

Doctor Townsend established his practice at Penn Yan, with offices at 25 Main Street.

On November 23, 1904, Doctor Townsend married Miss Edith M. Casterlaine, the daughter of Samuel and Gertrude Rappale Casterlaine, of Elmira.

To Doctor and Mrs. Townsend have been born two children: 1. Brayton Watson, born February 7, 1909, a graduate of Penn Yan High School and Hobart College, class of 1932, Bachelor of Arts. 2. Helen Gertrude, born June 18, 1911, a graduate of Penn Yan High School and Bryant & Stratton School of Commerce at Buffalo, class of 1932.

Doctor Townsend is an independent Republican. He is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Chamber of Commerce. His wife holds membership in the Penn Yan Presbyterian Church. Doctor Townsend is a member of Yates County and New York State Medical societies and the American Medical Association.

The Townsend family lives at 351 Elm Street, and also has a summer home at Indian Pines on Lake Keuka.

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**George Erwin Welker, M. D.**—Among the leading physicians and surgeons of Yates County is Doctor George E. Welker, who has engaged in general practice at Dresden continuously since 1903. He was born at Bennington, Wyoming County, New York, August 16, 1875, the son of John B. and Margaret (Schneider) Welker.

John B. Welker was a native of Germany, born at Heidelberg, in 1835. About 1847 he emigrated to America and located in Ontario, Canada. He later settled in New York in 1855 and became a successful dairy farmer. Mr. Welker died in 1908 and is buried at Bennington. He was married in 1870 to Miss Margaret Schneider, a native of Ontario, and of German descent. They were the parents of four children.

The early education of George Erwin Welker was received in the public schools of Attica and in 1900 he received the degree of

Doctor of Medicine at the University of Buffalo. He then began his professional career at Geneva, New York, and in 1903 located at Dresden. He has served as health officer of the towns of Torrey and Benton.

On March 2, 1902, Doctor Welker was united in marriage with Miss Ophelia Horton, the daughter of Jacob and Sarah Horton, of Fenwick, Ontario. They are the parents of three children: Elsie, born in 1903, a graduate of Penn Yan High School and Syracuse University, class of 1925, Bachelor of Arts. For seven years she specialized in the study of sociology, and during that time held a position with the New York State Department of Social Welfare, being located at Rochester. She married Wayne Thomas and resides at Dresden. 2. Erwin J., born in 1905, a graduate of Penn Yan Academy, is superintendent of highways at Torrey, Yates County. He married Miss Augusta Nielsen, and they have a son, Raymond. They live at Dresden. 3. Leland A., born in 1907, a graduate of Penn Yan Academy, later studied electrical engineering at Bliss Electrical School, Washington, D. C., and is now assistant superintendent of the Penn Yan Municipal Electric Light & Power Company, at Penn Yan. He married Miss Dorothy King, and they have a son, Robin. They live at Penn Yan.

Doctor Welker has always been a Republican. He is an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he has been Sunday school superintendent for more than twenty years, as well as a member of the official board. He belongs to Nu Sigma Nu fraternity, and is identified with the Yates County Medical Society and New York State Medical Society.

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**Lewis Cass Williams.**—Among the most progressive and successful farmers of Yates County is Lewis Cass Williams, owner and manager of Hickory Grove Farms, near Middlesex, New York. He was born at Middlesex, July 27, 1858, the son of Oliver S. and Marion (Foote) Williams.

Oliver S. Williams was born in the town of Middlesex, Yates County, in 1824. He was a farmer throughout his life and died

in the town of Middlesex in 1892. Mr. Williams was married in 1857 to Miss Marion Foote, the daughter of Eli Foote, merchant, of Middlesex. She was born May, 1836, and resides at Middlesex, New York. To them were born four children, of whom Lewis C., the subject of this sketch, was the oldest.

Lewis Cass Williams is a graduate of the district schools of Middlesex and Penn Yan Academy. From 1879 until 1888 he operated a farm south of Middlesex, and in the latter year purchased Hickory Grove Farm, located two and one-half miles north of the village. He is now associated with his son, Oliver S. Williams, and they rank among the representative farmers and stockmen in this section.

On March 27, 1880, Mr. Williams married Miss Carrie Foster, who died in May, 1932. She was the daughter of William Foster, of East Hill, near Middlesex. They were the parents of three children: 1. Marion C., born in 1885, a graduate of Syracuse University, was a teacher in the public schools of Cazenovia and Lima, New York. She married Arthur T. Jolly, a teacher of elocution in the public schools of White Plains, New York. They have a daughter, Harriet. 2. Marie, born in 1887, married Walter Beckett, lives at Middlesex. 3. Oliver S., born in 1899, a graduate of Lima College and New York State College of Agriculture, at Canton, New York, class of 1920. He is at present associated with his father's farming interests, as mentioned above.

Mr. Williams is a Democrat. He served as supervisor of the town of Middlesex during 1888-89, and for twenty-five years has been a member of Rushville Grange, being its first Master for a period of two years and lecturer for eight years. He also served eight years as lecturer of Pomona Grange, and is now chaplain. He and his family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and for forty years Mr. Williams has been Sunday school teacher and ten years of that time as superintendent. Mr. Williams served as postmaster of Middlesex, New York, being appointed by President Cleveland. Mr. Williams was secretary of the town of Middlesex and destroyed the last bond of \$1,800 of its \$50,000 railroad bond issued, on February 22, 1932. He was chairman of the Washington birthday celebrations.

**Edwin Carlton Foster, M. D.**—Numbered among Yates County's able physicians and surgeons is Dr. Edwin C. Foster, who is associated with the Foster-Hatch medical group, at Penn Yan, with offices at 165 Main Street. He is a native of Hammondsport, New York, born September 26, 1881, the son of Edwin S. and Ellen R. (Rupert) Foster.

Edwin M. Foster was born at Hammondsport, September 9, 1845. Throughout his life he was interested in the growing of grapes in Central New York. He died August 27, 1927, and is buried in Pleasant Valley Cemetery, Hammondsport. He was married in 1869 to Miss Ellen R. Rupert, the daughter of Barnett and Elizabeth Rupert, of Pulteney, New York. They had three children, of whom Edwin Carlton, subject of this sketch, was the youngest. Mrs. Foster died June 30, 1895, and is buried in Pleasant Valley Cemetery, Hammondsport.

The early education of Edwin Carlton Foster was acquired in the district schools of Hammondsport, and he was graduated from high school in 1901. He then entered the Medical School of the University of Buffalo, and received the degree of Doctor of Medicine at that institution in 1905. He then spent a year as interne in the Massachusetts General Hospital and was located for one year in the New York State Hospital, at Ogdensburg, and Central Islip State Hospital on Long Island. After two years as assistant surgeon at the Soldiers and Sailors Hospital, at Bath, New York, Doctor Foster took graduate work at Lying-In Hospital, New York City. In 1908 Doctor Foster established a general practice at Penn Yan, where he has continued to the present time, being widely known as a surgeon. He has visited clinics in London, Paris, Edinburgh, Scotland, Dublin, and Switzerland, as well as New York City and Chicago.

In 1917 Doctor Foster was commissioned a first lieutenant in the United States Medical Corps, and sent to Camp Upton, Long Island, New York, in the Base Hospital. After his arrival in France he was put in charge of fractural work of Base Hospital No. 52 at Rheimcourt, an institution with 10,000 patients. At the time of his discharge from the service Doctor Foster held the rank of captain. Upon his return to Penn Yan he was active in

the formation of a medical group, which consists of four physicians and operating as the Foster-Hatch Medical Group. It is a complete clinic and is recognized as one of the finest in Central New York. In 1918 Doctor Foster was also one of the organizers of the Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hospital at Penn Yan, and is a member of the staff.

On September 8, 1909, Doctor Foster was united in marriage with Miss Pearl Austin Wixom, of Hammondsport, New York, and they had two children: 1. Grace Pauline, born October 9, 1910, a graduate of Penn Yan Academy and Boston School of Physical Education, class of 1931. She is now a student at the Russell Sage College, at Troy, New York. 2. Rupert Edwin, born October 19, 1913, died June 23, 1930. He is buried in Lakeview Cemetery, Penn Yan, New York.

Doctor Foster is a Republican, a trustee of the First Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Rotary Club, Omega Upsilon Phi fraternity; American Legion, Johnson-Costello Post, No. 355, and Dr. Foster was the first county chairman of Yates County, and organized three posts in the county. He has always been an active member of the New York State Medical Society, American Medical Association, and Yates County Medical Society, of which he has been president. He also served as president of the Seventh District Branch of the New York State Medical Society. In 1923 he was made a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

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**Elmo Milliken Royce**, funeral director, located at Watkins Glen, is numbered among the dependable business men of Schuyler County. He was born at Parish, Oswego County, New York, March 12, 1882, the son of William W. and Ida A. (Rhodes) Royce.

William W. Royce was a native of Oswego County, born in 1858. He had extensive lumber and milling interests throughout his life and died at Watkins Glen. He was married in 1880 to Miss Ida A. Rhodes, daughter of Charles and Phileda (Milliken)

Rhodes, of Red Mills, New York. She was of Scotch descent and was born at Red Mills, March 22, 1860. She died October 17, 1930, and is buried in Glenwood Cemetery, Watkins Glen. To Mr. and Mrs. Royce were born two sons, of whom Elmo M., subject of this sketch, was the elder.

The boyhood of Elmo M. Royce was spent at Savannah, New York, and he attended the public schools. He also is a graduate of Rochester Business Institute. Before completing his schooling, however, he was forced to earn his own living and subsequently attended business college. At the age of twenty-two years he was employed in the store of Earl Brown, furniture dealer and undertaker, at Fulton. The following year he studied at the Syracuse College of Embalming and became licensed in the State of New York in 1906. Mr. Royce then located at Watkins Glen in 1908 and in partnership with his brother, Gail Royce, purchased the business of Henry Haas, an enterprise which had been established there seventy-five years before. The partnership of the two brothers continued for seven years, and at the end of that time Elmo M. Royce purchased his brother's interests. During 1928-29 he was a member of the New York State Board of Embalmers, and he has also been secretary and president of the New York State Embalmers Association.

Politically, Mr. Royce is a Republican. He holds membership in the Presbyterian Church, of which he is trustee, and he is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Red Men, B. P. O. Elks, Rotary Club (president in 1932), Seneca Yacht Club, and Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Royce lives at 128 Seneca Street.

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**Harry Courtney Durland.**—For a number of years Harry C. Durland has been identified with the business and financial interests of Watkins Glen, being owner and manager of the Jefferson Hotel and director of the Watkins State Bank. He was born at Elmira, New York, April 10, 1875, the son of Daniel T. and Susan (Lovejoy) Durland.

Daniel T. Durland, deceased, was a representative citizen of Elmira, where he engaged in the dry goods business for more than thirty-five years. He was born in Orange County, New York, March 10, 1834, and died at Elmira in 1907. He was married in 1866 to Miss Susan Lovejoy, the daughter of Robert H. Lovejoy, of Elmira. They were the parents of four children.

The early life of Harry Courtney Durland was spent in Elmira. He is a graduate of the public schools and was a member of the class of 1894 of Elmira Business College. He then spent three years in the employ of the Adams Express Company, after which he was associated with his father as a member of the firm of D. T. Durland & Son, wholesale harness and saddlery. Later, he became treasurer of the Bundy Lamp Company, manufacturers of bicycle lamps, and continued with that concern for several years. In 1902 he became a partner of Harry A. Decker, and the firm of Durland & Decker became extensive packers and wholesale dealers of leaf tobacco. After a number of years Mr. Durland continued the business alone and subsequently operated warehouses at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and Wellsburg, New York. After a destructive fire in the Wellsburg warehouse in 1911 the business was dissolved. Mr. Durland had become associated with a cousin, C. M. Durland, in 1903 as owners and managers of the Jefferson Hotel, at Watkins Glen, and they continued as proprietors until the death of C. M. Durland in 1929. Mr. Durland has since continued the operation of the hostelry. It had been completely remodeled during 1920 and 1921, and is thoroughly first class and modern in all respects. The building contains fifty guest rooms and has an attractive lobby and restaurant.

Mr. Durland has been identified with the Watkins State Bank for a number of years and in July, 1929, was elected president of the institution. He resigned, however, in January, 1931, but has continued as a director.

On January 1, 1902, Mr. Durland was united in marriage with Miss Kittibel Chapman, the daughter of William P. Chapman, of Elmira, now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Durland have a daughter, Gretchen, born in 1907. She is a graduate of Shipley School at Bryn Mawr, near Philadelphia, and was a member of the 1930

class at Smith College. She married John C. Morley, attorney, of Cleveland, who is associated with the law offices of Newton D. Baker.

Mr. Durland is a Democrat and has been trustee of the Presbyterian Church at Elmira for more than twenty years. He belongs to the Elmira Country Club, Rotary Club of Watkins Glen, Chamber of Commerce, and Finger Lakes Association.

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**William Henry Ferrier, M. D.**, a physician and surgeon successfully established in his profession at Watkins Glen, is a veteran of the World War. He was born at Drayton, Ontario, Canada, May 1, 1881, the son of Robert and Anna Magdalene (Schmitt) Ferrier.

Robert Ferrier was a native of Canada, born at Bridgeport, Ontario, December 1, 1855. He was a school teacher in early life and came to the United States in 1884. He died at Rochester, New York, February 19, 1891. Mr. Ferrier was married June 22, 1880, to Miss Anna M. Schmitt, the daughter of Conrad Schmitt, a native of Germany. They had two children: 1. William Henry, the subject of this sketch. 2. Alice, married George Lawson, poultryman, lives at Glenora, New York, and they have three children: Anne Christine, Martha Harriet, and William. Anna M. (Schmitt) Ferrier died in 1917 and is buried at Rochester, New York.

William Henry Ferrier acquired his early education in the public schools of Rochester, New York, and in 1905 he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He then served as an interne in the Park Avenue Hospital, at Rochester, and in the following year established a private practice at Burnside, Michigan, where he remained for a period of five years. From 1911 until 1917 he was located in practice at Rochester, New York, and in the latter year enlisted for service in the World War. He immediately received the commission of first lieutenant in the Medical Corps, United States Army, and was stationed at Newport News, Virginia.



While in the line of duty there Doctor Ferrier met with an accident in which he suffered the loss of his left leg, and he was discharged from Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C., on March 30, 1920, with the rank of captain. Doctor Ferrier then located at Glenora, New York, where he convalesced for almost eight years. He then resumed the practice of medicine in November, 1929, with offices at Watkins Glen. He specializes in physical therapy and all types of electrical massage and treatment. Doctor Ferrier is president of the Schuyler County Medical Society, and holds membership in the New York State Medical Society and American Medical Association.

On June 29, 1918, Doctor Ferrier was united in marriage with Miss Minnie Alice Elizabeth Ferrier, the daughter of Ephraim Ferrier, a brother of Robert Ferrier, father of the subject of this sketch. They have no children.

Doctor Ferrier is an independent Republican. He holds membership in the Dewey Avenue Presbyterian Church, of Rochester. He is a life member of Genesee Falls Lodge, No. 507, F. and A. M., Rochester, New York; Auld Consistory, A. A. S. R., 32nd degree, and Khedive Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Norfolk, Virginia. He also belongs to the Rotary Club and Disabled Emergency Officers of the World War.

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**Charles Hebron Robinson.**—Prominently identified with the civic interests of Yates and Schuyler counties is Charles Hebron Robinson, who lives retired at Watkins Glen. He was born at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, July 30, 1873, the son of Thomas R. and Elizabeth (Atwell) Robinson.

Thomas R. Robinson was born at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in 1847. He spent many years as treasurer of the Allegheny Valley Railroad Company and later was auditor of the Fidelity Trust Company of Pittsburgh. He died in 1927 and is buried in Homewood Cemetery, Pittsburgh. Mr. Robinson was married in 1871 to Miss Elizabeth Atwell, the daughter of John Atwell, banker, of Pittsburgh and Alliance, Ohio. To Mr. and Mrs. Robinson were born two children, of whom Charles H. was the elder.

Charles H. Robinson received his education in the public schools of Pittsburgh, from which he was graduated in 1893. He then spent three years at Shadyside Academy, and attended a military school at Bordentown, New Jersey, for one year. Mr. Robinson began his business career as assistant paymaster on the Allegheny Valley Railroad. After five years in that capacity he entered the National Bank of Western Pennsylvania at Pittsburgh, as bookkeeper and teller. Later he was identified with the coal fields of western Pennsylvania in an engineering capacity. In 1913 Mr. Robinson came to Yates County and purchased a farm on the west shore of Seneca Lake. He remained there for a period of fifteen years and since 1928 has lived retired at 108 Monroe Street, Watkins Glen. During the past twenty years Mr. Robinson has been an active promoter of the good roads movement in the Finger Lakes district, especially in the Lake Seneca region.

On June 4, 1914, Mr. Robinson married Miss Anna M. Anderson, the daughter of Julius and Dorothea Anderson, of Yates County. They are the parents of four children: 1. Mary H., born in October, 1915. 2. Thomas S., born in January, 1917. 3. Margaret D., born in December, 1921. 4. Anne E., born in September, 1924.

Mr. Robinson has always been a Republican. He and his family are members of the Presbyterian Church, and he belongs to the Chamber of Commerce, Watkins Yacht Club, Finger Lakes Association, and the American Radio Relay League.

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**Hon. Olin Tracy Nye.**—Among the outstanding professional men of Schuyler County is Olin Tracy Nye, attorney, of Watkins Glen. He was born at Dix, Schuyler County, March 13, 1872, the son of Ebenezer M. W. and Margaret (Sharp) Nye.

Ebenezer M. W. Nye was born in Dutchess County, New York, in 1824. As a young man he was interested in farming and later studied law, although he never was admitted to the bar. He served as justice of the peace for many years. He died at Buffalo in 1916 and is buried at Watkins Glen. His wife was the daugh-

ter of Orin and Sarah Sharp. Mr. and Mrs. Nye were the parents of nine children, of whom Olin Tracy, the subject of this sketch, was the eighth in order of birth.

Olin Tracy Nye acquired his early education in the public schools of Dix and Dundee. He is a graduate of Syracuse University and received the degree of LL. B. at Albany Law School in 1896. After a short time in private practice at Watkins Glen he became associated with Waldo Bishop. In 1896 Mr. Nye was elected district attorney and filled that office for three years, being elected as a member of the New York General Assembly in November, 1900. After a term of four years he was elected county judge and surrogate of Schuyler County and resigned from the latter office in 1916 to become a member of the firm of Norton, Penny & Nye, of Buffalo. They were corporation lawyers and specialized in railroad and insurance work. Mr. Nye, however, retained his residence at Watkins Glen. Mr. Porter Norton died in 1916 and was succeeded in the firm by Henry W. Killeen, the firm continuing as Penny, Killeen & Nye until 1922, at which time Mr. Killeen retired. James Parsons and Charles Blair then entered the firm. In 1925 Mr. Nye retired and has since engaged in private practice at Watkins Glen. He has offices in the Glen National Bank Building.

Mr. Nye married (first) in 1912 Miss Caroline E. Rallinson, the daughter of John Rallinson, of St. Catherines, Ontario. She died at Toronto, Canada, in 1921, and is buried in Glenwood Cemetery, Watkins Glen. Their daughter was Caroline Duffrin. In 1922 Mr. Nye married Miss Ethel Pierce Rallinson, a sister of his first wife. They have a son, John Ebenezer.

Mr. Nye is a Republican, a member of St. James Episcopal Church, and belongs to the Masonic and Elk lodges, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, and Order of Red Men. He also holds membership in the Chamber of Commerce and Farm Bureau. Throughout his life Mr. Nye has been interested in agriculture and at the present time owns three fine farms in Schuyler County. They contain approximately 600 acres. The family residence is located at 104 Seneca Street, Watkins Glen. He is a member of Schuyler County, Erie County, New York State and American Bar associations.

**Elmer Sherwood**, nurseryman, has engaged in business at Odessa, Schuyler County, for a number of years, and is highly esteemed in the community. He was born at Cayutaville, Schuyler County, June 9, 1866, the son of Dr. Orlando B. and Alene E. (Brown) Sherwood.

Dr. Orlando B. Sherwood was a veteran of the Civil War, having served with the medical department. He was born at Enfield Center, Tompkins County, in 1840, and was the third generation of the Sherwood family to practice medicine in this section of New York. His father had practiced at Enfield and Dryden, Tompkins County, and the grandfather was located in Tompkins County. Orlando B. Sherwood was graduated from Buffalo Medical College in 1868 and then established a private practice at Cayutaville. He died in 1908 and is buried at Laurel Hill Cemetery. In 1863 Doctor Sherwood married Miss Alene E. Brown, the daughter of Tillinghart Brown, a farmer, of Catherine. They had three sons, of whom Elmer, the subject of this sketch, was the oldest.

Elmer Sherwood attended the schools of Hector, but at the age of fourteen years left school to work in a store which was owned by his father. About 1887 he became interested in the nursery business and purchased stock on a large scale. He later, in 1895, purchased large tracts of timberland in various sections of the United States and Canada and extended his operations into Newfoundland and British Columbia. He still maintains several of these pieces of land in the West. Since 1892 Mr. Sherwood has been identified with the nursery business at Odessa, and he has established an extensive wholesale trade in nursery stocks of all types. He holds membership in the New York State and National Nurserymen's Associations.

On February 26, 1890, Mr. Sherwood was united in marriage with Miss Myrtle V. Selover, the daughter of Ashur and Adeline (Carley) Selover, of Catherine, Schuyler County. They have no children.

Mr. Sherwood is a Republican and throughout his life has taken an active interest in local public affairs, being supervisor of Catherine for twelve years. He also was a delegate from 1898

until 1912 to every state convention and in the latter year was a delegate to the national convention which nominated William H. Taft for the second term.

Mrs. Sherwood is a member of the Episcopal Church.

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**Sanford Jefferson Forbes**, retired, is a substantial citizen of Watkins Glen, where he successfully engaged in business for almost thirty years as a retail clothing merchant. He was born at Oneida Castle, Oneida County, January 14, 1854, the son of Friend W. and Anne (Sweeney) Forbes.

Friend W. Forbes was born in New Jersey in 1810. He was a glass maker by trade and as a young man located in Oneida County. He later returned, however, to New Jersey for a time. In 1835 he was seriously injured in a railroad wreck on the New York Central Railroad and after his recovery he engaged in general farming in Oneida County. Mr. Forbes died in 1885. He was married in 1831 to Miss Anne Sweeney and they were the parents of ten children, of whom Francis J., the subject of this sketch, was the youngest.

Sanford J. Forbes grew up at Oneida and received his education in the public schools. As a young man he was employed under his father in a glass factory, and after a few years he entered the employ of a local clothing store. Later, he spent four years in a store at Utica, New York, as a salesman and he then went to Syracuse in the same capacity for a clothing establishment. He subsequently traveled throughout Illinois, Missouri, Nebraska and Kansas, as a representative of W. S. Peck & Company, clothing manufacturers, and in 1893 he purchased one of the company's stores at Watkins Glen, and successfully continued as its owner until his retirement in 1922.

In 1878 Mr. Forbes married Miss Nettie M. Lindsey, the daughter of David and Mary (Hagerman) Lindsey, of Syracuse. David Lindsey was killed in service during the Civil War. To Mr. and Mrs. Forbes were born three children: 1. Leila, born at Syracuse in 1881, married Dr. Frederick Bond, lives at Burdette, New York,

and they have a daughter, Dorothy Bond. 2. Albert Friend, born at Syracuse in 1888, lives at Watkins Glen. 3. Gladys May, born at Watkins Glen, in 1895, married Donald Haman, of New York City. They have a son, Lindsey.

Mr. Forbes has always been a Republican.

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**John Alanson Beers.**—Identified with the public schools of Watkins Glen for a period of thirty-one years, John A. Beers, principal, is recognized as one of the able educators of Central New York. He was born at Jenningsville, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, April 16, 1876, the son of Rev. George Osborne and Clara (Taylor) Beers.

Rev. George Osborne Beers spent more than half a century as a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church in southern New York and northern Pennsylvania. He was born at Watertown, Connecticut, November 7, 1846, and died in April, 1931. He was a graduate of Wyoming Seminary, at Kingston, Pennsylvania. Reverend Beers was married July 4, 1871, to Miss Clara Taylor, the daughter of Alanson and Osee Taylor, of Rummerfield, Pennsylvania. She died in 1910 and is buried at Berkshire, New York.

John Alanson Beers is a graduate of the public schools of Candor, Tioga County, and after his graduation from high school in 1895 he entered the Susquehanna Collegiate Institute, at Towanda, Pennsylvania. After his graduation there in 1897 he became a student at Syracuse University, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1901. In that year Mr. Beers came to Watkins Glen as vice principal of the schools, and eight years later he assumed the duties of principal. During his administration the school system has enjoyed a phenomenal growth. Its teaching force has been increased from ten to thirty-eight teachers, and the departments of agriculture, home economics, commercial administration, and physical education have been inaugurated. When the old building was destroyed by fire in January, 1929, the present new school was immediately erected. Its outstanding features include an auditorium which has a seating capacity of 900, an attractive cafeteria, library, etc.

Mr. Beers was married (first) in December, 1905, to Miss Alice Skilton, of Watertown, Connecticut. She died in January, 1907. He married (second) on July 12, 1910, Miss Eleanor Young, the daughter of Elias and Eleanor (Brougham) Young, of Binghamton, New York. They have a son, John Taylor Beers, born May 14, 1914. He is a graduate of Watkins Glen High School, 1931, and now attends the New York State Teachers College at Albany.

Mr. Beers is a Republican, a member and past president of the Rotary Club, and is affiliated with Jefferson Lodge, No. 332, F. and A. M., Past Master, and Watkins Glen Chapter, R. A. M. He is a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. He also belongs to the National Educational Association, and annually attends its conventions throughout the United States. He is an active member of the New York State Academic Principals Association.

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**Hon. John Taber.**—One of the most influential figures in professional circles in Cayuga County is John Taber, lawyer, who has served as a member of Congress from the Thirty-sixth District of New York since 1923. He is a native of Auburn, born May 5, 1880, the son of Franklin P. and Mary (Parker) Taber.

Franklin P. Taber, who died in Auburn on May 27, 1914, had successfully engaged in the practice of law in that city for almost forty years, having been admitted to the New York bar in 1875. Mr. Taber was born at Moravia, New York. He became a member of the firm of Taber & Brainard, being associated in practice with John M. Brainard and later his son, John Taber. Mr. Taber was also a director of the Auburn Trust Company. His widow was born at Moravia and resides in Auburn. To Mr. and Mrs. Taber were born four children: 1. Silas, lives at Auburn. 2. Mary T. Thacher, lives at Garden City, New York. 3. Emily, lives at Auburn. 4. John, the subject of this sketch.

After his graduation from Auburn High School in 1898, John Taber entered Yale College, from which he received a degree in 1902. He subsequently attended the New York Law School and was admitted to the New York bar November 15, 1904. From 1906



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until 1914 he was a member of the firm of Taber & Brainard, as mentioned above. During the following three years he was identified with Brainard, Taber & Noble, being associated with H. Dutton Noble, Jr. From 1918 until 1925 Mr. Taber engaged in private practice and in the latter year established his present partnership with Sherman Parker, with offices at 123 Genesee Street, which continues to this date.

On April 13, 1929, Mr. Taber was united in marriage with Miss Gertrude Johnson, of Auburn, the daughter of Charles and Lois (O'Hara) Johnson. The former died in 1922 and the latter lives at 18 James Street, Auburn. Mr. and Mrs. Taber have an adopted son, Charles Taber.

Politically, Mr. Taber has always been a leader in Republican affairs. During 1906-7 he was supervisor of the Second Ward in Auburn, and from 1911 until 1919 was special judge of Cayuga County. During his service in Congress he has been continuously a member of the Appropriations Committee of the House.

Mr. Taber is a member of St. Peter's Church, of Auburn, and has the following lodge and club affiliations: Masonic Lodge (St. Paul's); B. P. O. Elks; Loyal Order of Moose; Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Owasco Country Club; Auburn Country Club; University Club of Washington, D. C.; Yale Club; and Republican Club of New York. He is also a director and vice president of the Auburn Trust Company, the Panama Railroad Company, and several business corporations of Auburn and vicinity.

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**Lyman Ormsbee Bond.**—As agricultural agent of Schuyler County, Lyman O. Bond has taken an active and important part in the farm life and interests of the community with which he is identified. He was born at Port Henry, New York, November 4, 1894, the son of James H. and Mary Jane (Ormsbee) Bond.

James H. Bond was born in Oshawa, Ontario, Canada, in 1858, and located at Port Henry, New York, with his parents in 1868. He remained there during the remainder of his life and for twenty years he was secretary of the Port Henry Y. M. C. A. He died in

April, 1928, and is buried at Port Henry. Mr. Bond was married in 1887 to Miss Mary Jane Ormsbee, the daughter of Maj. Lyman Ormsbee, who served throughout the Civil War as a member of the 121st New York Volunteer Infantry.

Lyman Ormsbee Bond was reared and educated at Port Henry and following his graduation from high school in 1912 he taught school near Port Henry, New York, and attended the business department of Port Henry High School. He entered Cornell University in 1916 and received the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1920. During the World War he served in the Student Army Training Corps at Cornell University. He then entered extension work in agriculture at Belmont, New York. Two years later he located at Watkins Glen and since 1923 has been agricultural agent for Schuyler County. Mr. Bond has met with unusual success in his organization work in the community and has recently succeeded in establishing a co-operative bull club among the dairy-men of Schuyler County, and the organization already owns three pure bred champions. He has also organized a bureau of young farmers which is of an educational type, with a membership of 100 boys. He has strongly advocated the testing of dairy cattle for tuberculosis and during the past five years has succeeded in examining every cow in Schuyler County. He also has attempted a program for the elimination of contagious abortion among dairy herds in this section. Another worthy project has been the organization of a marketing project among grape growers in his district. In short, Mr. Bond's theory is that the present situation in agriculture can be corrected through the intelligent individual efforts of the farmer himself.

On May 1, 1932, Mr. Bond, in association with his brothers, Kenneth J., Robert O. and James H. Bond, purchased a dairy farm of 287 acres near Hector, where they expect to establish one of the finest dairy centers in Central New York. Already, they are the owners of a herd of fifty registered Holstein cattle.

On May 18, 1925, Mr. Bond was united in marriage with Miss Sadie Jane Cook, the daughter of John Mason and Mary (Ashwood) Cook, of Fergus, Ontario. She died in July, 1927, and is buried at Port Henry.

Mr. Bond is independent in politics. He holds membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church, of Port Henry, and at present attends the Presbyterian Church at Watkins Glen. He is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, secretary of the Watkins Glen Rotary Club, and Watkins Glen Commercial Club. He also belongs to the American Legion, and is finance officer.

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**Frank Anson Thurston**, who is the owner of a fine dairy farm in Schuyler County, near Beaver Dams, is widely known in the community. He was born at Hammond, Tioga County, Pennsylvania, March 25, 1875, the son of Anson Kelsey and Mary Elizabeth (Steele) Thurston.

Anson Kelsey Thurston was a native of Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, born October 7, 1827. He had lumbering interests in Pennsylvania for many years and operated a mill in Luzerne County. He died October 3, 1915, and is buried at Hammond. In 1854 Mr. Thurston married Miss Mary Elizabeth Steel, the daughter of Abraham Steel, of Burlington, Pennsylvania. They had five children, of whom Frank A., the subject of this sketch, was the youngest.

Frank Anson Thurston received his education in the district schools of Hammond, being graduated from high school in 1893. He then studied telegraphy and was located at Waterville, Pennsylvania, as an operator for three years. He came to Beaver Dams in 1899 as telegraph operator and station agent for the New York Central Railroad Company, and served in that capacity for thirty-one years. A number of years ago he had purchased a small dairy farm near the village and he has lived there since his retirement in 1930. He is among the few owners of pure bred Guernsey cattle in this section of the county.

In September, 1895, Mr. Thurston married Miss Grace M. Stevens, the daughter of H. L. and Nancy Stevens, of Hammond, Pennsylvania. Their children are: 1. Anson Kenneth, born February 12, 1898, lives at Montour Falls, where he is employed by the Sheppard-Niles Electric Crane & Hoist Company. He mar-

ried Miss Freeda Barker, and they have two children, June Barker and Alton Keith. 2. Clifford F., born April 7, 1900, has been in the service of the United States Navy for fourteen years, now being store keeper in the United States Navy Yard at Mare Island, California. 3. Grace M., born in April, 1903, married Fred W. Pope, lives at Elmira, and they have two daughters, Doris and Evelyn. 4. Florence A., born August 15, 1915, attends North Side High School, Corning, class of 1933.

Mr. Thurston is a Republican and has been school trustee of Beaver Dams for six years. He belongs to Beaver Dams Grange, No. 268, Farm Bureau, Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Maccabees.

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**George Simmons Coon.**—One of the most progressive farmers of Schuyler County is George Simmons Coon, owner of one of the oldest homesteads in this section of New York. He was born here, June 2, 1876, the son of William C. and Jennie (Kniffen) Coon.

William C. Coon was born on the Coon homestead in the town of Orange, Schuyler County, New York, the son of Cyrus Coon. The latter was a farmer and among the first settlers of Schuyler County, settling on a tract, which was originally part of Steuben County, in 1824. This land has been owned by the family for more than a century. Cyrus Coon married Sally Hurley, and his brothers, Jeremiah and Eli Coon, also married sisters of Sally Hurley. In 1873 William C. Coon married Miss Jennie Kniffen, and to them were born three children, of whom George S., subject of this sketch, was the first.

George Simmons Coon attended the district schools of Orange and throughout his life has been interested in general farming and stock raising. Together with the homestead he is the owner of 500 acres of well improved land in Schuyler County. For many years Mr. Coon has specialized in the breeding of beef cattle. He served as rural mail carrier out of Beaver Dams from April, 1904, until February, 1928, and at the time of his resignation was one of three men in the county to hold the record in point of service.

On January 25, 1907, Mr. Coon married Miss Ethel V. Smith, the daughter of Erie V. and Emma (Brown) Smith. To them were born four children: 1. Winifred, born December 29, 1909, a graduate of Corning High School, and she later taught in the districts schools of Schuyler County. She resides at Corning. 2. Charles Edward, born October 29, 1911, a graduate of Corning High School, was a member of the high school faculty at Beaver Dams, New York. 3-4. Justin James and Liston Francis, twins, born November 29, 1921.

Politically, Mr. Coon is a Republican. He served as supervisor for the town of Orange, Schuyler County, from 1924 to 1932, and during that time he was chairman of many important committees.

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**James Warden**,—A member of one of the oldest and best known families of Schuyler County, James Warden has been successful for many years as an extensive farmer and stockman, being the owner of over 1,000 acres of fine farm and timber land. He is also widely known as a buyer and shipper of stock. Mr. Warden was born in the town of Orange, Schuyler County, November 8, 1872, the son of William Harrison and Emily (DuVall) Warden.

William Harrison Warden was born on the Warden homestead in Schuyler County, March 1, 1840, and died June 13, 1899. He was a farmer throughout his life and specialized in the breeding of pure bred cattle and sheep. His father was Dr. James Warden, who was born in New Jersey in 1790. The latter practiced medicine at Bath, New York, and later located in Schuyler County, where he lived retired on a farm from 1836 until the time of his death. He died in 1853 and is buried in the private family cemetery on the homestead. On December 21, 1871, William H. Warden married Miss Emily DuVall, the daughter of Albert and Marietta (Campbell) DuVall. To them were born five children, of whom James, subject of this sketch, was the first. Emily (DuVall) Warden died in October, 1918, and is buried in Maltby Cemetery, Schuyler County.

James Warden received his education in the district schools of Schuyler County and also was a student at Starke Seminary and Cooke Academy. His entire career has been identified with agricultural interests and he was associated with his father until the latter's death in 1899. He and his brother, Adelbert Warden, inherited the homestead which was settled by their grandfather and have continued in partnership for almost thirty-five years as proprietors of an extensive dairy farm and as breeders of pure bred cattle. They have also raised sheep on a large scale and are widely known shippers of the latter. Until recently they were breeders of Berkshire hogs. The brothers have also had large lumber interests and there is a basket factory operated on their farm.

On November 20, 1901, Mr. Warden married Miss Lena Buck, the daughter of Charles H. and Frances (Bartholomew) Buck, of the town of Orange, Schuyler County. They are the parents of three children: 1. Frances, born September 5, 1903, a graduate of Painted Post High School, married Fay Aldrich, of Monterey, New York, and they have a son, Thomas Fay Aldrich. 2. Charles W., born in June, 1906, a graduate of Painted Post High School and Alfred College, class of 1928, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Agriculture. 3. Thomas James, born April 17, 1909, a graduate of Painted Post High School and Alfred Academy, class of 1929, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Agriculture.

Mr. Warden is an independent Republican and a militant prohibitionist. He holds membership in the Townsend Grange and Farm Bureau.

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**Charles Byron Guile**, who is connected with the Empire Gas & Electric Company, at Geneva, is a highly esteemed and well known citizen of the community. He was born at Geneva, August 12, 1860, the son of George S. and Adella Angeline (Trufant) Guile.

George S. Guile was born in Cortland County, New York, September 29, 1818. He was successful as a tobacco grower and cigar

manufacturer, and was located for many years at Geneva on lands which are west of the present site of the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station. He also operated a factory and large cigar store on Seneca Street. Mr. Guile died February 18, 1890, and is buried in Glenwood Cemetery, Geneva. He was married March 8, 1857, to Miss Adella Angeline Trufant, the daughter of Christopher Trufant, who was a native of Cayuga County, New York. To Mr. and Mrs. George S. Guile were born six children, of whom Charles Byron, the subject of this sketch, was the eldest.

Charles B. Guile is a graduate of the public schools of Geneva, and Mackey Business College. He began his career as a printer on the Geneva Courier, with which he was associated for seventeen years. In 1894 he became manager of the Seneca County Journal at Seneca Falls, but after three years returned to Geneva as manager of the Courier for William O. Bunn, who had acquired control of the publication. Mr. Bunn died in 1898 and Mr. Guile continued as manager until the paper was purchased by William Smith. In 1895 the Geneva Times and Courier were merged and reorganized as the Geneva Times, with the Geneva Printing Company as publishers. At that time Mr. Guile was appointed manager of the job printing department. He later spent eight years with the Advertiser-Gazette, and also was employed for a time on the Geneva Daily News. He has been connected with the Empire Gas & Electric Company, in charge of their printing, stationery and supply department since 1918.

On December 11, 1884, Mr. Guile married Miss Hattie G. Kellogg, the daughter of Augustus and Julia Kellogg. They have a daughter, Edith Adele, who is a graduate of the Geneva public schools. She lives with her parents at 342 Washington Street.

Mr. Guile has always been a Republican and for three years served as president of the board of public parks. He and his family are members of North Presbyterian Church and he is affiliated with Ark Lodge, No. 33, F. and A. M., master in 1909; Geneva Chapter, No. 36, R. A. M., high priest in 1914; Geneva Commandery, No. 29, K. T.; Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Rochester, New York, commander in 1913; Umarkan Grotto, M.



O. V. P. E. R., Monarch in 1930; director of the Geneva Masonic Temple Corporation. and District Deputy Grand Master of the State of New York in 1928-29, comprising Ontario, Yates and Seneca counties. He is Past Royal Patron and Assistant Grand Lecturer of Queen Christina Court, No. 13, Order of the Amaranth.

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**Glenn Lewis Mickel**, of Hector, is outstanding among the progressive farmers of Schuyler County. He was born in the town of Hector, August 3, 1879, the son of Silas and Emma (Lewis) Mickel.

Silas N. Mickel was born at Hector in November, 1855, and died November 10, 1928. He was the son of Nicholas Mickel, a native of Rensselaer County, New York, who settled in Schuyler County in early life with his parents. They became prosperous farmers and representative citizens of this section. Silas N. Mickel was a grain farmer throughout his life. He was married in July, 1875, to Miss Emma Lewis, the daughter of Charles and Mary (McMillan) Lewis, of Chemung County. To them were born five children, of whom Glenn Lewis, the subject of this sketch, was the first.

The boyhood of Glenn Lewis Mickel was spent on his father's farm and he attended the district schools. He is also a graduate of Meeker's Business College, known now as the Elmira Business Institute. His first position in business was with Reynolds Brothers, dry goods, Elmira, New York, then as a clerk and later as superintendent with the American Sales Book Company, of Elmira, which is now reorganized as the Moore Corporation, Ltd., largest manufacturers of duplicating sales books in the world. Mr. Mickel remained with the institution for a period of seventeen years, and in 1916 resigned and located at Hector. He has since owned and operated a farm of 140 acres and specializes in the growing of peaches, grapes, cherries and alfalfa. He also has a fine herd of registered Holstein dairy cattle. The farm which Mr. Hector owns is the "Old Hanley Homestead," which has been

only owned by three previous proprietors. This farm was an original land grant of the Revolutionary War given to Gilbert Verity in 1790..

On June 5, 1901, Mr. Mickel was united in marriage with Miss May Wickham, the daughter of Charles E. and Amelia (Keep) Wickham, of Hector. To them were born two children, one of whom died in infancy. A daughter, Marian Estelle, was born November 10, 1906, and is a graduate of Genesee Wesleyan Seminary, class of 1926, and Keuka College, class of 1930. She is now secretary and cashier of the New York Telephone Company, at Bath.

Mr. Mickel is an independent Republican, and has served as assessor of the town of Hector for seven years, and as school trustee for five years. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian Church, and he has been elder during the past fourteen years and Sunday school superintendent for five years. He also holds membership in the Burdett Grange, Schuyler County Farm Bureau, Dairymen's League, Grape Growers' Association and Finger Lakes Association.

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**Pliny J. Corteville**, widely known building contractor and lumber dealer, at Williamson, is a native of Wayne County. He was born at Palmyra, September 15, 1890, the son of Abram and Dinah (Cuvelier) Corteville.

Abram Corteville is a native of Marion, Wayne County, and during the greater part of his life has been interested in general farming. For a time he operated a mercantile business at Pultneyville. At present, he resides on a farm near Williamson. His parents were natives of Holland and were well known pioneers of Wayne County. In 1887 Mr. Corteville married Miss Dinah Cuvelier, the daughter of Abram Cuvelier, of Williamson. To them were born seven children, of whom Pliny J., subject of this sketch, was the second in order of birth.

Pliny J. Corteville grew up on his father's farm and received his education in the public schools of Williamson. He left school,

however, at the age of sixteen years, and assisted his father for several years, after which he learned the trade of carpenter. Subsequently, he became associated in the contracting and building business with A. G. Hutchison, and they continued together for a period of six years. Mr. Corteville then spent four years in business with I. L. Mahieu, and in 1925 the firm established a lumber business in connection with their building interests. Since 1926 Mr. Corteville has been sole owner of the enterprise. He purchased property at 109-11 Lake Avenue in 1929, where he has located his lumber yard and building supply house.

On October 31, 1912, Mr. Corteville was united in marriage with Miss Lucina B. Orbaker, the daughter of Jacob and Levina (Titus) Orbaker, of Williamson. They have a daughter, Loris G., born June 12, 1930.

Mr. Corteville is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He also holds membership in the Northeastern Retail Lumbermens Association. He is a member of the Williamson Fire Department.

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**Herbert E. Sperry, M. D.** — Numbered among the able and highly successful professional men of Wayne County is Dr. Herbert E. Sperry, of Williamson, who is a veteran of the World War. He was born at Penfield, Monroe County, New York, August 9, 1882, the son of Burton E. and Mary (Vinton) Sperry.

Burton E. Sperry, who died in 1920, was widely known at Penfield, New York, where he owned and operated flour mills for many years. He was born at Batavia and in early life located at Penfield. He is buried in Mount Hope Cemetery, Rochester. In 1876 Mr. Sperry married Miss Mary Vinton, the daughter of Edward Vinton of Penfield. They were the parents of two sons. Mary (Vinton) Sperry died in February, 1932, and is buried at Rochester.

Herbert E. Sperry acquired his early education in the public schools of Penfield, from which he was graduated in 1900. He

then spent one year at Brockport Normal School, and during the following two years assisted his father in his milling interests. Later he entered Albany Medical College from which he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1908. After serving as interne in Samaritan Hospital at Troy, New York, Doctor Sperry established a private practice at 1812 East Avenue, Rochester. He continued there for eight years and in 1917 was commissioned in the medical corps, U. S. Army. He served at Camp Gordon, Georgia, with the rank of captain, and was discharged in August, 1919. During the following two years he was identified with a private sanitarium at Muncie, Indiana, after which he returned to private practice at Rochester for one year. He has been located at Williamson, Wayne County, since 1923. Doctor Sperry is identified with the Wayne County, New York State Medical societies, and American Medical Association, and holds membership in the Academy of Medicine at Rochester.

In June, 1910, Doctor Sperry was united in marriage with Miss Onnolee Countryman, the daughter of Rev. J. B. Countryman, a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Rochester.

Doctor Sperry is a Republican and has served as local health officer for nine years. He and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church and he belongs to the Masonic Lodge and American Legion.

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**Aaron Merritt Jones.**—As principal of the Williamson Central Schools, Aaron M. Jones ranks high in educational circles in Wayne County. He was born at Phoenix, New York, December 11, 1886, the son of Jerry Virgil and Nettie Adele (Thompson) Jones.

Jerry Virgil Jones was a native of Lamson, New York, born May 6, 1857. Throughout his life he was a farmer and his death occurred in August, 1932. He is buried at Jacksonville. Mr. Jones was married in June, 1880, to Miss Nettie Adele Thompson, the daughter of Merrick Thompson, also of Lamson. They had three children, of whom Aaron M., subject of this sketch, was the oldest.

Aaron Merritt Jones is a graduate of the Phoenix public schools, class of 1904, and he then spent six years as a teacher in the district schools. In 1910 he entered Syracuse University, from which he was graduated four years later with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. In that fall Mr. Jones became principal of the high school at Mattituck, Long Island. Three years later he was appointed principal of Smithtown Branch, Long Island, and remained there for three years. In 1920 Mr. Jones was made principal of the high school at Willsboro, New York, and the following year he transferred to Greenwich, New York, for a two year period as principal. In 1923 Mr. Jones returned to the Smithtown Branch schools and continued there until 1928. He has since been principal of the Williamson Central School. During his career in school work Mr. Jones has taken graduate work during the summer sessions at New York University, University of Rochester, and New York State Teachers College, at Albany. He has also been identified with the work of the State Board of Regents at Albany since 1917 during the summer months.

Mr. Jones is largely responsible for the splendid program, which had been developed by the Williamson schools during his administration. A modern educational plant has been completed at an approximate cost of \$375,000, together with a fine gymnasium and athletic field. An auditorium, with a seating capacity of 700 people, is another feature of this outstanding educational program.

On October 31, 1910, Mr. Jones was united in marriage with Miss Lucia Parsons, the daughter of John Ward and Jeanette (Miller) Parsons, of Springs, New York. To them have been born the following children: 1. Jeannette Adele, born July 24, 1911, a graduate of Smithtown Branch High School and New York State Teachers College, at Albany, class of 1932. She is now a teacher at Mooers, New York. 2. Lloyd Ward, born November 8, 1912, a graduate of Williamson High School, attends New York State Teachers College, at Albany. 3. Kathryn Lucia, born July 16, 1914, a graduate of Williamson High School, now a student nurse at Syracuse University. 4. Colbert Merritt, born January 13, 1916, attends Williamson High School, and is active in school athletics.

5. Merwin Miller, born September 26, 1918. 6. Ruth Alice, born October 13, 1920. 7. Eunice Clara, born May 13, 1923.

Politically, Mr. Jones is a Republican. He is a prominent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and belongs to the Rotary Club, Sodus Bay Heights Golf Club, and Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

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**Charles Palmatier.**—One of the better known citizens of Wayne County is Charles Palmatier, who is serving as police judge of Newark and justice of the peace at Arcadia. He was born at Morris, Otsego County, New York, September 5, 1861, the son of William and Frances (Barrett) Palmatier.

William Palmatier was born at Schenevus, Otsego County, and during his lifetime he engaged in the manufacture of woodenware at Morris, New York. He died at the age of sixty years and is buried at Morris. In 1852 Mr. Palmatier married Miss Frances Barrett, the daughter of James Barrett, of Morris. They had two children, Charles, the subject of this sketch, and Ella, married N. W. Carey, Morris, New York.

The early education of Charles Palmatier was received in the public schools of Morris and he was graduated from St. Lawrence University, at Canton, New York, in 1885. He had specialized in the study of theology and previously had taught school before his graduation from the university. His first religious charge was at the Universalist Church, at Webster, New York, and after five years he was transferred to Friendship, New York, for two years. He spent two years at Oxford, New York, and subsequently was located at Perry, Wyoming County, for ten years. He came to Newark in 1912 as pastor of the Universalist Church, and served in that capacity for a period of eight years. In 1920 he was elected police judge of Newark and he has also served as justice of the peace since 1920 at Arcadia.

On August 19, 1885, Mr. Palmatier was united in marriage with Miss Flora N. Ballou, the daughter of James H. Ballou, of Southold, Long Island. To them were born the following children: 1.

Edson, died in infancy. 2. Ralph B., born December 13, 1886, a professional musician, member of the Syracuse Symphony Orchestra. He married Miss Christine Overton, and has a daughter, Ruby. 3. Willard, born May 14, 1888, a veteran of the World War, having served as a musician of the Forty-ninth Regiment. He is identified with the National Broadcasting Company in New York City as a violinist and trombone artist. 4. Claude, born May 12, 1890, also a member of the Syracuse Symphony Orchestra. He married Miss Grace Le Fevre, and they have two children, Bertram and Loretta. They live at Syracuse. 5. Lela Marie, born February 14, 1897, married Cuyler Ridley, lives at Newark, and they have two sons, Howard and Donald. 6. Mae Tiffany, born May 26, 1900, married R. H. Bane, lives at Auburn, New York.

Politically, Mr. Palmatier is a Republican. He has been affiliated with the Masonic Lodge since 1886 and also belongs to the Elks Lodge and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a prominent member of the Chamber of Commerce.

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**Hon. Frank DeForest Gaylord.**—As president of the Gaylord State Bank, of Sodus, and president of the Sodus Canning Company, Frank D. Gaylord is easily one of the dominating forces in the business and financial life of Sodus. He was born at Atchison, Kansas, September 24, 1860, the son of Charles DeForest and Jane R. (Gaylord) Gaylord.

Charles DeForest Gaylord, deceased, was a representative citizen of Sodus. He was born here August 20, 1832, and for a period of twenty years successfully engaged in the hardware business. He disposed of his business interests to his son, Frank D. Gaylord, in 1881, and at that time organized a private banking house, with which he was identified until the time of his death, June 20, 1907. He is buried in Sodus Cemetery. In 1857 Mr. Gaylord married his second cousin, Miss Jane R. Gaylord, the daughter of Lewis Gaylord, a hardware merchant of Lima, New York. To them were born nine children, of whom Frank D., the subject of this sketch, was the second.

Charles D. Gaylord was the son of Dr. Levi Gaylord, a pioneer physician and surgeon of Wayne County. He was born in 1794 and settled in Onondaga County, New York, about 1816. He successfully followed his profession there until the time of his death in 1859.

Frank DeForest Gaylord left school at the age of sixteen years to enter his father's hardware store. As mentioned above, he became proprietor of the business in 1881. In 1900 he sold the store and at that time purchased a department store at Sodus, with which he was identified until 1906, when the business was completely destroyed by fire. During the following year a store was reopened in the Masonic building, and the business was continued by Mr. Gaylord until 1915. In the meantime he had organized the Sodus Canning Company in 1906, and he is now president of the concern. They are leading canners of fruits and vegetables and also conduct a wholesale fruit and produce business. At the death of his father in 1907 the Gaylord banking interests were managed by another son, Charles W. Gaylord, who died in 1926. The bank was incorporated in 1924 as The Gaylord State Bank, and Charles W. Gaylord served as president until his death. He was succeeded by Frank D. Gaylord. The institution has a capital stock of \$100,000 and surplus of \$40,000.

On June 13, 1883, Mr. Gaylord was united in marriage with Miss Augusta E. Flint, the daughter of Dwight B. and Mary A. (Catchpole) Flint, of Huron, Wayne County. They are the parents of two children: 1. Elizabeth, born in 1886, a graduate of Sodus Academy, later studied kindergarten work at Rochester. She married Irving C. Beal, who is cashier of the Gaylord State Bank, and they have three children: Lawrence Gaylord, Margaret Amy, and Mary Elizabeth. 2. Dwight Flint, born in 1889, a graduate of Sodus Academy, is associated with his father in the Sodus Canning Company. He married Miss Amy J. Beal, and they have two children, Eleanor and Charles Dwight Gaylord.

Mr. Gaylord has always been a Republican and has taken an active interest in local affairs. In 1889 he was elected one of the first "No License Excise Commissioners" of Sodus and later served thirteen years as town clerk. In 1916 he was elected a



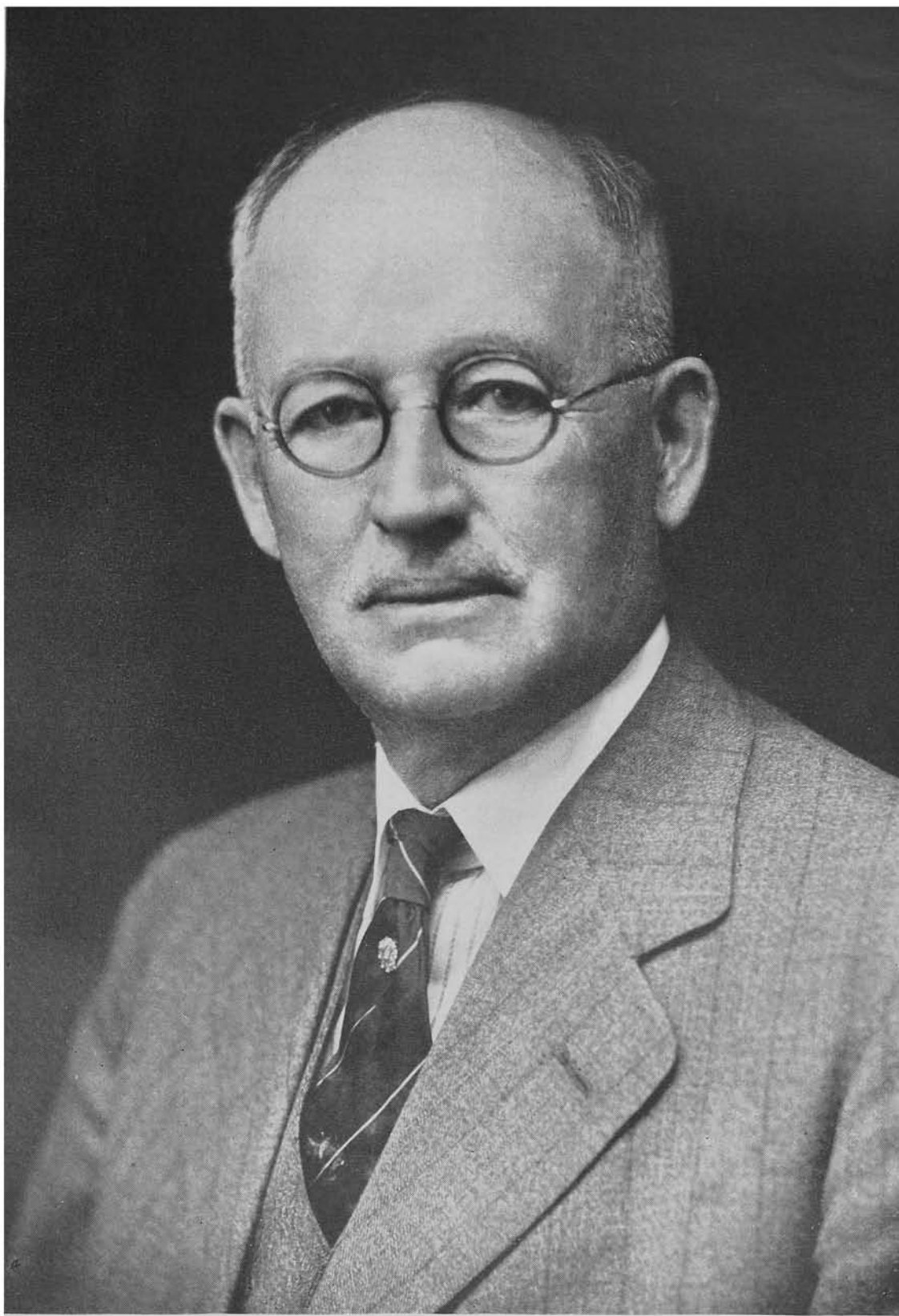
member of the New York State Assembly and served for three years. He and his family are members of the Sodus Presbyterian Church, in which he has been trustee for ten years, elder for twenty-five years, and in his early life was teacher of the Young Men's Group for many years. He is a member of the Sodus Chamber of Commerce and belongs to the New York State Cannery Association.

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**George F. Weber, M. D.**, has been actively engaged in the practice of medicine at Ira, New York, for a great many years and is numbered among the leading physicians of Cayuga County. He was born here, October 15, 1865, the son of Frederick and Susan H. (Lang) Weber.

Frederick Weber, deceased, was an honored pioneer citizen of Cayuga County and spent many years as a dairy farmer at Ira. He was born at Maynce, Germany, and his wife was also a native of that place. After their marriage they emigrated to the United States in 1857 and settled on a farm near Ira. Mr. Weber died in 1907 and his wife died in 1906. Both are buried at Cato. He was a Republican and an active member of the Presbyterian Church. Two children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Weber: 1. Catherine, married James R. Harris, both deceased. 2. George F., the subject of this sketch.

George F. Weber grew up on his father's farm and was educated in the district schools. In 1883 he was graduated from Jordan Academy, and four years later received the degree of Bachelor of Arts at Cornell University. From September, 1887, until June, 1888, he was a teacher at the New Paltz Normal School. He subsequently took up the study of medicine and received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from the University of Maryland. He also took graduate work at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Baltimore and served as interne in Bayview Hospital, Baltimore. The entire professional career of Doctor Weber has been spent at Ira, with the exception of six months in Syracuse. He was coroner of Cayuga County for six years and for many years has continued as coroner's physician. He is local health



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officer of the towns of Ira and Victory and for many years has been active in the affairs of the Cayuga County Medical Society, New York State Medical Association, and American Medical Association. He is a director of the First National Bank of Cato.

On January 25, 1930, Doctor Weber married Miss Vera E. Smith, the daughter of Frank and Hattie (Monroe) Smith, of Victory. They have a daughter, Helen Elizabeth Weber.

Doctor Weber is a Republican and for twenty years was a member of the Republican County Committee. He is president of the Board of Trustees of the Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with Cato Lodge No. 141, F. & A. M., and Independent Order of Odd Fellows No. 728.

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**Elmer Mason Adams**, of Williamson, is the owner of a well improved farm in Wayne County. He was born at Williamson, January 6, 1892, the son of Jay M. and Adella F. (Trimble) Adams.

Jay M. Adams was born on the Adams homestead near Williamson in 1860 and died in 1897. He was the son of John Adams, one of the earliest farmers of Wayne County. The latter was born in 1827 and died in 1897. John Adams was the son of Jonathan M. Adams, born in Worthington, Hampshire County, Massachusetts, January 17, 1782, and died September 12, 1873. He was an early settler of Wayne County. Land, which was settled by the Adams family during the early history of the county, is now operated by Elmer Mason Adams, the subject of this sketch. It was originally a dairy farm and is now devoted to the raising of such crops as celery, potatoes, onions and carrots. It is among the most extensive muck land farms in this section. Jay M. Adams was married in 1890 to Adella F. Trimble, the daughter of Charles and Mary (Mason) Trimble of Williamson. Their only child was Elmer M., the subject of this sketch.

Elmer Mason Adams received his education in the district schools and attended Williamson High School and Rochester Business Institute. He has also taken short course work in agriculture at Cornell University. Since the age of twenty-one years he

has had complete management of the Adams farm which is located two miles west of Williamson.

On March 10, 1915, Mr. Adams married Miss Mabel Mertz, the daughter of William and Sophia (Winkler) Mertz, of Ontario, Canada. They have a daughter, Ruth Marie, born July 28, 1930.

Mr. Adams is a Republican, a member of the First Presbyterian Church, of which he has been elder for seven years, trustee for thirteen years, and Sunday School superintendent. He belongs to Pultneyville Lodge, F. and A. M.; Rochestear Consistory, thirty-second degree, A. A. S. R.; and a member of Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Rochester. He also belongs to the New York State Horticultural Society, and Williamson Cooperative Vegetable Growers Association, having been director of the latter organization for twenty years.

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**Abram John Kussie**, hardware dealer, is among the enterprising merchants and substantial citizens of Williamson, Wayne County. He was born there, December 6, 1884, the son of William and Frances (Freeler) Kussie.

William Kussie was a native of Holland, born in 1862. He came to this country in 1883 and settled in Wayne County, New York, where he successfully engaged in farming. In 1897 he purchased a small farm near the village of Williamson, where he has continued to live to the present time. He was married in 1873 to Miss Frances Freeler, the daughter of John Freeler, also natives of Holland. To them were born eight children, only two of whom survive: 1. Abram John, the subject of this sketch. 2. Elsie, born in 1904, married John Dietz, lives at Williamson, and they have a daughter, Beulah.

Abram John Kussie is a graduate of the public schools of Williamson and began his business career in the employ of O. C. Fish & Company, hardware dealers of Williamson. Four years later he went with Tassel & Fairbanks, plumbing contractors, and remained with that concern for three years. He then located at Ontario, New York, with a milling company and in 1920 returned to

Williamson as a partner with Arthur DeRight, and they organized the Williamson Hardware Company, with which Mr. Kussie was identified for six years. In 1926 the firm of Kussie & Perry was organized and after a short time the company purchased the hardware interests of the Locksley estate, the pioneer hardware firm of Wayne County, founded seventy-five years before. The business is located at 8 West Main Street.

On April 30, 1912, Mr. Kussie was united in marriage with Miss Alice DeMay, the daughter of John and Alice (Fisher) DeMay, of Williamson. They have two daughters: May Blossom, born in May, 1914, a graduate of Williamson Central School, class of 1932. 2. Ruth Alice, born in June, 1917, a student.

Mr. Kussie is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is an enthusiastic sportsman and makes frequent trips into the Adirondack Mountains. He holds membership in the Williamson Revolver and Rifle Club.

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**George Frederick Hendricks**, who is well and favorably known throughout Wayne County, has served as postmaster of Sodus since 1923. He was born at Lyons, New York, September 2, 1858, the son of Frederick and Dorothy (Puls) Hendricks.

Frederick Hendricks was born at Mechlenberg, Germany, and emigrated to the United States during the early '50s. He was a shoemaker by trade and was thus engaged at Lyons, New York, for a number of years. He later went to Galesburg, Illinois, and continued in business there until 1868, at which time he returned to Lyons and purchased a small farm near the village. He died there April 27, 1894. Mr. Hendricks married (first) Miss Dorothy Puls, a native of Germany. She died in September, 1858, and is buried in Lyons Cemetery. He married (second) in 1860, Miss Minnie Smith, of Lyons. They had two children. She died in 1865 and is buried at Galesburg, Illinois. He married (third) in 1867 Mrs. Augusta Ames, of Lyons, who died in 1928.

George F. Hendricks grew up at Lyons and Galesburg where he attended the public schools. At the age of sixteen years he

became an apprentice carriage and wagon maker at Sodus Center, and remained there for five years. He spent the following three years in various sections of the state and in 1883 returned to Wayne County and established himself in business at Sodus as a carriage and wagon manufacturer. He successfully conducted a business there for forty years and retired in 1923 to assume the duties of postmaster. He has also been justice of the peace for sixteen years.

Mr. Hendricks married (first) December 27, 1882, Miss Elizabeth Klumpp, the daughter of Daniel and Magdalene (Yeackle) Klumpp, of Sodus Center. She died December 13, 1909, and is buried at Sodus Center. To this union were born two children: 1. Seward Daniel, born January 21, 1884, a graduate of Union College, class of 1910, civil engineer. He is now identified with the Union Carbide Company, Niagara Falls, New York, as a metallurgist. 2. Marian, born February 9, 1892, married Bert Peters, who is superintendent of the waterworks and street system of Sodus.

Mr. Hendricks married (second) Miss Mary LaMount, the daughter of Dr. John LaMount, of Sodus.

Mr. Hendricks is a Republican and has served as county committeeman. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian Church, and he belongs to B. P. O. Elks, Sodus Board of Trade, and National Association of Postmasters. He also was affiliated with and served as secretary of Sodus Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows for more than thirty years.

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**Charles Warner Mills.**—Few men are more prominent in Central New York than Charles Warner Mills, who is editor and publisher of "The Sodus Record," of Sodus, and vice president of the Lamoka Power Corporation in Wayne County. He was born at Sodus, New York, November 21, 1874, the son of Charles and Laura (Tryon) Mills.

Charles Mills, deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War. He was born at Granville, Vermont, in 1843, and died near Elmira,

August 21, 1917. At the outbreak of the Civil War he enlisted and served as a private in the One Hundred and Eleventh Vermont Volunteer Infantry, taking part in many important battles and engagements of the war, including Antietam and Gettysburg. After his discharge in 1865 he came to Sodus, where he became interested in the manufacture of wagons and carriages. He also made other types of vehicles and operated a factory there for more than thirty years. In the early '90s he was elected to the office of Grand Counselor of the Royal Templars of Temperance of the State of New York, which was a mutual life insurance organization. At that time Mr. Mills discontinued his manufacturing interests to devote his entire attention to the duties of his new office. After a short period he was elected Supreme Counselor of the United States, with headquarters at Buffalo, New York. He resigned from the latter office in 1910 and at that time removed to Manatee, Florida. Mr. Mills was married in 1866 to Miss Laura Tryon, of Sodus. To them were born four children.

Charles Warner Mills is a graduate of the grade and high schools of Sodus and spent three years at Syracuse University, being a member of the class of 1898. He left college, however, in his junior year to enter the newspaper field with his brother, George Raymond Mills, and they were founders of "The Sodus Record," in April, 1897. They have since been identified with that publication, which has proven one of the outstanding newspapers in this section of the state, both from an editorial and advertising standpoint. Charles W. Mills has continued as editor-in-chief to the present time. The paper has always been independent Republican in its views.

In 1899 Mr. Mills and his brother leased a local theater, which they successfully operated for six years. On account of inadequate lighting facilities in the community, the brothers decided to build an electric lighting system for the village, and with its installation a new theater building was opened in 1906. Their power plant was enlarged within a year and current distribution was extended as far as the city limits of Rochester and northeast to Sodus Point. It extended as far south as Marion and north to Pultneyville, New York. After the absorption of a number of



smaller power plants, the business was incorporated as the Lake Ontario Power Corporation, with C. Warner Mills as president, and G. Raymond Mills as vice president. In 1928 the property was sold to E. L. Phillips & Company, of New York City, and at the present time it is owned by the Associated Gas & Electric Corporation.

In 1915 the Mills brothers also became interested in the development of a power system on the east shore of Keuka Lake in Steuben County, and including Little and Lamoka lakes. These two small lakes are just east of Keuka Lake and are at an elevation of 389 feet. They are also owners of a series of natural gas wells, which produce from 1,000,000 to 13,000,000 cubic feet of gas per day. With these natural facilities they have produced a pumped storage hydro-electric power system. There is only one other similar system in the United States. This vast enterprise is incorporated as the Lamoka Power Corporation.

Mr. Mills has also been interested in the construction of the Wayne Power Company system in the territory between Wayland and Hornell, New York, which was sold to the New York Central Electric Corporation.

On July 28, 1908, Mr. Mills was united in marriage with Miss Anna M. Rogers, the daughter of Franklin and Estelle G. Rogers, of Sodus. To them were born six children: 1. Estelle Laura, born June 15, 1910, died January 5, 1916. 2. Charles Warner, Jr., born December 12, 1911, died November 20, 1915. 3. Marian Monta, born April 10, 1913, died August 23, 1930. 4. Ruth Gaylord, born November 22, 1914, attends Arlington Hall, at Washington, D. C. 5. Edward Raymond, born August 28, 1916, attends Staunton Military Academy, at Staunton, Virginia. 6. Rogers Gardiner, born August 6, 1919.

Politically, Mr. Mills has always been a Republican. He holds membership in the Episcopal Church, and Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

Mr. Mills finds his chief recreation in fishing, and is a recognized authority on tarpon fishing, having been awarded numerous trophies for his skill in this particular sport. He is president of the International Tarpon Tournament, and spends his leisure time at his winter home at Sarasota, Florida.

**Mathew M. Farrell.**—Among the best known and most highly esteemed citizens of Wayne County is Mathew M. Farrell, station agent at Sodus Point, who has remained in the service of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for a continuous period of more than half a century. He was born at Newark, New York, December 29, 1864, the son of Thomas and Mary (Bolger) Farrell.

Thomas Farrell, deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War. He was born near Dublin, Ireland, and at the age of eighteen years came to the United States and settled at Newark, New York. He followed his trade of a stonemason and later served as street commissioner of the village of Newark. He died at the age of seventy-three years. Mr. Farrell had served throughout the Civil War and was severely wounded at the Battle of Dinwoodie. His wife was a native of New York City and is deceased.

Mathew M. Farrell attended the public schools of Newark and at the age of fifteen years entered the employ of the Sodus Point & Southern Railroad Company, which was afterward absorbed by the Pennsylvania Railroad system. He learned telegraphy and came to Sodus Point as operator in 1881. He later became assistant station agent and in 1914, after thirty-three years of continuous service with the company, was promoted to the position of station agent. He still serves in that capacity. In 1929 Mr. Farrell received an honor medal from the company in recognition of his fifty years of service.

Since 1899 Mr. Farrell has also been interested in the insurance business as a representative of the Continental Fire Insurance Company of New York, as agent for this company at Sodus Point. Sodus Point.

Mr. Farrell was married in January, 1887, to Miss Emma DeVille, the daughter of Capt. Henry and Catherine (Buys) DeVille. Captain DeVille was one of the early lake captains on the Great Lakes. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Farrell: 1. George, born in 1888, died at the age of twenty-two months. 2. Harold, born in 1890, assistant ticket agent for a time at Sodus Point, later located at Elmira, and Rochester, New York. He died in 1920. 3. Catherine, born in 1892, a graduate of St. Elizabeth's College, at Morristown, New Jersey, was a teacher

there for two years, and then spent six years as an investigator of Catholic charities at Rochester. She married Michael Hogan, attorney, of Rochester.

Mr. Farrell is a Democrat, and has served as postmaster of Sodus Point. He also has been school trustee for fifteen years. He and his family are members of St. Rose's Catholic Church.

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**Caleb Charles Scutt.**—As president and manager of the Red Creek Canning Company, Inc., Caleb Charles Scutt is recognized as one of the most successful business men and representative citizens of Wayne County. He was born at Elborn, Iowa, July 22, 1885, the son of Schuyler W. and Edna (Mason) Scutt.

Schuyler W. Scutt was a native of Marion, New York, born in 1858. He spent his entire life in the milling business and lived at Marion. He died there in 1930 and is buried at that place. In 1882 Mr. Scutt married Miss Edna Mason, the daughter of Charles and Mary Mason, of Toledo, Iowa. To them were born four children, of whom Caleb Charles, subject of this sketch, was the second.

Caleb Charles Scutt attended the Marion public schools and is a graduate of Marion Collegiate Institute. As a young man he entered the factory of a Marion canning concern. He also spent some time in his father's flour mills and then went with the Wayne Canning Company for four years. Mr. Scutt came to Red Creek in 1912 and became associated with Myron Shirtz, as owners of a canning business. The partnership continued until 1925, at which time Mr. Shirtz died, and Mr. Scutt continued the enterprise alone, it being incorporated on January 1, 1926, as the Red Creek Canning Company, with Mr. Scutt as president and manager. Products of the concern are handled through jobbers and the field of distribution is operated by chain stores throughout the entire United States. Goods canned by the firm include: apples, cherries, raspberries, pears, peas, and beans. It operates six months of the year and has a maximum employment of 225 people.

On April 22, 1907, Mr. Scutt married Miss Mary White, the daughter of James and Margaret White, of Marion, New York.

They are the parents of four children: 1. Margaret Edna, born August 8, 1909, a graduate of Red Creek High School and Skidmore College, class of 1930. 2. Jane Elizabeth, born February 14, 1913, a graduate of Red Creek High School, attends St. Anthony's Convent at Syracuse. 3. Schuyler James, born May 19, 1914, attended Red Creek High School and now a student at Manlius Military Academy. 4. Barbara Mary, born December 16, 1920.

Mr. Scutt is a Republican and is affiliated with Wolcott Lodge, No. 560, F. and A. M.; Clyde Chapter, No. 201, R. A. M.; Zenobia Commandery, No. 41, K. T., and Damascus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; B. P. O. Elks, and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He also belongs to the Chamber of Commerce, Newark Country Club, Lakeside Golf Club, Citizens Club of Red Creek, and New York State and National Cannery associations. He is a director of the Red Creek National Bank. He has served for a number of years as a member of the Red Creek Board of Education, and as its president for one term.

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**Roe Lovell Hendrick.**—One of the most widely known newspaper men of Central New York is Roe Lovell Hendrick, who is editor and publisher of the "Lake Shore News," at Wolcott, Wayne County. He was born at Wolcott, April 4, 1867, the son of Horace W. and Emily B. (Roe) Hendrick.

Horace W. Hendrick was a native of Wolcott, born in 1838. In early life he was a farmer, and in 1880 went to southern California where he engaged in the laundry business for a number of years, first at San Diego and later in Los Angeles. He died in 1918 and is buried in the latter city. On December 24, 1859, Mr. Hendrick was united in marriage with Miss Emily B. Roe, of Wolcott, who died in 1921. She is buried in Wolcott Cemetery. Their children were: 1. Roe Lovell, the subject of this sketch. 2. Ralph Horace, who died in 1900.

The boyhood of Roe L. Hendrick was spent at Wolcott and he attended the public schools there and at Wichita, Kansas. After his graduation from high school in 1884 he became associated with

his uncle, William H. Thomas, editor and publisher of the "Lake Shore News," at Wolcott, which had also been founded by him in 1874. Mr. Hendrick continued with the publication for a period of four years, and in 1888 located at Rochester, New York, as a reporter on the Democrat & Chronicle. After two years he went to Buffalo, New York, and worked on the Buffalo Courier, later becoming associated with the Buffalo News. In 1891 Mr. Hendrick located in New York City where he spent five years as a "free lance" writer, being identified with numerous newspapers and periodicals there. At that time he also became a writer on the Youth's Companion, for which he contracted to write twenty-five stories of a fictional nature annually. Mr. Hendricks continued in that capacity for a period of twenty-five years, his services ending only when the publication was absorbed by the American Boy. He returned to Wolcott in 1896 and in 1903 became managing editor of the Ithaca Daily News, having succeeded Frank E. Gannett. After five years on that paper he served as editor for one year of the Titusville (Pennsylvania) Tribune, and from 1911 until 1918 was managing superintendent of the Ridpath Chautauqua. In this capacity his work ranged from that of advance agent to lecturer on the platform. Mr. Hendrick again returned to Wolcott in 1918, and became assistant publisher and editor of the Lake Shore News, with which he had been identified financially for many years. He succeeded Charles H. Thomas, son of its founder, as editor upon the latter's death in 1920, and at that time incorporated the business as The Lake Shore News Publishing Company, Inc.

On January 18, 1894, Mr. Hendrick married Miss Florentine Holley, the daughter of William C. Holley, of Baldwinsville, New York. Their son, Horace Holley Hendrick, was born in 1896. He is a graduate of Ithaca High School and received the degree of Bachelor of Arts at Cornell University in 1918. At the present time he is supervisor of vocational education in the public schools of Providence, Rhode Island. He married Miss Mae Palmer, and they have a son, Roe Palmer Hendrick.

Mr. Hendrick is a Democrat and for many years has been a member of the Democratic County Committee. He is an active

member of the Presbyterian Church, and has been affiliated with the Masonic Lodge for more than forty years. He also holds membership in the Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce, and Wayne County Editorial Association.

Mrs. Roe L. Hendrick spent many years as a teacher in the public schools of Wolcott and at the present time is preceptress.

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**Warren S. Walter**, of Waterloo, who is serving as sheriff of Seneca County, is among the best known men of that section. He was born at Waterloo, February 13, 1891, the son of Warren B. and Jennie (Conley) Walter.

Warren B. Walter spent his entire life at Waterloo and for many years was employed in the shops of the Waterloo Textile Corporation. He died in January, 1917. His widow resides here. Mr. Walter was a Republican, and held membership in St. Paul's Episcopal Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Walter were born the following children: 1. Claude, deceased. 2. Bessie, married Frank Felber, lives at Skaneateles. 3. Earl, lives at Waterloo. 4. Howard, lives at New York City. 5. Jennie, deceased. 6. Warren S., the subject of this sketch.

Warren S. Walter attended the Waterloo public schools and after his graduation from high school became identified with the Waterloo Woolen Mills, which was later reorganized as the Waterloo Textile Corporation. He is now foreman of the finishing shop.

Mr. Walter was married in 1913 to Miss May S. Campbell, the daughter of Samuel and Martha Campbell, of Seneca Castle, New York. Both are deceased. They have a son, Claude, who attends Waterloo High School.

Politically, Mr. Walter has always been a Republican. He has been chairman of the Republican town committee, and served as overseer of the poor for twelve years. In November, 1930, he was elected to the office of sheriff of Seneca County.

Mr. Walter is a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Waterloo Business Men's Association.

**Evert Ostrander Lansing.**—One of the well known citizens of Wayne County is Evert Ostrander Lansing, who is supervising principal of Clyde High School. He was born at Castleton, New York, February 25, 1882, the son of Garrit G. and Adalene B. (Ostrander) Lansing.

Garrit G. Lansing was a native of New York, born at Greenbush, and his wife was a native of Castleton. He was a graduate of Albany Law School and throughout his life engaged in the practice of that profession. He became attorney for the Niagara Grape Market Company, and later was made general manager of their numerous vineyards. A cannon, which was imported by Mr. Lansing from France, was turned over to the Remington Arms Company, who later developed a similar cannon which was used to prevent hail from damaging grape crops. This was widely used by this concern. Mr. Lansing died in 1928 and his wife died in 1929. They are buried at Lockport. He was a Democrat, an elder of the Presbyterian Church, and belonged to the Niagara County and New York State Bar associations. To Mr. and Mrs. Lansing were born four children: 1. Jane Witbeck, lives at Buffalo. 2. Evert O., the subject of this sketch. 3. Pauline Dora, a graduate of Syracuse University, now the head of the purchasing bureau for the Buffalo Public Library. 4. Catherine VanDyke, who died in 1900.

Evert Ostrander Lansing is a graduate of Lockport High School, class of 1899, and received the degree of Bachelor of Arts at Princeton University in 1903. He then attended the McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago for one year and spent two years at the University of Chicago. From 1906 until 1917 Mr. Lansing was identified with the Niagara Grape Market Company as up-State manager, with headquarters at Romulus. He began his teaching career in 1917 and was principal of Waterloo High School until 1922. In that year he accepted his present appointment as supervising principal of Clyde High School. He is past president of the Wayne County School Men's Council, and holds membership in the New York Teachers Association, and New York State Principals Association.

In 1908 Mr. Lansing married Miss Grace Dey, the daughter of Dr. Richard M. and Emma (Sailer) Dey, of Romulus. Doctor Dey was a graduate of the College of Medicine, University of Michigan, and served as a surgeon throughout the Civil War. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and is now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Lansing have a daughter, Rosalind, who is a graduate of Clyde High School, class of 1931. She is a student at Cornell University.

Mr. Lansing is a Republican, an elder of the Presbyterian Church, and belongs to Fayette Lodge, No. 539, F. and A. M., and Salem Town Chapter, No. 173, R. A. M.

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**W. Raymond Holmes, M. D.**—Outstanding among the highly successful young professional men of Seneca County is Dr. W. Raymond Holmes, of Waterloo. He was born at Newfield, Tompkins County, New York, January 27, 1902, the son of Edwin S. and Anna (Russell) Holmes.

Edwin S. Holmes is a native of Tompkins County, and is a well known resident of Newfield. He has always been interested in general farming. Mr. Holmes is a Republican and has served as assessor and school director. He holds membership in the Methodist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Holmes have three children: 1. Russell, lives at Ithaca. 2. W. Raymond, the subject of this sketch. 3. Gladys, attends Cornell University.

W. Raymond Holmes grew up at Trumansburg, New York, where he received his early education. He was graduated from Newfield High School in 1919 and later attended Cornell University and Taylor University. In 1927 he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine at Syracuse University, spent the following year as an interne in St. Vincent's Hospital, Staten Island, New York, and in September, 1928, established his present private practice at Waterloo. He has an extensive practice and is also physician and surgeon of the town poor. He is a member of the staff of Waterloo Memorial Hospital, associate member of the staff of Seneca Falls and Geneva hospitals, and is identified with the Sen-



eca County, and New York State Medical societies, American Medical Association, and the Geneva Academy of Medicine.

Doctor Holmes was married in 1929 to Miss Jeanne Warnock, of Farmington, Utah. She is a graduate of L. D. S. Hospital, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Politically, Doctor Holmes is a Republican. He is a member of the Methodist Church, and belongs to Alpha Kappa Kappa fraternity, Seneca Falls Country Club, and Seneca County Fish and Game Association.

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**Charles Eugene Thompson.**—One of the leading figures in the civic and fraternal life of Cortland is Charles Eugene Thompson, who has served as clerk of the election board of Cortland County since 1918. He was born at Virgil, Cortland County, January 3, 1864, the son of James S. and Eliza J. (Haupt) Thompson.

Among the earliest settlers of Cortland County was Leonard Thompson, grandfather of the subject of this sketch, who came here from Albany, New York, in 1806 and settled on a farm near McGrawville. Throughout his life he was a farmer and also served as justice of the peace. His son, James S. Thompson, was born at Cortlandville. He, too, was a farmer and throughout his life lived in Broome, Onondaga and Cortland counties. He was a Republican and held membership in the Congregational Church. Both he and his wife are deceased and are buried at Cortland. She was a native of Dryden, Tompkins County, and died in 1911. Their children were: 1. Frances T., who died in infancy. 2. George A., who died in 1917. 3. Charles Eugene, the subject of this sketch. 4. Frederick E., who died in 1912.

Charles Eugene Thompson obtained his education in the district schools and attended Homer Academy. He spent four years as a clerk in the dry goods store of his uncle, S. E. Welch, and later was employed in the offices of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company at Elmira. He then served as bookkeeper for three years at the Elmira Reformatory, served as office manager of the Howe Ventilating Stove Company of Cortland, and was located in

New York City for ten years as bookkeeper for the Hammond Beef Company. Upon his return to Cortland he became interested in the insurance business and represented fifteen companies in Cortland County. He also engaged in the sale and management of farm property and for many years has been secretary-treasurer of the Patrons of Industry Fire Insurance Company. Mr. Thompson was elected supervisor in 1907 and served in that capacity for eight years. He was also chairman of the board of supervisors for seven years, and assumed his present duties as clerk of the election board in 1918. He has been fire commissioner for many years and during forty-three years has been an active member of the Cortland volunteer fire department, of which he has served as secretary, treasurer and chief. Since 1908 he has been president of Hitchcock Hose Company.

On January 19, 1888, Mr. Thompson was united in marriage with Miss Minnie E. Stanton, of Georgetown, New York, born October 26, 1864. She is a graduate of Cazenovia Seminary and Cortland Normal School, and for many years was a school teacher. She takes a prominent part in local club work and is past royal matron of Diana Court, Order of the Amaranth, and member of Order of Eastern Star. She also belongs to the 20th Century Club. Her parents were Albert C. and Susan (Brown) Stanton, natives of Georgetown. The former died in 1901 and the latter in 1907. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson have a daughter, Gladys E., born December 28, 1892. She is a graduate of Cortland High School and Cortland Normal School. After several years in the teaching profession she is now a clerk in her father's office.

Mr. Thompson has always been a Republican. He is a trustee of the First Congregational Church, and has the following lodge affiliations: Cortlandville Lodge, No. 470, F. and A. M., Past Master; Cortland Chapter, No. 194, R. A. M., Past High Priest; Council of Royal and Select Masters; Cortland Commandery, K. T., No. 50, Past Commander; Cortland Lodge of Perfection, Past Thrice Potent Master; Syracuse Consistory, 32nd degree; Mecca Temple; A. A. O. N. of Mystic Shrine, New York, life member; Keder Kahn Grotto, Syracuse; Cortland City Chapter, Order of Eastern Star; Diana Court, No. 54, Order of Amaranth, Organ-

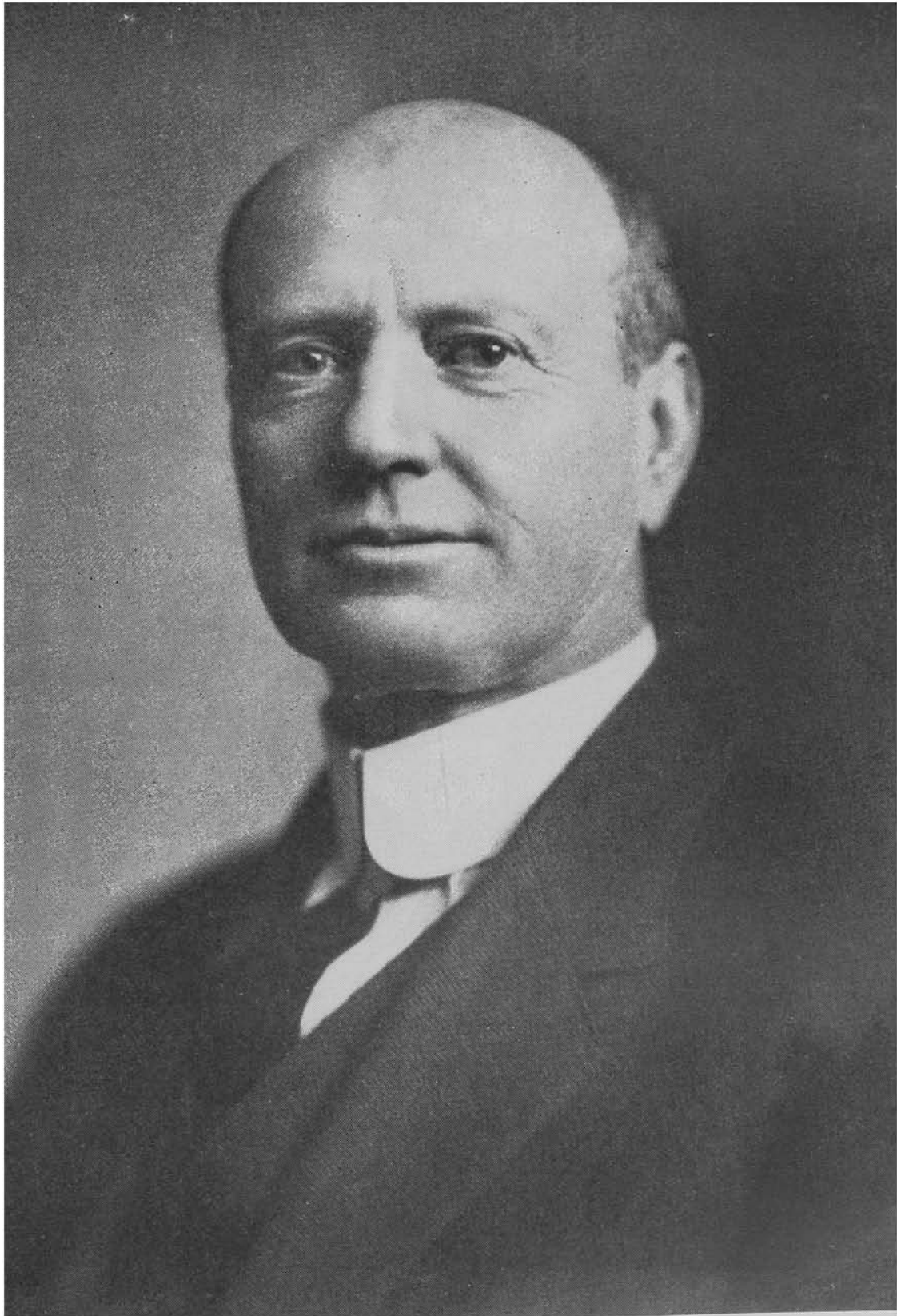
izer and Patron; Grand Patron of the State of New York during 1919-20; Supreme Royal Patron of the World during 1925; Knights of Pythias, membership since 1887, Past District Deputy, and now treasurer of Past Chancellors Association; B. P. O. Elks, and Y. M. C. A.

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**Hon. John Francis Crosby, M. D.**—A native of Seneca Falls, Dr. John Francis Crosby has successfully engaged in the general practice of medicine there for half a century, and as the result of his widely known skill and of his unusually long and wide experience he has built up one of the largest and most important medical practices in Central New York. He has also been very active in civic affairs, and is one of the best known and most influential citizens of Seneca County. Doctor Crosby was born November 4, 1858, the son of Thomas Jefferson and Mary J. Crosby.

Thomas Jefferson Crosby was born at Phelps, Ontario County, and his wife was a native of Burlington, Vermont. He was a brass moulder and followed that trade for many years in the employ of the Gould Pump Company of Seneca Falls. He was a Republican, a member of the Congregational Church, and belonged to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Both he and his wife are buried at Seneca Falls. Their children were: 1. Mary L., married B. F. Peck, both deceased. 2. Augustus, married B. F. Curtis, lives at Chicago, Illinois. 3. Arthur L., deceased. 4. John Francis, the subject of this sketch. 5. William E., deceased. 6. Lulu N., deceased.

John F. Crosby attended the public schools of Seneca Falls and Mynderse Academy. He took up the study of Medicine at the University of Vermont and was graduated in 1883 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He then established a private practice at Seneca Falls, where he has remained to the present time with the exception of one year, which was spent in Alaska as physician for a mining company. Doctor Crosby is a member of the staff of Seneca Falls Hospital and an associate on the staff of Geneva Hospital. He is identified with the Geneva Academy of Medicine,



HON. JOHN FRANCIS CROSBY, M. D.



Medical Society of the County of Seneca, New York State Medical Association, and is a Fellow of the American Medical Association, and the National Association of Anaethetists.

Doctor Crosby married (first) in 1888. His son, Dr. Paul T., is a graduate of the University of Syracuse, class of 1916, and in 1917 enlisted in the medical corps, U. S. Navy. He is still in the service and holds the rank of lieutenant commander, being stationed at San Pedro, California. He married Miss Dorothy Barnes, the daughter of Frank L. Barnes of Syracuse. Their son, John B., is a student at the U. S. Naval Academy. Dr. John F. Crosby married (second) in 1916 Miss Ethel Bowers, of Waterloo, New York, the daughter of John H. and Jennie M. (Tomlinson) Bowers, natives of Catskill and Lansingburg, New York, respectively. The former is deceased and the latter resides at Seneca Falls. Doctor and Mrs. Crosby had two children: 1. Eleanor Pauline, a student. 2. John F., deceased.

Doctor Crosby is a Republican and has taken a prominent and important part in local and state affairs. He served as treasurer of the Village of Seneca Falls, president (now mayor) of the Village Board, Trustee of the Village, chairman of the Board of Education, coroner of Seneca County, health officer for the town and village of Seneca Falls, physician of the town poor and assistant postmaster for eight years. In 1904 he was elected a member of the New York State Legislature.

Doctor Crosby is a member of the Congregational Church. His residence is at 25 State Street.

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**Alfred R. Ketchum**, who is a member of the firm of Ketchum & Maloy, of Clyde, is an active and progressive business man of Wayne County. He was born on a farm near Galen, November 11, 1881, the son of Albert L. and Sarah (Graham) Ketchum.

Albert L. Ketchum, deceased, was a member of a well known pioneer family of Wayne County. He was born at Galen, and for a number of years was interested in the undertaking and furniture business at Lyons, New York, and he later engaged in general

farming near Galen. Mr. Ketchum retired in 1919 and removed to Clyde, where he died in 1928. His wife died in 1905. Both are buried at Clyde. Their children were: 1. Ernest, lives at Clyde. 2. Alfred R., the subject of this sketch. 3. Leon, deceased. 4. Alexander, lives at Rochester. 5. Hollis, a World War veteran, who served with the United States Marine Corps. He lives at Rochester. Mr. Ketchum was a Republican and an elder of the Presbyterian Church.

After his graduation from the public schools of Clyde, Alfred R. Ketchum spent several years farming. In 1901 he became a clerk in the clothing store of R. R. Barnes, at Clyde, and six years later was connected with the Rochester-Syracuse Railway Company as a surveyor. He purchased an interest in the business of Burke & Maloy in 1910, and was also associated with the firm of Ketchum, Maloy & Drury, of North Rose, New York. They were dealers in grain and feed. At the present time Mr. Ketchum is identified only with the firm of Ketchum & Maloy. They handle coal, feed, fertilizer, seeds, and farm implements, and are exclusive agents for the Hart-Parr Tractor and Oliver Machinery lines.

In 1906 Mr. Ketchum married Miss Edra J. Roe, the daughter of George G. and Frances Roe, natives of Rose, Wayne County. Both are deceased. He was a harness manufacturer and served as postmaster of Clyde for twelve years. Mr. and Mrs. Ketchum have a son, George. He is a graduate of Clyde High School, 1928, Peddie Institute, 1931, and is now a student at Colgate University.

Mr. Ketchum is a Republican and has held the offices of mayor and village trustee. He is elder and trustee of the Presbyterian Church and belongs to Clyde Lodge, No. 341, F. and A. M.; Griswold Chapter, No. 201, R. A. M., and Zenobia Commandery, No. 41, K. T., Palmyra.

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**Clarence R. Andrews**, who is identified with the Citizens Bank of Penn Yan as chairman of the board of directors, is prominent in financial circles throughout Central New York. He was born in this city, February 18, 1886, the son of Hon. John T. and Villa (Raplee) Andrews.

Hon. John T. Andrews, deceased, was a leading lawyer of Penn Yan and also had extensive manufacturing interests. He was born in Reading, Schuyler County, March 9, 1842. He was educated in the Dundee and Watkins Academies, Alfred University, and Union College. In 1864 he enlisted in Company D of the 179th New York Volunteer Infantry. He served as second lieutenant, first lieutenant and brevet captain. After being mustered out of service, Mr. Andrews conducted a mercantile business in Dundee, Corning and in 1868 came to Penn Yan, where he began reading law with B. W. Franklin. He was admitted to the bar in 1870 at Rochester, New York. In 1873 he commenced the manufacture of paper on the outlet, in which business he was interested until his death September 5, 1916. He was one of the owners of the flour mill next to the Birkett Mills, which burned a few years ago. He had conducted a loan and real estate business for several years, having an office in the rear of Baldwin's Bank. In 1881 he was elected a member of the Assembly. He was appointed postmaster of Penn Yan in 1890, resigning that office after three years and four months of service.

Clarence R. Andrews attended Penn Yan High School, being a member of the class of 1904. In 1908 he was graduated from Cornell University with the degree of M. E. He immediately served an apprenticeship with the Bucyrus Manufacturing Company, of Milwaukee, well known manufacturers of dredges and steam shovels. Mr. Andrews later located in Penn Yan as a paper manufacturer and disposed of his interests in 1926. July, 1931 he was elected chairman of the Board of Directors of the Citizens Bank of Penn Yan. He is also a director of the Baldwin Bank.

In 1922 Mr. Andrews married Miss Ruth Carlton, of Rochester, New York. By a former marriage he has a daughter, Mary Andrews.

Mr. Andrews is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic and Elk lodges and Chi Psi Fraternity. He has been commodore of Keuka Yacht Club and is a member of the Central New York Yacht Racing Club and the Chi Psi Club of New York, and the Rochester Club, of Rochester, New York. Politically, he is a Republican.

Mr. Andrews is a trustee of Keuka College.



**Hugh H. Williams.**—Highly esteemed among the successful young business executives of Cortland is Hugh H. Williams, who is treasurer of the Cortland Trust Company. He was born at Arcade, Wyoming County, New York, November 3, 1897, the son of William M. and Florence (McIntyre) Williams.

William M. Williams resides at Erie, Pennsylvania, where he is identified with the Borden Milk Company. He was born in Cattaraugus County, New York, and spent his early life there. He was a farmer and later located at Warsaw, New York, as foreman of the Warsaw Salt Works, in which capacity he served for many years. Later, he went with Merrell & Soule Company, of Arcade, New York, now part of the organization of the Borden Milk Company. He is a Republican. Florence (McIntyre) Williams was born in Wyoming County, New York, and died in 1918. She is buried at Freedom. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Williams. 1. Edwin H., lives at Buffalo, New York. 2. Hugh H., the subject of this sketch. 3. Laura, married John Wells, lives at Erie, Pennsylvania.

Hugh H. Williams grew up on his father's farm near Freedom, New York, and attended the public schools of Little Valley. He took a business course at Salamanca, New York, and also took night courses of study at the American Institute of Banking, at Buffalo, New York. He had served as timekeeper for the Westinghouse, Church, Kerr & Company, at Salamanca, for one year, and then located in Buffalo, New York, as a clerk in the Peoples Bank of Buffalo. He remained with the latter institution for eight years and resigned as chief clerk, at which time he passed the New York State Bank Examiners' examination. During the following three years he was connected with the New York State Bank Examiners' offices at Syracuse, and in 1929 he came to Cortland as assistant to the president of the Cortland Trust Company. He assumed his present duties as treasurer of that bank in 1930. Mr. Williams is secretary of the Cortland County Bankers' Association.

On June 12, 1918, Mr. Williams was united in marriage with Miss Mabel Stratton, born at Little Valley, New York, August 27, 1896, the daughter of Albert L. and Bina (Winship) Stratton.

They are residents of Little Valley, and Mr. Stratton is a retired farmer. Mrs. Williams is a graduate of Salamanca Teachers Training School and for three years was a school teacher. To Mr. and Mrs. Williams have been born two children: 1. June Frances, born October 14, 1923. 2. Shirley Jean, born March 15, 1930.

Mr. Williams is a Republican, trustee of the Baptist Church, and is a director of the Chamber of Commerce, and member of the Exchange Club of Cortland. He is also affiliated with Cortlandville Lodge, No. 470, F. and A. M.; Cortland Chapter, R. A. M., No. 194, and Central City Consistory, A. A. S.

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**H. Kenyon Angell.**—Well known among the able young attorneys of Cortland and vicinity is H. Kenyon Angell, who has offices in the Newberry Building. He was born at South Otselic, Chenango County, July 22, 1906, the son of George B. and Leora (Kenyon) Angell.

George B. Angell was born at Cuyler, Cortland County, and attended the public schools there. As a young man he was interested in farming and later he conducted a general mercantile business at Cuyler and Oxford. He spent twenty-nine years as a merchant at South Otselic, New York, and died in 1918. His widow lives at South Otselic. Mr. Angell was a Democrat and served as supervisor of South Otselic for fifteen years. He was affiliated with Otselic Lodge, No. 659, and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. To Mr. and Mrs. Angell were born three children: 1. Catherine, lives at South Otselic, where she is a bookkeeper at the B. F. Gladding Fish Line Company. 2. H. Kenyon, the subject of this sketch. 3. Georgia, who died in 1930. By a former marriage, Mr. Angell had three other children: 1. Lynn. 2. Earl J. 3. F. B. All live at South Otselic and are identified with the B. F. Gladding Company.

The early education of H. Kenyon Angell was received in the public schools of South Otselic and in 1928 he received the degree of LL. B. at Syracuse University. After a year as clerk in the office of Cleveland J. Kenyon, at Tully, New York, Mr. Angell was

admitted to the bar in May, 1931. He immediately located at Cortland as an associate of J. T. Ryan, and when Mr. Ryan went to Albany, New York, in October of the same year, Mr. Angell established a private practice. He is a member of the Cortland County and New York State Bar Associations.

On February 23, 1929, Mr. Angell was united in marriage with Miss Martha Willson, a native of Colegrove, Pennsylvania, and a resident of New York City at the time of her marriage. She is a graduate of Syracuse University, class of 1928, and has taken graduate work at Columbia University and Smith College. Mrs. Angell is the daughter of Rev. W. J. and Wilhelmine (Putnam) Willson, of Oakfield, New York.

Mr. Angell is a Republican, and is affiliated with South Otselic Lodge, No. 659, F. and A. M., Loyal Order of Moose, B. P. O. Elks, No. 748, Cortland, and Delta Lambda fraternity.

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**James F. Dougherty** has successfully engaged in the practice of law at Cortland for many years, and is recognized as one of the city's most valued citizens. He was born at Solon, Cortland County, December 28, 1859, the son of Edward and Elizabeth (Lawn) Dougherty.

Edward Dougherty was a native of Ireland, as was his wife. At the age of thirty years he emigrated to the United States and located at Solon, New York, where he followed his trade as a mason. He died in May, 1885, and his wife died in December of the same year. He was a Democrat and held membership in St. Mary's Catholic Church, of Solon. To Mr. and Mrs. Dougherty were born three children: 1. John, who died in 1909. 2. Ellen J., who died January 10, 1928. 3. James F., the subject of this sketch.

James F. Dougherty attended the public schools of Solon and McGraw Academy. He also attended Cortland Normal School for two years and was a student for one year at Cazenovia Seminary. As a youth he was employed by Samuel G. Hathaway, of Solon. Later, he read law in the office of Judge Hiram Crandall, of Cortland, and also spent a year with the firm of Bounton & Champlin,

of Cortland. After his admission to the bar in 1884 Mr. Dougherty returned to the office of Samuel G. Hathaway, of Solon. He began the practice of law at Cortland in 1888 and in 1894 became a partner of Hon. Nathan L. Miller, the latter firm continuing from 1894 until 1903. In the latter year Mr. Miller was elected Judge of the Supreme Court of New York. He later was Judge of the Court of Appeals, and subsequently elected to the office of Governor of New York. Since 1903 Mr. Dougherty has practiced alone in Cortland. During 1903-6 he served as city judge, and was clerk of the board of supervisors from 1901 until 1906. He also was supervisor of Solon from 1882 until 1887. Mr. Dougherty was appointed by former Governor Alfred E. Smith as county representative on the New York State Tax Commission. He has always been a Democrat.

Mr. Dougherty is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, of Cortland, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus,, Grand Knight during 1887. He is an active member of the Cortland County and New York State Bar associations.

Mr. Dougherty is unmarried.

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**Edgar Grinnell.**—As the capable chief of police at Cortland since 1922, Edgar Grinnell has an extensive acquaintance throughout Cortland County and is highly esteemed. He was born at Summerhill, Cayuga County, New York, July 29, 1872, the son of John and Alice (Reynolds) Grinnell.

John Grinnell, who died in 1902, was a veteran of the Civil War. Both he and his wife were born in Cayuga County. She died in 1920. They are buried at Sodus. Mr. Grinnell was a farmer throughout his life. He served during the Civil War as a member of Captain Drummond's company, 111th New York Volunteer Infantry. He was a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church, and belonged to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Grand Army of the Republic. To Mr. and Mrs. Grinnell were born three sons: 1. Wesley, farmer, lives at Sodus.

2. Edgar, the subject of this sketch. 3. Volney, farmer, lives at Sodus.

Edgar Grinnell attended the public schools of Sherwood, New York. He spent eight years as a manufacturer of butter in Schoharie County, and was awarded numerous prizes at the New York State Dairymen's Exhibition for his superior products. After locating at Cortland, Mr. Grinnell was employed for eighteen years by Wickwire Brothers. He received the appointment of chief of police in 1922, after having served as police commissioner under Mayor Hoagland and Mayor Hollister for a total of six years. At the resignation of Chief of Police Bowker, in June, 1922, Mr. Grinnell received his present appointment. He has introduced the Bertillion and finger print system into the department, and at the present time is president of the New York State Chief of Police Association, and an active member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

On June 13, 1897, Mr. Grinnell married Miss Agnes Robinson, who was born at Sherwood, New York, December 24, 1874, the daughter of Alexander and Jennie (Lane) Robinson. The former died in 1919 and the latter in 1879. Mr. and Mrs. Grinnell have a son, Warren A., born September 13, 1899. He is a member of the Cortland police force and is a veteran of the World War.

Mr. Grinnell is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Westminster Club. He is also a member of the Cortland Volunteer Fire Department.

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**James A. Farrell.**—One of the prominent pioneer automobile dealers of Central New York is James A. Farrell, who has successfully engaged in business at Cortland since 1912. He has been local agent for the Buick Motor Car Company for many years. Mr. Farrell was born on a farm near Virgil, Cortland County, February 13, 1875, the son of Thomas and Mary (Fitzgerald) Farrell.

Thomas Farrell, deceased, was a farmer. He was born in Ire-

land and at the age of twenty years came to the United States and settled on a farm near Virgil in Cortland County. He spent the remainder of his life there and died in June, 1912. Mr. Farrell is buried at Cortland. His widow was also born in Ireland and resides at Cortland. He was a Democrat and a prominent member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, of Cortland. To Mr. and Mrs. Farrell the following children were born: 1. Thomas E., identified with the Brockway Motor Truck Company, lives at Cortland. 2. John G., lives retired at Cortland. 3. Mary, married Ira Dexter, lives at Cortland. 4. Catherine, married Thomas Cronin, lives at Binghamton, New York. 5. James A., the subject of this sketch. 6. Morris L., identified with the F. S. Smithers Company, bankers, of New York City. 7. William, vice-president of the Sarvay Shoe Company, Inc., of Cortland. 8. Frank C., who died in April, 1931.

The education of James A. Farrell was received in the public schools of Cortland. He became an apprentice machinist with the Cortland Foundry & Machine Company at the age of fourteen years, and remained with that concern for five years. He then went with E. B. Richardson, proprietor of a bicycle and sporting goods store, and after three years located with the Eclipse Machine Company, of Elmira, as a machinist. When the firm was absorbed by the business of E. B. Richardson, Mr. Farrell remained for a period of four months, after which he became associated with William Grady, of Cortland, for two years. When the E. B. Richardson Company formed the City Cycle & Automobile Company, Mr. Farrell returned to the company's employ for three years. At the expiration of that time the City Cycle & Automobile Company was sold to the Elmira Arms Company, and Mr. Farrell became manager of the former business. After two years the enterprise was sold to Fred J. Tyler, with whom Mr. Farrell remained for four years, and in October, 1912, he became interested in the automobile business at Cortland in partnership with a Mr. Letts, as a member of the firm of Letts & Farrell. They were local dealers and distributors of the Regal, Mitchell, Cole and King automobiles. In the fall of 1913 they reorganized their business as Buick dealers exclusively, and on February 5, 1914, Mr. Farrell assumed full control of the business. His up-to-date salesrooms and service station are located at 149 Main Street.

On June 4, 1902, Mr. Farrell was united in marriage with Miss Mary A. Couch, who was born in Ireland, February 8, 1875. Her parents were natives of Ireland and are both deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Farrell have no children.

Mr. Farrell is independent in politics. He and his wife are members of St. Mary's Catholic Church, and he belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Elks Lodge, Cortland Country Club, Cortland County Sportsman's Association, Rotary Club, of which he was vice-president in 1929, and member of Cortland Chamber of Commerce, of which he was president in 1931. He also is a member of the Empire State and National Automobile Dealers' associations.

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**Harold R. Beeston**, of Cortland, is widely known in musical circles throughout Central New York and is a veteran of the World War. He was born at Fort Edwards, Wisconsin, September 15, 1896, the son of R. Martin and Rose (Phippin) Beeston.

R. Martin Beeston is a native of Wisconsin, born at Spring Creek. His wife was born in Ontario, Canada. After his graduation from high school at Grand Rapids, he attended Northwestern Business College at Madison, Wisconsin. Until 1901 Mr. Beeston engaged in business at Grand Rapids, and in that year located at Racine, Wisconsin, where he conducted a grocery business until 1918. He has since lived in Cortland County, and operates a farm near Cortlandville. Mr. Beeston is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church, and belongs to the Cortland County Farm Bureau. Mr. and Mrs. Beeston's only child was Harold R., the subject of this sketch.

Harold R. Beeston attended the public schools of Racine, Wisconsin, and is a graduate of the Chicago Conservatory of Music. His initial public appearance was at the age of thirteen and for two years he sang in concerts, recitals, and as soprano soloist in some of the larger church choirs throughout Wisconsin and Illinois. At that time his instructor was Gordon Graham, of England. At the age of seventeen years he took up the study of music with Mrs. Jessie Waters-Northrope, of the Chicago Con-

servatory of Music. She later presented him as a baritone soloist in recitals, concerts, and sacred cantatas. Attracted by the popularity of the Chautauqua circuits, he went to Chicago to study under Louis O. Runner, and Ellen Kinsman Mann, well known Chautauqua program producers. He then readily secured a contract with the Swarthmore Chautauqua Association, and in this connection appeared in most of the states east of the Mississippi River. He enlisted for service in the World War, and as a soldier appeared in a concert tour of many military camps of the South. When a call came to army headquarters for entertainers to help raise funds for the Red Cross and War chests, Mr. Beeston was enthusiastically selected for this purpose. In connection with these fund raising campaigns he appeared in a concert tour of most of the larger cities of the South.

After receiving his discharge, Mr. Beeston entered the real estate business at Cortland, where he continued his interest in music and appeared locally in concert and church work. Since 1927 he has been identified with the Chrysler Sign Service, located at 6 Main Street. They do outdoor and commercial signs. This is the largest business of the kind in this section of the state.

Mr. Beeston has appeared frequently before the microphone and has presented regular radio programs. He has arranged a concert program of songs, many of which have ever been dear to the hearts of the American people. In order to fill a long felt need he has prepared a Lecture-Recital for use in public school assemblies. This is a most fascinating program, rich in musical history and charming in illustrative songs—a real joy to music teachers, and a real treat for the pupils. This Lecture-Recital depicts the growth of All American Folk Songs from the year 1759, when the first American song was composed, up to and including modern compositions.

Mr. Beeston has been unusually successful in making his program both instructive and entertaining, and it is being most heartily received by the educators and student personnel alike.

On September 8, 1920, Mr. Beeston married Miss Laura B. Garner, of Cuyler, Cortland County. She was born September 16, 1895, the daughter of Chauncey and Mary Agnes (Cardner)



Garner. Mr. Garner died in 1916 and his widow has since married L. H. Irish and lives at Homer, New York. Mrs. Beeston is a graduate of Homer Academy and Syracuse University, class of 1917. She was a teacher in Erieville (New York) High School for one year, and two years at Ellicottville. She holds membership in the Leisure Art Club of Homer.

Mr. Beeston is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church, and belongs to the Exchange Club and American Legion.

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**H. Mahlon Brown**, who is associated with A. B. Brown & Son, hardware, at Homer, is among the representative young business men of Cortland County. He was born at Cincinnatus, January 7, 1908, the son of Alfred B. and Minnie (Birdlebough) Brown.

Alfred B. Brown was born at Pharsalia, Chenango County, New York, April 15, 1881. He is a graduate of Cincinnatus Academy and for a short time taught school. In 1902 he entered the employ of D. J. Bolster & Company, of Cincinnatus, dealers in farm implements. Three years later he established a business of his own at Cincinnatus, and carried an extensive line of farm machinery, implements, wagons, carriages, harness, etc. The enterprise was conducted under his own name until January, 1911, at which time his brother, Ross B. Brown, became a partner, and the business was reorganized as Brown Brothers. After several years, however, Mr. Brown again conducted the business alone, and is still proprietor of his store at Cincinnatus. In August, 1929, he established a hardware business at Homer, in partnership with his son, H. Mahlon Brown, who is manager. Mr. Brown is a Democrat, has served as supervisor of Cincinnatus since 1910, and as chairman of the board for fourteen years. He has also been justice of the peace. He and his wife are members of the Congregational Church, and he is affiliated with Cincinnatus Lodge, No. 706, F. and A. M., Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Maccabees, Grange, and Patrons of Husbandry. To Mr. and Mrs. Brown were born five children: 1. Ruth Eloise, married Allen Palmer, lives at Cincinnatus. 2. H. Mahlon, the subject of this sketch. 3. Nellie

Elizabeth, a teacher at Georgetown, New York, High School. 4. Errol B., hardware merchant, lives at Cincinnatus. 5. Marjory Elaine, a student.

H. Mahlon Brown received his education in the public schools of Cincinnatus, and in 1928 was graduated from Cazenovia Seminary. At that time he entered his father's business at Cincinnatus, but after a short time went to Syracuse to attend the Central City Business College. In August, 1929, he returned to his former employment and during the same year came to Homer as manager of the branch store here. The building and stock were completely destroyed by fire in December, 1930. A modern store building was erected by the company immediately and opened for business June 20, 1931. The firm handles a complete line of hardware, building supplies, etc.

On October 14, 1929, Mr. Brown was united in marriage with Miss Marjorie Phalen, born at Marathon, New York, in July, 1909, the daughter of Richard and Alice (Stone) Phalen. They were natives of Cortland County and died in 1927 and 1928, respectively. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have a son, Alfred Richard, born May 28, 1932.

Mr. Brown is a Democrat, a member of the Congregational Church, and belongs to the Cincinnatus Lodge, No. 706, F. and A. M., Cortland Exchange Club, and Homer Chamber of Commerce. He also is a member of the Homer Volunteer Fire Department.

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**Donald G. Goddard.**—As editor and publisher of the Homer Post, Donald G. Goddard is recognized as one of the progressive young newspaper men of Central New York. He was born at Binghamton, New York, July 5, 1905, the son of Frank H. and Clara (Gay) Goddard.

Frank H. Goddard is a native of Truxton, Cortland County, and now resides at Cortland, where he is assistant treasurer of Wickwire Brothers. He spent several years in the employ of the Elmira, Corning & Northern Railroad Company at Elmira,

and later was associated with the firm of Gay & Goddard, at Binghamton, for eight years. He came to Cortland in 1908 as agent for the U. S. Express Company, later absorbed by the American Express Company, and was identified with the company for twelve years. He has since been connected with Wickwire Brothers. Mr. Goddard is a Democrat and holds membership in the Episcopal Church. His wife is a native of Apulia, Onondaga County. Mr. and Mrs. Goddard's only child is Donald G., the subject of this sketch.

After his graduation from Cortland High School, Donald G. Goddard attended Princeton University for two years. He then was identified with E. P. Dutton & Co., publishers, of New York City, and later with Charles Scribner & Son. He worked on the New York World as assistant night city editor for seven years, and in October, 1931, came to Homer as founder of the Homer Post, being associated with Grant H. Ames. They are also commercial printers.

On June 26, 1930, Mr. Goddard was united in marriage with Miss Adele Fournier Letcher, at Antwerp, Belgium. She was born at Senora, Georgia, June 27, 1908, and is a graduate of Wellesley College. She is the daughter of Merion and Marilyn (Ingram) Letcher. Mr. Letcher was born in Macon County, Alabama, and his wife is a native of Georgia. He was born September 4, 1872, the son of Francis Merion and Claudia Caroline (Clanton) Letcher. After his graduation from the University of Alabama in 1894, Merion Letcher engaged in teaching. He was president of Douglasville College in Georgia during 1900-01, superintendent of public schools at Conyers, Georgia, during 1901-03, and was employed at the Bureau of Education in Washington, D. C., from 1903 until 1909. Mr. Letcher then became American Consul in Mexico, where he remained until 1916. He served as Consul General at Christiania, now Oslo, Norway, from 1919 until 1920; consul general at Copenhagen, from 1920 until 1928; and November 2, 1928, went to Antwerp, Belgium, as consul general. He also was appointed foreign service officer July 1, 1924. During the Spanish-American War he served as first lieutenant of Company A, Fifth Volunteer Infantry, and was appointed Company Com-

mander to serve from September 5, 1898, until May 3, 1899. He holds membership in the District of Columbia Society, Sons of the American Revolution, University Club of Washington, American and Royal Golf Club, Aviation Club of Antwerp, American Club of Brussels, and Royal Yacht de Belgique. He is a Democrat and belongs to Sigma Nu fraternity.

Mr. and Mrs. Goddard have a daughter, Marilu Gay, born June 8, 1931.

Mr. Goddard is a Republican, a member of the Episcopal Church, and is secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

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**John Lawrence Travers**, who is vice president and assistant manager of the Crandall Packing Company, at Palmyra, is one of the substantial citizens of Wayne County. He was born at Weedsport, New York, June 21, 1874, the son of Lawrence Smith and Anna (Gage) Travers.

Lawrence Smith Travers was a native of Weedsport, born in 1851. For many years he engaged in the retail meat business at Palmyra. He retired in 1912 and died there in 1920. Mr. Travers was married in 1873 to Miss Anna Gage of Auburn, New York. She resides at Alameda, California.

John Lawrence Travers obtained his education in the public schools of Weedsport and Palmyra, his parents having located here in 1885. He spent three years as a clerk in a local grocery establishment and later went with the Crandall Packing Company. After a short time he became identified with the Garlock Packing Company, with whom he remained for a period of thirty years, being superintendent of the plant for twenty-five years. He resigned in 1924 to assume the duties of superintendent of the Crandall Packing Company which had been purchased by Olin J. Garlock. The latter had disposed of his interests in the Garlock Packing Company in 1923, and at that time taking over the Crandall Packing Company. In 1928 Mr. Travers became managing vice president of the concern.

On June 5, 1894, Mr. Travers was united in marriage with Miss Laura Arlo Harmon, the daughter of Daniel B. Harmon, of Pal-

myra. They have a daughter, Ruth Adelle, born June 9, 1895. She is a graduate of the public schools of Palmyra and is the wife of Harry Sheldon, farmer, of Weedsport. Laura A. (Harmon) Travers died July 2, 1930, and is buried in Palmyra Cemetery.

Mr. Travers is an independent Republican. He holds membership in the Baptist Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, thirty-second degree, being a member of Damascus Temple, at Rochester.

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**Albert Hine Hamilton.**—Having gained a position of prominence and responsibility in his chosen profession as chemist and microscopist examiner, Mr. Hamilton ranks among the most influential citizens of Auburn. He was born at Weedsport, Cayuga County, December 10, 1859, the son of James Theodore and Clarissa (Hine) Hamilton.

James Theodore Hamilton was born in Massachusetts and his wife was a native of Pompey Hill, Onondaga County, New York. With his parents, he had settled at Jamesville, New York, where he became a millwright. Later, he was associated with Cramer & Hamilton, millers and flour dealers, of Weedsport. He also owned and operated a farm. Mr. Hamilton was a Republican and served as supervisor. He held membership in the Presbyterian Church and Masonic Lodge. Both he and his wife are deceased and are buried at Weedsport. Their children were: 1. William, deceased. 2. Theodore, deceased, was a Civil War veteran, having served under General McDougal in the One Hundred and Eleventh New York Volunteer Infantry. 3. Frank, deceased. 4. Charles, deceased. 5. Mary, married William S. Bibbins, both deceased. 6. Arthur, deceased. 7. Albert Hine, the subject of this sketch.

James Theodore Hamilton was the son of George Washington and Mary Hamilton, natives of Massachusetts. He was one of the first settlers of Jamesville, New York, and built Hamilton Inn there, which he successfully operated for many years. It was an official stage coach stop between Buffalo and New York City via



ALBERT HINE HAMILTON



Albany. The old inn is still standing and is one of the interesting landmarks of that region.

After his graduation from Weedsport High School, Albert Hine Hamilton took special training at Albany, in preparation for a possible entry to the United States Naval Academy. He later was identified with the drug store of H. L. Burrill, Weedsport, and in 1885 was graduated from the College of Pharmacy, New York University, with the Ph. G. degree and was the first honor man of his class, receiving a gold medal and special anathical balance. While in college he also took special work in chemistry, pharmacy, physics, and microscopy. He matriculated at the New York and Bellevue Medical College, where he specialized in anatomy and autopsy investigations when death was due to violence. He specialized by a long set of test shooting experiments in the differentiation between murder and suicide. Upon the above subjects he specialized at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York City. He practiced pharmacy from 1887 until 1911 and also was chemist for the Auburn Board of Health. In his work as an expert chemist he is frequently called in legal proceedings, and has appeared in over 297 homicide cases, as well as hundreds of cases pertaining to forgery, arson, burglary, bomb assaults, etc. He has discovered by test shots into human bodies a system of identifying the "contact shot" in homicide cases. Mr. Hamilton has also originated a system of examination of exhibits in the case of circumstantial evidence, whereby the exhibits themselves reveal the positive truth in the case.

On February 1, 1888, Mr. Hamilton was united in marriage with Miss Jessie Eccles, daughter of Fish and Ellen (Smith) Eccles, natives of England and New York, respectively. Both are deceased and are buried at Auburn. To Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton were born four children: 1. Ruth, married William B. Dunning, lives at Auburn, and they have three children: William, Helen and Carol. 2. Helen, deceased. 3. Albert, deceased. 4. Robert A., a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this history.

The biography of Mr. Hamilton, as given above, appears in "Who's Who in America."



**Robert A. Hamilton.**—Among the capable young professional men of Auburn may be mentioned Robert A. Hamilton, who is associated with his father, Albert Hine Hamilton, handwriting examiner. He was born in this city, June 2, 1907, the son of Albert Hine and Jessie (Eccles) Hamilton.

The biography of Albert Hine Hamilton appears in this history.

Robert A. Hamilton attended the Auburn public schools, Manlius Military Academy, and Michigan State Technical School in Detroit. He has since taken graduate work in chemistry and since May, 1930, has been associated with his father, their laboratory and offices being located at 96 Genesee Street. During his rather brief professional career, young Mr. Hamilton has handled more than fifteen homicide cases.

On June 17, 1931, Mr. Hamilton was united in marriage with Miss Ethel Isabella Hudson, daughter of Charles W. and Laura (Francisco) Hudson. The former was born at Elbridge and the latter at Syracuse, New York. They are residents of Auburn.

Mr. Hamilton is a Republican, a member of the First Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Y. M. C. A., Huntington Literary Society, and Houston Club, being president of the latter organization during 1931.

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**The Garlock Packing Company** with home office and principal factories at Palmyra, New York, is one of the more important corporations in western New York. This concern like so many others in the United States is the outgrowth of small and modest beginnings.

The company, which is now the largest in the world devoted exclusively to the manufacture and sale of mechanical packings and immediately allied products for every known type of mechanical equipment, had its inception in the year of 1883. Mr. Olin J. Garlock, whose name the company carries, was at that time a young steam engineer working in Palmyra. He demonstrated the outstanding serviceability of a cut and fitted packing ring, for

use on the piston rod of a steam engine in his charge as against the makeshift provisions for this usage then commonly employed.

Further experimentation by young Garlock developed the fact that the packing ring could be improved by impregnation with a proper lubrication. He obtained a patent on the method of lubrication. Immediately thereafter in association with his father, the late Mr. John Garlock, known and beloved as Uncle John by all Palmyrans of his generation, he entered into business in a small way by introducing his product and soliciting orders personally in the central and western part of the state and then returning to his little shop for the purpose of making and shipping the rings.

The product met with great favor on the part of the engineering fraternity. To permit better introduction, greater facilities and a larger organization were needed. With this objective in view Mr. Garlock in 1885 admitted two partners into the business, Messrs. Eugene Nichols and George Crandall. Each of these two men invested \$300.00 for a third interest each in the concern. Two years later Mr. Crandall disposed of his holdings to the late Mr. Frederick W. Griffith and on September 9, 1887, Messrs. Garlock, Nichols and Griffith formed a copartnership under the name of The Garlock Packing Company to carry on the manufacture and sale of engine packings.

A small factory employing two or three men was established on the property at the rear of the site now occupied by the company's executive offices. Under the close personal attention of the three partners the business gradually grew from year to year. Salesmen were added to the staff one at a time. Extra equipment was placed in the factory and the number of employes was increased as the original Garlock products met with favor in a slowly widening market.

By 1896 Garlock packings, which by this time had been greatly augmented in number to meet all the various conditions then existing in power plant operation, were nationally known and used. In this year the partnership was broken by the untimely death on September 3, 1896, of Mr. Eugene Nichols. His widow, Mrs. Edna R. Nichols, continued in ownership with the surviving partners,

being personally represented in the active management of the concern successively by the late Frank Brown, the late James P. Ballou, who resigned to form The Dealers' Steam Packing Co., Mr. C. E. Platt and Mr. James H. L. Gallagher.

This arrangement continued for a period of several years when due to the continued growth and expansion of the business, it was decided to incorporate. A New York State charter was granted on March 27, 1905, the three partners accepting equal participation in the ownership of the corporation. The first officers of the reorganized company were: Olin J. Garlock, president; F. W. Griffith, vice president and treasurer; James H. L. Gallagher, secretary. These officers continued in charge of the business in their respective positions until 1921 when Mr. Garlock retired from active participation in the affairs of the company. He was succeeded on the directorate by his personal nominee, Mr. Ward K. Angevine, who became secretary of the company. Mr. Griffith took Mr. Garlock's place as president and Mr. Gallagher became vice president, to which office was added the responsibilities of general managership.

In November, 1921, Mrs. Edna R. Nichols died. Mr. J. H. L. Gallagher, the then vice-president of the company and now president of the Wayne County Trust Company at Palmyra, represented the estate of Mrs. Nichols in the affairs of the company until August, 1923, when he resigned to be succeeded by Mr. Geo. L. Abbott.

Upon the death of Mr. Griffith in July, 1928, Mr. Abbott, who was then vice president of the company was named president, Mr. Ward K. Angevine became vice president and secretary and Mr. Henry W. Griffith, representing the estate of his father became treasurer.

On April 1, 1929, an arrangement was consummated whereby the three owners, namely, Mr. Olin J. Garlock and the estates of Mrs. Nichols and Mr. Griffith, sold their entire interests in the company to a group of investment bankers. Immediately thereafter the officership of the company was revised to the following personnel, all of whom are actively in office at this time: George L. Abbott, president and treasurer; Phil Arnold, vice president in