur Bell. In the meantime Mr. Lanning also was employed by the Champaign Bros. Machine Shop, at Ithaca for three years.

On December 22, 1910, Mr. Lanning married Miss Lena C. Jones, who was born at Enfield, July 14, 1886, the daughter of Jason J. and Alice (Stringer) Jones. Mr. and Mrs. Jones are residents of Enfield. He is a Democrat and for a number of years was town assessor. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and belongs to Newfield Lodge, F. and A. M. Mrs. Lanning is a graduate of Ithaca High School, and was a teacher in the Enfield public schools for eight years before her marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Lanning have a son, Donald Ward, born December 30, 1922.

Mr. Lanning is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church, and president and charter member of the Rotary Club. He also is a member of Trumansburg Lodge, No. 157, F. & A. M. He is a member of Trumansburg Fire Department.

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**Major Robert E. Treman** springs from a stock which originally settled Tompkins County and which has served it well through many generations. He, himself, was born in Ithaca, April 21, 1888, the son of Robert H. and Laura (Hosie) Treman. (A biography of his father, Robert H. Treman, appears elsewhere in this history.) He has lived in Ithaca all his life and was educated there, being graduated from the Ithaca High School in 1905 and from Cornell University, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, in 1909. After graduation he returned to the University for graduate work in American history writing a thesis on the Sullivan Expedition. He has always been active and useful in the affairs of the community and is now president of Treman, King and Company, vice-president and director of the Tompkins County National Bank, president of the Ithaca Community Chest, and a trustee of Cornell University, the Utica Normal and Industrial



MAJOR ROBERT E. TREMAN



School and the Ithaca Memorial Hospital. He is widely known as a public speaker.

As an undergraduate at Cornell, Treman's extra curricular interests, though varied, centered in music and sport. He won the varsity "C" as a low hurdler on the track team and was president of the Musical Clubs. He was a member of Kappa Alpha, Quill and Dagger, Nalanda, Savage Club, Book and Bowl and other student organizations. Since graduation his chief recreation has been found in his big game hunting and his collection of heads—big horn sheep, mountain goats, moose, mule deer and caribou—taken in the Canadian Rockies, Quebec, New Brunswick and Newfoundland, contain some widely known specimens. He has contributed to various magazines and has lectured on this hobby.

In 1917 Mr. Treman entered the First Officers Training Camp at Madison Barracks, from which he was commissioned as a first lieutenant of infantry. He served successively with the 310th Machine Gun Battalion, 154th Depot Brigade, and the 368th Infantry (colored). After being promoted to a captaincy, he was placed in command of a battalion of colored troops with which he went to France. After the cessation of hostilities, he was retired to the Officers Reserve Corps with the rank of Major of Field Artillery.

Mr. Treman has long been active in the affairs of his native city. He is a former director of the Ithaca Chamber of Commerce, and served as chairman of many of its important committees. He followed the tradition of his family in active participation in the affairs of Ithaca's volunteer fire department, serving for two years as Captain of Tornado Hook and Ladder Company Number 3, which office his father and grandfather, Elias Treman had held before him. He is now Captain of Protective Police Company Number 8 of the department.

He was one of the organizers of the Serv-us League, an organization formed to promote the welfare of the Negroes of Ithaca, and is now president of this organization.

In addition to his services to the community, Major Treman has found his chief interest of the last twenty years in his active service to Cornell University. Elected secretary of his class as

an undergraduate, he later became president of the Association of Class Secretaries and led the effort to vitalize class reunions which culminated in the record established by his own class at its fifteenth reunion in 1924. He has been for years a member of the Cornellian Council, and is now on its executive committee. He is chairman of its committee charged with the task of raising funds for completing the Cornell dormitory system. But Major Treman's most striking service to the University is recorded in Cornell's beautiful War Memorial. He was put in charge of raising funds for this memorial in 1926. He immediately so organized and stimulated the effort that in less than a year the entire cost had been oversubscribed by 6,251 Cornell men and women, and the Towers and Cloisters which now perpetuate the names of the University's dead have become a permanent reality. In recognition of his service Major Treman was in June, 1931, elected a trustee of Cornell University by the vote of the alumni.

He is a member and past president of the Ithaca Rotary Club, belongs to the Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Grange, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion. He is a member of the University Club, the Cornell Club and the Coffee House, all of New York.

Politically, Major Treman is a Democrat. He is unmarried, and lives at 411 University Avenue, Ithaca.

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**Edward M. Rumsey.**—One of the progressive and well known business men of Tompkins County is Edward M. Rumsey, who is connected with E. M. Rumsey & Sons, sand and gravel contractors, at Ithaca, R. F. D. No. 5. He was born at Ithaca, December 8, 1865, the son of Alonzo and Eliza (Farmer) Rumsey.

Alonzo Rumsey was born at Enfield, Tompkins County, and died at Newfield in 1926. His wife was a native of England and died in 1924. Both are buried at Newfield. He was interested in farming throughout his life. Politically, he was a Democrat. To Mr. and Mrs. Rumsey were born the following children: 1. Edward M., the subject of this sketch. 2. Donald, lives at Angola, New York. 3. Julia, married Robert Morris, lives at Lakemont,

New York. 4. Frank, lives at Van Etten, New York. 5. Alice, married John Dailey, lives at Watkins Glen, New York. 6. Charles, lives at Enfield Falls, New York. 7. Elmer, lives at Ithaca.

The boyhood of Edward M. Rumsey was spent on his father's farm and he attended the public schools of Enfield. At the age of twenty-three years he purchased a farm near Ithaca, where he continued his extensive farming interests until 1922. At that time he became interested in the sand and gravel business, and is now associated with his sons. They operate a sand and gravel pit at the entrance to Buttermilk Falls, where they have a large tract of land under lease.

Mr. Rumsey was married on June 4, 1889, to Miss Ora Burtt, who was born at Ithaca, December 16, 1864, the daughter of Flavius and Ellen (Lewis) Burtt, natives of Thompsons and Sullivan counties, respectively. Mr. Burtt died in 1887 and his wife died in 1928. They are buried in Inlet Valley Cemetery, at Inlet, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Rumsey have two sons: 1. Hugh E., born March 13, 1893, lives at Ithaca. He is a graduate of Ithaca High School and since 1921 has been associated with his father's business. He married Miss Gladys M. Van De Mark, of Brooktondale, New York, and they have three children: Bernard Hugh, born June 9, 1923; Edward Louis, born October 27, 1927; and Jane Anne, born January 29, 1930. Gladys M. (VanDeMark) Rumsey is a graduate of Ithaca High School and Ithaca Memorial Hospital. 2. Leland S., born February 25, 1899, lives at Ithaca. He is a graduate of Ithaca High School and is also associated with his father in business. He married Miss Ellen Jones, of Rome, New York.

Mr. Rumsey is a Democrat and is affiliated with B. P. O. Elks, No. 636.

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**Floyd N. Potter.**—One of the popular restaurant owners of Central New York is Floyd N. Potter, who is proprietor of Potter's Restaurant at Trumansburg, Tompkins County. He was born there, January 28, 1889, the son of Coleman G. and Mary (McKean) Potter.

Coleman G. Potter is a native of Poughkeepsie, New York. He lived there during his early life and was educated in the public schools. He then was associated in the retail meat business at Trumansburg in partnership with his father, John Potter. Since 1905 Coleman G. Potter has been identified with his son's restaurant business in Trumansburg. He is a Republican and a member of the Presbyterian Church. His wife was born at Otsego and died in 1895. She is buried in Trumansburg. There were four children in the Potter family: 1. Adelbert, lives at Ithaca. 2. Florence, married George Durling, lives at Ithaca. 3. Mary E., married Albert Durling, lives at Trumansburg. 4. Floyd N., the subject of this sketch.

Floyd N. Potter is a graduate of the public schools of Trumansburg. He has always been interested in the restaurant business with the exception of two years, which were spent in the insurance business at Erie, Pa., as superintendent of the Western & Southern Life Insurance Company, and three years with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Corry, Pennsylvania. His restaurant is among the attractive eating places in this section of the State and is noted for its splendid food.

Mr. Potter was married (first) September 12, 1908, to Miss Leatha Boutwell, of Corry, Pennsylvania. Their son, Moreland Nelson, was born March 14, 1910, and attends Ithaca College. Mr. Potter married (second) May 2, 1932, Miss Hattie Smith, of Catawissa, Pennsylvania, the daughter of Luther and Catherine (Hinderlighter) Smith. The former is deceased and the latter lives at Sunbury, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Potter is a Republican and has served as deputy sheriff of Tompkins County since 1922. He is an honorary member of Trumansburg Fire Department.

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**Claude T. Yates**, who is connected with the L. C. Smith and Corona Typewriters, Inc. as works manager, is among the widely known citizens of Groton. He was born at Slaterville Springs, Tompkins County, December 20, 1887, the son of Morris E. and Jennie (Thomas) Yates.



Morris E. Yates died at Groton in 1924. He was a native of Slaterville Springs, received his education there, and for a number of years was interested in the feed business in partnership with his brother, Warren A. Yates. Later he located at Groton, where he was employed for ten years by J. G. Beach, miller. At the time of his death Mr. Yates was in charge of the Groton Municipal Lighting plant. He was a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church, and belonged to Groton Lodge, F. & A. M. No. 496, and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His widow, who lives at Groton, was born at Tarrytown, New York. They were the parents of two children: 1. Edna B., married Raymond A. LaBarre, lives at Detroit, Mich. 2. Claude T., the subject of this sketch.

Claude T. Yates is a graduate of Groton High School and Eastman's Commercial College at Poughkeepsie. During 1905-6 he was freight agent for the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company at Groton, spent the following two years as a clerk in the hardware store of Buck & Gobel, and later served for one year as telegraph operator at Groton for the Lehigh Valley Railroad. He then became identified with the Standard Typewriter Company in 1909 as an accountant, subsequently served as purchasing agent, and in 1912 when the name of the business was changed to Corona Typewriter Company, Mr. Yates continued his duties as purchasing agent. He became works manager when the business was merged with the L. C. Smith Typewriter Company in 1926.

On October 6, 1909, Mr. Yates married Miss Cornelia Harris, of Newark, New York. She was born August 20, 1887, and is a graduate of Groton High School. Mr. and Mrs. Yates have three sons: 1. Stanley H., born October 30, 1913. 2. Philip D., born October 20, 1915. 3. Morris E., born September 17, 1919.

Politically Mr. Yates is a Republican. He has held the office of village clerk and since 1925 has been a member of the Board of Education. He and his family are members of the Congregational Church, and he belongs to Groton Lodge, F. & A. M. No. 496; Moravia Chapter, R. A. M. No. 30; Cortland Commandery, K. T.; Central City Consistory, A. A. S. R. 32°; Kalurah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Binghamton; Groton Rod & Gun Club; Cort-

land Country Club; and Chamber of Commerce. He is an honorary member of the Purchasing Agents of Central New York, and served as its president during 1921. Mr. Yates has been very active in "Boy Scout" work since 1925 and is president of Louis Agassiz Fuertes Council of Boy Scouts of America.

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**Robert J. Booth.**—Active in the business affairs of Groton is Robert J. Booth, funeral director, who is also a member of one of Tompkins County's prominent pioneer families. He was born at Groton, October 13, 1890, the son of Alvin and Fannie May (Perrigo) Booth.

Alvin Booth was born at Groton and spent his entire life in this community. He was a graduate of Groton Academy and as a young man learned cabinet making in the shops of his father, John Isaac Booth. The latter settled at Groton in 1860 and was one of the founders of the furniture and undertaking business which was conducted for many years under the firm name of Williams & Booth. In 1868 Smith Booth purchased the interest of Mr. Williams and was identified with the enterprise until 1880. The firm of J. I. Booth & Son continued until 1902 when the elder Mr. Booth died. The business was originally confined to cabinet making, later undertaking was introduced, and in 1900 the business was reorganized as a furniture and undertaking establishment. Alvin Booth died November 14, 1913, and is buried at Groton. His wife, a native of this place, died December 6, 1925. Their children were: 1. Russell C., a graduate of Cornell University, class of 1911, civil engineering. He is now stationed in the Canal Zone as a hydro-electric engineer. 2. Robert J., the subject of this sketch. 3. Eloise, married Robert Hesse, lives at Glenside, Pennsylvania. Mr. Booth was a Republican and served as village trustee. He was a member of the Congregational Church and belonged to the Masonic Lodge and Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Robert J. Booth has always lived at Groton. After his graduation from high school he became associated with his father's

business and upon the latter's death in 1913, Mr. Booth assumed entire management. He became a licensed funeral director and embalmer in the State of New York in 1914.

On March 31, 1917, Mr. Booth was united in marriage with Miss Ethel M. Shaffer, who was born at Gloversville, New York, May 28, 1892, the daughter of Leslie L. and Elizabeth Julia (Boyle) Shaffer. Mr. Shaffer, a native of Schoharie County, died in 1924. His wife was born at Lowville, New York, and died in 1913. They are buried at Gloversville. Mrs. Booth is a graduate of Syracuse High School and the University of Syracuse, class of 1915. At the time of her marriage she was a teacher of physical education and public speaking at Groton High School. She also was graduated from the Syracuse School of Embalming in Syracuse in 1921, and is a licensed embalmer. She belongs to Delta Delta Delta sorority. To Mr. and Mrs. Booth have been born two children: 1. Raymond Alvin, born June 5, 1925. 2. Elizabeth Anne, born July 21, 1928.

Mr. Booth is a Republican and for several years held the office of justice of the peace. He is now a member of the Board of Education. He is a deacon of the Congregational Church, and belongs to Groton Lodge, No. 497, F. & A. M., Past Master; Groton Gun & Rod Club; Cortland Country Club; and Chamber of Commerce. He is identified with the New York State Embalmer's Association and New York State Undertakers Association. He is also a director of the First National Bank of Groton, which was founded in 1865 by his grandfather, Charles Perrigo. The latter came to Groton from Canajoharie, New York, in 1849, and at that time organized the Groton Bridge Company. He served as president of the First National Bank from the date of its organization in 1865 until 1890.

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**Herbert W. Gleason.**—Active and progressive in business affairs, Herbert W. Gleason is prominent throughout Tompkins County as secretary and treasurer of M. E. Moran & Company, Inc., road contractors, of Groton. He was born at Hammonds-

port, Steuben County, April 21, 1897, the son of Ezra C. and Stella (Robinson) Gleason.

Ezra C. Gleason was a native of Thurston, Steuben County. He was a graduate of Haverling Academy of Bath, New York, and conducted a retail lumber business at Hammondsport from 1908 until 1914. During the following seven years he was associated with the firm of Webster & Gleason, lumber dealers, at Groton, until his retirement. Mr. Gleason died in 1922. He was a Democrat, a member of the Methodist Church, and belonged to the Grange. His widow was born at Springwater, New York, and resides at Groton. To Mr. and Mrs. Gleason were born four children: 1. Carl, hardware dealer, lives at Groton. 2. Edmund H., who is vice president of M. E. Moran & Co., Inc. 3. Mildred V., married F. R. Gibson, lives at Dansville, New York. 4. Herbert W, the subject of this sketch.

After his graduation from Groton High School in 1914, Herbert W. Gleason was identified with the Webster & Gleason Lumber Company for one year. He then became a bookkeeper in the First National Bank of Groton, and left that institution February 11, 1918, at which time he enlisted for service in the World War. He was stationed at Fort Slocum and Ellington Field, Texas, later being transferred to the Wilbur Wright Air Depot at Dayton, Ohio, where he served as sergeant of the 674th Air Corps, U. S. Air Service. He was honorably discharged March 31, 1919, and returned to Groton as bookkeeper in the employ of the First National Bank. Two years later he became a member of the firm of M. E. Moran & Company, and has since served as secretary and treasurer.

Mr. Gleason was married October 24, 1923, to Miss Hazel Jennison, of Marathon, New York, born February 22, 1900, the daughter of Bert and Ada (Brown) Jennison. Mr. Jennison is a farmer and lives near Marathon, in Cortland County. His wife is a native of Tompkins County. Mr. and Mrs. Gleason have no children.

Politically Mr. Gleason is a Democrat. He and his wife are members of the Methodist Church and he is affiliated with the

Knights of Pythias, American Legion and Chamber of Commerce.

Ezra Gleason, grandfather of Herbert W. Gleason, served throughout the Civil War with the rank of lieutenant.

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**John Joseph Hare**, an attorney with law offices in the First National Bank Building, at Groton, Tompkins County, New York, was born here, February 20, 1875, the son of William W. and Mary E. (Conley) Hare.

William W. Hare, deceased, was a citizen of Groton, where he engaged in the practice of law for many years. He was born at Dryden, Tompkins County, in 1838, and died May 5, 1907. After his graduation from Dryden Academy he attended Cortland Normal School for two years and received the degree of LL. B. from Albany Law School in 1866, being admitted to the bar in 1867. Throughout his professional career Mr. Hare was located at Groton, and for a short time was associated with the firm of Myers & Hare, of Auburn, New York, later practicing alone at Groton, New York. He was a Prohibitionist and served as a member of the board of village trustees and school board. He also held membership in the Tompkins County Bar Association and was made a Mason in Dryden Lodge F. & A. M., and later became a member of Groton Lodge 496 F. & A. M. He was attorney for Perrigo Machine Company, of Groton. Mary E. (Conley) Hare was born at Locke, New York, April 30, 1849, and died May 20, 1924. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hare are buried in Rural Cemetery, at Groton. They had two children: 1. John Joseph the subject of this sketch. 2. Georgia, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this history.

John Joseph Hare is a graduate of Cayuga Lake Military Academy at Aurora, New York, and received a degree at Hobart College in 1897. He was graduated from the Law School of Columbia University in the City of New York, and was a member of the class of 1902. Thereafter he was a law clerk in the law offices of Fordham, Beatty and Halsted in New York city, and was admitted to the practice of law in the First Department of the

Supreme Court of New York in the City of New York in 1903. Afterwards Mr. Hare was associated in the practice of law in Groton, New York with his father, William W. Hare, until the latter's death in 1907. Since 1912 he and his sister, Georgia Hare, have been associated in the practice of law in Groton, New York. He is a life member of the New York State and the American Bar Associations and is also a member of the Columbia University Law School Association. Mr. Hare is a Democrat and is affiliated with Groton Lodge F. and A. M. No. 496.

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**Georgia Hare.** A lawyer of Central New York, Miss Georgia Hare is engaged in practice at Groton, New York, associated with her brother, Attorney John J. Hare. She was born at Groton, November 30, 1882, the daughter of William W. and Mary E. (Conley) Hare.

A complete sketch of William W. Hare, deceased, appears elsewhere in this history.

After her graduation from Groton High School, Georgia Hare attended Syracuse University, from which she received the degrees of Ph. B. and LL. B. in 1909 and 1910 respectively and was admitted to the bar on November 30, 1910. She was a clerk in the law offices of the firm of Fowler, Crotch and Vann, at Syracuse until 1912, at which time she became associated with her brother, John J. Hare with law offices in the First National Bank Building. Miss Hare is the only woman as yet admitted to practice law in Tompkins County, Sixth Judicial Department. At the present time she is Deputy Attorney General for Tompkins County and is a member of the Tompkins County Bar Association and a life member of New York State, and American Bar associations.

Miss Hare is a Democrat and in 1926 was nominated for member of assembly. She holds membership in the Ithaca Women's Club, American Association of University Women, and Columbian Club.

**Howard Cobb** is engaged in the general practice of his profession at Ithaca as a member of the firm of Cobb, Cobb & Simpson, and is one of the representative attorneys of Tompkins County. He was born at North Bingham, Potter County, Pa., January 16, 1872, the son of Theodore and Margaret (Metzgar) Cobb.

Theodore Cobb was a native of New York, born at Spring Mills in 1843, and his wife was born at Coudersport, Pennsylvania in 1845. He attended Spring Mills Academy and as a young man was identified with his father's banking interests in that community. He also was interested in the mercantile business, and also took a prominent part in the building of the New York and Pennsylvania Railroad between Ceres and Canisteo, New York, a distance of sixty miles. At the time of his death in 1919 Mr. Cobb was president of that railroad. He also had extensive real estate interests. Mr. Cobb was a Republican and was supervisor for many years. He was a director of the First National Bank of Hornell, New York. His wife died in 1915. Both are buried at Spring Mills, New York. Their children were: 1. William, lives at Wellsville. 2. Howard, the subject of this sketch. 3. Arling, lives at Spring Mills. 4. Mary, who died in 1893. 5. Theodore C., lives at Canisteo, New York. 6. Claire, lives at Genesee, Pennsylvania.

Howard Cobb grew up at Spring Mills, New York, and attended the public schools. In 1889 he located at Ithaca with his family and entered Ithaca High School. He subsequently became a student at Cornell University in 1892 and received the degree of LL. B. in 1895. The following year was spent in graduate work at the university and Mr. Cobb was admitted to the bar in 1897. At that time he entered the law offices of Tompkins & Cobb, and in 1909 the firm was reorganized as Tompkins, Cobb & Cobb. Mr. Tompkins died in 1911, and Cobb, Cobb, McAllister & Feinberg continued as a leading law firm in this section until 1914, when it was reorganized as Cobb, Cobb, McAllister, Feinberg & Heath. In 1920 it became Cobb, Cobb & Heath, and four years later was changed to Cobb & Cobb. In July, 1929, Howard Cobb's partner, F. A. Cobb, died and on January 1, 1931, Harold E. Simpson became associated with Howard Cobb. Mr. Cobb is

a director of the First National Bank, as well as its attorney, and serves in the same capacity for the Lehigh Valley Railroad, New York & Pennsylvania Railroad, and Cayuga Rock Salt Company. He is also local attorney for the Standard Oil Company of New York.

On October 4, 1904, Mr. Cobb was united in marriage with Miss Frederica Robinson, the daughter of Edmund E. and Alice A. (Wykoff) Robinson. He was born at Groton, New York, as was his wife. He died in 1894 and his wife died in 1897. Both are buried in Ithaca Cemetery. Mr. Robinson was employed for many years by the Lehigh Valley Railroad, and also served as postmaster of Ithaca. He was a Republican and belonged to the Masonic Lodge. To Mr. and Mrs. Cobb were born six children: 1. Howard A., born October 5, 1905, died in 1925. 2. Frederick L., twin brother of Howard A., died October 8, 1905. 3. Edmund A., born June 22, 1907, a graduate of Ithaca High School, attended Cornell University, now civil engineer with the Cayuga Rock Salt Company. He is unmarried and lives at home. 4. Kenneth R., born June 8, 1909, a graduate of Ithaca High School and Rutgers University, at New Brunswick, New Jersey. 5. John W., born May 4, 1914, a graduate of Ithaca High School, attends Cornell University. 6. Virginia R., born June 29, 1917, attends Ithaca High School.

Mr. Cobb is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Hobasco Lodge No. 716, F. & A. M., Eagle chapter, R. A. M., St. Augustine Commandery, No. 38, K. T., Post Commander. He is past president of the Tompkins County Bar Association.

During his college career Mr. Cobb took a prominent part in athletics and in 1897 was captain and manager of the Geneseo Baseball Club, being appointed by Congressman J. W. Wadsworth for one season for the purpose of giving the present Senator Wadsworth the necessary experience to make the Yale University team as first baseman, and during that season the Geneseo team traveled throughout the East and as far West as Chicago, winning thirty-four out of a series of thirty-six games. Eight members of this champion team were offered contracts in the major baseball leagues.



He has been appointed by the Board of Supervisors of Tompkins County in defending them in the tax payers action, and is associated therein with C. Tracey Stagg, whereby a minority of the Board of Supervisors, with tax payers are endeavoring to prevent the supervisors from building a new court house, jail and providing other county offices, which are now under construction. At the present time all motions for injunctions have been defended successfully.

Much of Mr. Cobb's time is devoted to the trial of actions against the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, in five different counties, and this has continued over a period for the past twenty-five years. A number of decisions have been defended through the courts including the United States Supreme Court. The trial work of other corporations and other individuals is always occupying his time.

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**Paul S. Livermore.**—The professional career of Paul S. Livermore has extended over a number of years in Ithaca, and he is numbered among the prominent attorneys of Tompkins County. He was born at Lisle, New York, July 16, 1875, the son of George and Ellen (Smith) Livermore.

George Livermore lives retired at Ithaca. He was born at Lisle and his wife was a native of Fondulac, Wisconsin. Her death occurred in 1905 and she is buried in Ithaca. Mr. Livermore was president of the Ithaca Gun Company from 1886 until his retirement and continued in that capacity after the incorporation of the business in 1904. To Mr. and Mrs. Livermore were born two children: 1. Paul S., the subject of this sketch. 2. E. Belle, who married Nelson H. Genung, lives at 121 North Walnut Street, East Orange, New Jersey.

Paul S. Livermore was ten years of age when his parents removed from Syracuse to Ithaca. He is a graduate of the Ithaca public schools and received the degree of A. B. and LL. B. at Cornell University. His entire professional career has been spent in this city.

On September 27, 1899, Mr. Livermore married Miss Zeffa Evans, a native of Titusville, Pennsylvania, the daughter of Evan D. and Louise (Reid) Evans, the former a native of Wales and the latter of Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Livermore have a daughter, Eleanor, who is the wife of William C. Combs. He is associated with the law firm of Mann, Strang, Bodine & Wright, of Rochester, New York.

Mr. Livermore is a Republican and has served as supervisor of Tompkins County and as commissioner of health in the city of Ithaca. He is president of the Ithaca Chamber of Commerce, former president of the Ithaca City Hospital, a member of the State Board of Social Welfare. He is an active member of the Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, and University Club of New York City.

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**Joseph F. Hickey.**—As secretary of the Ithaca Chamber of Commerce, Joseph F. Hickey is numbered among the best known men in the city, and he has also been interested in business here for a period of 40 years. He was born at Ithaca, November 25, 1869, the son of Joseph P. and Margaret (Hanrahan) Hickey.

Joseph P. Hickey, the father, was born at Oswego, New York, July 25, 1841, and died at Ithaca in October, 1930. His wife was a native of Montreal, Canada. Her death occurred in 1884. Mr. Hickey located at Ithaca in 1860 and established a successful business there as a cooper. He also conducted a retail and wholesale meat business for a number of years. He retired from active business in 1900. Mr. Hickey was a Democrat and a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Hickey were born nine children, as follows: 1. Edward, who died in 1902. 2. John, who died in infancy. 3. Catherine, now Sister Mary Alfred in the order of the Sisters of St. Joseph, at Rochester, New York. 4. Joseph F., the subject of this sketch. 5. Mary Jane, married Capt. William LaFrance, and they have five sons, four of whom are graduates of Cornell University. 6. Thomas, who died at the age of 35 years. 7. Anna, who died in infancy.

8. Margaret, married Walter Kelley, electrical engineer for the Rausch Company of New York City. 9. James, who died in infancy.

Joseph F. Hickey is a graduate of Ithaca High School. His entire business career has been spent in this city, and as mentioned above, he became interested in the music business here in 1892 as a dealer in instruments and supplies. He was a charter member of the Ithaca Business Men's Association which was established in 1892. In 1915 he was prominently identified with the reorganization of this association into the present modern Chamber of Commerce and served three years on the first board of directors, the third year as president during 1918. He has been managing secretary since 1928.

Mr. Hickey is a director of the Ithaca Memorial Hospital, trustee of Ithaca College, commissioner of education, and director of the Ithaca Savings and Loan Association and Tompkins County National Bank.

In June, 1898, Mr. Hickey was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Quinn, of Ithaca, the daughter of Michael and Catherine Quinn. They were natives of Ireland and died in 1892 and 1922, respectively. They are buried at Ovid, Seneca County. Mr. and Mrs. Hickey have four children:

1. James F., M. D., born in 1899, a graduate of Ithaca High School. He received the degree of Doctor of Arts at Cornell University in 1921, and the degree of Doctor of Medicine at Cornell Medical School in 1929. He is a member of the staff of Willard State Hospital. He married Miss Margaret Ward, of Belmont, New York.

2. Madeline, born in 1901, a graduate of Ithaca High School and Cornell University. During 1924 she studied at the Sorbonne, in Paris, France, and since 1925 has been identified with the New York City public schools.

3. Francis J., born in 1903, was educated at Ithaca High School and Notre Dame University. He married Miss Gladys Holmes, of Georgetown, New York, and they have three children: Carmelita, born in 1926; Letitia, born in 1928; Joseph F. II, born in 1930.

4. Leo A., born in 1907, a graduate of St. Michael's School, Toronto, Canada. He married Miss Martha Tichener, and they have two children: Leo A., Jr., born in 1930; and Anna Louise, born in 1932. They live at Ithaca.

Mr. Hickey is a Democrat, a member and trustee of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Rotary Club, past president of each.

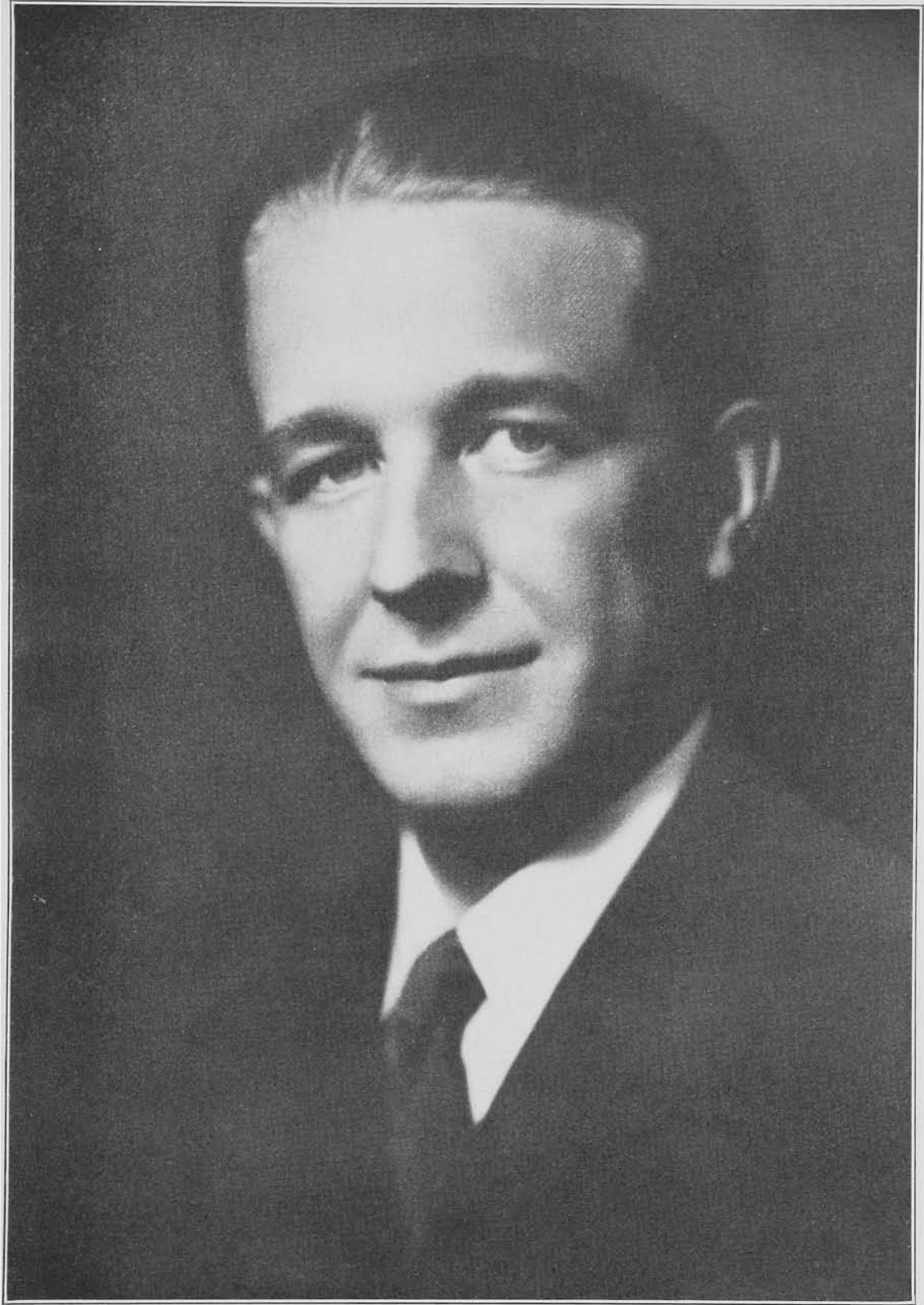
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**Allan H. Treman.**—One of Ithaca's most prominent young lawyers and leading citizens is Allan H. Treman, who is serving as City Attorney. He is also attorney for the Tompkins County National Bank, assistant attorney and trustee of the Ithaca Savings Bank, a director of the National Bank of Geneva, Geneva, New York, and a director of Treman, King & Company, of Ithaca. He was born in this city, August 8, 1899, the son of Robert H. and Laura (Hosie) Treman.

A sketch of Robert H. Treman appears elsewhere in this history. Two sons were born to Robert H. and Laura (Hosie) Treman: 1. Robert E., who is president of Treman, King & Company, and vice-president of the Tompkins County National Bank. He lives at Ithaca. 2. Allan H., the subject of this sketch.

Allan H. Treman was educated in the public schools of Ithaca and attended The Hill School at Pottstown, Pennsylvania. He received the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws at Cornell University in 1921 and 1924, respectively. He was on the Cornell Track Team for three years and president of the Musical Clubs. He was admitted to the bar in 1924. His entire professional career has been spent in this city. During the World War Mr. Treman served in the Students' Army Training Corps at Cornell University, and was honorably discharged from the army.

On June 15, 1927, Mr. Treman married Miss Ellen Francis Barton, who was born at Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming, March 18, 1904. She is a daughter of Col. Frank A. and Louise (Wilkerson) Barton, whose sketch appears elsewhere in this issue. Two children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Treman: 1. Elaine, born May 2, 1929. 2. Barton, born March 16, 1931.



ALLAN H. TREMAN



Mr. Treman is a Democrat, and is a member of the Tompkins County, New York State, and American Bar Associations, and is chairman of the "Committee on Legal Ethics" of the New York State Bar Association. He belongs to Kappa Alpha, Phi Delta Phi, Phi Beta Kappa, and Phi Kappa Phi fraternities; Order of the Coif, Quill and Dagger, Cornell Club, Savage Club of Ithaca, Ithaca Rotary Club, and Ithaca Country Club. He and his wife are active members of the First Presbyterian Church, of which he is an elder.

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**Col. Frank Arthur Barton**, one of the widely known military men of New York State, and for many years Commandant of the military training at Cornell University, was born at Washington, D. C., July 23, 1869.

He attended Cornell University, and received the degree of M. E. in 1891, having been Colonel of the Cadet Corps his senior year. Upon graduation he entered the regular army in August, 1891, and followed a military career until his death, August 5, 1921. He served in the Spanish-American War in 1898 and the Philippine campaigns and insurrection in 1899 and 1902. He was in charge of the military training at Cornell University from 1904 to 1908. Later he served in the Third Cavalry on the Mexican Border, and thereafter again served in the Philippines, returning to Cornell University as Commandant of the R. O. T. C. in 1917. During the World War he was in charge of all the S. A. T. C. training in New York and several eastern states. He was posthumously cited for gallantry in action in the Philippino campaigns.

He was very much interested in welfare movements of various sorts, and was particularly interested in the Boy Scout movement, to a great extent being responsible for its growth in Ithaca and serving as first president of the Ithaca Council. Camp Barton on Cayuga Lake, first at Taughannock Point and now permanently at Frontenac Point, was named for him.

Colonel Barton was a Republican, a member of the Delta Upsilon Fraternity; Quill and Dagger Society at Cornell; the Town

& Gown, Country, and Rotary Clubs of Ithaca; and the Army and Navy Club at Washington, D. C. He was a Mason. For many years he was a trustee of the Unitarian Church of Ithaca.

Colonel Barton married Louise Wilkeson, of Youngstown, New York, April 20, 1898. To Colonel and Mrs. Barton the following children were born:

1. William Wilkeson Barton, a graduate of West Point in 1921 and now a manufacturer at Rockford, Illinois, where he married Constance Forbes. They have two children, Betty Lou and Forbes.

2. Harriet, a graduate of Cornell University in 1924, later married Prof. Paul O'Leary, a member of the Cornell Faculty. They reside at Ithaca.

3. Ellen Francis, who attended the College of Architecture at Cornell, and later married Allan H. Treman, whose sketch appears elsewhere.

4. Katherine, who attended Cornell and graduated from the National Kindergarten College at Evanston, Illinois, and after teaching for several years at Chestnut Hill, Pennsylvania, is now teaching in Ithaca.

5. Wilhelmina, who received an A. B. degree at Cornell in 1931 and an M. A. in 1932.

Mrs. Barton resides in Ithaca at 37 Barton Place.

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**Charles Stewart Williams.** One of the prominent young business men of Tompkins County is Charles Stewart Williams, who is secretary and treasurer of the Dryden Marble & Granite Works, Inc., of Dryden. He was born here April 23, 1909, the son of Charles E. and Helen Amelia (Stewart) Williams.

Charles E. Williams is president of the Dryden Marble & Granite Works, Inc. He was born at Dryden and is a son of Charles D. Williams, who is now eighty-five years of age. The latter was the founder of the Dryden Marble Works many years ago. It was subsequently operated as the firm of Williams & Bower, and in 1923 was incorporated, with Charles D. Williams as presi-



dent. He served in that capacity until his retirement in 1929. His son, Charles E., had served as secretary and treasurer, and succeeded to the presidency in 1929. Charles D. Williams is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and is the oldest living member of Dryden Lodge, F. & A. M., of which he is past master. He has also served as mayor of Dryden and is a director of the First National Bank. His son, Charles E., attended St. John's Military Academy, at Manlius, N. Y., and throughout his business career has been identified with the Dryden Marble & Granite Works. His wife was also born at Dryden. They have two sons: 1. Charles Stewart, the subject of this sketch. 2. Harrison, also identified with the granite business at Dryden.

Charles Stewart Williams received his early education in the public schools of Dryden and attended Taylor University at Upland, Indiana. He has been associated with the Dryden Marble & Granite Works since January, 1929, and became secretary and treasurer of the concern in August, 1930.

On September 22, 1928, Mr. Williams was united in marriage with Miss Meredith Lamont, who was born at Dryden, November 27, 1909. She is a graduate of Dryden High School and attended Taylor University. Her parents are Bruce and Edna (Wheeler) Lamont. The former died in 1916 and the latter lives at Dryden. To Mr. and Mrs. Williams have been born two children: 1. Diana Joyce, born November 9, 1929. 2. Charles Bruce, born March 4, 1932.

Mr. Williams is a Republican and he and his wife are active members of the Presbyterian Church.

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**Hon. Herman Bergholtz.**—The name of Bergholtz and electricity have been almost synonymous in Ithaca and Central New York for a period of over 40 years, and he has also been prominent in the civic life of the city of Ithaca, of which he now serves as mayor. Mr. Bergholtz was born at Varnamo, Sweden, June 19, 1866, the son of Johan Ferdinand and Amelia (Bjorklund) Bergholtz.

Johan Ferdinand Bergholtz was a native of Sweden, and died there in 1887. He was a scientist of note, being identified with the invention of patent leather, and he owned and operated tanneries and plants throughout Sweden, with branches in Germany and France. He was also identified with the early development of the safety match. Politically, he was a member of the king's council. His father, George J. Bergholtz, came to Sweden from Germany in 1814. He served as surgeon general in the Swedish army and after the battle of Leipzig in 1813 was invited by the Crown Prince of Sweden to locate in his province as court physician and surgeon for the Swedish Army. He also served on the king's council. The genealogy of the Bergholtz family may be traced to the early part of the 14th century. To Johan Ferdinand and Amelia (Bjorklund) Bergholtz were born the following children: 1. Agnes Törner, deceased. 2. Hilma, deceased. 3. Herman, the subject of this sketch. 4. George J., lives at Stockholm, Sweden.

Herman Bergholtz received his education in his native land, being a graduate of Lund University, Ph. B., and he also attended the Royal Polytechnical School, at Berlin, Germany. In 1883 he came to the United States and was immediately associated with the laboratories of Thomas A. Edison. He made a return trip to Sweden in 1884, and then resumed his laboratory and experimental work in the Edison laboratories. In 1886 Mr. Bergholtz became identified with the Thomson-Houston Electric Company, at Boston, Massachusetts, and three years later designed in order to devote his entire time and energy to the development of electric street railway systems throughout the United States as a pioneer. Mr. Bergholtz organized and built the following electric railway systems: President of the Cortland and Homer Traction Company; Cortland and Homer Electric Light Company; president of the Staten Island Electric Railway Company in New York City, and was also identified with the organization of the electric railways in Scranton, Pennsylvania, Easton, Pennsylvania, Altoona, Pennsylvania, and one of the Pittsburgh Electric Railways and many others extending as far west as Sioux City, Iowa. He was one of the organizers of the El Paso and Northeastern Rail-

road Company, which was operated by steam. This road consisted of 500 miles, extending into New Mexico, which is now a part of the Rock Island System. Aside from the electric business, Mr. Bergholtz was identified with other large enterprises, among them he was a founder and for many years president of the United States White Lead Company of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and was one of the pioneers in the automobile manufacturing business, being president of "The Automobile Fore-Carriage Company of America." Mr. Bergholtz came to Ithaca in 1892 and purchased the electric franchise in order to develop and build the modern electric light plant in the city. One of the first hydro electric power plants in the country was built by Mr. Bergholtz at Ithaca. He is a charter member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. Mr. Bergholtz has also been extensively interested in real estate in Ithaca and developed Renwick Park on Cayuga Lake, now known as Stewart Park and owned by the city. He also founded and developed Cornell Heights and built the connecting bridge between that suburb and Cornell University. He was the owner of the Cayuga Heights property, which has since been developed and improved by Charles Blood and Jared Newman. Mr. Bergholtz also receives credit for the development of Lakeview Cemetery, Ithaca. He is a trustee of Ithaca Memorial Hospital, trustee of Cornell Library Association, and director of the Ithaca Chamber of Commerce. He is honorary member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Volunteer Firemen's Association of Ithaca.

In 1899 Mr. Bergholtz was united in marriage with Miss Adeline O. Thomson, of Philadelphia, who died in 1929. Her brother, Elihu Thomson, is a noted inventor and one of the founders of the General Electric Company. Her parents were Daniel and Mary M. (Tennant) Thomson, natives of Scotland and England, respectively. Both are deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Bergholtz were born three children: 1. Hilma Marie, married Prof. Edward F. Hopkins, and they have three daughters, Elizabeth, Jean, and Anne. Mrs. Hopkins is a graduate of Cornell University. 2. Dorothy, born in 1895, died in 1909. 3. Herman, Jr., born in 1902, a graduate of Cornell University, class of 1925, now asso-

ciated with the General Electric Company as an electrical engineer. He is unmarried.

In 1929 Mr. Bergholtz was elected to the office of mayor of Ithaca, being the first Democrat to hold that office in seventeen years. His votes carried every district and ward in the city, and he was re-elected to office in 1931.

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**Ebenezer T. Turner**, retired, is recognized as one of the representative citizens of Ithaca, where he has spent his entire life. He was vice-president and director of the Morse Chain Company for many years, and since 1906 has also been a director of the First National Bank of Ithaca. Since 1917 Mr. Turner has served as librarian of Cornell University Library. He was born at Ithaca, October 8th, 1862, the son of Ebenezer T. and Mary Elizabeth (Williams) Turner.

Ebenezer T. Turner, deceased, was a native of Connecticut. He was educated there and in the early '50s came to Ithaca, where he soon became identified with the city's banking interests as the first president of the First National Bank. He had extensive real estate holdings in this section, as did his sister, Mrs. John McGraw. Mr. Turner died in 1884, and his wife, a native of New York, died in 1903. Both are buried in Ithaca. Mr. Turner was a Republican and a member of the Episcopal Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Turner were born four children: 1. Samuel B., who died in 1906, was a director of the First National Bank and for many years librarian of Cornell University Library. 2. Ebenezer T., the subject of this sketch. 3. Elizabeth, who died in infancy. 4. William, who died at the age of two years.

Ebenezer T. Turner was reared and educated in Ithaca. He received a degree as Civil Engineer at Cornell University in 1884, and spent the following two years as a special investigator in the university laboratories. In 1889 he was associated with the U. S. Weather Bureau and served as observer at Ithaca until 1900, later being located in New York City, Norfolk, Virginia, and Philadelphia. In association with Professor Furetus he organized the

State of New York Weather Bureau in connection with the federal bureau. Since 1904 Mr. Turner's business interests have been identified with the Morse Chain Company. The business had been established at Trumansburg, New York, in 1890 and was removed to Ithaca in 1904. Mr. Turner retired from the company in 1928, at which time it was merged with the Borg-Warner Company.

In 1900 Mr. Turner was united in marriage with Miss Martha M. Mairs, of Saratoga, New York, who died in 1916. She was the daughter of Thomas and Emma (Thompson) Mairs. Both are deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Turner had no children.

Politically, Mr. Turner is a Republican. He is an Episcopalian, and is trustee of Cornell Library Association, Cornell University, and Ithaca Memorial Hospital. He has spent much time in scientific research work and in 1902 was the author of a widely read book, "The Climate of New York State."

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**James A. Causer.**—A widely known citizen and popular hotel owner of Central New York is James A. Causer, who is proprietor of the Ithaca Hotel. He was born at Springfield, Pennsylvania, November 26, 1870, the son of Joseph and Margaret (Freeborn) Causer.

Joseph Causer was a native of England and his wife was born in Ireland. He was two years old when his parents came to the United States and located at Danville, Pennsylvania. For a period of thirty-five years Mr. Causer was interested in the iron and steel business in Pennsylvania and later lived at Elmira, where he became owner and manager of the old Elmira House. He was living retired at the time of his death in 1927. His wife died in 1922. Both are buried in Elmira. Mr. Causer was a Republican and served as park commissioner for a number of years. He was a member of the Episcopal Church and a 32nd degree Mason. To Mr. and Mrs. Causer were born six children: 1. James A., the subject of this sketch. 2. John H., owner and manager of Langwell Hotel, Elmira, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this history. 3. Mrs. Albert Bundy, lives at Elmira. 4. Joseph, who

died in 1928. 5. Freeborn, who died in 1922. 6. Fred, lives at Elmira.

James A. Causer is a graduate of the Elmira public schools. In his early youth he became associated with his father in the hotel business, and in 1896, in association with his brother, John H. Causer, Mr. Causer purchased land and built the Langwell Hotel in Elmira. They rented the Ithaca Hotel on East State Street in 1901, and soon after purchased the building which was completely modernized by them. They continued as partners until 1919 at which time John H. became owner of the Langwell Hotel and James A., the Ithaca Hotel.

Mr. Causer married (first) in 1896 Miss Bertha Figles, of Elmira, who died in 1902. She was the daughter of Rev. Charles and Harriet (Adams) Figles, who were natives of Pennsylvania. To James A. and Bertha (Figles) Causer was born a son, Robert L. He is an accomplished musician and at the present time is identified with "Bob Causer's Cornellians," a popular dance band in this section. He is also assistant manager of the Ithaca Hotel. James A. Causer married (second) in 1908 Miss Laura Hesley, of Ithaca, the daughter of Paul and Anna Hesley, natives of Switzerland. Both are deceased.

Politically Mr. Causer is a Republican, and at the present time is acting mayor of Ithaca. He has served as alderman of the Second Ward and chairman of the Finance Committee. He is an attendant of the Christian Science Church and belongs to the Elks Lodge, Rotary Club, and Ithaca Country Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Causer have a summer home at Newfield, New York.

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**Harrison Adams** is widely known as the able sheriff of Tompkins County, and is a substantial citizen of Ithaca. He was born at North Spencer, Tioga County, October 10, 1878, the son of Frank W. and Rocelia (Cowles) Adams.

Frank W. Adams, who died July 1, 1931, was a progressive and well known farmer of Tioga County. He was born at North Spencer, educated there, and at an early age had extensive farm-

ing interests. In 1909 he became owner of the Turner farm on South Hill, near Ithaca, which he operated until 1917. He then purchased another farm in that section where he remained until 1930. He was living retired at Ithaca at the time of his death. Rocelia (Cowles) Adams was born at North Spencer and lives at 128 Lynn Street, Ithaca. Mr. Adams was a Republican and held the offices of supervisor and justice of the peace. He was a member of the Forest City Grange. There were two children in the Adams family: 1. Mary L., unmarried, lives at home. 2. Harrison, the subject of this sketch.

After his graduation from North Spencer School, Harrison Adams attended Warner's Business College, at Elmira. He was then identified with the Elmira Reformatory for three years, and from 1903 until 1908 was employed at the Auburn State Prison. Mr. Adams was also interested in general farming until 1917. He then served as superintendent of highways at Ithaca for two years, afterward being appointed under-sheriff by Sheriff Ellis. He was elected to the office of sheriff in November, 1929.

On October 10, 1912, Mr. Adams married Miss Josephine Utter, the daughter of George and Louisa (Banks) Utter. The former is deceased and the latter lives at Ithaca. Mr. and Mrs. Adams have no children.

Politically Mr. Adams has always been a Republican. She is a member of the Presbyterian Church. He is a member of Fidelity Lodge No. 51, F. & A. M., and Forest City Grange.

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**William F. George.**—As president of the commissioners of elections in Tompkins County, William F. George is also widely known in this section as a successful fruit farmer. He was born at Redwood, Jefferson County, February 3, 1861, the son of Jason and Nancy (Adams) George.

Jason George was a native of New York and died at Ithaca in 1926. His wife was born near Redwood, Jefferson County, and her death occurred in 1917. Mr. George was a member of a well known pioneer family of Redwood. They settled at Alexandria, on the shores of Mud Lake and in 1881 located in Ithaca, where

Mr. George successfully engaged in the manufacture of glass. He was a Democrat and held membership in the Episcopal Church. To Mr. and Mrs. George were born three children: 1. William F., the subject of this sketch. 2. Mrs. Sarah Hartman, lives at Ithaca. 3. John A., who died in 1929.

William F. George lived at Redwood, Jefferson County, until he had attained the age of twenty years. He received his education in the public schools there and as a young man became interested in the fur business with his grandfather, who was a buyer in the St. Lawrence River region. Later, Mr. George located in Ithaca and was associated with his father for a time. In 1922 he retired from the glass business after being associated with the Washington Glass Company and the Ithaca Glass Company. In 1917 he had purchased his fifty acres of fruit land near Lansing on Cayuga Lake, where he now resides.

On December 23, 1882, Mr. George was united in marriage with Miss Jennie Pickert, of Redwood, Jefferson County, New York, the daughter of Charles and Louisa (DeGarmo) Pickert. Mr. Pickert died in 1880, after a career as steamboat captain on the Hudson River. His wife was born in Saratoga County and died in 1900. To Mr. and Mrs. George were born seven children, as follows: 1. Leta, born in 1883, the widow of Charles Houghton, lives at Ithaca. She has four children: Charles, Virginia, Betty, and Roberta. 2. Jennie A., born in 1885, a graduate nurse, Buffalo General Hospital, married Dr. Ward Manchester, surgeon, and they live at Batavia, New York. They have three children: Ward B., attends Cornell University; John, attends Manlius Military Academy; and Barbara. 3. Pearl H., born in 1887, met with an accidental death at Jamestown, New York, in October, 1930. He married Marie Rasmuson and had two children, Lillian and Martha. They live at Jamestown. 4. Beatrice, born in 1889, attended Cornell University, married (first) to Prof. George Shemp, who died during the influenza epidemic in 1918 at Athens, Georgia. They had four children: Lucy C., attends Cornell University; Beatrice; George; and John. She married (second) Alfred Haley and lives in Ithaca. 5. Louise, born in 1892, is assistant treasurer of Cornell University. She married Lawrence But-



ler of Ithaca. 6. William F., Jr., born in 1894, died in 1922. He was married and had a son, William F. III. The family lives at Albany, Georgia. 7. Ruth, born in 1897, married Victor Brown, lives at Randolph, New York. They have a daughter, Phyllis.

Politically Mr. George has always been a Democrat. He has held the offices of Alderman and Supervisor and was a candidate for mayor. He has served in his present office as president of the Commissioners of Election since 1926. He and his family are members of the Episcopal Church and he belongs to the Masonic Lodge. He is president of the Farm Bureau and Tompkins County Fair Association.

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**John J. Larkin.**—For more than half a century John J. Larkin has been identified with the business interests of Ithaca as a retail grocer, and he is recognized as one of the dependable merchants of the city. He was born in Ireland, June 14, 1869, the son of Edward and Agnes (Prendergast) Larkin.

Edward Larkin died at Ithaca in 1917 after a successful business career in this city. Both he and his wife were natives of Ireland and emigrated to this country in 1877. Two years later he brought his family to Ithaca and in 1888 established a grocery business at 105-07 Eddy Street. He disposed of the business to his sons, T. J., W. F., and John J. Larkin, in 1895, and until his death lived retired in Ithaca. His wife died in 1908. Mr. Larkin was a Democrat and held membership in the Catholic Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Larkin were born nine children: 1. T. J., grocer, lives at Ithaca. 2. John J., the subject of this sketch. 3. W. F., antique dealer, lives at Ithaca. 4. Edward, M. D., surgeon, specialist, lives at Washington, D. C., and is physician for the Washington "Senators." 5. Mary, the widow of Howard Walker, lives in New York City. 6. Delilah, married Prof. John E. Reyna, lives at Ithaca. 7. Julia, a nurse, lives in New York City. 8. Celia, married Emil Hess, lives at Ithaca. 9. Kittie, married a Mr. Anderson, lives at White Plains, New York.

After two years as a student at Ithaca High School, John J. Larkin became associated with his father's grocery business. As

mentioned above, the business was reorganized in 1895 as Larkin Brothers, and continued thus for five years, when T. J. Larkin sold his interest. In 1915 John J. Larkin became sole owner of the enterprise, although it has continued under the firm name of Larkin Brothers. A new store and office building was erected by Mr. Larkin at 403 College Avenue in 1914, and he has since also conducted a delicatessen shop in connection with the business.

In 1892 Mr. Larkin married Miss Catherine E. Naughton, of Ithaca, the daughter of Thomas and Mary (Gibbons) Naughton. Mr. and Mrs. Naughton were natives of Ireland and died at Ithaca in 1930 and 1906 respectively. Three sons were born to Mr. and Mrs. Larkin: 1. Edward Francis, born in 1893, a graduate of Cornell University and Buffalo Medical University with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery. He is engaged in practice at Ithaca. 2. Leo Paul, born in 1895, a graduate of Cornell University, degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Doctor of Medicine. He also has taken two years of graduate work in X-ray study at Cornell University, and served as interne in the University Hospital. He is now engaged in private practice at Ithaca. He married Miss Anita Wade, of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and they have two children: Lee and Dorothy. Doctor Larkin is commodore of the Ithaca Yacht Club. 3. John Vincent, born in 1899, a graduate of Cornell University, Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Landscape Architecture. He also spent a year in graduate study in Landscape Architecture in Europe. He has offices at Ithaca. He married Miss Myrtle Van Williams, of Kingston, New York, and they have two daughters, Joan and Jean.

Mr. Larkin has always been a Democrat. He and his family are members of the Immaculate Conception Church, and he belongs to B. P. O. Elks No. 636, Knights of Columbus, Rotary Club, and Ithaca Yacht Club. He is also vice president of the Chamber of Commerce and belongs to Veteran Firemen Cayuga Hose Company No. 1.

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**Arthur W. Cochran.**—A widely known citizen and popular newspaper man of Central New York is Arthur W. Cochran, who is state editor of the Ithaca Journal-News. He was born at La-

Porte, Indiana, February 16, 1870, the son of Warren and Viola A. (Andrew) Cochran.

Warren Cochran was a native of Bucks County, Pennsylvania, and he was a veteran of the Civil War. In his early youth his family located at LaPorte, Indiana, where he was educated. During the war he served with the Sixth Massachusetts Cavalry and was taken prisoner on two occasions. Upon the close of the war Mr. Cochran returned to Indiana, where he spent a number of years as a sales representative. He died in Ithaca in 1909 and his wife, born at Michigan City, Indiana, died in 1930. Both are buried at LaPorte, Indiana. Mr. Cochran was a Republican. To Warren and Viola A. (Andrew) Cochran were born four children: 1. Arthur W., the subject of this sketch. 2. Julia A., unmarried, lives at Stanford, Connecticut. 3. Charles F., lives at Washington, D. C. 4. Abram A., lives at Port Dickinson, New York.

Arthur W. Cochran grew up at LaPorte, Indiana, and attended the public schools. He learned the trade of printer and spent four years in the middle west in that capacity. In 1894 Mr. Cochran came to Ithaca and became foreman on the old Ithaca Daily News in 1896. Subsequently, he served as foreman on the Ithaca Journal for a quarter of a century, and in 1927 became state editor of the Ithaca Journal-News.

On June 25, 1895, Mr. Cochran was united in marriage with Miss Fanny Brown, of Ithaca, the daughter of Orson C. and Elizabeth (Cooper) Brown, natives of New York. Mr. Brown, who died in 1902, was a Civil War veteran, and held membership in the Grand Army of the Republic. His wife died in 1917. They are buried at Trumansburg, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Cochran have no children.

Mr. Cochran is an independent Republican. He holds membership in the Knights of Pythias, Sons of Union Veterans, Ithaca Chamber of Commerce, Fraternal Order of Eagles, and Typographical Union.

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**Isadore Altschuler**, who is manager of the Bool Floral Company, Inc., 215 East State Street, is well and favorably known in Ithaca. He was born in Russia, August 30, 1904, the son of Morris and Alice Altschuler.

Morris Altschuler is a substantial citizen of Ithaca, and has been a resident of this city since 1907. He is interested in the clothing business. He is a Democrat and holds membership in the Jewish Synagogue, of which he served as president for four years. To Mr. and Mrs. Altschuler were born three children: 1. Benjamin, lives at Hartford, Connecticut. 2. Isadore, the subject of this sketch. 3. Bertha, a graduate of Ithaca High School, class of 1929, and attended Ithaca Conservatory of Music. She is now a teacher of music in the city.

Isadore Altschuler came to the United States at the age of three years. He attended the Ithaca public schools and at the age of fifteen years entered the employ of the Bool Floral Company. He began as clerk, later became assistant manager, and in 1923 was appointed manager. He is a director of the company. The Bool Floral Company, Inc., has been established about thirty-five years and operate a retail and wholesale business. They have large range of greenhouses located in Ithaca. They are members of the Florists Telegraph Delivery Association.

On August 31, 1924, Mr. Altschuler married Miss Harriet Elizabeth Wilcox, of Ithaca, the daughter of R. J. and Lottie (Gibbs) Wilcox. Mr. Wilcox is interested in the insurance business in Ithaca. He is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church, and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. and Mrs. Altschuler have a son, Bernard David, born January 7, 1926.

Mr. Altschuler is a Democrat, a member of B. P. O. Elks No. 636, and belongs to the Cayuga Athletic Club and Y. M. C. A.

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**S. Bruce Wilson**, who has served as general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Ithaca since 1913, is a veteran of the World War. He was born at Middleton, Ontario, Canada, July 19, 1874, the son of John and Rebecca (Taylor) Wilson.

John Wilson was born in County Armaugh, Ireland, and died in Ontario in 1883. His wife was a native of England and died in 1887. At the age of 21 years John Wilson left Ireland and located in Canada, where he lived during the remainder of his life. He was a farmer. To Mr. and Mrs. Wilson were born the following

children: 1. Jasper, who died in 1911. 2. Joseph, who died in 1916. 3. Charles E., who died in 1922. 4. Jane Williams, who died in 1929. 5. Maria McNiece, who died in 1917. 6. Susan Thompson, who died in 1930. 7. William John, retired, lives at Detroit, Mich. 8. David, retired, lives at London, Ontario, Canada. 9. Frederick, lives at Toronto, Canada. 10. S. Bruce, the subject of this sketch. Three children died in infancy.

At the age of fourteen years S. Bruce Wilson came to live with his brother at Byron, Ontario, from Brigden. His father died at that time, and Mr. Wilson learned the harness making trade after completing his schooling. He was employed at Petrolia, Ontario, and Brantford, and later lived at Paris, Ontario, where he became interested in Y. M. C. A. work. He served as secretary there for two years, and then attended the Y. M. C. A. Training School at Springfield, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in 1902. He was then located at St. John, New Brunswick, as secretary for three years; Brantford, Ontario, for three years; New Rochelle, New York, as general secretary for five years; and on September 1, 1913, came to Ithaca as general secretary. He enlisted for service in the World War in September, 1917, and was stationed at Camp Dix, New Jersey, in charge of Y. M. C. A. Hut No. 8, until June 1, 1918, when he was transferred to Cornell University in charge of the Y. M. C. A. with the Aviation School, until the close of the war.

In October, 1903, Mr. Wilson married Miss Sadie Jackson, of Brantford, Ontario. Her parents were natives of Ireland and are deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson have a daughter, Anna M., born at Brantford, in 1907. She is a graduate of Cornell University and Western Reserve University Library School, Cleveland. She is librarian in the Ithaca Junior High School. She is a member of Sigma Kappa sorority and Cornell Women's Club.

Mr. Wilson was appointed first commissioner of Boy Scouts in Ithaca in 1917 and served as a member of the Court of Honor until 1931. He also was chairman of the Council of Social Agencies during 1926-27. He organized and directed the City Employment Bureau of Ithaca in 1931-32.

Mr. Wilson is a Republican. He is a trustee of the First Methodist Church of Ithaca. He is a Past Master of Hobasco Lodge No. 716, F. & A. M., Eagle Chapter No. 58, R. A. M., Past Commander of St. Augustine Commandery, No. 38, K. T. For three years Mr. Wilson was a member of the National Council of the Y. M. C. A. He has held various offices in the Central New York, Y. M. C. A. Secretary's Association. Mr. Wilson is a member of the Ithaca Rotary Club and served one term as secretary.

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**Henry Bruner Sutton, M. D.**—One of the most able of the young physicians and surgeons of Central New York is Dr. Henry B. Sutton, of Ithaca, who is established in practice in that city with offices at 106 East State Street. He was born at Albion, Orleans County, New York, November 2, 1893, the son of John E. and Lizzie P. (Bruner) Sutton.

Dr. John E. Sutton is widely known throughout Orleans County as a successful physician and surgeon at Albion, where he has spent many years in practice. He was born at Kent, New York, attended the public schools of Albion and in 1881 received the degree of Doctor of Medicine at the University of Buffalo. During the following four years he practiced at Scottsville, Monroe County, and in 1885 located at Albion, where he now resides. Doctor Sutton has been health officer of Albion, as well as coroner of Orleans County, and for many years has been president of the Albion Board of Education. He is a Republican, a member of the Baptist Church, and belongs to Albion Lodge, F. and A. M., Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Orleans County Medical Society, New York State Medical Society, and American Medical Association. His wife was born at Albion, and died in 1899. To Doctor and Mrs. Sutton were born three children: 1. John E., Jr., M. D., is a successful surgeon in New York City. 2. Henry Bruner, the subject of this sketch. 3. Janet Marie, married Kenyon P. Flagg, United States Army, stationed in Honolulu.

Henry Bruner Sutton acquired his early education in the public schools of Albion and received the degrees of Bachelor of Arts



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and Doctor of Medicine at Cornell University in 1916 and 1921, respectively. During 1916-17 he taught human anatomy at Cornell University, and from 1921 until 1923 was interne at the New York Hospital in New York City, after which he became associated in practice with Dr. M. B. Tinker at Ithaca. Since 1928 Doctor Sutton has engaged in private practice in the city. He holds membership in the Tompkins County and New York State Medical Societies, and American Medical Association, New York State Society of Industrial Surgery, and is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. He is attending surgeon to the Ithaca Memorial Hospital; consulting surgeon, Tioga General Hospital, Waverly, New York, former president of the Ithaca Memorial Hospital staff, and now a trustee of the hospital. He also was a former director of the Reconstruction Home for Infantile Paralysis, and is president of the Ithaca Tuberculosis Association, and chairman of the Board of Directors of Tompkins County Laboratory.

On August 27, 1925, Doctor Sutton was united in marriage with Miss Mary Warringer, a native of Tivoli, Dutchess County, New York, and a graduate of the New York Hospital School of Nursing, class of 1918. She was a resident of New York City at the time of her marriage. Doctor and Mrs. Sutton have no children.

Politically, Doctor Sutton is independent. He holds membership in Hobasco Lodge, No. 716, F. and A. M., Masonic Club, Exchange Club, Cornell Club of Ithaca, Ithaca Country Club, Ithaca Automobile Club, Chamber of Commerce, Sigma Nu, Nu Sigma Nu, and Alpha Omega Alpha fraternities. He and his wife are active members of the Episcopal Church. They live on Sunset Drive, Cayuga Heights Road, Ithaca.

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**Charles J. Kenerson**, who is treasurer of the Morse Chain Company, Inc., is one of Ithaca's most dependable and best known citizens. He was born in Somerville, Mass., September 16, 1888, the son of Harry S. and Carrie (Stone) Kenerson.

Harry S. Kenerson, who died in 1917, was a native of Chelsea, Massachusetts. He was reared and educated in Massachusetts and was associated later in business with his father in Boston as a merchant and hotel manager. In 1901 Mr. Kenerson located at Buffalo, New York, as manager of the restaurants of the Dailey Catering Company, who had the food concessions at the Pan-American Exposition. He later was connected with the Buffalo Street Railway Company. Mr. Kenerson was a Republican, a member of the Congregational Church, and belonged to the Masonic Lodge and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His widow resides at Ithaca. To Mr. and Mrs. Kenerson were born four sons: 1. Harry, lives at Paris, Ontario. 2. Charles J., the subject of this sketch. 3. Albert S., lives at Doylestown, Pennsylvania. 4. Royal, lives at Orilla, Ontario.

The education of Charles J. Kenerson was received in the public schools of Boston and Buffalo and he began his business career with the Republic Metal Ware Company. Three years were spent in the company's factory and two years in office work. He then went to London, Ontario, with the Empire Manufacturing Company until 1917, at which time he returned to Buffalo as a cost accountant with the Bureau of Aircraft Production and assigned as plant accounting officer to the Thomas Morse Aircraft Company at Ithaca. In August, 1919, he became associated with the Morse Chain Company, Inc., as accountant and in 1922 became assistant treasurer. He has been treasurer of the company since 1931. The Kenerson family has resided in Ithaca since 1919.

In 1913 Mr. Kenerson was united in marriage with Miss Catherine Gill, of Buffalo. They are the parents of four sons: 1. Verner S., born in 1914, a graduate of Ithaca High School, class of 1932. 2. Charles H., born in 1916. 3. Donald S., born in 1920. 4. Robert L., born in 1922.

Politically Mr. Kenerson is a Republican. He is a trustee of the First Congregational Church and is affiliated with St. John's Lodge, No. 209, F. & A. M., Rotary Club, Ithaca Country Club, and Chamber of Commerce, being vice-president of the latter organization. He is a director of the Y. M. C. A., trustee of Ithaca

Memorial Hospital, and member of the Board of Education at Cayuga Heights. He also belongs to the National Association of Cost Accountants.

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**Roy C. Shurger**, who holds the position of manager for Swift & Company in Ithaca, is a dependable citizen of the community and a member of one of the old established families of Tompkins County. He was born at Ithaca, August 10, 1890, the son of Edgar J. and Addie L. (Whitlock) Shurger.

Edgar J. Shurger was born on a farm on West Hill near Ithaca. He attended the public schools and for a number of years was well known in this community as a painting contractor. He died in March, 1928, and is buried in Eastlawn Cemetery. His widow resides in Ithaca, where she was born. Mr. Shurger was a Republican and held membership in the Methodist Church. Their children were: 1. Roy C., the subject of this sketch. 2. Lois Anna, married Harry Jayne, lives at Etna, Tompkins County.

Edgar J. Shurger was the son of Benjamin Shurger, a native of Ithaca, who served throughout the Civil War. Addie L. (Whitlock) Shurger's father was George Whitlock. The Shurger family is of Holland Dutch origin. Two brothers came to this country in 1769 and settled in New York. Charles Shurger, cousin of Edgar J. Shurger, was chaplain of the National Grand Army of the Republic. He died in 1929 and is buried at Union Springs, New York. He also spent his entire life at Portland Point, near Ithaca, where the family had originally settled.

Roy C. Shurger is a graduate of the grade schools of Ithaca and attended Ithaca High School. From 1905 until 1910 he was employed on the Steamer Col. J. H. Horton, under Captain John J. Brown, who died in the latter year. In 1914 Mr. Shurger purchased the boat on which he formerly sailed and was captain of that ship until 1919, when he sold his interest to the Cayuga Lake Cottage Association. Mr. Shurger then entered the employ of Swift & Company and served in the capacity of salesman until August, 1925, at which time he was appointed manager.

In 1910 Mr. Shurger married Miss Sarah Jane Fuller of Ithaca, the daughter of J. D. and Phoebe (Lindeberry) Fuller. The former was a native of Oneida County and died in 1927. The latter, born in Ithaca, died in 1900. Both are buried in Lake View Cemetery, Ithaca. Mr. and Mrs. Shurger have a son, Roy Fuller Shurger, born at Ithaca, May 17, 1911. He enlisted in the United States Army in March, 1928, and served until March, 1931. He is an expert swimmer and is a senior life saver of the United States Red Cross, also being cited by the Carnegie Institute for the rescue of a youth from drowning in Van Etten dam. He has also been responsible for the saving of several other lives. He has a son, Roy F., Jr., born in 1931. He resides in Ithaca.

Mr. Shurger is a Republican, a member of the First Methodist Church, and belongs to Fidelity Lodge, No. 51, F. and A. M.; Ithaca Lodge of Perfection; Binghamton Consistory, 32nd degree, and Kalurah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Binghamton. Like his son, Mr. Shurger is also an expert swimmer and has been awarded a medal by the United States Volunteer Life Saving Association.

The Shurger family owns a summer home at Buena Vista on Cayuga Lake.

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**Prof. Carl Crandall.**—Holding noteworthy rank in educational and engineering progress in Central New York, Prof. Carl Crandall is among Ithaca's most prominent citizens. He has been identified with the faculty of Cornell University since 1913, now being professor of Civil Engineering, and he has also been executive head of the Finger Lakes State Parks Commission since its foundation in 1924. His title in this latter position is Secretary-Engineer. He is also consulting engineer for the Genesee State Park Commission, and served as city engineer of Ithaca during 1923-26. Mr. Crandall was born at Ithaca, July 22, 1890, the son of Clayton and Imogene (Cook) Crandall.

Clayton Crandall is a widely known resident of Ithaca. He was born at Bridgewater, Oneida County, where he lived during the early part of his life. His father was Peter B. Crandall, who

served as a member of the Board of the old Ithaca Academy. Charles L. Crandall, brother of Clayton Crandall, served as a professor of civil engineering at Cornell University for more than forty years. Another brother, Kirk P. Crandall, was a graduate civil engineer, Hamilton College, and completed many foreign contracts in engineering. He later was city engineer of Ithaca. Clayton Crandall was a graduate of Ithaca Academy, and specialized in the study of chemistry at Cornell University, from which he received a degree in 1878. He lived in the west for some years. He now lives at the Crandall homestead on West Hill, Ithaca, New York. He was an alderman in the first Common Council of the city of Ithaca. His wife is a native of Tompkins County. Their children are: 1. Lynn, a graduate of Cornell University, Civil Engineering, class of 1910, is an irrigation engineer located at Idaho Falls, Idaho. 2. Carl, the subject of this sketch. 3. Howard, a graduate of Cornell University, Bachelor of Science in Agriculture, class of 1911. He is engaged in farming with his father.

Carl Crandall attended the public schools of Ithaca and was graduated from Cornell University in 1912. He spent a year in graduate work in Civil Engineering, and during the past twenty years has been consulting engineer for many towns and villages in this section of the state. He is also a director of the Ithaca Savings & Loan Association.

In 1920 Mr. Crandall married Miss Edna L. Northrop, of the town of Lansing, New York, the daughter of Charles and Loretta (Manning) Northrop. The former was born at Ithaca and is now retired. The latter, a native of Detroit, Michigan, has been deceased for some years. Mr. and Mrs. Crandall have three children: 1. Peter, born in 1923. 2. Nancy A., born in 1924. 3. Susan, born in 1928.

Mr. Crandall is a Democrat and belongs to B. P. O. Elks, Sigma Xi Society, and Ithaca Chamber of Commerce. He is secretary of the Eastlawn Cemetery Association.

While a university student, Professor Crandall was editor-in-chief of "Civil Engineering." He was also active in college athletics, being a member of the track and cross-country teams.

**Uriah Utter** is among the dependable business men of Ithaca, where he is proprietor of the Ithaca Monumental Works, 601 West Green Street. He was born at Lyons, Wayne County, November 21, 1863, the son of George Henry and Mary (Slocum) Utter.

George Utter, who died in 1912, was a native of Lyons, New York. About 1870 he removed to Mexico, Oswego County, where he spent the remainder of his life as a farmer. He was a Republican and a member of the Methodist Church. His wife was born at North Huron, Wayne County, and died in 1865. They were the parents of two sons: 1. Uriah, the subject of this sketch. 2. John, who died in infancy.

Uriah Utter attended the district schools of Wayne and Oswego County and spent his boyhood on his father's farm. He later owned and operated a farm near Newark in Wayne County and engaged in the monumental business there until 1890. He later was in the same type of business at Owego, New York, until 1908, at which time he located in Ithaca with J. B. Story. Mr. Utter established his present business in 1914. He has an extensive trade and deals in all types of fine foreign and domestic granite.

In 1883 Mr. Utter was married to Miss Emma E. Drake, of New Haven, New York, the daughter of Anson L. and Elizabeth (DeGray) Drake. Mr. Drake, a native of Oswego County, died in 1927. During his life he was a resident of New Haven, Newark and Ithaca. He served throughout the Civil War. Elizabeth DeGray Drake, who died in 1906, was a native of Picton, Ontario, Canada. She was a descendant of Count DeGray, a native of France. To Mr. and Mrs. Drake were born thirteen children: 1. Emma E. Utter. 2. Anson H., lives at Chicago, Illinois. 3. Rachel, deceased. 4. Charles, who died in 1913. 5. George A., lives at Newark, New York. 6. David, deceased. 7. Willes, lives at Maple View, Oswego County, New York. 8. Florence, deceased. 9. Professor Frederick, former dean of music at Kingfisher College at Kingfisher, Oklahoma. 10. Carrie, deceased. 11. Frank E., lives at Los Angeles, California. 12. Burr, lives at Chicago. 13. Bertha, married Frank Sherwood, lives at Hazleton, Pennsylvania.

To Uriah and Emma E. (Drake) Utter were born three sons: 1. George L., born in 1884, funeral director, lives at Chicora, Pennsylvania. He married Miss Maude Cline, of Ridgeway, Pennsylvania, who died in 1922. They had three children: Grace who died in 1914; Marie E., lives at Chicora, Pennsylvania; and Ward, who died in 1920. 2. Charles L., born in 1888, lives at Waverly, New York. He married Miss Olive Russell, of Orwell, Pennsylvania. They had six children: Lillian, who died in 1909; Leo, born in 1912; Harold L., born in 1913; Helen, born in 1917; Marjorie, born in 1921; and Dorothy, born in 1925. 3. Frank H., born in 1904, attended Ithaca High School. He lives at home.

Politically Mr. Utter is a Republican. He is a member of the First Methodist Church and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Junior Order United American Mechanics. His wife is a member of the Women's Benefit Association, Pioneer Club, and Ithaca Union of the W. C. T. U.

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**James F. McKinney**, who is secretary and treasurer of the John D. Kinney Company, Inc., is well known in the business life of Ithaca. He was born in this city, October 10, 1890, the son of James A. and Susan C. (Lott) McKinney.

James A. McKinney, deceased, was a representative citizen of Ithaca. He was born here and was a graduate of Ithaca Academy. In 1872 he was one of the founders of the Jamieson & McKinney Company, and continued as a partner in the business until 1906, at which time he purchased his partner's interest, the business at that time being incorporated as Jamieson-McKinney Company, Inc. Mr. McKinney continued as president of the concern until his death in 1926. He was a Republican and served as a member of the last common council of the village of Ithaca and on the first board of supervisors of the city. He was the second president of the Business Men's Association as well as a director of the Ithaca Savings Bank. Mr. McKinney was also a 32nd degree Mason and belonged to the Elks Lodge and Knights of Pythias. He was a member of the Episcopal Church. Susan C. (Lott) McKinney was born at Spencer, Tioga County, and died

in 1922. Mr. and Mrs. McKinney's only child was James F., the subject of this sketch.

James F. McKinney acquired his early education in the public schools of Ithaca and later attended Cornell University, where he received the degree of LL. B. in 1912. Mr. McKinney then spent two years in practice at Ithaca, afterward being associated in the plumbing and heating business with his father. He served as president of the company from the date of his father's death in 1926 until 1929, and in the latter year purchased an interest in the insurance business of J. D. Kinney. The business was later reorganized and incorporated with Mr. Kinney as president and Mr. McKinney as secretary and treasurer. He is also vice-president and director of the Jamieson-McKinney Company.

Mr. McKinney enlisted for service during the World War in September, 1917, and was sent to Washington, D. C., where he was connected with the construction department, Quartermaster's Corps. He was honorably discharged in January, 1919.

On August 14, 1915, Mr. McKinney was married at Lake George, to Miss Louise Cluett Bontecou, of Troy, New York, the daughter of Dr. R. B. and Lulu V. Bontecou. Dr. Bontecou was a practicing physician at Troy for many years and during the World War was commissioned as a Major in the Medical Corps, United States Army. He has continued as a member of the medical staff and at the present time is in charge of the United States Veterans' Bureau at Boston, Massachusetts. His father was Dr. ——— Bontecou, who served as a surgeon throughout the Civil War. Louise Cluett (Bontecou) McKinney is a graduate of Cornell University, Bachelor of Arts degree in 1914, and is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority. Mr. and Mrs. McKinney have two children: 1. Stuart B., born at Clifton Springs, February 10, 1919. 2. Susan J., born at Ithaca, November 25, 1925.

Mr. McKinney is a Republican, a member of the Episcopal Church, and has the following lodge and club affiliations: Hobasco Lodge No. 716, F. and A. M.; B. P. O. Elks, No. 636; Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Sigma Phi Epsilon and Delta Theta Phi fraternities; American Legion; Exchange Club; Chamber of Commerce; Ithaca Town and Gown Club; Ithaca Country Club and Ithaca Yacht Club.



**John B. Grace**, who is proprietor of the Grace Printing Company, 117 South Tioga Street, is among the dependable business men of Ithaca. He was born at Ithaca, August 24, 1885, the son of James and Mary (Troy) Grace.

James Grace was a native of County Clare, Ireland. At the age of twenty-one years he emigrated to this country and settled at Ithaca, where he spent many years as a foreman in the shops of the Lehigh Valley Railroad. He died in 1887. His widow was born at Spencer, N. Y., and lives at Ithaca. Their only child was John B., the subject of this sketch.

John B. Grace is a graduate of Ithaca High School and spent two years at Cornell University. He then became interested in newspaper work as a reporter on the Ithaca Journal. Two years later he worked on the Binghamton Herald and the Binghamton Republican, now the Sun, and subsequently became a court and legal reporter on the Syracuse Herald. He later worked for two years at the copy desk of the Philadelphia Ledger, after which he returned to Ithaca as city editor of the Ithaca Journal. He became owner of the "Ithacan," a county weekly newspaper, in 1917, which had formerly been owned and published by the Clapp estate. After a short time Mr. Grace sold the newspaper but maintained the printing plant where he now does commercial printing and publication work, making a specialty of technical printing.

On September 7, 1914, Mr. Grace was united in marriage with Miss Anna Fielden, of Ithaca, a graduate of Cornell University, class of 1910. Since her graduation from the University she has been manager of the Residential Halls at Cornell. She is the daughter of Henry and Jane Elizabeth (Beatty) Fielden, the former a native of England and the latter of New York. They are residents of Telford, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Grace have no children.

Mr. Grace is a Republican, and belongs to the Elks Lodge. He is an active member of the Ithaca Yacht Club, and is an ardent yachtsman.

Mr. and Mrs. Grace live on the East shore of Cayuga Lake.

**James E. Matthews.**—One of the popular young city officials of Ithaca is James E. Matthews, who is serving as city clerk. He was born at Brooklyn, New York, February 27, 1894, the son of Harry P. and Lulu (Smith) Matthews.

Harry P. Matthews lives retired at Ithaca. He was born in Kings County, New York, and for a number of years was identified with the dry goods business of A. D. Matthews & Son, at Brooklyn, New York. He retired in 1918 and until 1930 was a resident of Long Island. He has since lived at 122 West Court Street. His wife is a native of Orange County. Mr. Matthews is a Democrat, a member of the Presbyterian Church, and Masonic Lodge. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Matthews: 1. James E., the subject of this sketch. 2. Alice, married Merlyn Terry, lives at Ithaca. 3. Meryl L., who died by accident in 1919.

The boyhood of James E. Matthews was spent in Brooklyn, New York, and he was graduated from Erasmus Hall High School in 1913. He received the degree of M. E. from Cornell University in 1917, and immediately became identified with the Thomas-Morse Air Craft Corporation as production engineer. In 1919 Mr. Matthews together with Mr. Thomas and Mr. Marchew organized the Thomas-Marchew Company, which developed and manufactured calculating machines. The business was dissolved, however, after two years, and Mr. Matthews then became interested in the general insurance business. In 1924 he was appointed desk sergeant of the Ithaca police department. On April 1, 1925, he became deputy city clerk and upon the death of Mr. Kerr, May 2, 1930, Mr. Matthews succeeded him as city clerk.

On June 18, 1921, Mr. Matthews was united in marriage with Miss Eleanor Evans, of Ithaca, the daughter of Alonzo and Alice (Davenport) Evans. Both were born in Ithaca. Mr. Evans is retired. Mr. and Mrs. Matthews have two children: 1. Alice Lucille, born in 1923. 2. James E., Jr., born in 1928.

Politically, Mr. Matthews is a Republican. He is a member of the Methodist Church, and belongs to Hobasco Lodge, F. & A. M., Exchange Club, Ithaca Country Club, Cornell Club, and Theta Chi fraternity. He also is a trustee of Ithaca Memorial Hospital and secretary. His wife is a member of the Women's Club of Ithaca.

**Eugene Baker, M. D.**—Outstanding in medical circles in Central New York for a period of over fifty years is Dr. Eugene Baker, of Ithaca, with offices at 110 West Seneca Street. He was born at North Hampton, Fulton County, New York, April 16, 1853, the son of Daniel and Sarah Jane (Gifford) Baker.

Daniel Baker was a native of Fulton County, New York, and died September 2, 1889. His wife died June 5, 1891. He was a farmer and later lived at Dryden, Tompkins County. Mr. Baker was a Republican and a member of the Methodist Church. There were six children in the Baker family, as follows: 1. Charles S., who died in the service during the Civil War. 2. Oscar C., who died in 1917. 3. John B., who died October 25, 1920. 4. Eugene, the subject of this sketch. 5. Emma, the widow of Ambrose Atwater, lives at Asbury, Tompkins County. 6. George W., lives at Greenwich, New York.

The early education of Eugene Baker was received in the district schools of Tompkins County and at the Ithaca Academy. He received the degree of Bachelor of Science at Cornell University, and then was principal of schools at Farmersville, New York, for a short time before taking up the study of medicine at the University of Michigan, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1882, being class president. Doctor Baker began his professional career at Mecklenburg, Schuyler County, New York, and remained there for two years. He then established his practice at Ithaca, where he has been most successful. Doctor Baker has also served as a member of the faculty, College of Medicine, Cornell University, as a professor in obstetrics. He is an active member of the Tompkins County, New York State, and American Medical Associations, and for a number of years was a trustee of Ithaca Memorial Hospital. He also has served as health officer.

Doctor Baker was married (first) on September 19, 1889, to Miss Mary Louisa Colling, who died July 28, 1897. She is buried in Utica, New York. She was the daughter of Alfred H. and Maria (Blackett) Colling, natives of Utica. To Dr. Eugene and Mary Louise (Colling) Baker was born a daughter, Louise Eugenia, born July 28, 1894. She is a graduate of Ithaca High

School and Cornell University, and until her marriage engaged in social welfare work on Long Island, New York. She married Francis G. Short, and lives at Palo Alto, California. They have a son, Francis Eugene.

Doctor Baker married (second) on July 6, 1908, at Worcester, Massachusetts, Miss Caroline P. Pierce, of Worcester, the daughter of James Austin and Caroline (Castner) Pierce. Doctor and Mrs. Baker have no children of their own, but have reared and educated Delos L. VanDine, who is now interested in the sugar business in Cuba. He is a graduate of Cornell University. They have also been guardians of the three Clapp children: 1. Mary E. Clapp, spent two years at Cornell University and is a graduate of Columbia University, where she specialized in the study of journalism. She is now assistant editor of the International Encyclopedia of New York. 2. Ruth E. Clapp, a graduate of Cornell University, married James Reeves. 3. Louis H. Clapp, attends Cornell University.

Doctor Baker is a Republican and served as an alderman of Ithaca, is a member of the Congregational Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge. The family residence is at 110 West Seneca Street and Doctor Baker also owns a fine farm of 216 acres on Cornell Heights, which is well improved, and to which he devotes his leisure time and interest.

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**William Knapp Payne.**—As a man of excellent judgment and fine business efficiency, William Knapp Payne, attorney, is prominent as chairman of the Board of Directors of the Auburn-Cayuga National Bank and Trust Co. He was born in Auburn, June 3, 1874, the son of Hon. Sereno Elisha and Gertrude (Knapp) Payne.

A complete biography of Hon. Sereno Elisha Payne appears elsewhere in this history.

The early education of William Knapp Payne was received in the public schools of Auburn, and following his graduation from Auburn High School in 1891 he attended Yale University, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1895. He subsequently studied law at New York Law School, being admit-

ted to the bar in 1898. From 1898 until 1909 Mr. Payne engaged in private practice in Auburn. From 1909 to 1917 he maintained his office in New York. He had been clerk of the Committee on Ways and Means, United States House of Representatives, in Washington, D. C., during 1905-09, and in the latter year was appointed assistant United States Attorney General, in which capacity he served until 1912. In 1916 and 1917 he had work in Auburn requiring constant attention so he returned here permanently. Mr. Payne's business career has been as interesting and outstanding as his professional status. From 1917 until 1930 he was president of the Cayuga County National Bank, and since 1931 he has been chairman of the Board of Directors of the consolidated institution, the Auburn-Cayuga National Bank and Trust Co. Mr. Payne is also vice-president and director of the Nye & Wait Kilmarnoch Corporation; director of the Crouse & Pope Foundry Company; director of the Robinson-Bynon Shoe Company; and director of the Savings & Loan Association of Auburn. He was president during 1929-30 of the New York State Bankers Association. He also belongs to the American Bankers Association, and is a member of the Executive Council and the Agricultural Commission. He is a member of the Auburn Chamber of Commerce and has served as president of that organization. Mr. Payne was the author in 1908 of "Notes on Tariff Revision," and in 1909 was editor of "Tariff Hearings." During the World War he served as chairman of the Liberty Loan Committee for Cayuga County. Interesting facts concerning his business and legal career are to be found in "Who's Who in America."

Mr. Payne is a Republican, a member of the Yale Club and University Club of New York, Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, Owasco Country Club, and Rotary Club.

On June 8, 1904, Mr. Payne married Miss Frances McCutcheon Nye. They had a daughter, Molly Nye Payne, who died in infancy.

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**Hon. Sereno Elisha Payne.**—High achievement marked the career of Sereno E. Payne, of Auburn, who served for thirty years as a member of Congress as a representative of this district. He

was a leader in Republican politics and no higher tribute could be paid to his ability than the fact that he was close in the confidences of such presidents as McKinley and Taft. Mr. Payne died in Washington, D. C., December 11, 1914, and is buried in Auburn.

Sereno E. Payne was born at Hamilton, New York, June 26, 1843, the son of Hon. William Wallace and Betsy (Sears) Payne. The Payne family lived on a large estate near Sennett, Cayuga County, having removed there from Madison County, New York. During 1859-60 William Wallace Payne served in the Assembly as a representative of the Northern District of New York.

Sereno E. Payne attended the district schools and in 1860 was graduated from Auburn Academy. He then attended for one year Colgate Academy at Hamilton, which had been founded by a great uncle. He then attended and received the degree of Bachelor of Arts at the University of Rochester in 1864. In later years he had conferred on him the degree of LL. D. by both Rochester and Colgate Universities. After receiving his degree from Rochester in 1864 he read law in the offices of Cox & Avery, Auburn, being admitted to the New York State bar in 1866. During the following three years Mr. Payne remained in the offices of Cox & Avery, after which he formed a partnership with John T. M. Davie, under the firm name of Davie & Payne. In 1870 Mr. Davie became Surrogate and Mr. Payne then practiced alone until he entered Congress. Later, he was associated with John W. O'Brien. He was city clerk of Auburn during 1868-71, supervisor during 1871-72, district attorney during 1873-79, and president of the Auburn board of education during 1879-82. In 1882 Mr. Payne was elected to Congress and served in the 48th and 49th Congresses. Judge Nutting, who had been congressman to the 50th Congress, died, and Mr. Payne was selected to succeed him. He then was elected to serve in every Congress since that time and was re-elected to the 63rd Congress in November, 1914. His death occurred on December 11, 1914. The most notable work of Mr. Payne in Congress was perhaps the framing of the "Tariff Law," which had been drafted by Mr. Payne after many years of study. He served on many important committees but probably

the most important of all was the chairmanship of the Ways and Means Committee. He was also for some years chairman of the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee. In 1899 he was appointed a member of the American-British High Commission. He was twice elected chairman of the Republican State Convention of New York, and was a delegate to the Republican national conventions in 1892, 1896, 1900, 1904, 1908, and 1912. At the convention of 1900 he served as chairman of the Committee on Credentials.

The last partner in the law practice in Auburn with Mr. Payne was Paul R. Clark under the firm name of Payne & Clark.

Mr. Payne was a prominent member of the First Baptist Church, and held membership in the Auburn City Club and the Owasco Country Club.

Mr. Payne married Miss Gertrude Knapp, and William Knapp Payne, mentioned elsewhere in this work, was their only child. Mrs. Payne was the daughter of Oscar F. Knapp, who, in 1844, founded the Auburn Daily Advertiser. Later a son, Horace J. Knapp, was associated with his father in the enterprise, which later became Knapp, Peck & Thompson. Two other daughters in the Knapp family were Etta and Louise, both deceased. Louise was the wife of Rev. Plato T. Jones, of Auburn.

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**Art Stewart.**—One of the better known business men of Tompkins County is Art Stewart, who is identified with E. Stewart & Son, funeral directors, at Trumansburg. He was born here on November 25, 1880, the son of Erastus T. and Mary (Kerst) Stewart.

Erastus T. Stewart was born at Trumansburg and at an early age became associated in business with his father, George H. Stewart, who was the founder of the undertaking and furniture business which now bears his name. It was established in 1866. George H. Stewart continued as owner of the business until his death in 1887, at which time it was reorganized with Erastus T. Stewart as its manager. He died in 1926 and is buried at Trumansburg. Mr. Stewart was a Democrat. There were two sons

born to Erastus H. and Mary (Kerst) Stewart: 1. George H., lives at Trumansburg. 2. Art, the subject of this sketch. Mrs. Stewart died in 1930.

Art Stewart obtained his education in the Trumansburg public schools and in 1911 was a graduate of the Renouard School of Embalming, New York City. At an early age he became associated with his father and in 1920 the business was reorganized as E. Stewart & Son. Mr. Stewart has an up-to-date funeral home and is recognized as the leading funeral director of the county.

On July 10, 1921, Mr. Stewart married Miss Hilda Stanford, of Trumansburg, the daughter of LeRoy and Emma (Miller) Stanford, natives of Massachusetts and New York, respectively. Mrs. Stewart attended the public schools of Cherokee, Iowa, attended the University of California for three years, and received the degree of Bachelor of Arts at Cornell University. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart have two children: 1. Robert Stanford, born February 23, 1926. 2. Eleanor May, born November 25, 1929.

Mr. Stewart is a Democrat, a member of the Presbyterian Church and belongs to the Rotary Club. He is a member of the New York State Funeral Directors Association and the New York State Embalmers Association.

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**Commander Thomas Mott Osborne.**—Perhaps one of the most widely known men of Auburn, especially prominent for his tireless efforts for prison reform, was Thomas Mott Osborne, who died in this city, October 20, 1926. He is buried in Fort Hill Cemetery. Mr. Osborne was born at Auburn, in 1859.

Following his graduation in 1884 from Harvard University, Thomas Mott Osborne became associated with the interests of D. M. Osborne & Company, harvesting implement manufacturers, of Auburn. The business had been established by his father who served as its president for many years. After sixteen years in the field of business, Thomas Mott Osborne took up prison reform and at that time entered Auburn Prison as a convict in order that he might study prison routine and life. He was known as "Tom





THOMAS MOTT OSBORNE

