

school there in 1895. He then entered Cornell University, from which he received the degree of LL. B. in 1899. Mr. Colton never took the bar examination, however, but immediately became interested in business as the founder of the Skaneateles Kraut Company. In 1903 he went to Bellevue, Ohio, and organized the Bellevue Kraut & Pickling Company. After a year he sold the latter enterprise and returned to New York, and at that time purchased a fourth interest in the Seneca Kraut & Pickling Company, of which he became secretary and manager. He was in charge of the company's plant in Waterloo, New York, and in 1907 built a branch plant and factory at Phelps. Another plant at Lyons, New York, was built by the company in 1910 and Mr. Colton continued as secretary of the company. In 1922 he sold a half interest in the Lyons plant, which is now being operated as the Castle Company. In 1917 Mr. Colton had purchased an additional half interest in the Seneca Kraut & Pickling Company, which had been owned by Dillman Bros., and in 1925 he purchased the remainder of the stock in the company and thus became sole owner. Other plants were erected at Geneva and Leet, New York, in 1929, and at the present time Mr. Colton operates factories at Geneva, Phelps, Waterloo and Leets.

On December 7, 1910, Mr. Colton was united in marriage with Miss Blanche E. Mills, the daughter of William H. Mills, or Norwalk, Ohio. They have a daughter, Nancy Lee, born January 2, 1920.

Mr. Colton is a Republican, and he and his family are active members of Trinity Episcopal Church. He is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, being a Knight Templar and member of Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Rochester. He is also Past Exalted ruler of B. P. O. Elks, No. 1054, Geneva Lodge, and holds membership in the Rotary Club, Geneva Country Club, Geneva Rod & Gun Club, and Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Colton finds his chief recreation in the management of two fine farms, which he owns and operates. They contain 325 acres of well improved land and are located on Castle Road, near Geneva. He is especially interested in dairying and has a herd of pure bred Holstein cattle, which numbers seventy head. Prod-

ucts from the farms are marketed through the Geneva Milk Company.

The Colton residence in Geneva is located at 574 Main Street, and is one of the city's attractive homes. It was built more than a century ago and is of Colonial architecture and of brick construction.

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**Philip J. Stanion.**—Identified with the Stanion Lumber Company, Philip J. Stanion is recognized as one of the able young business men of Ithaca, and is a veteran of the World War. He was born in this city, August 12, 1888, the son of Charles B. and Fannie M. (Osborne) Stanion.

Charles B. Stanion is a native of Hartford, Connecticut. He has lived at Ithaca since his early boyhood and has been interested in the real estate business here since 1890, being prominently identified with the business interests of the city. Mr. Stanion is a Republican and holds membership in the Episcopal Church. His wife is a native of Ithaca. They have two children: 1. Margaret S., married Floyd M. Darling, lives at Eastville, Virginia. 2. Philip J., the subject of this sketch.

Philip J. Stanion grew up in Ithaca and attended the grade and high schools, from which he was graduated in 1912. He attended Cornell University for one year and from 1913 until 1917 was identified with the real estate interests of his father. In September, 1917, he enlisted in the U. S. Army for service in the World War and was sent to Camp Dix, later to Camp Belvoir between Washington, D. C., and Mount Vernon, Virginia, and Fort Myers, and on January 2, 1918, sailed for overseas duty. He participated in numerous engagements of the war and was honorably discharged from the service February 17, 1919. Mr. Stanion then spent a year in Oregon and upon his return to Ithaca became interested in the retail lumber business in partnership with Carl S. Vorhis. The firm of Vorhis & Stanion continued for three years and has since been operated as the Stanion Lumber Company. Mr. Stanion also deals in building supplies as well as lumber.



PHILIP J. STANION



In 1923 Mr. Stanion married Miss Beulah Daughirtai, of Schenectady, New York, the daughter of Robert C. and Eva (Swatling) Daughirtai. He was born at Andover, Massachusetts, and she was born at Cohoes, New York, and they reside at Trumansburg. At the time of his retirement in 1928 Mr. Daughirtai had spent twenty-five years in the service of the General Electric Company at Schenectady. He is a member of the Baptist Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge. Mr. and Mrs. Stanion are the parents of four children: 1. Marjorie L., born April 11, 1924. 2. Ruth L., born June 6, 1925. 3. Philip J., Jr., born November 24, 1929. 4. Rosalie May, born January 25, 1932.

Mr. Stanion is a member of the Baptist Church and belongs to Hobasco Lodge, No. 716, F. and A. M., and American Legion. He also is identified with the Northeastern Lumber Association.

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**William Gordon Warr.**—In the field of Y. M. C. A. work, William Gordon Warr, who is general secretary of the Geneva district, has attained an enviable record in achievement. He was born at Saginaw, Michigan, December 31, 1889, the son of Samuel and Louisa Mary (Whiteley) Warr.

Samuel Warr was born in Birmingham, England, December 25, 1863, and throughout his life was interested in Y. M. C. A. work. He came to the United States in 1887 and became especially interested in the railroad work of the organization, which took him throughout the United States. He was widely known as a Bible student and teacher and his success was recognized internationally. Mr. Warr died August 9, 1928, in Jerusalem. His marriage to Miss Louisa Mary Whiteley, daughter of Joseph F. Whiteley, of Sheffield, England, occurred on October 11, 1888. They were the parents of four children, of whom William Gordon, the subject of this sketch, was the oldest. Louisa Mary (Whiteley) Warr died June 7, 1926, and is buried in Scranton, Pennsylvania.

William Gordon Warr attended the public schools of Texas and Arkansas. He did Y. M. C. A. work at Douglass, Arizona, serving with the United States Regular Army troops and the Red Cross

during the first Mexican insurrection at Aqua Prieta, Province of Sonora, for almost three years and then located in Chicago, where he devoted four years of study in the Y. M. C. A. College, being a member of the class of 1914. Mr. Warr was sent to Burlington, Iowa, in charge of the boys' department for three and one-half years, and from there went to Toledo, Ohio, as city boys' secretary in the Y. M. C. A. During the World War he was located in the latter city and did much commendable work in the way of conservation. In July, 1919, he went to Utica, New York, as city boys' secretary, and continued there until September, 1922, at which time Mr. Warr came to Geneva. A history of the Geneva Y. M. C. A. appears in the general history of this work. Mr. Warr was the founder in 1917 of Camp Storer, the Toledo, Ohio, Y. M. C. A. Camp near Napoleon, Michigan, and it is recognized now as one of the most successful camps of the central west.

On October 21, 1914, Mr. Warr was united in marriage with Miss Versa Edna Gregory, daughter of George Gregory, of Malden, Missouri. He is deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Warr have been born three children: 1. Samuel Gregory, born August 27, 1915, a graduate of Geneva High School, class of 1933. 2. William Gordon, Jr., born May 4, 1917. 3. Versa Louisa, born August 3, 1927.

Mr. Warr is a member of the official board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and for four years has been Sunday school teacher of the college group. He is a member of the Rotary Club and Phi Lambda fraternity. He also is interested in Boy Scout work and is a member of the local organization. Politically, Mr. Warr is a Republican.

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**William Louis Vogt.**—Active in the business life of Geneva as senior member of the firm of Wm. L. Vogt & Sons, building contractors, and dealers in coal and builders' supplies, Mr. Vogt has been numbered among the community's successful men for thirty years. He was born in this city, April 18, 1875, the son of John Augustus and Emma (Weistoff) Vogt.

John Augustus Vogt was a native of Germany, born April 1, 1841. He came to this country in 1865 and settled near Geneva,

where he was interested in general farming for many years. He died May 6, 1929, and is buried in Glenwood Cemetery, Geneva. In 1862 Mr. Vogt married Miss Emma Weistoff in Germany. They were the parents of nine children. Mrs. Vogt died May 3, 1928, and is buried in Geneva.

At the age of sixteen years William Louis Vogt left school to assist his father in farming and five years later he came to Geneva to learn the carpenter trade, being employed during the following six years by various contractors in the city. In 1902 Mr. Vogt established a business of his own and during his career as a builder he has erected more than 300 of the fine residences in the city and vicinity. It was in 1922 that a coal and builders' supply business was begun by Mr. Vogt. Offices and yards are maintained at 124 North Genesee Street.

On March 30, 1898, Mr. Vogt was united in marriage with Miss Hattie Pauline Schnirel, the daughter of Rudolph Schnirel, building contractor of Geneva. To Mr. and Mrs. Vogt were born three children: 1. Harold William, born June 1, 1899, a graduate of Geneva High School and Hobart College, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1922. He is past master of Ark Lodge, No. 33, F. and A. M., Geneva Chapter, No. 36, R. A. M., and Geneva Commandery, No. 29, K. T. He married Miss Verna Gross and they have two children: Harold William and Patricia Irene. 2. Paul Edward, born May 13, 1905, a graduate of Geneva High School and Hobart College, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1927. He is Senior Warden of Ark Lodge, No. 33, F. and A. M., Geneva Chapter, No. 36, R. A. M., and Geneva Commandery, No. 29, K. T. 3. Harriet Pauline, born October 22, 1915, attends Geneva High School. Both sons are associated in business with their father in Geneva.

Mr. Vogt has always been a Republican. He is a member of the First Presbyterian Church, and trustee for many years, and his lodge and club affiliations are: Ark Lodge, No. 33, F. and A. M.; Geneva Chapter, No. 36, R. A. M.; Geneva Commandery, No. 29, K. T., and member of Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Rochester; the Shrine Club of Geneva; B. P. O. Elks, No. 1054, Geneva; Rotary Club, and Geneva Rod and Gun Club. He is president of the Board of Directors of the Masonic Temple, Inc.

**Charles Frederick Barth**, plumbing and heating contractor, has been actively engaged in business in Geneva for almost thirty-five years. He is a native of New York State, born at Lancaster, June 23, 1870, the son of John and Mary (Eichelberger) Barth.

John Barth was born in Germany in 1811 and about 1831 emigrated to the United States and settled on a farm in Lancaster, New York. He became a successful farmer and was living there at the time of his death in 1877. His wife died in 1876. Both are buried in Lutheran Cemetery, Lancaster. She was also a native of Germany. To Mr. and Mrs. Barth were born nine children, of whom Charles Frederick, subject of this sketch, was the youngest.

Charles Frederick Barth attended the district schools and during high school was a student in Buffalo, New York. He then learned the trade of plumber in that city and served for three years as a journeyman plumber. In 1897 he located in Geneva in the employ of Emig & Hatmaker, plumbing and heating contractors. Upon the death of Mr. Hatmaker in 1917, Mr. Barth became a partner of Adam Emig, and the firm of Emig & Barth continued until August, 1924, at which time Mr. Emig died. His son, Howard Emig, succeeded him in the business and retained the original firm name. In July, 1931, however, Mr. Barth became sole owner of the enterprise. The following important contracts in plumbing and heating have been completed by Mr. Barth during his career in business in Geneva: William Smith College, Geneva Post Office, Y. M. C. A., the biology building of the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station. He is a member of the New York State Association of Master Plumbers, and Heating & Piping Contractors National Association.

On July 29, 1899, Mr. Barth married Miss Jennie Josephine Sutton, the daughter of David Sutton, of Geneva, who died in 1897. To them were born four children: 1. Gertrude, born in October, 1900, a graduate of Geneva High School, and University of Rochester, where she specialized in dental hygiene. She is now a dental hygienist at Grassland Hospital, near White Plains, New York. 2. Florence, born in 1907, a graduate of Geneva High School and William Smith College, Geneva. She is the wife of Ralph Engest, who is associated in business with Mr. Barth in



Geneva. 3. Kathryn, born in 1910, a graduate of Geneva High School, now a student nurse at Strong Memorial Hospital, Rochester, New York. 4. Charles S., born July 10, 1915, attends Geneva High School.

Mr. Barth is a member of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Rotary Club, and Chamber of Commerce. Politically, he is a Republican.

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**Arthur Robert Page**, electrical contractor, is one of the progressive business men of Geneva. He was born at Phelps, New York, July 20, 1877, the son of Marvin John and Emma (Van Duser) Page.

Marvin John Page was a native of Phelps, born in 1850. For many years he was a passenger conductor on the New York Central Railroad, and later traveled as the representative of a hardware firm. He died in 1906 and is buried at Newark, New York. Mr. Page was married in 1874 to Miss Emma VanDuser, daughter of Robert and Phoebe (Rose) VanDuser, of Phelps. She died in 1893 and is buried in Newark, New York. To them were born two sons: 1. Frank John, born October 17, 1875, identified with the Bloomer Bros. Paper Company, of Newark, New York. He has six children. 2. Arthur Robert, the subject of this sketch.

Arthur Robert Page was educated in the public schools at Phelps, Newark and Buffalo. He also is a graduate of Bryant & Strattons Business College, of Buffalo, class of 1895. Mr. Page was employed by the Bell Telephone Company as a lineman for two years, and then enlisted in the United States Navy as a seaman. He saw service during the Spanish-American War and was injured while in the service. After his discharge Mr. Page re-entered the employ of the Bell Telephone Company for a year, and then spent eight years in the service of the Gould Manufacturing Company, of Seneca Falls, New York, as maintenance engineer. In 1908 he accepted a position as traveling salesman for the Wheeler Green Electric Company, of Rochester, and five years later located in Geneva as president of the Hammer Beach

Electric Company. In 1916 Mr. Page returned to his former position in Rochester, and was later identified with the Rochester Electric Supply Company. In 1921 he established a business of his own in Geneva, with headquarters now at 28 Linden Street.

Mr. Page was married February 14, 1900, to Miss Edna May Fiero, the daughter of Oliver and Josephine Fiero, of Geneva. They have no children.

Politically, Mr. Page is a Republican. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian Church, and he is Past Master of Ark Lodge, No. 33, F. and A. M., as well as a member of B. P. O. Elks, No. 1054, Rotary Club, United Spanish War Veterans and New York State Builders Association.

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**Franklin Ernest Fairfax.**—As president and treasurer of the Fairfax Bros. Company, Inc., and the Fairfax Realty Corporation, of Geneva, Franklin Ernest Fairfax has long been identified with the business interests of the city, and is recognized as a leader in the civic life of the community. He was born in this city, October 26, 1866, the son of George Henry and Elizabeth (Dunn) Fairfax.

George Henry Fairfax was born in England, May 2, 1824, and at the age of two years was brought to the United States by his parents, George and Rose Anne (Milner) Fairfax. They settled first at Montreal, Canada, and the father engaged in the operation of a packet boat on the St. Lawrence River for many years. Later, he located at Buffalo, New York, where he died in 1855. He is buried in Geneva. George Henry Fairfax grew up in Canada and in 1842 shipped from New Bedford, Connecticut, on a whaling vessel. Six years later he came to Geneva, and in 1862 he established a wall paper and paint business. He was married in 1853 to Miss Elizabeth Dunn, daughter of Thomas Dunn, of Geneva. To them were born the following children: 1. Thomas Henry, born August 4, 1855, lives at Superior, Wisconsin, where he is interested in the real estate business. 2. Willis Theodore, born in 1857, died December 31, 1929, was a well known building

contractor. 3. George Sidney, born May 4, 1859, died in 1925. He was president of the Fairfax Bros. Company, Inc. 4. Charles Washington, born December 2, 1862, died September 11, 1928, was also associated during his entire business career with Fairfax Bros. Company, Inc. He was a veteran of the World War, and held the rank of Major at the time of his discharge. 5. Franklin Ernest, the subject of this sketch. 6. Mabel, born in 1869, died in 1874. 7. One child died in infancy. George Henry Fairfax died November 18, 1920, his first wife having died July 13, 1873. Both are buried in Glenwood Cemetery, Geneva. George Henry Fairfax was married the second time to Mrs. Emma (Persons) Bartlett, of Geneva, New York, and one son was born, Alfred, born in 1876, resides in Boston, Massachusetts. He is in the decorating business. Mrs. Fairfax died in 1924 and is buried in Glenwood Cemetery, Geneva.

Franklin Ernest Fairfax received his early education in the Geneva public schools and in 1884 entered the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland. However, in June, 1885, he resigned on account of ill health and returned to Geneva, where he immediately became associated with his father's wall paper and paint business. In 1891 he became a partner in the business and was associated with his brothers, George S. and Charles W., the latter two having purchased the father's interests in the enterprise. The business was incorporated in 1913 and it has continued as one of the city's most successful industrial plants. In 1895 the Fairfax Brothers also organized the Geneva Wall Paper Company, which continued in operation until 1913 when the plant was totally destroyed by fire. In the latter year they were founders of the Fairfax Realty Corporation, which was organized for the purpose of managing real estate holdings of the brothers, property being owned by them west of Linden Street, as well as a block of four stores on the north side of Seneca Street in Geneva.

In 1887 he enlisted in Company B, Provisional Regiment, New York National Guard, and served for eleven years. He was honorably discharged as a sergeant.

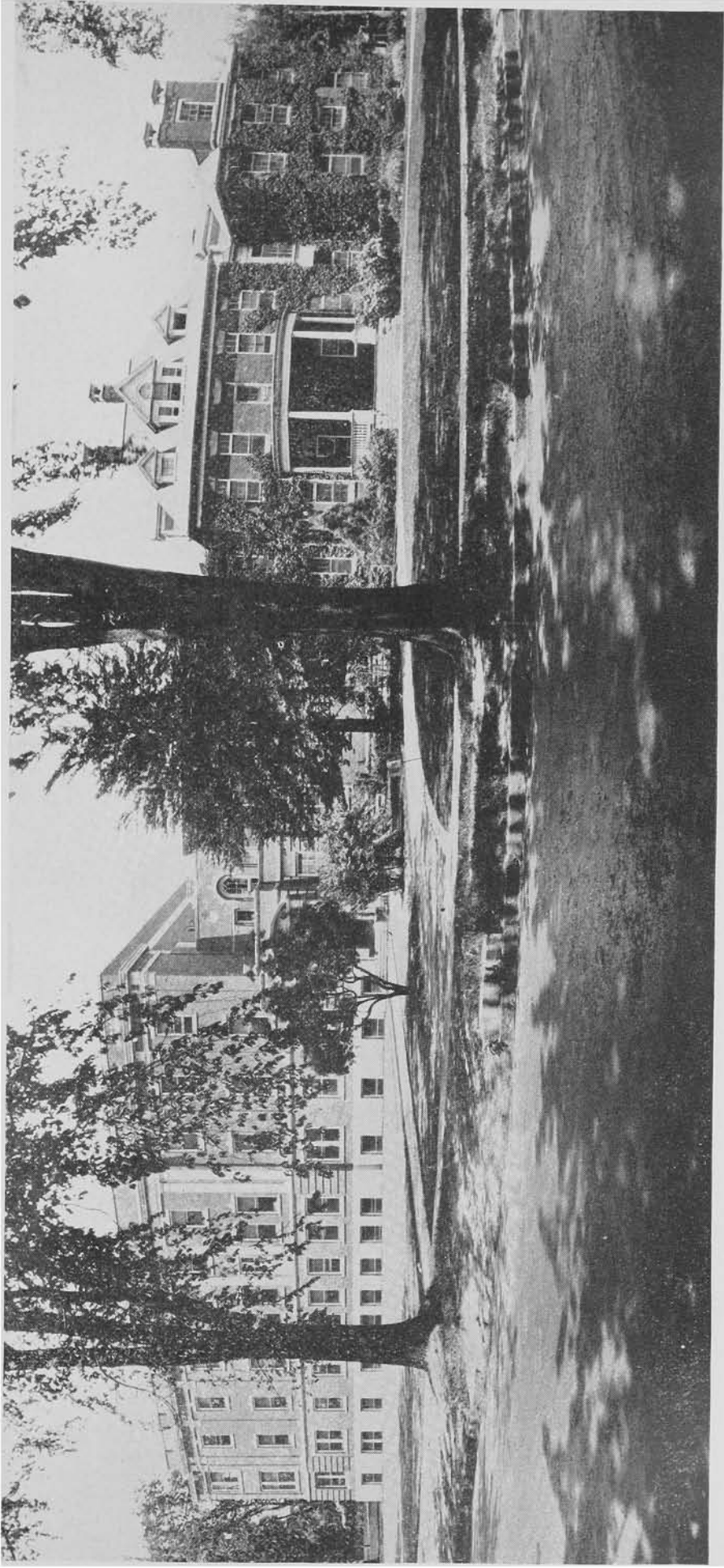
Mr. Fairfax was married March 4, 1897, to Miss Caroline A. Crittenden, the daughter of Immer W. and Martha (Catchpole)

Crittenden, of Geneva. They are the parents of the following children: 1. Charles Crittenden, born December 8, 1898, a graduate of Cornell University, class of 1921, mechanical engineer, now associated with the Stecher Lithographing Company, of Rochester, New York. He is a World War veteran and holds a commission as a lieutenant in the United States Reserve Corps, Coast Artillery. 2. Thomas Russell, born April 4, 1901, a graduate of Geneva High School, attended Cornell University for two years, now secretary of Fairfax Bros. Company, Inc. He is married and has a daughter, Elizabeth Jean. 3. George Henry, born March 17, 1907, a graduate of Colgate University, class of 1930, Bachelor of Arts, now associated with Fairfax Bros. Company, Inc. 4. Kenneth Tyne, born December 20, 1909, a graduate of Cornell University, class of 1931, Bachelor of Arts, now attends Cornell Medical Center, New York City.

Mr. Fairfax is a Republican, and is affiliated with Geneva Lodge of Elks, Kiwanis Club, Isaac Walton League, Y. M. C. A., Geneva Rod and Gun Club, The Hydrant Hose Company since 1886 and the Tribe of Kashong. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he has been treasurer of the board of trustees for twenty years, and his wife is an active member of the First Baptist Church. They live at 137 Maxwell Avenue.

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**Geneva General Hospital.**—The first formal step toward providing a hospital for Geneva was taken on March 25, 1892, when the institution was incorporated under the name of the Medical & Surgical Hospital, of Geneva. In the same year the late John V. Ditmars bequeathed \$12,000 to the institution. Hon. F. O. Mason and Arthur P. Rose gave the site. Many good people became interested and the town, so to speak, went to work to provide itself with a hospital. Six years later the ambition was realized when the hospital was formally opened on June 7, 1898, the name having previously been changed to that of the Geneva City Hospital. In 1901 Mrs. Ella Soverhill McBlain provided \$10,000 in



GENEVA GENERAL HOSPITAL, GENEVA, N. Y.



her will for a building for the treatment of contagious diseases, and this was later used for a maternity department. In 1901 a new laundry and central heating plant were built. In 1903 the west wing of the present structure was constructed and paid for by J. I. Maxwell and the legacy from the estate of the Hon. F. O. Mason, the cost being \$10,000. In 1911 the second floor of the east wing was added. In the same year Mrs. Andrew H. Smith, without solicitation offered enough money to build a nurses' home, large enough to accommodate over twenty nurses. This was a memorial to her father, James O. Sheldon. In 1915 a new laundry and central heating plant were constructed and the old one renovated to accommodate the Young Memorial and Ontario County Laboratory. In 1918 Mrs. Anna Hogarth Young gave \$25,000 as an endowment for the pathological laboratory.

In 1923 Mr. Ieuan Harris presented the hospital with what is known as the "Harris Cottage." For a time this was used as a residence by the superintendent. In 1927 it was converted into a children's department in memory of Laura Houghton Harris and Madeline S. Chew, by Mr. Harris and Mr. Beverly Chew.

In October, 1929, the people of Geneva again took up the work so splendidly started in 1898 and a drive was put on to procure funds to enlarge the hospital. The hospital being in constant use, giving twenty-four hours service, was found too small and unable to keep up with the progress medical science had made. The splendid response of the people of Geneva and vicinity at that time will long be remembered. The new west wing of the institution, which furnishes additional accommodations for fifty-eight beds and in case of emergency 100 patients may be cared for. The new wing has also added new operating rooms, delivery rooms, x-ray and laboratory rooms, as well as kitchens, and nurses' dining rooms. Today the city of Geneva has one of the finest and most up-to-date hospitals to be found in the entire State of New York.

There is a training school for nurses in connection with the hospital, with a very fine educational department for the student nurses.

**Fred Alexander Payne**, who has successfully engaged in the insurance business at Geneva for the past 20 years, is recognized as one of the city's dependable citizens. He was born at Potter, Yates County, New York, March 31, 1863, the son of John Wesley and Maria (Sutherland) Payne.

John Wesley Payne was a prominent citizen of Yates County and a member of one of the first families of that section. He was born at Potter in 1824, the son of John Payne, who had come to Yates County from Connecticut in 1806. He made the trip by ox-cart and secured a tract of government land, which has continued as the Payne homestead until the present time. The Paynes were prosperous farmers, and John Wesley Payne served as justice of the peace for twenty years. He was married in 1853 to Miss Maria Sutherland, whose ancestors were of Scotch descent. Mr. Payne died in 1900 and his wife died six months later. Both are buried at Ovid, New York. They were the parents of six children, among whom were Fred Alexander, subject, and John, twin brothers.

Fred A. Payne received his early education in the district schools and for three years was a student at Penn Yan High School. He also spent a year at Penn Yan Normal School and for one term taught school in Nettle Valley. During the following twenty-seven years Mr. Payne successfully engaged in general farming and was especially interested in the breeding of pure Guernsey cattle. He was recognized as an authority in cattle judging and served at numerous fairs throughout the state. Since 1911 Mr. Payne has conducted an insurance business in Geneva and in 1930 became associated with Philip L. Maples, as a member of the firm of Payne & Maples, with offices at 50 Seneca Street. They write all types of insurance with the exception of life insurance.

On March 12, 1884, Mr. Payne was united in marriage with Miss Grace Bates, daughter of Solomon P. Bates, a successful farmer of Benton, Yates County, now deceased. To them were born three children: 1. Edgar S., born September 28, 1886, a graduate of Penn Yan Academy, farms the old Payne homestead in Yates County. He has five children. 2. Frank B., born June



21, 1891, a graduate of Penn Yan Academy, and Cazenovia Seminary and Barclay Business Institute. He is freight agent for the Lehigh Valley Railroad at Ithaca, New York. 3. Marjorie, born August 28, 1897, attended Geneva High School, married Leon S. Baker, of Geneva. She died in 1922 and is survived by two children. She is buried in Glenwood Cemetery, Geneva.

Mr. Payne is a Republican and an ardent Prohibitionist. He is a member of the official board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, on which he has served for twenty years, and he also belongs to the Maccabees and Kiwanis Club. While a resident of Potter, Mr. Payne served as a member of the official board of the Methodist Episcopal Church for a period of thirty-two years. He has always taken a keen interest in the civic life of his community and has a wide acquaintance.

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**Hammond Barker Tuttle.**—A member of one of the oldest families of the city of Geneva, Hammond Barker Tuttle has been prominent here as a photographer for more than a quarter of a century. He was born in Geneva, August 16, 1868, the son of Francis Marion and Eunice Jenner (Barker) Tuttle.

Francis Marion Tuttle was born at Geneva, the son of Joseph Hammond Tuttle, who came to this city during the early part of the eighteenth century. He built a stone residence opposite the Lafayette Inn in 1835, and there the family lived for many years. He was a successful merchant. His son, Francis Marion Tuttle, was a portrait artist, and was widely known for his work in oil. He was a deaf mute, as was his wife, Eunice Jenner (Barker) Tuttle, whom he married in 1865. She was the daughter of Benajah Barker, a farmer of Easton, New York. To Mr. and Mrs. Tuttle were born two sons: 1. Hammond B., the subject of this sketch. 2. Percy Chase, who died at the age of fifteen years. Mr. Tuttle died in 1916 and his wife died in 1919. Both are buried in Glenwood Cemetery, Geneva.

Hammond Barker Tuttle grew up in Geneva and in 1886 was graduated from the local high school. He then entered the employ

of the Chase Nursery Company as cashier and bookkeeper, and remained in that capacity for a period of twenty years. In 1906 Mr. Tuttle opened a photographic studio, after having been interested for many years in that profession in an amateur way. He does both portrait and commercial work and is located at 16 Seneca Street. He has maintained that location ever since he has been in business, although his studio has suffered serious loss and damage through fire on five different occasions. For ten years Mr. Tuttle has been official photographer for the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station, and he himself has been interested in conservation work as pertains to fish and game.

On December 20, 1894, Mr. Tuttle was united in marriage with Miss Florence May Creque, daughter of Francis Creque, a native of New York. To Mr. and Mrs. Tuttle were born three children: 1. Percy Hammond, born September 18, 1895, a World War veteran, having served in France as a naval aviator. He is associated with the Associated Gas & Electric System. 2. Kenneth Chase, born November 26, 1896, a World War veteran, having also served in France with a bombing squadron. He is associated with the Associated Gas & Electric System. He is unmarried and lives at home. 3. Eunice Marion, born July 12, 1898, married Elmer C. Lautenslager, who is publicity and advertising manager of the Associated Gas & Electric System. They have two sons, Richard Earl and Robert. They also live in Geneva.

Mr. Tuttle is a member of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, and he also belongs to the Isaac Walton League, Chamber of Commerce, and Geneva Rod & Gun Club.

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**Redmond Anthony Toole.**—Associated with Toole Brothers, shoe dealers, Redmond Anthony Toole ranks among Geneva's reliable and successful merchants. He was born in this city, January 1, 1880, the son of Richard and Mary (Welch) Toole.

Richard Toole was born in County Mayo, Ireland, in 1840 and his wife was also a native of Ireland. They were pioneer settlers of Geneva and Mr. Toole spent many years in the employ of the

New York Central Railroad Company. Both died in 1922 and are buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Geneva. Mr. and Mrs. Toole were the parents of eight children.

Redmond Anthony Toole received his education in the parochial schools of Geneva and also is a graduate of Mackey's Business College. For eight years he was employed by Phillips & Clark, stove manufacturers, later known as the Andes Furnace Company. Mr. Toole also spent three years in the service of the State Highway Department and for two years was a surveyor with the Rochester-Syracuse & Eastern Electric Railroad. In 1910 he became interested in the retail shoe business in Geneva in partnership with his brother, Patrick D. Toole, their store being located at 508 Exchange Street. They are local dealers for the Florsheim and Wilbur Coon shoes.

Mr. Toole is a Democrat, a member of St. Stephen's Catholic Church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Royal Arcanum and the Nester Hose Company. He is unmarried and lives with his brother and three unmarried sisters at 19 West Avenue.

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**Frederick Adelbert Fuller**, who is station agent at Geneva for the Lehigh Valley Railroad, is well and favorably known in this city. He was born at Cuyler, Cortland County, New York, February 16, 1873, the son of Adelbert and Sarah (Porter) Fuller.

Adelbert Fuller was a native of New York, born at Union Valley, Cortland County, about 1833. In early life he was a farmer, later a merchant at Cuyler, and subsequently became agent for the Elmira, Cortland & Northern Railroad Company at Cuyler. That road was later taken over by the Lehigh Valley Railroad. Mr. Fuller was married in 1866 to Miss Sarah Porter, of Union Valley. They had three children. Mr. Fuller died in 1895 and is buried at Cortland. His widow resides at Cortland with her daughter, Mrs. Dana Chaffee.

Frederick Adelbert Fuller grew up at Cuyler and received his education in the public schools there. He left school when sixteen years of age and entered the services of the Elmira, Cortland &

Northern Railroad at Cuyler. He learned telegraphy and then was appointed station agent and operator at McConnellsville, New York. He was later transferred to Sylvan Junction, New York, for a time and then to South Bay on Oneida Lake. In 1902 he was made station agent and operator for the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company at Elmira, where he remained for a period of seventeen years. In 1918 Mr. Fuller was transferred to Geneva as station agent.

Mr. Fuller was married November 19, 1902, to Miss Catherine Bruder, the daughter of George Bruder, hotel owner at South Bay, New York. Their only child, Gertrude, was born February 14, 1904. She is a graduate of Geneva High School and William Smith College, class of 1926. She lives at home. Catherine (Bruder) Fuller died in March, 1919, and is buried in Glenwood Cemetery, Geneva. On June 2, 1932, he married Mrs. Florence White, of Seneca County, New York.

Mr. Fuller has always been a Republican. He is a member of the First Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge.

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**Foster Partridge Boswell, Ph. D.**—Brilliant achievement in educational affairs has marked the career of Doctor Boswell, who is professor of Philosophy and Psychology at Hobart College. He is a native of New York, born at Rochester, February 14, 1879, the son of Charles P. and Harriet (Oliver) Boswell.

Charles P. Boswell, deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War. He was born at Potsdam, New York, July 10, 1839, and for many years was president of the Rochester Machine Screw Company. He died July 7, 1920, and is buried at Rochester. At the beginning of the Civil War he received the rank of first lieutenant of Company B, First New York Volunteer Infantry, and on January 11, 1862, was promoted to adjutant. He became captain of Company G, October 30, 1862, and was discharged from the service July 23, 1864. He participated in such important battles as Yorktown, Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, Fort Anderson and Cold

Harbor. In the latter he was severely wounded and never completely recovered. Harriet (Oliver) Boswell died in January, 1912, and is buried in Rochester. She was the daughter of William S. Oliver, of Penn Yan, who for many years ranked as the leading attorney of that city. He also served as Chancellor of State and County Judge. The youngest of three children born to Mr. and Mrs. Boswell was Foster P., the subject of this sketch.

Foster Partridge Boswell received his early education in the public schools of Rochester, later attended Bradstreet College Preparatory School, and received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Hobart College in 1901. In the following year he received the degree of Master of Arts at Harvard University, and the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in 1904. In the summers of 1905, 1906 and until the summer of 1907 he studied in Berlin, Leipzig and Freiburg, Germany. While a graduate student at Harvard University in 1903-4 Doctor Boswell was assistant instructor in philosophy and during 1904-5 was assistant instructor of psychology at the University of Wisconsin. While in Berlin during 1907 he was a voluntary assistant in the University, and during 1907-8 Doctor Boswell was assistant instructor in psychology at the University of Missouri. He came to Geneva as assistant professor of psychology and mathematics at Hobart College in 1908, from 1912 until 1923 was professor of psychology and education at the same institution, and since 1923 has been professor. He is the author of "Aims and Defects of College Education," published in 1915, as well as "A Primer of Greek Thought," published in 1923, and of a number of articles in American and foreign scientific and philosophical magazines.

On August 15, 1922, Doctor Boswell married Miss Elizabeth Clark Eaton, the daughter of Charles S. Eaton, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and grand niece of the late Mr. Lawrence Clark a prominent citizen of Geneva. They live at 859 Main Street, their home being located on the west bank of Seneca Lake.

Doctor and Mrs. Boswell are prominent members of Trinity Episcopal Church, of which he has been vestryman since 1927, and he is a member of Ark Lodge, F. & A. M., Sigma Phi and Phi Beta Kappa societies, Geneva Country Club, Rochester Coun-

try Club, and University Club. He also holds membership in the American Psychological Association and the American Philosophical Association, is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and belongs to the Society of Mayflower Descendants, and the American Legion. Doctor Boswell travels extensively.

In 1916 Doctor Boswell became a member of the training camp at Plattsburg, New York, attached to the Second Officers Training Class at Fort Niagara, New York, in 1917, and received the commission of first lieutenant in the Psychological Division of the Sanitary Corps, being on duty at Camp Greenleaf from March 19th until May 28, 1918. He was then detailed as psychological examiner at Camp Wadsworth from May 28th until December 20, 1918, being honorably discharged December 20th, 1918. He has held a commission in the Officers Reserve Corps for several years.

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**John Shea.**—Holding high rank in legal circles in Ontario County, John Shea is recognized as a leading attorney of Canandaigua. He is a native of New York, born at Fabius, Onondaga County, April 9, 1876, the son of Edmond and Anne (Quinlan) Shea.

Edmond Shea was a native of County Tipperary, Ireland, born November 1, 1834. Emigrating to the United States in September, 1852, he settled at Fabius, New York, where he was interested in dairying. He was married February 7, 1864, to Miss Anne Quinlan, also a native of Ireland. They were the parents of twelve children, of whom John, the subject of this sketch, was the eighth in order of birth. Mr. Shea died April 25, 1916, and his wife died August 3, 1912. Both are buried at Pompey, New York.

John Shea received his education in the district schools of Fabius and was graduated from Union School at McGraw, Cortland County. From 1894 until 1901 he taught school in several village districts of Onondaga and Cortland counties. He subse-

quently read law in the office of Judge Joseph E. Eggleston, of Cortland, and judge and surrogate of Cortland County. Mr. Shea was admitted to the bar, July 5, 1904, and immediately located in private practice at Syracuse. After a year he returned to Fabius and was located there for almost four years. Upon his return to Syracuse, Mr. Shea became associated in practice with his brother, E. F. Shea. In February, 1912, Mr. Shea was appointed transfer tax appraiser which office he successfully held for three years, and in February, 1915, he became identified with Hon. Clayton R. Lusk, a leading lawyer of Cortland, New York. In August, 1918, he came to Canandaigua and has since conducted a private practice in this city, with offices at 107 South Main Street.

Mr. Shea has always been a Democrat and has been active and prominent in the affairs of the party. For two years he was local counsel for the Democratic State Committee. He is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Canandaigua Council, No. 1445, being advocate of the local council during the past thirteen years. He is also interested in Boy Scout work in this section.

Mr. Shea is unmarried.

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**Andrew Mackenzie Johnston, D. D. S.**—One of the recognized successful young dental surgeons of Ontario County is Doctor Johnston, of Canandaigua. He was born in this city, May 20, 1892, the son of Andrew and Margaret (Mackenzie) Johnston.

Andrew Johnston was a native of Gretna Green, Scotland. As a young man he came to this country and located at Canandaigua, where he was a successful clothing merchant as a member of the firm of Leighton & Johnston. Mr. Johnston was married in April, 1891, to Miss Margaret Mackenzie, also a native of Scotland and the daughter of Alexander Mackenzie. The only child born to Mr. and Mrs. Johnston was Andrew Mackenzie, the subject of this sketch. Andrew Johnston's death occurred January 4, 1892. The mother died in February, 1916. Both are buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, Canandaigua.

After his graduation from the public schools of Canandaigua and Canadnaigua Academy in 1912, Andrew Mackenzie Johnston entered the employ of the Lisk Manufacturing Company for a period of three years. In 1915 he entered the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, but the following year became a student at the University of Buffalo, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery in 1919. He became associated with Dr. I. L. Terry, a prominent dentist of Buffalo, and after a year located in Canandaigua in his present offices, 60 South Main Street.

Doctor Johnston is a Republican, a member of the First Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, American Legion, Canandaigua Country Club, Canandaigua Sportsmen Club, and Exchange Club, of which he is a charter member and past president. During the World War Doctor Johnston served in the Students Army Training Corps at the University of Buffalo.

Doctor Johnston is unmarried.

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**Charles Willard Selover, M. D.**, of Canandaigua, has practiced medicine in Central New York since 1904, and he is superintendent of the Ontario County Tubercular Hospital and member of the staff of Thompson Memorial Hospital, Canandaigua. Doctor Selover was born at Elmira, Chemung County, New York, October 16, 1881, the son of Frank Eugene and Amelia J. (Hunt) Selover.

Frank Eugene Selover was a native of Steuben County, New York, born in 1859. He was the son of Dr. John R. Selover, who was born in 1824. The latter practiced dentistry for a number of years at Bath, New York, and when fifty years of age took up the study of medicine and was graduated from the University of Buffalo in 1874. He practiced his profession at Bath until 1892, when he removed to Trumansburg, New York. He died in 1911 and is buried at Trumansburg, New York. Members of this family were among the first settlers of Tompkins County and descendants now live at Cortland and Trumansburg. Frank Eugene Selover was a jeweler and owned and operated numerous branch stores in Cen-



tral New York. He died in 1910 and is buried at Trumansburg. He was married in 1880 to Miss Amelia J. Hunt, daughter of Charles D. Hunt, of Elmira, New York. Their only child was Charles Willard, subject of this sketch.

Charles Willard Selover attended the public schools of Trumansburg, from which he was graduated in 1899. He then entered the Medical School of the University of Buffalo, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1904. Doctor Selover served as interne in the German Deaconess Hospital, Buffalo, for one year and then opened a private office at Stanley, New York, where he was prominent as a physician and surgeon until June, 1917. At that time he volunteered for service in the World War and received the commission of first lieutenant in the United States Army, Medical Corps, and served at Fort Benjamin Harrison and was commissioned a captain in August, 1917, and in September, 1917, he was commissioned major. He served as camp surgeon at Camp Alexander, Newport News, Virginia, throughout the war period and was discharged March 12, 1919. He now holds the rank of major, Medical Reserve Corps, and is a member of the American Legion.

In April, 1919, Doctor Selover located at Canandaigua, where he has since specialized in the treatment of tuberculosis. He is identified with the Canandaigua City Medical Society, Ontario County Medical Society, New York State Medical Society, American Medical Association, National Tuberculosis Association, and International Union Against Tuberculosis.

On August 16, 1905, Doctor Selover was united in marriage with Miss Minnie Carson Hill, the daughter of Charles D. Hill, deceased. They are the parents of two children: 1. Margaret Eugenia, born June 19, 1906, a graduate of Canandaigua Academy, class of 1924, and Mt. Holyoke College, class of 1929, degree of Bachelor of Arts. She then studied nursing at the Presbyterian Hospital Nursing School, New York City, from which she was graduated in 1932. At the present time Miss Selover is a supervisor at the same institution. 2. Charles Willard, Jr., born August 6, 1907, attended Hargrave Military School at Chatham, Virginia, and Williston Academy, at East Hampton, Massachusetts, class of

1929. He is now engaged in business at Canandaigua. He married Kathleen Marseilles of Toronto, Canada. His wife is private secretary to Doctor Selover.

Doctor Selover has always been a Republican. He holds membership in St. John's Episcopal Church, of Canandaigua, and is affiliated with the Ark Lodge No. 33, F. & A. M., Geneva Chapter No. 36, R. A. M., Red Jacket Commandery, K. T., and Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Rochester, New York, Rotary Club, Rochester Club, Canandaigua Country Club, and Phi Rho Sigma medical fraternity. The family lives at Canandaigua and also has a summer home on Canandaigua Lake.

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**George Leonard Boyce.**—Numbered among the progressive and highly successful business men of Canandaigua is George Leonard Boyce, widely known dealer in hay, grain and produce, with offices at 37 Niagara Street. He was born in Canandaigua, New York, September 7, 1886, the son of Elias Henry and Sylvania M. (Devoe) Boyce.

Elias Henry Boyce, deceased, was for many years a prominent figure in the business life of Canandaigua. He was born at Wilton, Saratoga County, New York, June 9, 1851, the son of Leonard Boyce, who was born at Saratoga Springs in 1817. The latter died April 1, 1895, and is buried at Saratoga Springs. He married Miss Mary Houston, who was born June 10, 1816, and died in June, 1866. To Leonard and Mary (Houston) Boyce were born two sons: Chester A. and Elias Henry. In 1875 Elias Henry Boyce came to Canandaigua and the following year he became associated in the hay, grain and produce business, with his brother, Chester A. Boyce. The firm continued as Boyce Brothers and in 1891 leased the Canandaigua elevator and warehouse, which had a capacity of 18,000 bushels. This business continued as the leading enterprise of its type in Ontario County until 1921, at which time Chester A. Boyce retired. He died two years later and is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, Canandaigua. In 1921 the son of Elias Henry Boyce became a partner and the company continued

as Boyce Brothers Company until February 8, 1932, at which time the senior member of the firm, Elias Henry Boyce, died. He is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, Canandaigua. Elias H. Boyce was married March 27, 1878, to Miss Sylvania M. Devoe, of Saratoga Springs, New York. To them were born two children: 1. Florence L., born April 17, 1879, married John C. Scott, shoe merchant, of Canandaigua. They have a daughter, Sylvia, who married Edwin Booth of Plainfield, New Jersey. 2. George Leonard, the subject of this sketch. Sylvania M. (Devoe) Boyce died March 19, 1932, and is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery.

The first members of the Boyce family to come to this country from England settled in Vermont about 1815 and were farmers.

George Leonard Boyce obtained his education in the public schools of Canandaigua and spent two years at Gooding School for Boys. In 1904 he became a partner in the shoe business with his brother-in-law, John C. Scott, and the firm continued for nine years. He disposed of his interest in 1913 and at that time became associated with his father and uncle in the wholesale hay, grain and produce business. As mentioned above, he succeeded his uncle in 1921 as a member of the firm and since the death of his father in 1932 Mr. Boyce has conducted the enterprise alone.

Mr. Boyce was married (first) on June 21, 1906, to Miss Lydia M. Rose, the daughter of Jared and Sarah Rose. To them were born three children: 1. Ruth S., born April 15, 1909, married Owen S. Riffle, lives at Canandaigua. 2. George Henry, born July 10, 1911, a graduate of Canandaigua Academy, class of 1930, commercial photographer, lives at Canandaigua. 3. Chester Edgar, born October 29, 1912, a student. Lydia M. (Rose) Boyce died July 10, 1929, and is buried at Farmington, New York. Mr. Boyce married (second) on May 29, 1930, to Miss Edith D. Morris, daughter of Frank L. Morris, of Warsaw, New York.

Mr. Boyce has always been a Republican. He is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and is a member of the Mutual Hook and Ladder Company. As a breeder of Cocker spaniels, Mr. Boyce has been known throughout Central New York as a kennel man for the past twenty years, although he has never entered his dogs in the local shows.

**Joseph Cooper**, deceased, was recognized as one of the substantial and highly esteemed citizens of Ontario County, and for a number of years served as postmaster of Stanley. He was born near London, England, April 21, 1862, the son of Frederick and Rebecca Cooper.

Frederick Cooper was an early settler of Wayne County, New York, having come to this country from England in 1863. He was a farmer and about 1870 removed to Stanley, Ontario County, where for a number of years he conducted a tile manufacturing business. At the time of his death he was living at Seneca Castle. There were five children in the Cooper family, of whom Joseph, the subject of this sketch, was the oldest.

The first birthday of Joseph Cooper was celebrated while en route to the United States from England. He later attended the public schools of Stanley and Seneca Castle, and as a young man learned the trade of shoemaker. He located at Stanley about 1906 and served as postmaster there from 1921 until the time of his death, February 27, 1926. Mr. Cooper is buried in No. 9 Cemetery, Ontario County. He was married in 1892 to Miss Jennie Hutchinson, the daughter of James and Martha Hutchinson, prominent farmers of Ontario County, who lived at Seneca.

To Joseph and Jennie (Hutchinson) Cooper were born three sons: 1. James Frederick, born August 28, 1894, educated in the public schools of Stanley and Penn Yan, and for seven years employed in a clerical capacity with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. He was then associated in the grocery business at Stanley with his brother, Floyd T. Cooper. Upon the death of his father in 1926, James F. Cooper assumed the duties of postmaster of Stanley and still serves in that capacity. He is married and has two children, Joseph Edward and Carol Nancy. 2. Floyd T., born May 16, 1896, educated in the public schools of Stanley and Penn Yan, also employed for several years in the offices of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. He now is owner of a grocery establishment at Stanley, having purchased his brother's interest in the business in 1926. He is a World War veteran. 3. Harold Joseph, born August 15, 1906, educated in the public schools of Stanley and Geneva, now identified with the Eastman Kodak Corporation, at Rochester, New York.

Mr. Cooper was a lifelong Republican and for many years served as school tax collector. He was an active member of No. 9 Presbyterian Church, of which he was trustee.

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**John Henry Coon.**—Among the well known and highly esteemed citizens of Ontario County is John Henry Coon, who lives retired at Stanley. He was born in Columbia County, New York, September 22, 1855, the son of Isaac and Almira (Becker) Coon.

Isaac Coon was a native of Rensselaerville, New York, born May 20, 1824. Throughout his life he was interested in general farming. He died June 29, 1904. He was married September 28, 1850, to Miss Almira Becker, daughter of John P. Becker, also natives of New York. Mr. and Mrs. Coon were the parents of five children.

The boyhood of John Henry Coon was spent on his father's farm and he attended the district schools. He also is a graduate of Hudson Academy, and taught school in Columbia County for several years. In 1879 he located in Yates County as a teacher and remained there until 1887, at which time he settled at Gorham, Ontario County. Three years later he came to Stanley and in 1890 purchased an interest in the general mercantile establishment of Charles D. Hill, which was continued for seven years under the firm name of Hill & Coon. At the expiration of that time Mr. Coon disposed of his interest in the business and opened a retail meat business at Stanley. He retired from active business in 1913 and in that year accepted the appointment of postmaster of Stanley, in which capacity he served until 1922.

Mr. Coon was married December 22, 1887, to Miss Martha Carson, the daughter of James M. and Margaret (Grove) Carson, natives of Seneca, Ontario County. The Carsons settled in this section in 1800 and there were eight children born to Mr. and Mrs. James M. Carson, all of whom are now deceased except Martha (Carson) Coon. To Mr. and Mrs. Coon were born two children: 1. Floyd T., born September 24, 1888, died in infancy. 2. Almira Margaret, born on September 9, 1898, a graduate of Penn Yan

Academy and Geneseo Normal School, class of 1917. She is a teacher in the public schools of Niagara Falls, New York.

In politics Mr. Coon has always been a Democrat. He and his wife are prominent members of the Presbyterian Church No. 9, and he is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

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**Claude Cobb Williamson, M. D.**—One of the representative professional men of Ontario County is Doctor Williamson, who has engaged in practice at Gorham since 1909. He was born at Phelps, New York, August 11, 1884, the son of James W. and Anna Estelle (Cobb) Williamson.

James W. Williamson was a native of Yates County, New York, born at Italy, January 29, 1859. He was a school teacher and farmer and died July 8, 1929. He is buried in Riverside Cemetery, Plainville, New York. Mr. Williamson was married December 27, 1882, to Miss Anna Estelle Cobb, daughter of Edwin D. and Sarah Ann (Peer) Cobb, of Phelps. To Mr. and Mrs. Williamson only one child was born, Claude Cobb, the subject of this sketch.

Claude Cobb Williamson obtained his early education in the public schools of Clifton Springs and was graduated from Clifton Springs High School in 1903. He then took up the study of medicine at the University of Buffalo, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1908. He served for eighteen months as interne at the U. S. Marine Hospital, Riverside Accident Hospital, of Buffalo, New York, and Park Avenue Hospital, Rochester, New York, and began his private practice at Gorham in March, 1909. He is an active member of the Ontario County Medical Society and the New York State Medical Society.

During the World War Doctor Williamson enlisted for service in 1918 and received the commission of first lieutenant in the Medical Corps, U. S. Army. He was discharged with the rank of captain, December 25, 1918, and now holds that commission in the Reserve Corps.

On July 3, 1905, Doctor Williamson was united in marriage with Miss Mary Theodora Hopkins, the daughter of Orville and

Elizabeth (Fraser) Hopkins. Mr. Hopkins is identified with the Marine Trust Company, of Buffalo, in an official capacity. Doctor and Mrs. Williamson have two children: 1. Horace James, born February 25, 1909, a graduate of Lafayette High School, Buffalo, and Cornell University, Bachelor of Science, class of 1932. 2. Marion Estella, born September 5, 1910, a graduate of Geneva High School, and the F. F. Thompson Hospital Training School for Nurses, at Canandaigua. She is now identified with that hospital in a professional capacity.

Doctor Williamson is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, American Legion and the Grange. He is Past Master of Rushville Lodge, F. & A. M., Knight Templar, member of Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Rochester, New York, and Past Monarch of Umarken Grotto, M. O. V. P. E. R., of Geneva.

Doctor Williamson is the owner of an 80-acre farm near Phelps, which is part of the original David Peer homestead of 1,000 acres. It has been owned by members of the Williamson family for more than a century and is among the interesting spots in this section.

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**Frank Eugene Whitney.**—A member of one of the oldest and most honored pioneer families of Ontario County, Frank Eugene Whitney is recognized as a substantial citizen of Seneca Castle, where he has served as assessor for a number of years. He was born in the town of Seneca, Ontario County, October 21, 1872, the son of Daniel H. and Martha (Van Gelder) Whitney.

Daniel H. Whitney was born in the town of Seneca, Ontario County, October 19, 1819, and died January 1, 1910. He is buried in Whitney Cemetery, Seneca Castle. He was the son of Cheeney and Olive (Colwell) Whitney. Cheeney Whitney was born at Seneca, April 21, 1795, and died in 1885. He was the son of Nathan Whitney, who was born at Conway, Massachusetts, October 18, 1761. The latter settled in Ontario County in 1792 and lived in the town of Seneca until his death, April 19, 1838. He was

a farmer throughout his life, as were all members of this pioneer family.

Daniel H. Whitney, father of the subject of this sketch, married Miss Martha Van Gelder, and they were the parents of four children, of whom Frank E. was the youngest.

Frank Eugene Whitney grew up in the town of Seneca and attended the public schools. At the age of seventeen years he left school to assist his father on the homestead. He continued as a farmer until 1905 and then located at Seneca Castle, where he has since engaged in business as a dealer in farm implements and machinery, plumbing and heating fixtures, and fertilizers.

On December 5, 1894, Mr. Whitney married Miss Clara J. Page, the daughter of Levi A. and Margaret (Benham) Page, of Seneca Castle. Their children are: 1. Maurice, born February 22, 1896, a graduate of Geneva High School and Syracuse University, class of 1918. He served in the U. S. Navy on transport duty during the World War, and is now associated with the Eclipse Machine Company, of Elmira, New York. He is married and has two sons, Roger K. and Hugh Hudson. 2. Harold H., born July 5, 1898, died December 24, 1914, buried in Whitney Cemetery. 3. Margaret J., born January 31, 1900, a graduate of Geneva High School and Syracuse University, class of 1922. She married William Hilligas, who is a professor at Cortland Normal School, and she is a member of the faculty of Cortland High School. 4. Harriet E., born March 24, 1908, a graduate of Geneva High School and Syracuse University, class of 1931. She is an art teacher in Oswego (New York) High School. 5. One child died in infancy.

Politically, Mr. Whitney is a Republican. In 1918 he was elected one of the assessors for the town of Seneca, Ontario County and has served continuously since that time. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church of Seneca Castle, of which he has been an elder for many years. He is also affiliated with Ark Lodge, No. 32, F. & A. M., and for thirty-eight years has been an active member of the Grange, being identified with the County, Pamona, New York State and National organizations. He also belongs to the New York State Fruit Testing Association.



**George Torrey Morey**, deceased, was for many years identified with newspaper work in Ontario County as the owner and editor of the "Naples News." He was born at Middlesex, New York, March 27, 1868, the son of Levi B. and Jennie N. (Smith) Morey.

Levi B. Morey was born at Nassau, New York, in 1840, and for a great many years was employed in the offices of the New York Customs Department in New York City. He was married in May, 1861, to Miss Jennie N. Smith, daughter of James Smith, of Middlesex. They were the parents of three children, of whom George Torrey, subject of this sketch, was the youngest.

George Torrey Morey attended the public schools of Middlesex, and was also a student in New York City. At the age of sixteen years he entered the offices of the Rural New Yorker and remained there until he was twenty-one years old. He then became associated with the New York Ledger, New York Times and the New York World as a reporter. Mr. Morey came to Naples in 1897 and two years later he purchased the "Naples News," which had been founded only a short time before. He continued his successful management and publication of the paper until the time of his death, May 27, 1931. Mr. Morey is buried in Rose Ridge Cemetery, Naples.

On March 2, 1892, Mr. Morey was united in marriage with Miss Estella Smith, the daughter of George H. Smith, of Brooklyn, New York. She has always been interested in newspaper work and before her marriage was connected with the Rural New Yorker. Since her husband's recent death, Mrs. Morey has continued the publication of the paper and is assisted by her son, Edgar Smith Morey.

To Mr. and Mrs. George T. Morey were born four children, one of whom died in infancy. The others are: 1. Grace L., born July 16, 1896, a graduate of Naples High School, and a teacher for four years in the Livingston County schools. She married Samuel Gilmore, of Avon, New York. She died March 11, 1919, and is buried in Rose Ridge Cemetery, Naples. 2. Ruth Estella, born November 13, 1898, a graduate of Naples High School, married Gordon Chester, who is assistant county engineer, Ontario County, and

they live at 497 North Main Street, Canandaigua. They have two sons, Gordon Chester, Jr., and George Morey Chester. 3. Edgar Smith, born May 13, 1901, now associated with the "Naples News." He was married October 17, 1923, to Miss Florence Bardeen, of Prattsburgh, New York, and they have two children, Edgar S. Morey, Jr., and Nancy Ruth Morey.

Mr. Morey was a Republican, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He also was identified with the Chamber of Commerce and throughout his life took a keen and active interest in civic affairs and community betterment. He was prominent as a member of the Finger Lakes Association and a charter member of the Naples Country Club.

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**John S. Tellier** has been a conspicuous figure in newspaper circles in Central New York for more than forty years as editor and publisher of the "Naples Record." He was born at Canandaigua, New York, July 4, 1858, the son of John F. and Mary L. (Wetmore) Tellier.

John F. Tellier was a native of Holland, born at Retrunchement Zenland, July 23, 1832. At the age of eighteen years he emigrated to the United States and settled at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he became well known. He was later a resident of Canandaigua, New York, where he was foreman in the shops of the New York Central Railroad Company. He was living at Los Angeles, California, at the time of his death, July 21, 1906. On September 9, 1857, Mr. Tellier married Miss Mary L. Wetmore, the daughter of Sumner Wetmore, of Naples. To them were born five children, of whom John S., subject of this sketch, was the oldest.

John S. Tellier grew up at Canandaigua and attended the public schools there. He learned the trade of printing at an early age and in 1887 purchased the Neapolitan Record, a publication originally known as the Naples Record, founded in 1870. For a time it had also been published as the Neapolitan-Record. After Mr. Tellier became editor and publisher he renamed the paper the

“Naples Record.” It is a weekly publication with a wide circulation throughout northern Steuben and Yates counties, as well as southern Ontario County. Throughout his long connection with the paper, Mr. Tellier has remained neutral in politics and his honesty and integrity in his chosen profession, as well as his years of experience, mark him as the dean of newspaper men in Ontario County. He is an active member of the National Editorial Association, New York State Press Association, and Western New York State Publishers Association.

On January 23, 1883, Mr. Tellier was united in marriage with Miss Clara A. Whiting, the daughter of John P. and Jane (Lee) Whiting, of Naples. They have two sons: 1. Howard W., born November 12, 1887, now associated with his father on the “Naples Record.” He is Past Master of John Hodge Lodge No. 815, F. & A. M. 2. Lawrence S., born November 26, 1890. He is a graduate of New York City Law School, class of 1913, served as justice of the peace at Naples for seventeen years, and was admitted to the New York State bar in 1931. He is now engaged in practice at Rochester, New York. He is Past Master of John Hodge Lodge No. 815, F. & A. M., and Past Noble Grand of Nundawaho Lodge No. 714, I. O. O. F. Clara A. (Whiting) Tellier died March 4, 1895, and is buried in Rose Ridge Cemetery, Naples.

Mr. Tellier is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church, and belongs to John Hodge Lodge F. & A. M., Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Grange, and Chamber of Commerce. He has always been active in civic affairs and was one of the early supporters for the incorporation of the village of Naples, as well as one of the founders of the city water department. He has also been interested in education and at all times has been an influential figure in civic betterment.

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**John Barnes Parmelee.**—Well known as a lawyer and highly esteemed as a citizen, John Barnes Parmelee belongs to an honored pioneer family of Central New York, and is successfully engaged in practice at Phelps. He was born here, November 5, 1884, the son of George Herbert and Lillian May (Pond) Parmelee.

George Herbert Parmelee was born at Addison, Steuben County, New York, July 27, 1854, the son of Rev. Anson H. Parmelee, who was born at Bristol, Vermont, September 14, 1810. He was an early settler of Steuben County, being a graduate of Burr Seminary, Middlebury College and Andover Theological Seminary. He was a minister of the Congregational Church but preached in the Presbyterian Church, and in 1847 went to Addison, and in 1861 he was called to Livonia, and in 1877 to Seneca Castle, and preached until 1884. Reverend Parmelee died in 1894 at Phelps and is buried at Livonia. His son, George Herbert, was the youngest of five children. For a great many years he was the owner and manager of the Phelps Chilled Plow Works, and was also president of the Lawrence Bostwick Manufacturing Company, of Phelps. He took an active and prominent part in civic affairs, having served as village president for two terms and as a member of the Phelps Board of Education for twenty-six years. He belonged to the Grange. Mr. Parmelee died December 31, 1923, and is buried at Phelps. He was married on November 3, 1881, to Miss Lillian May Pond, born May 18, 1860, at Truxton, New York, the daughter of George Pond. He was born June 7, 1814, in the town of Hamilton, Madison County, New York. He married Ann Hurd in 1841. He operated a flour mill in Truxton, Cortland County, New York. They removed to Phelps in 1867 where he conducted a retail shoe store. She still resides at Phelps. There were five children in the Parmelee family. 1. George P., resides in town of Seneca, Ontario County, New York. 2. John B. 3. Grace L., resides in the town of Seneca, Ontario County, New York. 4. Louis W., deceased. 5. Richard H., resides in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

John Barnes Parmelee attended the grade and high schools of Phelps, and was graduated from Phelps High School in 1904. He received the degree of LL. B. at Syracuse University in 1908, and during the same year was admitted to the New York State bar. For three years Mr. Parmelee was associated with two leading law firms of Rochester, namely, Smith, DeGraff, Castleman & Mosher, and Perkins, Duffy & McLean. He came to Phelps in 1912, and for a time was identified in practice with E. B. Part-

ridge. Since 1913 Mr. Parmelee has carried on a general practice here, and specializes in surrogate practice. He is also identified with the insurance business, having purchased the agency of W. D. Norton in 1921, who conducted the agency at Phelps since 1870, and Mr. Parmelee has conducted the agency under his name since that time.

Mr. Parmelee was married December 5, 1912, to Miss Carrie Monroe VanNostrand, born in Romulus, New York, December 25, 1881, the daughter of Augustus T. and Emma (Monroe) VanNostrand, of Phelps. A. T. VanNostrand was born July 21, 1855, at Romulus, New York. He was the son of John and Rachael (Todd) VanNostrand. Emma (Monroe) VanNostrand was born January 11, 1858, at Romulus, Seneca County, New York. She was a daughter of David and Helen (Salyer) Monroe. A. T. VanNostrand married Miss Emma Monroe November 17, 1880. Augustus T. VanNostrand conducted a hardware business at Romulus, New York, from 1885 until 1907 when he removed to Phelps and became associated with the Zenith Foundry Company. He is one of the organizers and vice president and director of the Phelps National Bank. He is a director of the Ovid National Bank of Ovid, New York.

To Mr. and Mrs. Parmelee have been born two sons: 1. Herbert VanNostrand, born September 8, 1913, attends Phelps High School. 2. John Monroe, born February 16, 1915, attends Phelps High School.

Politically, Mr. Parmelee is a Republican, and for a number of years was a member of the Republican County Committee. He has been president of the local board of education for eight years. He and his family are members of the First Presbyterian Church of Phelps, of which he was a former trustee and now treasurer of benevolences. He also is affiliated with Sincerity Lodge, No. 200, F. and A. M., and Delta Chi fraternity. He is an active member of the Ontario Bar Association, and Western New York Bar Association.

During the World War Mr. Parmelee was Food Administrator for the town of Phelps, a member of the Home Defense Unit, and active in all the other local war agencies.

**Lee Harmon Leland.**—Numbered among the energetic and highly successful business men of Clifton Springs is Lee Harmon Leland, lumber and coal dealer. He was born here, May 6, 1878, the son of Roderick L. and Marietta (Harmon) Leland.

Roderick L. Leland, deceased, was a prominent figure in business affairs in Clifton Springs for many years. He was born at Hamilton, Ontario, September 16, 1851, and died in 1926. He was the son of Bainbridge Perry Leland, who was born in Massachusetts in 1815. Members of this family came to this country from England in 1652. Bainbridge Perry Leland died July 4, 1854, and is buried at Clifton Springs. For a number of years Roderick L. Leland was a retail merchant at Clifton Springs, and later became interested in the manufacture of tinware specialties, being identified with the Judd & Leland Manufacturing Company. In 1906 he established a lumber and coal business with his son. Mr. Leland was married in 1875 to Miss Marietta Harmon, the daughter of Nelson and Rowena (Giles) Harmon, of Clifton Springs. They were the parents of two sons. Mrs. Roderick L. Leland died in 1920 and is buried at Clifton Springs.

Lee Harmon Leland is a graduate of the public schools of Clifton Springs and also attended a military school at Ft. Plain, New York. Until 1906 he was in the grocery business in Geneva and Clifton Springs, and in that year became identified with the lumber and coal business. This company is the oldest of its kind in Clifton Springs and throughout the years of its growth it has become one of the city's well established business houses. Mr. Leland has continued to carry on its reliable policies and ranks among the city's dependable merchants.

On June 4, 1913, Mr. Leland was united in marriage with Miss Ruby Fox, the daughter of William and Margaret (Clair) Fox, of Geneva, New York. She died April 10, 1932, and is buried in Glenwood Cemetery, Geneva. Mrs. Leland always took a prominent and active part in the civic and social life of the community and was greatly beloved by the young people, in whom she manifested such a keen interest. She also was a leader in local politics and was a Republican, and in 1928 was a delegate from New York to the Republican National Convention at Kansas City, Missouri.

To Mr. and Mrs. Leland was born a son, Roderic Fox Leland, born May 14, 1916. He attends Clifton Springs High School.

Mr. Leland is a Republican. He has been a member and secretary of the Republican County Committee for many years. He is identified with the Universalist Church, of Rochester, and is Past Master of Garogo Lodge, F. and A. M., No. 300, and member of Zenobia Commandery, K. T., Palmyra, New York. He also holds membership in the Clifton Springs Club, and New York State Coal Merchants Association. He is president of the Finger Lakes Council of Boy Scouts.

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**George Clifford Newland.**—As owner and proprietor of the Newland Store, G. Clifford Newland ranks first among the enterprising and successful business men of Clifton Springs. He was born at Hopewell, Ontario County, March 13, 1884, the son of Willard P. and Josephine E. (Young) Newland.

Willard P. Newland was a native of New York, born at Allen, Allegheny County, December 29, 1850. He died at Clifton Springs, October 19, 1921, and is buried there. He was the son of Rev. Charles A. and Eliza Newland. It was in 1856 that the family moved to Phelps, New York, where Reverend Newland was called as pastor of the Baptist Church. He is buried at Clifton Springs. Willard P. Newland was the youngest of eight children born to Reverend and Mrs. Newland. He was educated in the public schools of Hopewell and Phelps and throughout his life was a farmer. He was married October 1, 1879, to Miss Josephine E. Young, the daughter of George W. Young, farmer, of Hopewell. Their only child was G. Clifford, the subject of this sketch.

G. Clifford Newland grew up at Clifton Springs and attended the public schools. He also studied for one year at Rochester Business Institute. Mr. Newland began his business career in the dry goods establishment of his uncle, Charles A. Newland, at Clifton Springs. The store had been founded many years before, being one of the pioneer establishments of Ontario County. In 1916 G. Clifford Newland became a partner in the business, which

was reorganized at that time as C. A. Newland & Company. Later it became known as the Newland Dry Goods Company, and in 1928 Mr. Newland purchased the interests of his uncle, and has since conducted the business as the Newland Store. He has an extensive trade and deals in high grade merchandise exclusively.

On August 18, 1914, Mr. Newland was united in marriage with Miss Bertha F. Penney, the daughter of George Byron and Elizabeth (Benjamin) Penney, of Adams, New York, both now deceased. They have no children.

In politics, Mr. Newland is identified with the Republican party. He is a trustee of the Baptist Church, of which his wife is primary Sunday school superintendent. He also is affiliated with the Garga Lodge, No. 300, F. and A. M. Both he and his wife have a wide acquaintance in the community.

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**Charles Francis Booth, D. D. S.**—Among the most public spirited citizens of Canandaigua may be mentioned Doctor Booth, retired, who is a member of one of the oldest and most honored families of Ontario County. He was born at Canandaigua, November 12, 1858, the son of John E. and Caroline (Jones) Booth.

John E. Booth, a native of Canandaigua, was born in 1818 and died in 1912 at the age of ninety-four years. He is buried in West Avenue Cemetery, Canandaigua. He was the son of Enos Booth, who was born at Long Meadow, Connecticut, in 1793. The latter came to Ontario County in 1817 and followed his trade as a stone cutter. He was commissioned first lieutenant in the New York State Militia by DeWitt Clinton, governor of New York, on March 27, 1819. He died in 1834 at the age of forty-one years and is buried in Sutherland Cemetery, southwest of Canandaigua. His son, John E. Booth, was a farmer and stock dealer and also conducted a meat business at Canandaigua. He was married (first) in 1851 to Miss Caroline Jones, the daughter of William Jones, a minister of the Methodist circuit in western New York. To this union were born five children, of whom Charles Francis, subject, was the fourth in order of birth. Caroline J. (Jones) Booth died



in 1865 and is buried in West Avenue Cemetery, Canandaigua. John E. Booth married (second) in 1870 Miss Amy Sherwood, of Mendon, New York. They were the parents of one child.

Charles Francis Booth received his education in the public schools of Canandaigua, Canandaigua Academy and the Geneseo Normal School. He spent one year at New York City Dental College and received the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery at Philadelphia Dental College in 1882. For one year Doctor Booth was located in practice at Geneseo and then came to Canandaigua in 1883. Due to ill health Doctor Booth retired from active practice in 1931 after a most successful professional career. He also gained a reputation as the inventor of numerous dental appliances, important among which was a table top, which has had a wide distribution throughout the country since 1910. Recently the City Council commented on the lake front development and Mayor Close said: "Doctor Booth has given much time and effort in this work and has shown a fine public spirit."

On February 3, 1897, Doctor Booth was united in marriage with Miss Ellen J. Lyon, the daughter of Richard J. Lyon, of Cleveland, Ohio. They have two daughters: 1. Caroline Lyon, born August 15, 1898, a graduate of Laurel School, Cleveland, and Skidmore College, at Saratoga Springs, New York, now the wife of Joseph F. Hobbins. They live at Cortland, New York. 2. Julia Frances, born July 16, 1905, a graduate of Laurel School, Cleveland, the Mechanics School, at Rochester, New York, and Jefferson Hospital Philadelphia, where she specialized in the study of dietetics. In 1925 she was appointed dietitian at Long Island Hospital, Brooklyn, New York, and served in that capacity for four years. She is now the wife of George Twigg, Jr., of Radburn, New Jersey. They have a son, George Twigg, III.

Doctor Booth has always been a Republican. He is a member of the Episcopal Church, and belonged to the Ontario County Dental Society for many years, also serving as president of that organization. For more than a quarter of a century he has taken a keen interest in rural education and was one of the founders of District School No. 9 on West Lake Road. This school is familiarly known as "Charlie Booth" School. Doctor Booth has been

one of the speakers at the rural education conference held at Syracuse University.

In 1900 Doctor Booth gave to the city of Canandaigua a public drinking fountain, which was placed at the entrance of city hall. It is one of the numerous memorials in evidence of Doctor Booth's civic pride and interest.

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**Alfred Milton Mead, M. D.**—Recognized as a leading physician and surgeon of Ontario County for more than half a century, Doctor Mead, of Victor, has an extensive acquaintance in the community. He was born at Macedon Center, New York, November 21, 1856, the son of John G. and Emma B. (Cookinham) Mead.

John G. Mead was born at Milan, Dutchess County, New York, March 16, 1824. Throughout his life he was a farmer. He was married October 20, 1848, to Miss Emma B. Cookinham, who was born at Milan, New York, October 13, 1826. He died April 27, 1909, and his wife died July 31, 1916. Both are buried at Macedon Center. Their children were: 1. Edgar L., born April 6, 1851, died January 29, 1922. 2. Emma Louise, born May 5, 1860, died March 11, 1881. 3. Alfred Milton, the subject of this sketch.

Alfred Milton Mead received his early education in the public schools of Macedon Center and also was a student at Macedon Academy, from which he was graduated in 1876. He studied medicine at the University of Buffalo, and received the degree of Doctor of Medicine there in 1880. His internship was spent in the Rochester General Hospital, and throughout his entire professional career Doctor Mead has been located at Victor. He is a member of the board of directors of Thompson Memorial Hospital, Canandaigua, and is identified with the Ontario County Society, New York State Society and American Medical Association. He also has served as coroner of Ontario County.

On April 6, 1881, Doctor Mead was united in marriage with Miss Hattie A. Brown, of Union Hill, New York, the daughter of Robert Brown. Their children are: 1. Edgar Robert, born July 8, 1884, associated with the Locke Insular Company. 2. Dora E.,

born December 13, 1886, a graduate of Peabody Conservatory of Music, at Baltimore, Maryland, at present a teacher of piano at the East Carolina Teachers Training School, at Greenville, North Carolina. 3. Mary Evelyn, born April 11, 1892, a graduate of Syracuse University, now identified with Park Avenue Hospital, Rochester, as pathological technician.

Doctor Mead is a Republican in politics and is a member of Victor Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he has served as a member of the official board for fifty-two years.

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**Henry Marvin Parmele.**—As president of the Hamlin National Bank, of Holcomb, Mr. Parmele is numbered among Ontario County's prominent citizens, and has long been identified with the financial affairs of this section of Central New York. He was born at West Bloomfield, New York, January 26, 1865, the son of Hiram T. and Mary (Gates) Parmele.

Hiram T. Parmele was born at West Bloomfield, New York, in 1832. He was a merchant at West Bloomfield and mill owner at Chapinville for many years and in 1885 was one of the organizers of the Canandaigua National Bank. He was married in 1857 to Miss Mary Gates, of West Bloomfield, and settled in Canandaigua in 1873. Mr. and Mrs. Parmele were the parents of four children.

After his graduation from Canandaigua Academy in 1884, Henry Marvin Parmele became a clerk in the private bank of Hamlin & Steel, of East Bloomfield. Upon the reorganization of the bank two years later he became a partner in the establishment, which was then operated as Hamlin & Company. On July 1, 1911, Mr. Parmele was made president of the institution, at which time it had become a national bank under the name of the Hamlin National Bank. At that time it had a capital stock of \$25,000, which has been increased at the present time to \$100,000.00. Mr. Parmele is also a director of the Canandaigua National Bank, and for many years was vice-president of the Citizens Bank of Penn Yan. He served as vice-president of the Locke Insulator Company, of Victor, New York, for ten years.

On October 28, 1890, Mr. Parmele married Miss Elise M. Munson, the daughter of Henry Munson, of East Bloomfield, New York. They have no children.

Politically, Mr. Parmele is a Republican. He has been for many years president of the board of education of East Bloomfield High School, and belongs to the American Bankers Association, New York State Bankers Association, and Scientific Club of East Bloomfield. Mr. and Mrs. Parmele are active members of the Congregational Church, of which he is also trustee.

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**John H. Hicks**, who stands among the leading professional men of Central New York, has engaged in the practice of law at Canandaigua, Ontario County, for a period of thirty-five years. He was born on the Hicks homestead, on the west shore of Canandaigua Lake, December 26, 1867, the son of Irwin H. and Ellen (Ingraham) Hicks.

Irwin H. Hicks was born November 23, 1841, the son of Martin H. Hicks, who was a native of Dutchess County, New York. The latter's grandfather was born on Long Island, New York, and served throughout the French and Indian wars. He was one of the first settlers of Dutchess County. In 1866 Irwin H. Hicks married Miss Ellen Ingraham, the daughter of Moses Ingraham, a farmer of Ontario County. To Mr. and Mrs. Hicks were born seven children, of whom John H., subject, was the oldest. Irwin H. Hicks died in February, 1931, and his wife died in 1921. Both are buried at Academy, New York.

John H. Hicks received his education in the district schools and in Honeoye High School and Geneseo Normal School. He read law in the office of Charles D. Newton, prominent attorney of Geneseo, who for many years served as a member of the New York Senate, and at one time as Attorney General of New York. Mr. Hicks then came to Canandaigua and was associated with the practice of Elisha W. Gardner, being admitted to the bar in November, 1897. He began the practice of law alone until November, 1902, when he formed a partnership with the late Asa B.

Priest under the law firm of Hicks & Priest. In 1904 the firm was changed to Scott, Hicks & Fitch. Since 1907 he has conducted a private practice, with offices at 17 Court Street, Canandaigua, New York.

On June 24, 1896, Mr. Hicks was united in marriage with Miss Augusta C. Cole, the daughter of Seth Cole, of Alton, Wayne County, New York. To them were born four children: 1. Mabel, born June 3, 1897, a graduate of Canandaigua Academy, Geneseo State Normal School and Rochester University. She is now a teacher. 2. Catherine E. I., born October 11, 1898, a graduate of Canandaigua Academy, during the World War held a secretarial position in the office of the Adjutant General of the United States in Washington, D. C., now identified with the offices of the Department of Agriculture in Washington. 3. John George, born May 14, 1902, served throughout the World War in the United States Navy, now identified with the Eastman Kodak Corporation, at Rochester, New York. 4. Thomas Farrington, born August 25, 1905, a graduate of Canandaigua public schools, now is associate western New York editor of the Democrat and Chronicle of Rochester.

Mr. Hicks is a Democrat. He belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Rotary Club, Ontario Bar Association, and Western New York Bar Association.

The family residence is located at 377 North Main Street, Canandaigua.

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**Lt. Col. Murray Bartlett, D. D., LL. D.**—As president of Hobart College in Geneva, Doctor Bartlett holds a prominent position in educational affairs in Central New York, and he has gained international distinction as the founder of the University of the Philippine Islands. Doctor Bartlett was born at Poughkeepsie, New York, March 29, 1871, the son of Stanley Bartlett.

Stanley Bartlett was a lineal descendant of Robert Bartlett, who came to America from England on the English sailing vessel, "Anne", which was the first boat to land in America after the

Mayflower in 1620. The name was originally spelled "Barttelot" and the family was of Norman stock. Stanley Bartlett became a prosperous clothing manufacturer of Poughkeepsie.

Murray Bartlett received his early education by private tutors in Poughkeepsie, New York, and at Riverview Academy, from which he was graduated in 1889. He then entered Harvard University, from which he received the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts in 1892 and 1893, respectively. He then entered the General Theological Seminary in New York City and was graduated from that institution in 1896, being ordained a deacon of the Episcopal Church in the same year. He served as curate for one year at Grace Church, New York City, under Dr. W. R. Huntington, and in 1897 was ordained a priest and went to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, at Rochester, New York, as rector. He served in the latter capacity for eleven years and in 1908 resigned in order to accept a call from Bishop Brent to become rector of the Anglo-American Church at Manila, Philippine Islands. In 1910 Doctor Bartlett was one of the founders and appointed first president of the University of the Philippine Islands at Manila, and he served in the latter capacity for five years, when due to ill health he was forced to resign and return to the United States. During his administration at the university Doctor Bartlett was successful in the building of six schools with an enrollment of 1,200 students, and an investment of more than \$500,000.00 in buildings and equipment. At the present time the institution boasts of an enrollment of 6,000 students.

Doctor Bartlett then located at Pasadena, California, and in February, 1917, became chaplain of the 18th Infantry, First Division, with which he saw service at the front and he was severely wounded on July 22, 1918. He later rejoined his regiment and was with the army of occupation in Germany until March, 1919. In April, 1919, Doctor Bartlett was elected to his present responsible position as president of Hobart College at Geneva. His work at the college has been outstanding and during his administration the student body has more than doubled, the endowment greatly increased, and the campus and buildings in general enlarged.

On April 15, 1903, Doctor Bartlett was united in marriage at Buffalo, New York, with Miss Blanchard Howard, the daughter of the late Hamilton Howard, of Rochester, New York. Their daughter, Blanchard Bartlett, was born August 6, 1907. She is a graduate of St. Timothy's School, Catonsville, Maryland, the Murray Anderson School of Dramatic Art, at Albany, New York, and also studied in Florence, Italy, and Paris, France. She is now a well known actress and has appeared with the Royal Family Company and in stock throughout the country.

Doctor Bartlett is a Democrat in politics. He is a 33rd degree Mason and a member of Genesee Lodge, B. P. O. Elks. He also is a member of the University Club of Geneva, Genesee Valley Club of Rochester, Harvard Club of New York City, and Geneva Country Club. He was president of the Middle State Association of Colleges and Schools during 1931, and is now a member of its executive committee. He holds the honorary degree of LL. D. from Trinity College, D. D. from the University of Rochester, and S. T. D. from the General Theological Seminary and Columbia University. Doctor Bartlett has also received the Distinguished Service Cross for extraordinary heroism near Soissons, France, as well as the Legion of Honor, and the Croix de Guerre from France. He is a lieutenant colonel in the Chaplains' Reserve and Chaplain of the 98th Division (Reserve).

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**Frank L. Christian, M. D.**, who is superintendent of the New York State Reformatory, at Elmira, holds a position of vital importance in the government of the State. He is a strict disciplinarian, yet humane in his judgment, a student and a writer of considerable note on the subjects of criminology, eugenics and penology, and is a competent judge of human nature. As such, he has proven an ideal incumbent for the office.

Frank L. Christian was born at Waterloo, New York, February 23, 1876, the only child of John and Maria (Hayes) Christian. After completing his preliminary education in the public schools of Waterloo, Frank L. Christian entered the University of New

York, from which he was graduated in 1898. He subsequently matriculated at Cornell University, being a member of the first class to graduate from the Medical College of the University, class of 1899. For the next three years he served as interne at Bellevue Hospital, and during that time was also assistant instructor in surgery at Cornell University. After completing his internship he became resident surgeon in the Eastern New York Reformatory at Napanoch, where he remained until 1901. He then came to Elmira as senior medical officer in the Reformatory and on July 10, 1911, was made assistant superintendent. On September 15, 1917, Doctor Christian was appointed superintendent of reformatories, there being two institutions at that time of this particular character in the State.

In October, 1918, Doctor Christian enlisted for service in the World War and joined the 22nd Infantry, later being transferred to the Atlantic Disciplinary Barracks. He was subsequently assigned to duty at Fort Leavenworth Prison and remained in that institution until the close of the war. He is now identified with the United States Reserve Corps as a captain.

On January 28, 1903, Doctor Christian was united in marriage with Miss Mary L. Therry, of New York City, the daughter of Stephen and Mary (Hennessey) Therry, natives of Ireland and New York City, respectively. Mr. Therry died in 1917 and his wife died in 1929. They are buried in Calvary Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York. Doctor and Mrs. Christian are the parents of five children: 1. Frank T., born in 1907, a graduate of Elmira High School and Bucknell University, class of 1929. He is a mechanical engineer in aviation. He resides at home. 2. Jean, born in 1910, a graduate of Elmira High School, Elmira College, Bachelor of Science, and Eastman School of Music at the University of Rochester. She is now a teacher of music at South High School, Elmira. 3. Stephen T., born in 1912, a graduate of Elmira High School, attended North Eastern University, and is now a student at Canisus College, Buffalo, New York. 4. Arthur, born in 1916, attends Elmira High School. 5. Gretchen, born in 1918, attends Notre Dame Convent, at Baltimore, Maryland.



Professionally, Doctor Christian holds membership in the American Medical Association, Alumni Association of Bellevue Hospital, Society of Medical Jurisprudence, Eugenics Society, Elmira Academy of Medicine, and American Prison Association. He is affiliated with Seneca Lodge, No. 116, F. and A. M., of which he has been a member since 1898. He was recently elected president of the Boy Scouts of the Elmira Sector and is a member of the Regional Board for New York and New Jersey. He is a charter member of the American Legion, Harry Bentley Post, No. 442, being the first treasurer in Chemung County.

Doctor and Mrs. Christian live with their family at 610 Edgewood Drive, Elmira. She is a graduate of the College of the Sacred Heart, Chicago, and takes an active and important part in the civic and social life of the community. She is past president of the American Legion Auxiliary.

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**S. Tracey Hamilton, M. D.**—One of the able young physicians and surgeons of Elmira is Doctor Hamilton, a veteran of the World War, who is established in practice in this city with offices at 52 Lake Street. He was born at Elmira, January 26, 1893, the son of Samuel and Catherine (Miller) Hamilton.

Samuel Hamilton is a native of New York, born at Perth Amboy. He was educated in the public schools, and until his retirement spent thirty-seven years in the post office department. He has been retired since 1930 and resides at Elmira. His father was a native of Scotland and as a young man had settled in Orange, New Jersey, where he spent many years in the pottery business. Politically, Samuel Hamilton is a Republican and for a number of years was active in politics. He and his wife are members of Trinity Church, Elmira. Their only child was S. Tracey, the subject of this sketch.

S. Tracey Hamilton grew up at Elmira and received his early education in the local public schools, from which he was graduated in 1913. He received the degree of Doctor of Medicine at the University of Buffalo in 1917, and served as interne in the

Buffalo Red Cross Tuberculosis Clinic for six months and the emergency division of Sisters of Charity Hospital, Buffalo, for six months also. During the World War Doctor Hamilton served with the Medical Corps, United States Army, and held the rank of first lieutenant. Doctor Hamilton established his present practice in Elmira in January, 1918, and is widely recognized as a specialist in children's diseases. He is a member of the staff of St. Joseph's Hospital, and has served as jail physician in Elmira and county coroner. He also was city physician under Mayors Hoffman, Peck and Wood. Doctor Hamilton holds membership in Chemung County, New York State and American Medical Associations.

On June 18, 1918, Doctor Hamilton was united in marriage with Miss Virginia M. Hayes, of Buffalo. They have no children.

Doctor Hamilton is a Republican, a member of German Evangelical Church, and belongs to B. P. O. Elks, American Legion, City Club, and Omega Upsilon Phi fraternity.

Doctor and Mrs. Hamilton live at 957 Walnut Street, Elmira.

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**William Harris Arnold**, who is president of the Chemung County Historical Society, has gained a wide reputation throughout Central New York as an authority on local history, and he has been city historian of Elmira since 1922 and county historian since 1923. He is also past president of the Central New York Historians and is a member of the New York State Historical Association and historical committee of the Finger Lakes Association. Mr. Arnold was born in Toronto, Canada, June 10, 1872, the son of Henry William and Sarah Ann (Cathers) Arnold.

Henry William Arnold was born at Ventnor, Isle of Wight, England, and his wife was a native of Ottawa, Canada. He was a pressman in Toronto and came to Elmira in 1881, where he was employed in the same capacity on the Elmira Sunday Telegram for many years. Mr. Arnold died June 1st, 1914, and his wife died December 5th, 1909. They are buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, Elmira. Their only children were: 1. Mrs. Mary E. Robert-

son, lives at Washington, D. C. 2. William Harris, the subject of this sketch.

At the age of nine years William Harris Arnold came to Elmira with his parents, and he completed his schooling in this city. In 1888 he began an apprenticeship at the printing trade on the Elmira Telegram, and in 1895 went to Ithaca, New York. In 1902 he returned to Elmira. He then became identified with the Elmira Gazette in their job printing department, and has continuously been associated with this department through its various business connections; Elmira Star-Gazette; and the present owners, Barber & Doane, Inc., who took over the department a number of years ago.

Mr. Arnold is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church, and has the following lodge and club affiliations: Union Lodge, No. 95, F. and A. M.; Corning Consistory, Scottish Rite; Cashmere Grotto; Masonic Club of Elmira; Southern Tier Lodge, No. 89, I. O. O. F.; Chemung Encampment, No. 18; Canton Queen City, No. 10 (past officer in each body); past district deputy grand master and past district deputy grand patriarch; Rasel-Ain Sanctorum, A. M. O. S. (Past Monarch); Chemung County Rod & Gun Club; and Elmira Chapter Izaak Walton League. He is also historian for the local bodies of the Masonic Lodge and Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Mr. Arnold is unmarried.

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**Charles O. Eacker.**—Highly successful in legal affairs in Elmira and widely known throughout Central New York is Charles O. Eacker, attorney, who is secretary of the Retail Division of the Association of Commerce, and president of the Associated Credit Bureau of New York State. He is also secretary of the Elmira Supply Dealers Association and secretary of the Elmira Retail Credit Managers. He was born at Montour Falls, New York, August 13, 1874, the son of David G. and Sophia J. (Gray) Eacker.

David G. Eacker was a veteran of the Civil War. He was born in Herkimer County and his wife was a native of Schulyer County.

He was a carpenter by trade and later conducted a retail grocery business at Montour Falls. He also lived at Elmira for several years before his death, which occurred in 1906. Mr. Eacker served as a member of the 141st Regiment, New York Volunteer Infantry, throughout the Civil War, and was commander of Diven Post, Grand Army of the Republic. He and his wife were members of the First Baptist Church. He died in 1906 and his wife died in 1918. Both are buried at Elmira. Their only child was Charles O., the subject of this sketch.

After attending Cook Academy at Montour Falls, Charles O. Eacker studied law in the office of Judge Gabriel L. Smith. He later was identified with Roswell R. Moss, and was admitted to the bar in March, 1899. Mr. Eacker then continued in practice with Mr. Moss at 210 East Water Street, Elmira, until the death of Mr. Moss. He has since engaged in private practice and has offices at 306-8 Realty Building.

On April 16, 1903, Mr. Eacker was united in marriage with Miss Eva Louise Bogardus, of Elmira, the daughter of Calvin and Alice (Updike) Bogardus. The former died in 1926 and his wife died in 1929. They are buried in Elmira. Mr. and Mrs. Eacker have no children.

Mr. Eacker is a prominent member of the First Baptist Church and has served as usher for thirty-five years. He also belongs to the Rotary Club. Mr. Eacker is a member of the Chemung County Bar Association, New York State Bar Association, and the Commercial Law League. Mrs. Eacker is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

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**Mordecai Casson.**—A member of the firm of Casson & Herendeen, with offices in the Realty Building, Mordecai Casson is widely known throughout Central New York as one of Elmira's most prominent attorneys. He was born at Tuscarora, New York, June 16, 1889, the son of Mordecai and Helen (Griswold) Casson.

Mordecai Casson, deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War. He was born in Otsego County, New York, and was a graduate of

Alfred Academy. As a young man he enlisted and served throughout the war as a member of Company G, Second New York Volunteer Cavalry. Mr. Casson engaged in the lumber business at Addison, New York, and at the time of his death in 1926 was living retired. His wife was born at Southport, Chemung County, and died in 1923. Both are buried at Addison. Mr. Casson was a Republican and served as town supervisor. He and his wife attended the Presbyterian Church. They had two sons: 1. James Griswold, lives at Newark, New Jersey, where he is identified with the lumber firm of Bosman & Casson. 2. Mordecai, the subject of this sketch.

Mordecai Casson grew up on a farm near Tuscarora and in 1907 was graduated from Addison High School. He is also a graduate of St. John's School at Manlius, New York, and received the LL. B. degree at Cornell University in 1912. After his admission to the bar he became a clerk in the offices of Herendeen & Mandeville, with whom he was associated for one year. He then established a private practice at Addison, but in March, 1918, enlisted for a five year term in the United States Marine Corps. He was discharged, however, in January, 1919, but remained on the reserve list until March 17, 1923. He resumed the practice of law in January, 1919, and during the following year was auditor of the Income Tax Bureau, State of New York. He continued his practice at Addison during this time and in January, 1921, became a member of the firm of Casson & Herendeen in Elmira. Mr. Casson also maintains offices at Addison. He is an active member of the Chemung County and Steuben County Bar associations.

On June 24, 1918, Mr. Casson married Miss Grace Mackay, the daughter of Rev. Daniel and Jessie (Logan) Mackay, natives of Nova Scotia and Ontario, respectively. Rev. Mackay, who died in 1927, was pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Addison for thirty-five years. His widow resides there. Mr. and Mrs. Casson have two sons: Robert Mackay, born October 29, 1922. John, born September 6, 1928.

Mr. Casson is a Republican, a member of Park Congregational Church, and is affiliated with Union Lodge, No. 118, F. and A. M., past master; Addison Chapter, R. A. M., past high priest; Corn-

ing Consistory, A. A. S. R., 32nd degree; Kalurah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Binghamton; Masonic Club, Elmira; American Legion; and Sigma Phi Sigma fraternity.

Mr. Casson is the fifth generation of his family to carry the surname of Mordecai.

Mr. Casson has his offices in the Turner Building at 203 West Water Street.

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**Michael A. Leahy**, who is treasurer of the Elmira Savings Bank, has been identified with that institution for a quarter of a century and is recognized as one of the city's prominent men. He was born on a farm in Athens Township, Bradford County, Pennsylvania, the son of Patrick and Margaret (Ryan) Leahy.

Patrick Leahy and his wife are deceased. He was born in Ireland and died in 1913. His wife, born at Ulster, Pennsylvania, died in 1925. He was a progressive farmer of Bradford County for many years and was among the first settlers of that section of Pennsylvania. Mr. Leahy was a Democrat and a member of the Catholic Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Leahy were born the following children: 1. John P., farmer, lives in Bradford County. 2. Nora J., who died in 1897. 3. Thomas J., who died in 1926. 4. Edward J., lives in Elmira. 5. Mary E., married James Blake, lives in Elmira. 6. William B., lives in Elmira. 7. Michael A., the subject of this sketch.

Michael A. Leahy attended the district schools of Athens Township, Bradford County, and located in Elmira in 1902. He spent four years in the employ of the rolling mills at Elmira Heights, and later was connected with the local post office. He entered the Elmira Savings Bank as a clerk in 1907 and in the following year was elected secretary of the institution. He has been a member of the board of directors since 1912 and was elected treasurer in 1920. The Elmira Savings Bank has increased its resources from \$300,000.00 to \$7,000,000.00, and its surplus from \$10,000.00 to \$800,000.00, in 1932.

In 1917 Mr. Leahy was united in marriage with Miss Pauline Conroy, of Elmira, the daughter of John J. and Anna (Ryan)

Conroy, natives of Watkins and Corning, New York, respectively. He lives at Elmira and his wife died in 1917. To Mr. and Mrs. Leahy have been born four children: 1. Anne, born August 16, 1919. 2. Pauline, born April 27, 1921. 3. Joseph, who died in infancy. 4. David, who died in infancy.

Mr. Leahy is a Democrat and served as chairman of the Board of Appeals, for the city of Elmira, zoning ordinance, for fifteen months, resigning from office January 1, 1932. He is a member of the executive committee of the New York State Savings Bank Association, and is secretary-treasurer of Group No. 2, New York State Savings Bank Association. Mr. Leahy and his family are members of St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

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**Harry M. Haskell.**—Among the leading architects of Central New York is Harry M. Haskell, who is identified with the firm of Haskell & Considine, of Elmira. He was born in this city, April 25, 1885, the son of Myron C. and Ada R. (Dilmore) Haskell.

Myron C. Haskell, who died in 1920, was well known in Elmira for a number of years as a building contractor. He was born at Veteran, Ulster County, New York, and died at Elmira. His wife was born at Pine Valley, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Haskell were members of the Presbyterian Church. They were the parents of four children: 1. Grace A. Teed, lives at Elmira. 2. Harry M., the subject of this sketch. 3. Edna R. Everetts. 4. Ralph J. All live at Elmira.

Harry M. Haskell is a graduate of Elmira Free Academy, being a member of the class of 1904. He then entered the offices of J. H. Considine, architect, with whom he was associated until 1917, when the latter died. Mr. Haskell continued alone until 1928 and at that time the firm of Haskell & Considine was organized with Leo E. Considine as junior member. He is the son of the late J. H. Considine. Among contracts completed by this well known firm are the following: St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira; the Diven School, Elmira; West Elmira School; Montour Falls Bank; Horseheads School and Bank; Southport schools; and Hornell School.

They also specialize in high grade residential work. Mr. Haskell is a member of the New York Council of Architects and is registered to practice his profession both in New York and in Pennsylvania.

In 1910 Mr. Haskell married Miss Laura Kircher, of Chicago, Illinois, the daughter of Albert and Agnes (Marsh) Kircher, natives of Elmira. Mr. Kircher died in 1927 and his widow lives in Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Haskell have two children: 1. Howard A., born in 1914, a graduate of Elmira Free Academy, attends Cornell University. 2. Jane A., born in 1916, attends Elmira Free Academy.

Mr. Haskell is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the City Club, Elmira Country Club, Association of Commerce, Elmira Minute Men's Club, and Elmira Artist League Club. He is affiliated with Union Lodge, No. 95, F. and A. M.; Elmira Chapter, R. A. M.; St. Elmo Council; Kalurah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Binghamton; Elmira Masonic Club, vice-president; and B. P. O. Elks, No. 62.

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**Lemuel M. Rockwell** is among the best known business men of Elmira, where he is general agent for the Connecticut General Life Insurance Company, with offices in the Robinson Building. He was born at Wellsville, New York, July 26, 1887, the son of Hobart Henry and Lavina (Mitchell) Rockwell.

Hobart Henry Rockwell was born at Fredonia, New York, and died in 1929. He was educated in the public schools of Fredonia and Hornell, and for a number of years served as president of Rockwell Brothers Company. Mr. Rockwell was an active member of the Christian Missionary Alliance, being the founder of the church of that denomination at Wellsville. He was also the founder of the Methodist Church there and throughout his life was an ardent Prohibitionist. His wife is also deceased. Both are buried at Hornell. To Mr. and Mrs. Rockwell were born the following children: 1. Fannie, married Roland Beach, lives at Brooklyn. 2. Mary R., married Vivian Bruce, lives at Elmira. 3.



Josephine, died in 1917, was the wife of Alfred McArthur of Chicago. 4. Lemuel M., the subject of this sketch. 5. Helen, married Harry Furman, lives at Elmira. 6. John Hobart, merchant, lives at Wellsville. He is a graduate of United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, and served with the rank of naval lieutenant throughout the World War. He is now a member of the Officers Naval Reserve Corps.

Lemuel M. Rockwell acquired his early education at Wellsville and was graduated from high school there in 1907. He attended Colgate University for two years and was then associated in business with his father. Mr. Rockwell also conducted a business there for three years, and in 1914 became interested in the insurance business as an agent for the Connecticut General Life Insurance Company. He enlisted for service in the World War in December, 1917, and served with the U. S. Navy at Brooklyn Navy Yard. He also saw service on the U. S. S. "Comfort," and received his discharge as a chief petty officer in March, 1919. Upon his return to Wellsville Mr. Rockwell resumed his insurance business, and the same year located at Elmira, where he has continued as General Agent. His territory comprises five counties in Southern New York, and Mr. Rockwell employs a force of five representatives.

In 1909 Mr. Rockwell was united in marriage with Miss Georgiana Booth, of Bolivar, New York, the daughter of Stanley and Clara (McCray) Booth. Mr. Booth and his wife are natives of Crawford County, Pennsylvania. He is chairman of the Board of Directors of the First Trust Company of Wellsville, and treasurer of the Moore Steam Turbine Corporation, of Wellsville. Mr. and Mrs. Rockwell have two children: 1. Claribel M., born in 1910, a graduate of Elmira Free Academy, attends Wells College, class of 1933. 2. Hobart H., born in 1915, attends Manlius Military Academy.

Mr. Rockwell is a Republican, a member of Hedding Methodist Church, and belongs to Jesse Cooley Lodge, F. and A. M.; Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity; American Legion; Kiwanis Club; and Association of Commerce.

**Otto H. Volker**, who is vice president and manager of the Post-Volker Company, wholesale commission merchants, is a progressive business man of Elmira. He is a native of this city, born September 21, 1885, the son of Charles and Eureka Volker.

Charles Volker and his wife were natives of Hamburg, Germany. They emigrated to this country shortly after their marriage and located at Elmira, where Mr. Volker followed his trade as a stone mason. He died in 1914 and his wife died in 1916. They are buried at Elmira. Mr. Volker was a Republican and held membership in the German Lutheran Church. There were four children in the Volker family: 1. Johanna E., married F. E. Jones. 2. Herman R. 3. George E., who died in 1918. 4. Otto H., the subject of this sketch. All live at Elmira.

Otto H. Volker was graduated from Elmira Free Academy in 1905. He spent the following seven years as an employe of the Wells Fargo Express Company, and then served as foreman of the Empire Produce Company for three years. In 1914 he became associated with Myron G. Post and they took over the interests of the Meade-Post Company, wholesale fruit and vegetable dealers. At that time the business was incorporated with Mr. Post as president and Mr. Volker vice president and manager. The company was originally located at 160 Lake Street, removed in 1925 to 305 State Street, and in 1930 was located at 199 East Washington Street. Its business extends within a radius of sixty miles of Elmira and the company handles 350 cars of produce annually. Twenty people are employed by the firm.

In 1908 Mr. Volker married Miss Lena F. Knapp, of Elmira, the daughter of Ora B. and Jennie E. (Fuller) Knapp. They were natives of Pennsylvania. Mr. Knapp died in 1919 and his widow lives at Elmira. Mr. and Mrs. Volker have no children.

Mr. Volker is a member of the German Evangelical Church and belongs to Jesse E. Cooley Lodge, F. and A. M.; Elmira Chapter and Council; St. Omar Commandery; Corning Consistory at Corning; Kalurah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Binghamton; Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and Masonic Club. He also belongs to the Kiwanis Club and Association of Commerce. Politically he is a Republican.

**William D. Milne**, who is identified with Milne's Memorial Studio, is among the dependable and widely known business men of Elmira. He was born at Aberdeen, Scotland, March 4, 1890, the son of George P. and Margaret (Dick) Milne.

George P. Milne is a well known business man of Springfield, Massachusetts, where he is interested in the granite and marble business as the proprietor of a monumental works. He was born in Scotland, as was his wife. She died in 1902 and is buried at Barre, Vermont. Mr. Milne was located at Barre, Vermont, for twenty-five years and was successful there as a builder of granite memorials. Mr. Milne is a Republican and belongs to the Masonic Lodge. To Mr. and Mrs. Milne were born the following children: 1. Mrs. Elizabeth Reed, lives at Springfield, Massachusetts. 2. William D., the subject of this sketch. 3. Mrs. Margaret Hayden, lives at Springfield, Massachusetts. 4. Mrs. Mary Oden, lives at Providence, Rhode Island. 5. Mrs. Christiana Nolan, lives at Springfield, Massachusetts. 6. Mrs. Jean Greenway, lives at Springfield, Massachusetts. 7. Grace, unmarried, lives at Springfield.

William D. Milne is a graduate of the public schools of Barre, Vermont. Until 1917 he was associated in business with his father and in that year enlisted in the U. S. Navy for service in the World War. He did convoy duty on the U. S. S. Michigan until the close of the war, and was discharged on July 6, 1919. Mr. Milne then became a traveling salesman for a granite business at Barre. He came to Elmira in 1927 and purchased the Woodlawn Monumental Works from J. L. Churchill. The business was re-organized as the Milne Memorial Studio and in 1932 was removed to its present location at 1105 Walnut Street. Mr. Milne is the local representative of the Rock of Ages Granite, and also handles various types of granite and marble. He is recognized as an authority on monumental designing and architecture.

On November 26, 1931, Mr. Milne was united in marriage with Miss Helen Fuller, of Elmira, the daughter of E. L. Fuller.

Politically, Mr. Milne is a Republican. He holds membership in the Granite Masonic Lodge No. 35, Barre, Vermont; Granite Chapter No. 26, R. A. M.; St. Aldemar Commandery No. 11, K. T.,

Barre; Cashmere Grotto, M. O. V. P. E. R., Elmira; Mt. Sinai Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Barre; Southern Tier Shrine Association; Masonic Club, Elmira; B. P. O. Elks No. 62; Century Club; Kiwanis Club; American Legion; and Association of Commerce.

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**Charles D. Stempfle**, electrical contractor, is a progressive business man of Elmira, where he was born June 13, 1890. He is the son of John D. and Belle (Seacord) Stempfle.

John D. Stempfle was born at Elmira and attended the public schools. He was construction foreman in the shops of the R. H. Walker Company for thirty-one years, and afterwards formed a partnership as a member of the firm of Ellett & Stempfle, plumbing and heating contractors. Mr. Stempfle died in October, 1926, and his wife died June, 1927. She was born at Oshkosh, Wisconsin. Mr. Stempfle was a member of the Presbyterian Church and belonged to the Knights of Pythias. There were three sons in the Stempfle family: 1. Charles D., the subject of this sketch. 2. William S., lives at Bath, New York. 3. Robert M., lives at Elmira.

Charles D. Stempfle has always lived in Elmira. After his graduation from Elmira Free Academy he became identified with the C. A. Georgia Electric Company, with whom he remained for eleven years. Upon the death of Mr. Georgia, Mr. Stempfle opened a shop at 559½ East Church Street, in March, 1918. Two years later the business was removed to 105 West Water Street in the Merchants Bank Building, and in February, 1929, Mr. Stempfle purchased the Seeley property at Church and William streets. His place of business was destroyed by fire on May 11, 1930, but was immediately rebuilt with modern offices, display rooms, and stock rooms. Mr. Stempfle has an extensive business throughout Southern New York and Northern Pennsylvania. He is a member of the Association of Commerce and president of the Elmira Electrical League.

On July 17, 1915, Mr. Stempfle married Miss Laura Mann of Elmira, the daughter of Philip and Clara (Bump) Mann. Mr.

Mann, who died in 1913, was a native of Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. He served during the Civil War as a member of Company K, Fifty-first Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He removed to Elmira in 1901 and conducted a retail leather business in this city until the time of his death. Mr. Mann was a member of the First Methodist Church and Grand Army of the Republic. His widow is a native of Bradford County, Pennsylvania, and resides at Elmira with her daughter, Mrs. Stempfle. Mr. and Mrs. Stempfle's only child, Marion, was born October 4, 1917, and died January 15, 1926.

Mr. Stempfle has the following lodge affiliations: Ivy Lodge No. 397, F. and A. M.; Elmira Chapter No. 42, R. A. M.; life member of Elmira Council, R. & S. M.; St. Omar Commandery No. 19, K. T.; Corning Consistory, thirty-second degree, A. A. R. S.; Kalurah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Binghamton; Cashmere Grotto, M. O. V. P. E. R., and Southern Tier Shrine Association; Masonic Club; B. P. O. Elks No. 62 and Loyal Order of Moose. He also belongs to the Kiwanis Club and the Y. M. C. A.

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**Eugene Custard.**—One of the most progressive business men of Elmira is Eugene Custard, who is president of the C. & K. Laundry, Inc., at 161 Lake Street. He was born at Bartonsville, Monroe County, Pennsylvania, January 10, 1867, the son of Samuel and Sarah (Slutter) Custard.

Samuel Custard and his wife were natives of Bartonsville, Pennsylvania. He was a farmer and lived in Pennsylvania throughout his life. He died in 1907 and his wife died in 1905. They are buried in Mt. Zion Cemetery, Monroe County, Pennsylvania. Mr. Custard was a Republican and a member of the Methodist Church. The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Custard: 1. Martha Butterfield, who died in 1918. 2. Levi, who died in infancy. 3. Emma, married William Seipel, lives at Factoryville, Pennsylvania. 4. Dianna Beeman, who died in 1917. 5. Lydia Paxton, who died in 1922. 6. Lorenzo, who died in 1920. 7. Rev. Stewart, who died in 1896. 8. Mary Clara, who died in

infancy. 9. Elizabeth, who died in infancy. 10. Eugene, the subject of this sketch. 11. Ida Keller, lives at Philadelphia, Pa.

After his graduation from the public schools of Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, Eugene Custard was employed in a tannery for ten years. In 1890 he formed a partnership with A. P. Musselman and engaged in the laundry business under the firm name of the Stroudsburg Laundry Company. In 1903 they established a branch at Chester, Pennsylvania, and at that time also became associated with Stephen B. Kistler, the business being known as the Chester Steam Laundry. Messrs. Custard and Kistler managed the Chester plant for a year and then disposed of it to Mr. Musselman. They then returned to Stroudsburg and continued to operate the Stroudsburg Laundry until 1898, at which time they dissolved partnership. In 1900 they again established a laundry business and located at Elmira. The laundry was removed to the Robinson building in 1902 and was conducted as the C. & K. Laundry. In 1919 they reorganized a co-partnership, taking with them Frederick B. Jones, a long-time employe of the firm, and Elmer J. Hoffman. The firm was incorporated in 1923 under the name of the Custard and Kistler, Inc. Mr. Custard was elected president, Mr. Kistler elected vice president and treasurer, Elmer J. Hoffman, secretary, with Frederick B. Jones and K. S. Kistler as directors.

In 1890 Mr. Custard was united in marriage with Miss Sarah Elizabeth Storm, of East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, the daughter of John R. and M. (Heller) Storm. The former died in 1881 and the latter in 1899. They are buried at Paradise, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Custard have no children.

Politically, Mr. Custard is a Republican. He is president of the board of trustees of Riverside Methodist Episcopal Church, and is affiliated with Ivy Lodge F. & A. M., Rotary Club, and Association of Commerce. He is a member of the Southern Tier Laundrymen's Association, which is affiliated with the New York State Laundrymen's Association and also belongs to the National Laundrymen's Association.

Mr. Custard devotes his spare time as a recreation in growing a very choice variety of hardy and tropical water lilies, and about

seventy-five varieties of very choice dahlias, keeping in touch with the late creations. These with other flowers are all grown at his beautiful gardens which he and Mrs. Custard jointly grow and enjoy.

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**Otto C. Vieweg**, who is assistant general manager of the Elmira Light & Railway Company, is one of the well known business men of the city. He was born at LaSalle, Illinois, January 29, 1896, the son of Rev. Rudolf and Emma (Klein) Vieweg.

Rev. Rudolf Vieweg, who is pastor of the German Evangelical Church in Elmira, is a native of Germany. In early youth he came to this country and settled in Illinois, where he was educated. He has been located in Elmira as pastor since 1906. His wife is also a native of Germany. Their children are: 1. Otto C., the subject of this sketch. 2. Mrs. Charles Marshall, lives at Newark, New Jersey. 3. Herman, lives at New Brunswick, New Jersey. 4. Walter, who holds a commission in the U. S. Navy. 5. Mrs. F. A. Riebel, lives at Columbus, Ohio.

Otto C. Vieweg obtained his education in the public schools of Buffalo and Elmira. He is a graduate of Elmira Free Academy and received a degree in Civil Engineering at Cornell University in 1916. He then became identified with the Engineering Department of the Elmira Light & Railway Company, and in 1929 assumed his present duties as assistant general manager.

In August, 1918, Mr. Vieweg enlisted for service in the World War and was sent to Madison Barracks, New York. He was discharged in December of that year.

In 1921 Mr. Vieweg married Miss Florence Becker, of Elmira, the daughter of J. S. Becker, who resides in this city. His wife died in 1922 and is buried in Elmira. To Mr. and Mrs. Vieweg have been born three children: 1. Jean, born in 1923. 2. Eleanor, born in 1926. 3. Howard Arthur, born in 1928.

Mr. Vieweg is a director of the Y. M. C. A. and holds membership in the Kiwanis Club, Cornell Club, Elmira Country Club, and American Legion. He and his family live at 453 Cypress Street.

**George K. Bocknewich.** — Highly esteemed among the representative young business men of Elmira is George K. Bocknewich, who is president of the Elmira Builders Supply, Inc., of 101 East Chemung Place. He was born in this city, December 1, 1901, the son of A. R. and Elizabeth (Kingston) Bocknewich.

A. R. Bocknewich is a native of Elmira and his wife was born in Ireland. He was educated in the public schools of this city and until his retirement in 1927 was actively engaged in the contract painting business. He is a Democrat and a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Bocknewich were born five children, as follows: 1. Joseph J., a World War veteran, lives at Washington, D. C. 2. Anna Crowley, lives at Towanda, Pennsylvania. 3. Elizabeth P., unmarried, lives at home. 4. John W., a World War veteran, lives at Knoxville, Pennsylvania. 5. George K., the subject of this sketch.

George K. Bocknewich is a graduate of the Elmira grade and high schools and Meekers Business Institute. He has spent his entire business career with the Elmira Builders Supply Company and purchased his first interest in the business in 1921. He then served as secretary until 1924, at which time he became associated with G. F. Romer as sole owners of the enterprise, with Mr. Bocknewich as secretary and treasurer. In 1929 Mr. Romer died and Mr. Bocknewich continued as owner of the company until the following year when James H. Drake, original owner of the business, again became identified with it in partnership with Mr. Bocknewich. As mentioned above, Mr. Bocknewich is president, and Mr. Drake serves as secretary-treasurer.

In 1924 Mr. Bocknewich was united in marriage with Miss Ida J. Wood, of Elmira, the daughter of J. Norton and Maude (Wood) Wood. Both were born at Mansfield, Pennsylvania, and are now well known residents of Elmira, where Mr. Wood has served as mayor. Mr. and Mrs. Bocknewich have no children.

Mr. Bocknewich is a Democrat, a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, and is affiliated with the Elk and Eagle lodges, Elmira Country Club, and Association of Commerce.

Mr. and Mrs. Bocknewich live at 74 Larchmont Road, Elmira.



**William A. Shaffer.**—Outstanding among the able and successful young business men of Elmira is William A. Shaffer, who is treasurer of the LeValley-McLeod-Kincaid Company, wholesale dealers in heating, plumbing, gas, and oil well supplies, with branch offices at Schenectady and Olean, New York. He was born at Scalp Level, Pennsylvania, May 6, 1896, the son of Isaac and Susanna (Weaver) Shaffer.

Isaac Shaffer lives retired at Quakertown, Pennsylvania. Both he and his wife were born at Scalp Level and until 1906 Mr. Shaffer owned and operated a farm there. He then removed to Quakertown and since 1924 has been retired. He is a Republican and has served as school director and treasurer. He also was supervisor of Milford Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, for fifteen years and treasurer for seven years. He served as Republican county committeeman. Mr. Shaffer is a member of the Brethren Church. His wife died in June, 1925, and is buried at Quakertown. Their children were: 1. Mahlon, lives at Johnstown, Pennsylvania. 2. Ida, the widow of Milton Livingston, lives at Johnstown, Pennsylvania. 3. Minerva, married Irving Livingston, lives at Windber, Pennsylvania. 4. Emma, married Frank Seese, lives at Akron, Ohio. 5. Mary, married John H. Lehman, lives at Windber, Pennsylvania. 6. Rachel, married Walter J. Fox, lives at Quakertown, Pennsylvania. 7. Arthur, lives at Quakertown. 8. William A., the subject of this sketch. 9. Martha, married Glenn Holsinger, lives at Quakertown.

After his graduation from the public schools of Milford Township and attending high school at Quakertown, Pennsylvania, William A. Shaffer farmed for a time with his father and later attended a business college at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, from which he was graduated in 1915. He then was employed for two years as a bookkeeper by an automobile concern in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and later was connected with the offices of the Bethlehem Steel Company, at Steelton, Pennsylvania. He was transferred to the company's home offices at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and was connected with the auditing department as bookkeeper for six months, and as auditor until July 12, 1919, when he came to Elmira to enter the offices of LeValley-McLeod-Kincaid

Company as office manager. Two years later he was elected treasurer of the company. Their extensive business covers New York State, Northern Pennsylvania, as well as the New England States.

On June 10, 1921, Mr. Shaffer was united in marriage with Miss Alvina Bierwiler, of Elmira, the daughter of George and Caroline (Davis) Bierwiler, natives of Caton, New York. The former died in 1926 and the latter in 1929. They are buried in Elmira. To Mr. and Mrs. Shaffer were born three children: 1. William A., Jr., born June 26, 1923. 3. Robert Allan, born January 17, 1929. 3. Shirley Ann, born January 13, 1932.

Mr. Shaffer has always been a Republican. He is a member of Hedding Methodist Church, as well as a member of the official board and chairman of the finance committee, and he is affiliated with Jesse Cooley Lodge F. & A. M., of which he is an officer. He also is a member and past president of the Kiwanis Club, and lieutenant-governor of the Fourth Division of the New York State District comprising nine clubs, director of the Y. M. C. A., director of the Chamber of Commerce, vice-chairman of the advisory board of the Salvation Army, and past president of the Elmira Credit Men's Association. He is also president of the Elmira Supply Dealers Association.

Mr. Shaffer is one of the city's champion bowlers and has been president of the Elmira Church Bowling League, president of the Service Club Bowling League, treasurer of the Southern Tier Bowling League, and a member of the Kiwanis Club Bowling Team.

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**Floyd A. Atwater.**—Holding a place of prominence among the successful business men of Elmira and Central New York is Floyd A. Atwater, who is president of the El-Cor Dairies, of 401 Division Street. He was born on a farm near Horseheads, New York, October 13, 1875, the son of Willis and Catherine (Snyder) Atwater.

Willis Atwater was a native of Schuyler County, New York. He was educated in the district schools and engaged in general