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Robert H. Treman

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Robert H. Treman, one of the outstanding bankers of New York State and for years a director of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, is well known throughout this region as a pioneer in the Finger Lakes Parks movement. Two of the natural beauty spots in the region, Enfield Glen and Buttermilk Glen, were given to the State by Mr. and Mrs. Treman and he was largely instrumental in securing the land for another beautiful State Park at Taughannock. He has also been keenly interested in the development and beautification of the ravines and gorges of Fall Creek and Six Mile Creek Glens in Ithaca, two of the loveliest beauty spots in Central New York. Their development came about through the association of Mr. Treman and Colonel Henry W. Sackett, of New York, who spent approximately \$200,000 in the development of these gorges as a memorial gift to Cornell University.

Mr. Treman was born in Ithaca March 31, 1858, the son of Elias and Elizabeth (Lovejoy) Treman. He attended the Ithaca Academy and then graduated from Cornell University in 1878 as a mechanical engineer. While in college he was active in athletics, playing four years on the Cornell baseball team of which he was captain in his senior year. He also rowed on three class crews and played football.

He became associated with the business of Treman, King & Company, in September, 1878, which firm was founded in 1844 and is therefore one of the oldest hardware firms in up-state New

York. He was trained in the business and became a partner in 1881. Later he became president of the company and is now chairman of the board. His association with this business covers more than fifty years and during that time the firm developed from a small retail business into a large corporation.

The hardware men of the State recognized his standing and honored his preeminence by electing him president of the New York State Association of Hardware Jobbers for the years 1910-'11-'12-'13 and the hardware men of the country honored him a few years later by making him president of the National Hardware Association. He served in that capacity for the two years 1918-1919.

Early in his business career Mr. Treman became interested in banking. He was elected a director of the Tompkins County National Bank in January, 1891, and has served as a director ever since. He was president of this bank from 1901 to January, 1932, when he became chairman of the board. He also has been a director of the Ithaca Trust Company for many years and he became vice-president in December, 1930, and in January, 1932, was elected president. He is also a trustee of the Ithaca Savings Bank. For about ten years he was vice-president of that institution, retiring from that office but not as a trustee when he became president of the Ithaca Trust Company.

In 1913 Mr. Treman was elected a director of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York by the votes of group number two of New York State banking institutions which are members of the Federal Banking System. He retained this position until he resigned January 1, 1931. In the critical years, 1916-1919, the war years, Mr. Treman served as deputy governor of the bank and during the illness of the governor, Benjamin Strong, Mr. Treman was acting governor of the largest and most influential Federal Reserve Bank in the most critical time in American banking history. He is now serving in the Federal Advisory Council, an important board provided by the Federal Reserve Act, and its personnel consists of one banker selected by the Reserve banks in each district.

The New York State Bankers' Association recognized his standing in the financial world in 1912 by making him president for the year 1913-1914.

One of Mr. Treman's most pleasant and perhaps to him most precious associations is his long service as trustee of Cornell University. In 1891 he was elected by the alumni to the board and served as alumnus trustee for five years. He then was chosen by the full board of trustees to be a board member and is still serving in that capacity. In June, 1932, he completed his forty-first year of service as a trustee, the longest continuous record as a trustee in the history of Cornell University.

While a member of this board, Mr. Treman became associated with Col. Henry W. Sackett, a native of Ithaca, and a graduate of Cornell in the class of 1875, and a friendship grew which meant much for the beautification and development of Cascadilla and Fall Creek glens, on the north and south sides of the Cornell University campus. Mr. Treman is now serving as chairman of the Grounds Committee of the University.

As a citizen of Ithaca he has been actively interested in public affairs. He served the city as a member of the Creek, Drainage and Park Commission, 1907-09, was a member of the Board of Public Works in 1909, and served as president of the Ithaca Community Chest for two years.

If Mr. Treman's vocation is that of banker and merchant, his avocation is distinctly that of a public spirited citizen, especially in the field of making the beauties of nature available to all the people. Long before the State of New York had developed its park program, Mr. Treman had seen the possibilities of opening up the many beauty spots in the region he loves, to the enjoyment and appreciation of the general public.

In 1916, with Mrs. Treman, he purchased the upper portion of Enfield Glen, seven miles southeast of Ithaca, and for some years thereafter they continued to acquire various properties in the water shed of Enfield Creek covering the Glen for about two miles. Mr. and Mrs. Treman also purchased in 1916 the Buttermilk Falls property, located about a mile and a half south of Ithaca, and

portions of the Buttermilk Falls Glen. Both of these properties are now State Parks given to the State by Mr. and Mrs. Treman.

Mr. Treman began this particular excursion into the field of philanthropy by buying in December, 1915, with Mrs. Treman the Enfield Falls hotel property including a portion of the Enfield Glen. This purchase included approximately forty acres of land and was made with the idea of saving the property against commercial encroachment and to preserve its natural beauty. Subsequent purchases in the Enfield Glen brought more than 300 additional acres into the Enfield Falls Park property, together with water rights, an old mill, rights of way, entrances for highways and large holdings of beautiful forest to protect and preserve the water ways, etc.

Mr. and Mrs. Treman presented the Enfield Falls property to the State of New York for a State Park Reservation in May, 1920, on condition that all this land should be maintained as a park free to the public. The gift was accepted by the State promptly and the first Enfield Park Commission was created. Its membership consisted of Dr. Liberty Hyde Bailey, Mayor Edwin C. Stewart and Robert H. Treman, of Ithaca, Senator George Blauvelt, of New York, and W. E. Leffingwell, of Watkins. In October of that year Warren H. Manning, landscape architect, was employed to take charge of the landscape work and development of the Enfield Falls State Park.

Another beauty spot now included in the Finger Lakes State Parks is Buttermilk Falls State Park. In 1916 Mr. Treman with Mrs. Treman had purchased the Buttermilk Falls property located just south of Ithaca. This purchase had also included part of the Buttermilk Falls glen.

The original purchase consisted of a farm of about 130 acres of land, giving control of the Falls and water rights. Later, over a hundred additional acres of land and water rights were purchased by the Treman's and, in 1924, they gave the property to the State of New York for use as a State park.

Mr. Treman has also been actively interested in the beautification of the famous gorges in the City of Ithaca and in making them accessible to the public. Through his association with Col.

Henry W. Sackett he interested the latter in the possibility of the development of these gorges and before Colonel Sackett died he had spent about \$200,000 in the opening up of these two glens. In order to make the beautiful Cascadilla Gorge more available for public enjoyment, Mr. and Mrs. Treman in 1914 purchased a house and lot on Linn Street which had partially obstructed the view of the entrance to the gorge and removed the house so that the gorge would be more easily accessible and a better view of the Falls be made available. In 1915 the Cascadilla Company, of which Mr. Treman was president, turned over to Cornell University its property which included a portion of the Cascadilla Glen, creek bed, water power, etc., on condition that the University would maintain this property in good condition for the University community and nature lovers. The offer was accepted by the trustees of Cornell University and the property thus turned over became a part of the University Campus.

On the southeast side of the city of Ithaca is another glen almost equally as beautiful. The Treman's had long since acquired what is known as the Halsey Mill property in that ravine and, in August, 1918, turned this property, covering about a half mile or more of Six Mile Creek Glen, over to the city of Ithaca for park purposes. This park remains to be developed by the city.

In January, 1912, they had become interested in the proposal to have a Tompkins County Tuberculosis Hospital and gave to the county land and buildings on the south side of Taughannock Falls ravine known as the Meany property for that purpose. This property is now held by the county subject to a reservation that if it ceases to be used as a hospital its ownership shall revert to Tompkins County to be used for recreational purposes, otherwise to the donors. This property is on the south side of the famous Taughannock Falls State Park, the grandest park in the Finger Lakes region.

And in order to preserve another natural gem in Ithaca, the Treman's in 1926-27 purchased ninety-seven acres on the north side in and adjacent to Coy's Glen just west of Ithaca in order to prevent the glen from becoming commercialized.

Mr. Treman has been chairman of the Finger Lakes State Parks Commission since it was organized in 1924. He has been a member of the Genesee State Park Commission for several years and he is also a member of the Stewart Park Commission which has in charge the beautification and improvement of the city's large park area at the head of Cayuga Lake.

Mr. Treman is still actively interested in civic matters and all that pertain to the development and beautification of this region.

He is a member of Ithaca Country Club and the University Club of Ithaca and of the Cornell and University Clubs of New York City, Chi Phi and Quill and Dagger of Cornell.

In politics he is an independent Democrat. His religious affiliation is Presbyterian and he has served for about twenty years as an elder of the First Presbyterian Church of Ithaca.

Upon his retirement as director of the Federal Reserve Bank in New York his associates on the board of directors subscribed a permanent fund of \$21,500 to be given to Cornell University to be known as the Robert H. Treman Memorial Fund. The resolution announced that:

“As an enduring testimony to the unselfish, devoted and distinguished service in finance rendered to the nation at its financial capital during the critical period 1916-19 by Robert H. Treman, and with appreciation of the sterling character and attractive personality that have won for him our respect and esteem,

We, his recent associates in the Liberty Loan Committee of the Second Federal Reserve District, by our joint subscriptions hereby establish a permanent fund of \$21,500 to bear the name and to perpetuate the memory of Robert H. Treman at Cornell University, of which he is an alumnus, trustee and ardent well-wisher.

We give this fund to Cornell University with the understanding that Mr. Robert H. Treman shall have the privilege of designating the use to which the income from this fund shall be applied.

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| G. W. McGarrah | Benj. Strong | |

In February, 1932, the Hardware Merchants and Manufacturers Association of Philadelphia has for many years selected each year an individual connected with the hardware industry who in the judgment of its committee has by his activities and standing reflected credit upon the hardware industry, and in 1932 they selected Robert H. Treman of Ithaca, passed suitable resolutions and presented him with a gold medal, duly inscribed. The jury of award were: Charles W. Asbury, Fayette R. Plumb, S. Horace Disston.

On February 16, 1925, the Chamber of Commerce of Ithaca gave a testimonial dinner in honor of Mr. Treman. It was one of the most widely attended banquets ever held in Ithaca. Among the testimonial letters and telegrams read by the toastmaster, President Livingston Farrand of Cornell University, were messages of friendship and praise from Governor Alfred E. Smith, Owen D. Young, Chief Justice Frank H. Hiscock, George Foster Peabody, Benjamin Strong, Albert H. Wiggin, Paul M. Warburg, Murray D. Hulbert, Walter P. Cooke and other prominent men.

A richly embossed testimonial was presented Mr. Treman bearing the signatures of over 450 of his fellow citizens. The text was as follows:

“The Chamber of Commerce, in behalf of the citizens of Ithaca, hereby testifies to

ROBERT H. TREMAN

its esteem for his achievements in city, state and nation.

Born to a position of opportunity and responsibility in this community, he has extended his public services far beyond its borders without estrangement from his fellow townsmen. Active in civic, social and commercial enterprises, he has been especially devoted and generous to the cause of preserving to the people the natural beauties of his home land.

In grateful appreciation, his fellow citizens subscribe this Testimonial the sixteenth day of February in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-five.”

Harry G. Stutz.—As vice president, general manager and editor of the Ithaca Journal-News, Harry G. Stutz is prominent in the city and is also widely and favorably known in Central New York. He was born at Albany, New York, March 30, 1885, the son of George Frederick and Wilhelmina (Diedrich) Stutz.

George Frederick Stutz was a native of Washington, District of Columbia, and his wife was born at Alleghany, Pennsylvania. He was a minister of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and held various pastorates over a period of forty-seven years. Most of his career as a minister was spent in Albany, New York. Reverend Stutz died January 16, 1915, and his wife died July 18, 1931. To Reverend and Mrs. Stutz were born the following children: 1. Rose C., lives at Washington, District of Columbia. 2. Clara K., lives at Washington, District of Columbia. 3. Walter F., lives at Washington, District of Columbia. 4. Louis P., lives at Albany, New York. 5. Laura S. Rogalsky, lives at Ithaca. 6. Harry G., the subject of this sketch.

The early education of Harry G. Stutz was received in the public schools of Albany, and he entered Cornell University after his graduation from Albany High School. He received the degree of LL. B. in 1907 but although admitted to the bar during the same year, Mr. Stutz has never followed that profession. He has always been interested in the newspaper business. He served as reporter, city editor, telegraph editor, editorial writer, of the Ithaca News, and in 1915 became managing editor of the Ithaca Journal. He became managing editor of the Ithaca Journal-News in 1919, and has held his present offices as vice president, general manager and editor since 1927.

On April 22, 1908, Mr. Stutz was united in marriage with Miss Edith Swan, of Glens Falls, New York, the daughter of Stephen and Mary (Cashen) Swan, natives of New York. Mr. Swan died in January, 1914, and his wife died in July, 1906. To Mr. and Mrs. Stutz have been born three children: Frederick Harry, Peter Swan, and Mary Edith. All are students in the Ithaca public schools.

Mr. Stutz is a member and past president of the Ithaca Rotary Club. He has served two terms as president of the Ithaca Com-

munity Chest and three terms as general manager of the Ithaca Community Chest Campaign. He is a member of Delta Chi Fraternity and a director of the Tompkins County National Bank and the Cornell Daily Sun.

Franklin C. Cornell.—Numbered among the solid and responsible business men of Ithaca, Franklin C. Cornell holds a prominent place as chairman of the Board of Directors of the Ithaca Trust Company. He is also a trustee of the Ithaca Savings Bank. Mr. Cornell was born in this city, November 24, 1866, the son of Franklin C. and Susan D. (Pettigrove) Cornell.

Franklin C. Cornell, deceased, was a member of one of Ithaca's most prominent pioneer families. He was born here and educated in Ithaca Academy. Throughout his life he had extensive agricultural interests and was one of the large land holders of Tompkins County. In 1891 he was one of the founders of the Ithaca Trust Company, in association with Mynderse Van Cleef, and he held the office of president of the institution until the date of his death, January 22, 1907. His wife was born at Owego, Tioga County, and died in 1891. Both are buried in Lakeview Cemetery, Ithaca. Their children were: 1. Eunice, married Charles L. Taylor. 2. Ezra, who died in Ithaca in 1906. 3. Dorothy, unmarried. 4. Frederick, who died in infancy. 5. Franklin C., the subject of this sketch. All are residents of Ithaca. Mr. Cornell was a trustee of Cornell University and a trustee of the Ithaca Savings Bank. He was a Republican, held membership in the Episcopal Church, and Town and Gown Club.

Franklin C. Cornell grew up in Ithaca and obtained his early education in the public schools of Ithaca. He attended Cornell University. It was in 1900 that Mr. Cornell purchased the interests and business of the C. T. Stephens Coal Company, with which he has since been identified. For a number of years he was trustee and chairman of the finance committee of the Ithaca Savings Bank.

Early in 1900 Mr. Cornell was elected a director of the Ithaca Trust Company, later vice president and in 1931 he was elected president, and Chairman of the Board in 1932.

On June 2, 1906, Mr. Cornell was united in marriage with Miss Cordelia Hearne, who is a native of Ohio, born September 15, 1869. She moved to Sherman, Texas, with her parents when a child, later living at Dallas and Fort Worth, Texas. The daughter of James W. and Edith (Bristol) Hearne, the former a native of Kentucky and the latter of New York. Mr. Hearne was a successful and well known lumber dealer of Fort Worth, Texas, and died in 1922. His wife died in 1924. Both are buried at Dryden. He was a Republican and a member of the Episcopal Church. Mrs. Cornell is a graduate of the public schools of Fort Worth, Texas, and College of Fine Arts, University of Pennsylvania. She was a teacher of art and interior decorating at St. Mary's College, Dallas, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Cornell have two adopted daughters: 1. Edith A., married Stewart A. Cushman, lives at Chicago, and has a daughter. 2. Margaret A., unmarried, lives at home. Both daughters are graduates of National Cathedral School, at Washington, District of Columbia.

Mr. Cornell is a Republican in politics, and is a prominent member of the Episcopal Church.

Hon. Ezra Cornell, founder of Cornell University, was the paternal grandfather of the subject of this sketch. He was of Puritan stock and became Ithaca's most outstanding citizen. A biography of Ezra Cornell may be found in the general History of New York, Volume I.

Ernest David Button, who is president and general manager of the J. B. Lang Engine & Garage Company, of 117-133 East Green Street, is among Ithaca's best known and most successful business men. He was born at Schaghticoke, New York, March 10, 1878, the son of David Morgan and Eliza Jane (Baucus) Button.

David Morgan Button grew up and was educated at Fort Edward, New York. As a young man he was interested in the manufacture of paper, and was associated with the Wiley & Button Paper Company, at Schaghticoke, New York, until 1897. He then was one of the organizers of a farmers' produce and supply company, which was operated as the Empire Milling Company, and Mr. Button served as its president until the time of his death. He was a lifelong Republican and held membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Button were born the following children: 1. James Warren, deceased. 2. Minnie Elva, deceased, was the wife of Lorenzo Van Arnam. 3. Ernest David, the subject of this sketch. Two children died in infancy.

Ernest David Button is a graduate of the public schools of Schaghticoke, Troy Academy, and Cornell University. He received a degree as Civil Engineer at the latter institution in 1899, and immediately became identified with the Illinois Central Railroad Company, at Freeport, Illinois, as a civil engineer. Later, he was transferred to Albert Lea, Minnesota, where he spent one year as construction engineer in the building of a road between Lisle and Albert Lea, Minnesota. He then was sent to Effingham, Illinois, as resident civil engineer and in December, 1900, went to Memphis, Tennessee, as assistant engineer. On June 1, 1901, Mr. Button was transferred to Fulton, Kentucky, in the same capacity and after several months came to Ithaca with the firm of Lang & Button. The business was incorporated in 1907 with Mr. Button as president and general manager.

On December 27, 1899, Mr. Button was united in marriage with Miss Bessie Geraldine Lang, who was born at Ithaca, March 15, 1878, a graduate of Ithaca High School and the Ithaca Conservatory of Music, class of 1898. She is the daughter of John Barr and Frances (Patterson) Lang. Mr. Lang was born at Stockbridge, New York, in 1833 and died in 1908. His wife was a native of Connecticut and died in 1898. At the age of 12 years John B. Lang became a clerk in a general store at Great Barrington, Connecticut. He came to Ithaca in 1865 and formed a partnership with James Reynolds, whose foundry was then

located at the rear of the Rumsey, Blood & Schuyler Building on North Tioga Street. Under the firm name of Reynolds & Lang the business began operations in 1865 and removed to the present location in 1871. Later Mr. Lang became sole owner of the business and in 1901 he took Mr. Button as his partner in the enterprise, which was reorganized as Lang & Button. Mr. Lang was a trustee and served as treasurer of the First Baptist Church for many years and was a member of Fire Company No. 1. He was also a director of the Ithaca Conservatory of Music and treasurer of Eastlawn Cemetery Association. He was the sixth mayor of the city of Ithaca, having succeeded LeRoy G. Todd in 1898. Politically, he was always a Republican.

To Ernest David and Bessie Geraldine (Lang) Button were born three children: 1. John Lang, born October 22, 1900, is vice president of the J. B. Lang Engine & Garage Company. He is a graduate of Ithaca High School and attended Cornell University. He married Miss LaMarr Hanson, of Dubois, Pennsylvania, and they have two children: Janet LaMarr and John Lang Button, Jr. 2. Ernest David, Jr., born July 12, 1904, is engaged in the advertising business in New York City. He is a graduate of Ithaca High School and Hamilton College, class of 1926. He married Miss Helen Mann, of New York City, and they have a daughter, Margaret Elizabeth. 3. Margaret Elizabeth, born September 21, 1911. She is a graduate of Ithaca High School and attended Goucher College at Baltimore, Maryland, for two years. She is now a student at Cornell University.

Politically, Mr. Button is a Republican, and has served for more than twenty years as fire commissioner of the city of Ithaca. He is an active member of the First Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with Hobasco Lodge No. 716, F. & A. M., Masonic Club, Cornell Club of Ithaca, Director of the Ithaca Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce, of which he is past president, and Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. He is serving his second term as president of the Finger Lakes Association, and is a former vice president and trustee of Eastlawn Cemetery Association. Mr. Button is an associate member of Louis Agassiz Fuertes Council, Boy

Scouts of America. From 1921 to 1922 he was Council President and in 1923 he was National Representative of this Council.

Mr. Button lives with his family at 449 North Aurora Street, Ithaca, and they have an attractive summer home, "Sycamore", on Lake Cayuga.

G. Louis Cook.—Prominently identified with the financial interests of Ithaca and Tompkins County is G. Louis Cook, who is vice president and treasurer of the Ithaca Savings Bank. He was born at Susquehanna, Pennsylvania, September 15, 1877, the son of Reverend Orrin W. and Kate E. (Chamberlain) Cook.

Reverend Orrin W. Cook was born in Delaware County, Pennsylvania, and now lives retired at Interlaken, New York. He lived on a farm during his boyhood and attended the district schools. As a young man he was interested in the mercantile business at Susquehanna, Pennsylvania, and he subsequently entered the Crozer Theological Seminary, at Chester, Pennsylvania, from which he was graduated in 1889. He then received his first pastorate in the Baptist Church at Union, New York. His charges were: Ithaca Tabernacle at Ithaca from 1890 until 1898; pastor at Van Etten, New York, from 1898 until 1900; pastor at Blodgett Mills, New York, from 1900 until 1902; pastor at Truxton, New York, from 1902 until 1903; pastor at Jermyn, Pennsylvania, from 1903 until 1907; pastor at Wyoming, Pennsylvania, from 1907 until 1913; and pastor at Mecklenburg, New York, from 1913 until his retirement. Reverend Orrin W. Cook is a Republican. His wife died in 1895 and is buried at Susquehanna, Pennsylvania. To Reverend and Mrs. Orrin W. Cook only one child was born, G. Louis, the subject of this sketch.

G. Louis Cook attended the public schools, being a graduate of Ithaca High School in 1895. His entire banking career has been spent in the Ithaca Savings Bank. He began as assistant bookkeeper in November, 1896, and in 1913 became treasurer. After serving for 17 years in various capacities he became vice

president also and is recognized as one of the most able executives of the institution.

On September 26, 1898, Mr. Cook was united in marriage with Miss Eva L. Smith, of Ithaca, born June 15, 1879, the daughter of Henry and Sarah J. (Jackson) Smith. Mr. Smith, who was born in Tompkins County, was a farmer throughout his life and served during the Civil War as a member of the 137th New York Volunteer Infantry. He was a Democrat and a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. His wife was also a native of Tompkins County, born at Danby. Both are deceased and are buried in Ithaca. Mr. and Mrs. Cook have an only son, Louis E., born at Ithaca, December 2, 1901. He is a graduate of Ithaca High School and attended Cornell University for two years. He is identified with the Ithaca Savings Bank as teller. He married Miss Mary MacDonald, of Hartford, Connecticut, and they are the parents of a daughter, Barbara Ann, born October 26, 1931.

Since 1921 Mr. Cook has served as a member of the Ithaca Board of Education and he was elected president of the board in November, 1931. Politically, Mr. Cook is a Democrat. He is treasurer of the Rotary Club, director of the Chamber of Commerce, vice president of the Ithaca Mechanics Society, and president and treasurer of Lake View Cemetery Association. He is an active member of the Baptist Church, of which he is treasurer and trustee.

Mr. Cook and his family reside at 112 West Marshall Street, Ithaca, and also have an attractive summer home at "Maplewood", on Lake Cayuga.

Lewis E. Dofflemyer.—A substantial citizen of Ithaca is Lewis E. Dofflemyer, who is serving as city assessor and building commissioner. He was born at Kansas City, Missouri, April 1, 1867, the son of Daniel and Virginia (Ellington) Dofflemyer.

Daniel Dofflemyer was born at Harpers Ferry, Virginia. After completing his early schooling he attended a Methodist Ministry

Preparatory School at Harpers Ferry, and as a young man went to Westport Landing, Missouri, now Kansas City, and was one of the pioneer settlers. He preached to the Indians at Shawnee Mission, Kansas, for more than 20 years, and also was interested in a general mercantile business. He was one of two white men to organize a Masonic Lodge at Wyandot, Kansas, about 1870, the balance of the membership being composed of Indians. Reverend Dofflemyer died in 1887 and is buried at Kansas City, Missouri. He was a Democrat and also belonged to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His wife was born in Greenup County, Kentucky, and died in 1890. Their children were: 1. John T., retired, lives at Warrensburg, Missouri. 2. Alice E., who died in 1930, was the wife of W. A. Lynn, of Liberty, Missouri. 3. Thomas J., who died at Los Angeles, California, in 1931. 4. Lewis E., the subject of this sketch. 5. Virginia L., married L. D. Neill, lives at Ithaca. 6. Charles E., lives at Brawley, California.

Lewis E. Dofflemyer is a graduate of the Kansas City public schools and in 1891 received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Architecture at Cornell University. He spent two years as a draftsman in the offices of Knox & Guinotte, architects, of Kansas City. Upon his return to Ithaca he conducted a drug business at 214 East State Street, in partnership with his brother-in-law, DeForest F. Christiance, the business being known as the Platt Drug Company. Mr. Dofflemyer retired from the firm in 1899 and during the following twenty-six years served as secretary of the Jamieson-McKinney Company of Ithaca. During 1925-28 he was interested in the real estate business at Cocoanut Grove, Florida, and in the latter year was appointed by Mayor Fred B. Howe as city assessor and building commissioner.

On October 25, 1892, Mr. Dofflemyer married Miss Alice M. Christiance of Ithaca, New York. She was born January 7, 1869, the daughter of George and Mary E. (DeBell) Christiance. Mr. Christiance died in 1924 and his wife died in 1928. They are buried in Lakeview Cemetery, Ithaca. He was the founder of the city's leading retail shoe business and was associated with his brother, Ralph Christiance. The business was located

on East State Street. Mr. Christiance was a Democrat and held membership in the Methodist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Dofflemyer have no children.

Mr. Dofflemyer is a prominent member of the Congregational Church in Ithaca and is affiliated with Hobosco Lodge, No. 716, F. and A. M.; Eagle Chapter, No. 51, R. A. M.; Lodge of Perfection, 14th degree; St. Augustine Commandery, No. 38, K. T., and is present advisor of Cayuga Chapter of DeMolay. He also belongs to the Cornell Club. Politically Mr. Dofflemyer is a Republican.

Hon. James Richards Robinson.—One of the most prominent figures in public affairs in Central New York is James Richards Robinson, attorney, who has served as a member of the New York State Legislature continuously since 1923, and he is also associated in the practice of law with Judge Edwin S. Banks at Ithaca. He was born at Elmira, Chemung County, New York, June 27, 1885, the son of Rev. James Richard and Mary Lydia (Forbes) Robinson.

Rev. James Richards Robinson was born at Richland, Oswego County, New York, June 10, 1846. He received his early education in Mexico (New York) Academy and attended Falley Seminary at Fulton, New York. He was graduated from Hamilton College in 1871 and received a degree also at Auburn Theological Seminary in 1885. From 1871 until 1881 he was teacher and principal of Southold Academy, at Southold, New York, and after his graduation from the Auburn Theological Seminary he located at Elmira in 1885, where he was pastor of McGee Chapel until 1888. He spent the following four years as pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Southport and from 1892 until 1896 was pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Painted Post, New York. He served for four years as pastor at Knoxville, Pennsylvania, and in 1900 came to Ithaca to educate his children. Rev. James R. Robinson died in 1914 and is buried in Eastlawn Cemetery, Ithaca. His widow was born at Ellisburg, New York, September 20, 1846,



HON. JAMES RICHARDS ROBINSON

and lives at Baldwinsville, New York. Rev. James R. Robinson was a Democrat, and was affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. To Rev. and Mrs. James R. Robinson were born eleven children, as follows: 1. Jay Forbes, retired minister of the Presbyterian Church, lives at Red Creek, New York. 2. Elizabeth Forbes, died in 1914, was the wife of Walter A. Smith, of Woodhull, New York. 3. Mary H., married Henry Lechtercker, lives at Rockville Center, New York. 4. Dr. John Alden, who died in 1907. 5. Edward N., who died in infancy. 6. Ruth Richards, married Rev. H. B. Reddick, lives at Baldwinsville, New York. 7. Ralph, M. D., lives at Cleveland, Ohio. 8. Dean G., who died in 1903. 9. Edward Weeks, minister of the Congregational Church at Baldwinsville. 10. James Richards, lives at Ithaca. 11. J. Theodore, a public accountant, lives at Buffalo, New York.

James Richards Robinson acquired his early education in the public schools of Ithaca, and was graduated from Ithaca High School in 1905. He then entered Cornell University, from which he received the degree of LL. B. in 1910, being admitted to the bar in the same year. He immediately established his practice in Ithaca with Judge S. Edwin Banks. Mr. Robinson served for three terms as supervisor of Tompkins County and for twenty-one years has been a member of the Republican County Committee, two years of which he was secretary. During his career in the Legislature he has been a member of the committees on Ways and Means, Codes, and chairman of the Committee on Labor and Industries, and the joint committee on Banking Legislature. He has also been a member of the State Commission on Prison Administration. He was a member of the joint legislative committee on state reorganization, and during the 1932 session of the Legislature he secured the passage of legislation amending the Bauman Laws. Mr. Robinson was also instrumental in the establishment of the College of Home Economics at Cornell University.

In July, 1906, Mr. Robinson was united in marriage with Miss Elsie L. Williams, who was born at Ithaca, September 12, 1886, the daughter of George R. and Ellen (Boardman) Williams, natives of Ithaca. Mr. Williams, president of the First National

Bank of Ithaca, died in 1906 and his widow lives at Ithaca. She is the daughter of the late Judge Douglas Boardman, of Ithaca. To Mr. and Mrs. Robinson were born the following children: 1. Ruth, married Jason Seabury Pettingill, in 1932. She is a graduate of Goucher College, Baltimore, Maryland, class of 1928, and was engaged in social welfare work in New York City for four years. Now resides in Los Angeles, California. 2. Robert W., attended Cornell University and Hamilton College. He is now connected with the Chase National Bank, New York City. 3. Elsie Louise, attends Cornell University. 4. John Alden, attends Ithaca High School. 5. Emily Boardman, attends Ithaca High School. 6. Janet Mary, attends Ithaca High School. 7. James Richards, Jr., attends junior high school.

Mr. Robinson is a Republican, a member of the First Presbyterian Church, and has the following lodge and club affiliations: Fidelity Lodge, No. 51, F. and A. M., Past Master; Eagle Chapter, No. 58, R. A. M.; St. Augustine Commandery, No. 38, K. T., Past Commander; Ithaca Lodge of Perfection, Past Master; Past District Deputy Grand Master of the Cayuga-Tompkins Masonic District Otsego Consistory, 32nd degree; Kalurah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; B. P. O. Elks, No. 636; Independent Order of Odd Fellows, No. 71; Ithaca Country Club; Tompkins County Fish and Game Club; Cornell Club of Ithaca; Rotary Club; Chamber of Commerce; and Y. M. C. A., of which he is chairman of the Board of Trustees. He was treasurer of the Tompkins County War Chest Association during the World War and also treasurer of the county Liberty Loan committee during the second, third, fourth and fifth drives. Mr. Robinson was a former trustee of Ithaca City Hospital, director and treasurer of the Ithaca Masonic Corporation; trustee of the Social Service League; and member of the Tompkins County and New York State Bar associations.

Mr. Robinson is a director of the Ithaca Realty Company, director of the Lang Engine & Garage Company and director of the First National Bank of Ithaca. In 1908 Mr. Robinson joined the Ithaca Volunteer Fire Department, Tornado Hook and Ladder

Company No. 3, and from 1914 to 1922 he served as First Assistant Chief of the Ithaca Fire Department, and is still a member of the department.

George Schuyler Tarbell.—Representative of the prominent and influential men of Ithaca is George Schuyler Tarbell, who has engaged in the practice of law in this city continuously since 1894. He was born at Groton, Tompkins County, July 15, 1868, the son of Doctor and Mary L. (Conant) Tarbell.

Major Doctor Tarbell, named Doctor because he was the seventh son of a seventh son, was a veteran of the Civil War. When the Civil War broke out in 1861, while attending Ithaca High School, he promptly volunteered as a private in Company A, Thirty-second Regiment, New York Volunteer Infantry, the first military organization to leave Tompkins County. Later, as a first lieutenant he successfully led a volunteer "forlorn hope" of 100 men across the Chickahominy River to drive back the rebel sharp shooters in front of Richmond, Virginia. For this he was promoted to captain and became staff officer under Generals Newton, Russell, and Whipple. At the Battle of Gettysburg he served on General Sickles staff, and a year later while carrying messages was captured by Mosby's gorillas and taken prisoner. Early in 1865 he was exchanged and became a member of General Sheridan's staff and was promoted to the rank of major. After the close of the war he attended Cornell University, being a member of its first entering class in 1868. He served for two terms as county clerk; then for many years was agent of the Remington Typewriter Company, and later became general agent for the Equitable Life Assurance Company until the time of his death in 1895. He was a Republican, a member of the Baptist Church and belonged to the Masonic Lodge and Grand Army of the Republic.

Mary L. (Conant) Tarbell, deceased, was a native of Massachusetts and a direct lineal descendant of Roger Conant who came to Cape Ann in 1623 and was Governor of the Cape Ann

Station, and later founded Salem, Massachusetts, and upon her mother's side descended from Captain Henry King, an American Revolution officer.

To Mr. and Mrs. D. Tarbell were born three children: 1. George Schuyler, the subject of this sketch. 2. Clarence D., who lives at Ithaca. 3. Bertha M., married Benjamin S. Hubbell, lives at Cleveland, Ohio.

George Schuyler Tarbell is a graduate of Ithaca High School and received the degrees of Ph. B. and LL. B. at Cornell University in 1891 and 1894 respectively. During his undergraduate days he took a prominent part in campus affairs, being one of the organizers and a director of the League of University Republican Clubs, vice commodore of the C. U. Navy during 1889-90, and senior major of C. U. Regiment in 1890-91. He was a member of the "Tug-of-War" team at Cornell and still holds the world's record for rope climbing hand over hand.

Upon his admission to the Bar in 1894, Mr. Tarbell established his practice in the City of Ithaca; and since 1896 has maintained offices in the Ithaca Trust Company Building, being the building's earliest tenant. He served as U. S. Referee in Bankruptcy from 1898 until 1924, in the district including Tompkins, Tioga and Cortland counties. He also was city attorney of Ithaca from 1901 to 1903, and was treasurer of the Ithaca Industrial Commission throughout its entire existence, and as such was active in securing for Ithaca the present flying field and Stewart Park. He has extensive real estate interests and is chairman of the Ithaca city planning commission (1930-33), member of the Stewart Park Commission, president of the Cayuga Lake Cottage Owners' Association, member of Taughannock Boulevard Committee, member of the Board of Directors of the Finger Lakes Association, Director of Ithaca Masonic Club, Chairman of the Highway Committee and active on the Civic Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, and served as police commissioner from 1919 until 1924. Mr. Tarbell also has been treasurer of the Cornell University Alumni Association, president and graduate director of the Cornell University Daily Sun, Inc., from 1905 until 1916,

director of Roger Conant Association and president of the Cornell Delta Phi Association from 1900 to 1933.

On June 15, 1893, Mr. Tarbell married Miss Grace Louise Jones, of Owego, the daughter of John and Emma Eagle (Cooper) Jones, of Owego, New York. Mrs. Tarbell is a graduate of Owego Academy and attended Wellesley College. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Tarbell: 1. Dorothy, a graduate of Cornell University, class of 1916, who also attended Sweetbrier College. She married Ernest E. Jenks, and lives at Great Neck, Long Island. They have three children: Geraldine W., James M. and G. Schuyler Tarbell Jenks. 2. Louise, a graduate of Cathedral School, Washington, District of Columbia, and Cornell University, class of 1921. She married Major Ralph Hospital, U. S. Army. They have a daughter, Louise. 3. George Schuyler, Jr., assistant U. S. attorney, sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this history.

George Schuyler Tarbell originally organized and led the annual clean-up in Ithaca until it became an institution. During the World War Mr. Tarbell was active as a four-minute man in Liberty Loan and patriotic drives. As Police Commissioner after the World War he reorganized, reequipped and made more efficient the Ithaca Police Department.

For many years he has been active in moves for purer city water, cleaner Cayuga Lake, stabilization of lake level, and has materially aided in the promotion of farsighted plans for city improvement, both material and artistic, including acquiring of added park lands, vistas, overlooks, and parkways in and about Ithaca.

He has always been a Republican, and was secretary of its county committee for fifteen years.

His lodge and club affiliations are: Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, Knights Templar; B. P. O. E.; Rotary Club; Chamber of Commerce; formerly Commodore of the Ithaca Motor Boat Club, and President of the Ithaca Automobile Club; and member of the Tompkins County, New York State, and American Bar associations.

Mr. Tarbell and his family are members of the Presbyterian Church. They live at 110 North Geneva Street, Ithaca, and also have a summer home at Engleside, on Lake Cayuga.

George Schuyler Tarbell, Jr.—Among the younger generation of prominent lawyers in Central New York is George Schuyler Tarbell, Jr., who is assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, with offices in New York City. He was born at Ithaca, January 6, 1905, the son of George Schuyler and Grace Louise (Jones) Tarbell.

A complete sketch of George Schuyler Tarbell, Sr., is found elsewhere in this history.

G. S. Tarbell, Jr., acquired his early education in the public schools of Ithaca. As a boy scout he was active, and during the World War won the distinction of selling more War Savings Stamps than any other boy scout in the United States, for which he received high praise from President Woodrow Wilson. He received a New York State scholarship at Cornell University, from which he took the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1926. While a student at Cornell he was inter-college crew manager, assistant leader and leader of the Cornell Glee Club for three years, and served on various student committees, also being a member of Delta Phi fraternity, Red Key, and senior honorary society of Quill and Dagger.

He received his legal education at Yale University Law School, taking the degree of LL. B. in 1929. He was a member of the Yale Law Journal Board, and served as one of its managers; and while an undergraduate student for two years was a member of the staff of the New Haven Municipal Legal Aid Bureau, which, with the approval of Bench and Bar and Law faculty, furnishes free legal advice to the poor of New Haven. He also was a member of Phi Delta Phi Legal fraternity and of Corby Court at Yale.

In college and since Mr. Tarbell has enjoyed an enviable record as a fast and long distance swimmer.

Mr. Tarbell was admitted to the Bar in 1929.

Six months before graduation he engaged to become associated upon graduation with the law firm of Chadbourne, Hunt, Jaeckel & Brown, 165 Broadway, New York City, with whom he remained eighteen months until he was appointed June 1, 1931, assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, at which post he is actively practicing law.

Mr. Tarbell is a member of the New York County Lawyers, New York State Bar Association, and American Bar Association; also holds membership in the Presbyterian Church Association, St. Bartholomew's Club, and is an active member of Squadron A, One Hundred and First Cavalry, New York National Guard.

Hon. Fred B. Howe, D. D. S.—Highly successful in his chosen profession in the City of Ithaca for more than forty years, Dr. Fred B. Howe, dental surgeon, and president of the Dental Society of the State of New York, is also one of the leading citizens of Tompkins County. He was born at Dryden, Tompkins County, August 4, 1869, the son of Dr. Freeman S. and Caroline Amanda (Baker) Howe.

Dr. Freeman S. Howe, deceased, was prominent in Central New York for many years as a Doctor of Dental Surgery. He was born at Dryden, attended the Academy there, and as a young man studied dentistry. He followed his profession at Dryden from 1856 until 1872, was then located in practice at Ithaca until 1892, and in the latter year resumed his well established practice at Dryden. He died there in 1912. His wife, also born at Dryden, died in 1925. Both are buried there. Doctor Howe was a prominent member of the Aurora Street Methodist Church for many years and a member of its choir, being widely known as a fine singer. He also was leader of the Fiftieth Regimental Band of Ithaca and was a cornet player. He was a Republican in politics and was affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and Knights of Pythias. He was also a member of the Sixth District Dental Society of New York. To Freeman S. and Caroline Amanda (Baker) Howe were born two children: 1. Dr.

John B., mention of whom is made below. 2. Fred B., the subject of this sketch.

John B. Howe was born at Dryden, New York, August 15, 1863, and died at Ithaca May 15, 1930. He is buried in this city. He was educated in the public schools of Ithaca and received the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery at the University of Pennsylvania in 1887. He then became associated in practice with his father in Ithaca and when the latter returned to Dryden in 1892, Dr. John B. and Dr. Fred B. Howe carried on the extensive practice together. They continued as professional partners until the death of Dr. John B. Howe in 1930. He had been president of the Sixth District New York State Dental Society, and was a member of the Tompkins County Dental Association. He was also a charter member of the Rotary Club, and held membership in the Town & Gown Club, Ithaca Country Club, Masonic Lodge and Shrine, Volunteer Protective Police and Fire Departments No. 3, and served on the City Zoning Board. He was a life long Republican. Doctor Howe possessed a fine tenor voice and was active in many local glee and choral clubs, also being a member of the Cornell Savage Club. He married on October 25, 1888, Miss Fannie Wood, of Warwick, New York, who survives him. Their children are: 1. Carl, D. D. S., who is associated in practice with his uncle in Ithaca. 2. Mrs. Herbert Putnam, who lives at Cleveland, Ohio.

Fred B. Howe grew up in Ithaca and is a graduate of the public schools in this city. He received the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery at the University of Pennsylvania in 1891, and in the following year became associated in practice with his brother, as mentioned above. Since the death of his brother Dr. John B. Howe in 1930, Drs. Cross, Crowley and Carl Howe have been associated with Dr. Fred B. Howe. The firm has gained a State wide reputation and has established an excellent clientele. They have offices in the Ithaca Savings Bank Building.

On November 13, 1891, Doctor Howe was united in marriage with Miss Mabel E. George, born in Redwood, Jefferson County, New York, the daughter of Japhus and Martha George, both deceased. To them has been born a daughter, Gertrude Nola,

born in 1895. She is a graduate of Ithaca High School, Lady Jane Grey's School, at Binghamton, New York, and the Eastman Dental Dispensary, at Rochester. She is now dental hygienist in the office of her father.

Politically, Doctor Howe has always been a Republican. He held the office of mayor of Ithaca from 1926 until 1929, a two term office, and under Mayor Horton was fire commissioner during 1908 and police commissioner during 1924-25 under Mayor Sowdon. He is a member of the B. P. O. Elks, No. 636, being one of the founders of the local lodge and Exalted Ruler in 1900; Hobasco Lodge No. 716, F. & A. M.; Past President of the Ithaca Rotary Club; Ithaca Country Club; director of the Chamber of Commerce; and member of the Sixth District Dental Society, he is president of the Dental Society of the State of New York, and member of the American Dental Association. He is a director of the Reconstruction Home of Ithaca, and a former captain of the Tornado Hook & Ladder Volunteer Fire Company, of Ithaca, and the Protective Police.

In 1911 Doctor Howe organized the Star Theatre Company and built the Star Theatre on Seneca Street and in 1914 built the Crescent Theatre on Aurora Street. They later merged with the Strand Theatre and the name was changed to the Ithaca Theatre Company and Doctor Howe was president of that concern. He disposed of his interests in 1928.

Claude L. Kulp.—A widely known citizen and popular school official of Central New York is Claude L. Kulp, who is superintendent of the Ithaca public schools. He was born at Rochester, New York, April 28, 1894, a son of Arthur H. and Rhoda (Bahan) Kulp.

Arthur H. Kulp was born at Buffalo, New York, and spent his early life in that city. He became a mason contractor and engaged in business at Elba, Buffalo, and Rochester. He was killed in a railroad accident in 1899 at the age of thirty-eight years, and is buried in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Rochester. Mr.

Kulp was a Republican and a member of the Baptist Church. Only one child was born to Arthur H. and Rhoda (Bahan) Kulp, Claude L., the subject of this sketch. By a first marriage she had two children: 1. Samuel J. Keyes, who is owner of Catamount Tavern, at Bennington, Vermont. 2. Mabel, married George A. Wakeman, lives at Rochester. Mrs. Kulp died in 1924 and is buried at Rochester.

Claude L. Kulp attended the public schools of Rochester and is a graduate of Mechanics Institute in that city. In 1916 he came to Ithaca as an instructor in Industrial Arts in the high school, and served in that capacity until February, 1918, at which time he volunteered for service in the World War. He was assigned to Fort Adams, Rhode Island, as an instructor in coast artillery, and was later transferred to Fortress Monroe and Camp Eustis, Virginia, being an instructor in the latter camp of Motor Transport Company, No. 672. He was honorably discharged from the service, April 22, 1919, as a First Sergeant. Mr. Kulp returned to Ithaca High School as an instructor and in 1920 was appointed director of Industrial Arts, which position he successfully filled until 1930. From 1922 until 1930 he was also principal of the evening and Summer schools in the city, and from 1923 until 1926 was principal of Ithaca Junior High School. He received the degree of Bachelor of Science at the University of Rochester in 1927, and the degree of Master of Arts from Cornell University in 1930. In 1927 Mr. Kulp was appointed director of elementary education and in 1928 assistant superintendent of schools. He assumed his present duties as superintendent in 1930. He is an ardent supporter of high school athletics and during 1916-17, and 1919 was football coach at the high school.

On August 25, 1919, Mr. Kulp was united in marriage with Miss Mabel Deltha Ross, of Batavia, New York, the daughter of Louis and Mary (Mockford) Ross. The former died in May, 1926, and the latter resides at Hamlin, New York. Mr. Ross was a farmer and spent a number of years at Waverly, Iowa. He later returned to Spencerport, New York, where he died. He was a member of the Baptist Church. Mabel (Ross) Kulp was

born at Batavia September 6, 1896. She is a graduate of Batavia High School and received the degree of Bachelor of Arts at the University of Rochester in 1919. Mr. and Mrs. Kulp have two sons: 1. Arthur C., born April 4, 1921. 2. Robert R., born September 13, 1923.

Politically Mr. Kulp is independent. He is a member of the Methodist Church and has the following lodge and club affiliations: Hobasco Lodge, No. 716, F. & A. M.; Eagle Chapter, No. 58, R. A. M.; Phi Delta Kappa, and Kappa Phi Kappa fraternities; American Legion, Post No. 221; Past President of the Exchange Club; member of the Rotary Club; and Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of the New York State Teachers Association and vice president of the Southern Zone Section of that Association; member of the National Education Association; and member of the department of Superintendence. He is president of the Ithaca Community Chest; member of the Board of Directors of the Ithaca Y. M. C. A. and a director of Fuertes Council, Boy Scouts of America. He is also a director of the Ithaca Savings and Loan Association.

Arthur N. Gibb.—Representative of Ithaca's most prominent professional men is Arthur N. Gibb, architect, with offices at 302 East State Street. He was born at Quebec, Canada, May 23, 1868, the son of John L. and Elizabeth (McCallum) Gibb, and was naturalized as a citizen of the United States in 1897.

John L. Gibb was a native of Quebec, where he received his early schooling. He then studied at Edinburg, Scotland, and as a young man entered the lumber and shipping business which had been organized by his father, James Gibb, who died October 10, 1858, and is buried in Quebec, Canada. He, James Gibb, also had extensive banking interests, being president of the Quebec Bank and president of the Richelieu Ontario Navigation Company, the latter operating on the St. Lawrence River and Great Lakes. John L. Gibb died in 1927 and is buried in St. Catherine's, Province of Ontario. His wife died in 1924. He was a Con-

servative and held membership in the Presbyterian Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Gibb were born five sons: 1. Ernest, died in infancy. 2. James Sidney, retired banker, lives at St. Catherine's, Ontario. 3. John Gordon, deceased. 4. Allan, who died in 1880. 5. Arthur N., the subject of this sketch.

Arthur N. Gibb attended the public schools of Quebec and attended Trinity College School at Fort Hope, Ontario, as well as Upper Canada College, at Toronto. He attended private schools at Neuchatel, Switzerland, and received the degree of B. S. in Architecture at Cornell University in 1890. Two years later he established offices in the City of Ithaca and was associated with C. L. Vivian. In 1902 the partnership was dissolved and Mr. Gibb continued alone for three years. Then from 1905 until 1927 he was associated with O. H. Waltz. Since the latter date Mr. Gibb has maintained a private practice. He has completed plans for numerous building projects, including the following: For Cornell University, center section of Sibly College; Baker Laboratory of Chemistry; Schoelkopf Memorial and Athletic Field. City of Ithaca: Junior High School, Central School, Henry A. St. John School, Treman, King & Company Building, Rothschild Building, Ithaca Savings Bank, Ithaca Trust Company, Ithaca City Hospital, Odd Fellow State Orphanage. He also drew up plans and specifications for the science and dining hall buildings at Wells College, at Aurora-on-Cayuga, New York; Robert Packer Hospital, at Sayre, Pennsylvania; and numerous fine residences in New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Michigan, Connecticut, and California. At the present time he is completing plans for the erection of Herman M. Biggs State Memorial Hospital to be built for the State of New York near Ithaca.

On June 3, 1897, Mr. Gibb was united in marriage with Miss Henrietta Collins, of Springfield, Massachusetts, the daughter of Dr. Henry A. and Mary (Graves) Collins. Doctor Collins, a leading physician and surgeon of Springfield, Massachusetts, for many years, is now deceased. Mrs. Gibb is a graduate of Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts. To Mr. and Mrs. Gibb have been born two children: 1. John Collins, born in

June, 1899, a graduate of Ithaca High School and Cornell University, class of 1924. He is a mechanical engineer in the employ of the Fairbanks Morse Company, of Chicago, Illinois, and resides at Cleveland, Ohio. He married Miss Josephine Cummings, of Centerville, Michigan, and they have a son, Frank Cummings Gibb. 2. Mary Murison, born in October, 1900, a graduate of Ithaca High School, attended Cornell University. She married Leslie I. Nichols, of New York City, who is a graduate of Cornell University, Bachelor of Architecture in 1920. Mr. and Mrs. Nichols have a son, William Edmund II.

Mr. Gibb is an independent Republican in politics. He holds membership in the Church of Christ Scientist, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Cornell Club of New York City, Town & Gown Club, Ithaca Yacht Club, Chi Phi fraternity, Rotary Club, and Chamber of Commerce. He also is a Fellow of the American Institute of Architecture, a member of Central New York Chapter of Architects, and is a director of the State Council of Registered Architects.

Robert A. Hutchinson, who has held the office of Probation Officer in Tompkins County since April, 1919, has a wide acquaintance in Ithaca and the surrounding community. He was born at North Guilford, Connecticut, June 7, 1893, the son of Rev. William H. and Harriet L. (Addis) Hutchinson.

Rev. William H. Hutchinson was a native of England, born at Cropwell Butler, Nottinghamshire. He was educated there and completed his early education in private schools in London. As a young man he engaged in missionary work in that city and in 1888 came to the United States. He attended Yale University for one year, and from 1889 until 1892 was a student at Berkley Divinity School at Middletown, Connecticut. He was ordained in 1892 and during the following year was pastor of the Episcopal Church at North Guilford, Connecticut. He was pastor of St. Peter's Church at Milford, Connecticut, during 1893-1900; pastor of Christ Church at Sharon, Connecticut, dur-

ing 1900-05; pastor of St. John's Episcopal Church at Ithaca during 1905-11; pastor of Christ Church at Clayton, New York, during 1911-13; and pastor of Trinity Episcopal Church at Utica, New York, from 1913 until the time of his death in 1916. He is buried at Utica. Reverend Hutchinson was a Republican and held membership in Fidelity Lodge, F. & A. M., the Grange, and Royal Arcanum. His widow was born at Chicago, Illinois, and now lives in Ithaca. Their children were: 1. Robert A., the subject of this sketch. 2. Noel Parker, married Donald Townsend, lives at Rochester. 3. Maxwell B., lives at Syracuse. 4. Miles T., lives at Utica. The latter two are identified with the Hutchinson-Schorer Store Fixture Company, which operates stores at Syracuse and Utica.

Robert A. Hutchinson attended the Ithaca public schools and in 1915 received the degree of LL. B. at Cornell University, being admitted to the bar in November, 1916. During the following year he served as a clerk in the office of George S. Tarbell, attorney of Ithaca, and in 1917 became telegraph editor of the Ithaca Journal-News. During 1918 Mr. Hutchinson was telegraph editor of the Elmira Star-Gazette, and from July, 1918 until March, 1919, was assistant purchasing agent for the Thomas-Morse Aircraft Corporation, of Ithaca. He received his present appointment as county probation officer April 15, 1919. In 1920 he was elected president of the Tompkins County Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, a post he now holds. In 1923 he became clerk of the Tompkins County Children's Court and now occupies that position under Judge W. M. Kent.

On April 13, 1918, Mr. Hutchinson married Miss Ethel M. Stevenson, who was born at Ithaca, October 4, 1899. She is a graduate of Ithaca High School. Mr. and Mrs. Hutchinson have no children.

Politically Mr. Hutchinson is a Republican. He belongs to Fidelity Lodge, F. and A. M., B. P. O. Elks, Town and Gown Club, Ithaca Country Club, Cornell Club of Ithaca, Exchange Club, and Tompkins County Bar Association, and the Tompkins County

Conference of Public and Welfare Agencies. He also belongs to Phi Delta Phi Honorary Law Fraternity at Cornell University and served on the staff of the Cornell Daily Sun.

Mr. Hutchinson has always taken a prominent and important part in athletics, both in college and in city sports. In 1914-15 he was all-around athletic champion at Ithaca Y. M. C. A.. He was a member of the Eagles baseball team from 1924 until 1929. This team won the city championship for five successive years and in 1925 placed third in the National Baseball Federation Tournament at Cleveland, Ohio. In basketball, Mr. Hutchinson was a member of the Cornell law school team and later played on the Ithaca Imperials, Southern Tier Champions, during 1916-23. As a golfer, he was runner-up in the Finger Lakes Golf Association championship tournament at Cortland in 1924, Waverly in 1925 and Ithaca in 1929, and champion of Country Club of Ithaca in 1932. He has been captain of the Elks Bowling Club of Ithaca for seven years. This team won the city five-man championship in 1928 and 1929, and three-man titles on numerous occasions. He is a member of the Executive Committee of the New York State Bowling Association and since 1931 has been president of the Ithaca City Bowling League and secretary of the Ithaca Bowling Association. In Squash racquets, he is captain of the Town and Gown Club team, and won the 1932 Dallenback trophy at Ithaca. In tennis, he was a member of the Cornell Varsity squad in 1914-1915 and a semi-finalist in the 1932 Ithaca City Championships.

Mr. Hutchinson is a member of the Episcopal Church. From 1913 until 1930 he represented the Syracuse Post-Standard in correspondence work at Ithaca and in the Thousand Islands. He has been identified with prevention of cruelty among animals in Tompkins County for twelve years and is a vice president of the New York State Convention of Societies for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and Animals. From 1915 until 1932 Mr. Hutchinson was an active member of the Ithaca Fire Department belonging to Tornado Hook and Ladder Company No. 3.

Hon. S. Edwin Banks.—One of the leading members of the Tompkins County Bar is S. Edwin Banks, who has been a successful lawyer in Ithaca for more than thirty-five years. He has also served as special county judge and surrogate from 1900 until January 1, 1932. Mr. Banks was born at Millport, Chemung County, New York, January 17, 1861, the son of Stephen B. and Josephine (Treman) Banks.

Stephen B. Banks was born at Bedford, New York, and died at Fredericksburg, Virginia, August 13, 1917. He was reared and educated in Sullivan County, New York, and for a time was employed by the Delaware & Hudson Canal Company. He later owned and operated a canal boat until his association with Jared Treman, his father-in-law, as owners of a flour mill at Millport, New York. Later they reorganized as Treman, Banks & Mosher, and in 1868 Stephen B. Banks sold his interest to S. C. Allen and went to Chillicothe, Missouri, where he purchased a farm. He sold it in 1872 and engaged in the wholesale grocery business at Chillicothe until 1874, at which time he returned to Millport to his former business interests as a member of the firm of Banks & Allen. Mr. Banks retired in 1882 and later lived at Watkins Glens. His wife was born at Trumansburg, New York, and died May 20, 1897. Both are buried at Ithaca. Mr. Banks was a Democrat, a member of the Presbyterian Church, and Masonic Lodge. The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Banks: 1. Morris T., deceased. 2. Louise L., the widow of George Utter, lives at Ithaca. 3. Frederick, who died in infancy. 4. S. Edwin, the subject of this sketch. 5. Carrie B., married Samuel Lacy, lives in Tompkins County. 6. John B., lives at Elmira, New York.

S. Edwin Banks attended the public schools of Millport, and later at Chillicothe, Missouri. He returned to Millport with his parents in 1874 and seven years later came to Ithaca as a book-keeper in the Tompkins County National Bank. For a time he was interested in the hardware business at Watkins Glens, New York, in partnership with his brother, Morris T. Banks, but in 1892 he returned to Ithaca. He then entered Cornell University, from which he received the degree of LL. B. in 1895, being admitted to the bar in the same year. He then became a clerk in the



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offices of J. T. Newman, and after a few months became a member of the firm of Newman, Blood, Banks & Bostwick. Since 1899 Mr. Banks has engaged in private practice in Ithaca. He is also a trustee of the Ithaca Savings Bank. He has also been president of the Ithaca Conservatory of Music, now Ithaca College, for many years.

Mr. Banks was married in 1898 to Miss Calvina O'Daniel, of Ithaca, the daughter of Addison and Mary F. (Gardner) O'Daniel. Both were natives of Tompkins County and are deceased. Mr. O'Daniel was a Civil War veteran and a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. To Mr. and Mrs. Banks were born three children: 1. Robert Treman, born November 26, 1901, a graduate of Ithaca High School and Cornell University, Bachelor of Arts degree in 1923. He then taught for one year at the university and for two years was a member of the faculty at the University of Nebraska. He spent a year in graduate study in Paris, France, and is now working for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at Cornell University. He is unmarried and lives at home. 2. Richard E., born January 25, 1905, a graduate of Ithaca High School and was a student at Cornell University at the time of his death, February 13, 1924. He is buried in Ithaca. 3. Virginia G., born December 2, 1909, a graduate of Ithaca High School and Cornell University, Bachelor of Arts degree in 1931. She is now a graduate student at the university.

Politically, Mr. Banks has always been a Republican. He is an elder in the Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with Fidelity Lodge, No. 51, F. and A. M.; Eagle Chapter, No. 58, R. A. M., and St. Augustine Commandery, No. 38, K. T. He lives with his family at 412 University Avenue, Ithaca, and is the owner of a fine farm of 180 acres near Brooktondale, Tompkins County, where he has a herd of pure bred Guernsey cattle.

Herbert M. Blanche.—One of the leading citizens of Ithaca, well known throughout Central New York, is Herbert M. Blanche, landscape architect and general superintendent of the Finger Lakes State Park Commission. He is a native of England, born

in London, March 7, 1885, the son of Edwin and Catherine (Berry) Blanche.

Edwin Blanche lived in London throughout his life, and for more than half a century was successful as a manufacturer of pianos at Highgate. He died in 1884 and his wife, a native of Sudbury, died in 1896. They were members of the Congregational Church. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Blanche: 1. Marie Elizabeth, the widow of John Coyle, lives at Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada. 2. Edwin Josiah, lives at Regina. 3. Herbert M., the subject of this sketch.

After his graduation from the public schools of Suffolk, England, Herbert H. Blanche became a student in landscape architecture at the Royal Botanical Gardens, at Kew, England. At the age of twenty-four years he came to the United States as landscape architect in charge of the estate of Samuel Untermeyer, at Yonkers, New York. He remained there for almost five years and afterwards spent two years on the Harris estate at Irvington, New York. Mr. Blanche subsequently entered Cornell University and received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Landscape Architecture in that institution in 1920. During the World War he enlisted and served at Camp Lee, Virginia. He served in the Officer's Training Corps. He was honorably discharged in November, 1918. He then was a landscape designer field superintendent for Olmsted Brothers, at Brookline, Massachusetts, and in 1924, became identified with the Finger Lakes State Park Commission as chief forester, with headquarters at Ithaca. He was appointed landscape architect and general superintendent in 1927. Mr. Blanche holds membership in the American Society of Landscape Architects and is a Fellow of the American Institute of Park Executives.

On January 27, 1911, Mr. Blanche was married at Yonkers, New York, to Miss Agnes Grace Doncaster, a native of Kensington, England, born February 27, 1884. She is the daughter of Ebenezer and Elizabeth Doncaster, who are residents of Kensington. Mr. and Mrs. Blanche have twin daughters, Nancy Catherine, and Marie Elizabeth, born November 25, 1923.

Politically Mr. Blanche is independent. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge and Rotary Club.

Louis K. Thaler is successfully engaged in the practice of law at Ithaca as a member of the firm of Stagg, Thaler & Stagg, with offices at 220 North Tioga Street. He was born in New York City, November 9, 1903, the son of Jacob John and Rebecca (Marko) Thaler.

Jacob John Thaler is widely known in Brooklyn, New York, as the president of Jacob J. Thaler Company, manufacturers of suspenders. He has been identified with that enterprise for many years. Mr. Thaler and his wife are natives of Germany and live in Brooklyn. He is a Republican. To Mr. and Mrs. Thaler were born four children: 1. Louis K., the subject of this sketch. 2. Ethel J., a graduate of Adelphi College, lives at Garden City, Long Island. 3. Joseph Ira, a graduate of Cornell University, Bachelor of Arts in 1929, Master of Arts in 1930, now a graduate student in Human Physiology at Cornell University. 4. Ada S., attends Brooklyn High School.

Louis K. Thaler was educated in the public schools of Brooklyn, from which he was graduated in 1921. He received the degree of Bachelor of Arts at Cornell University in 1925 and Bachelor of Laws in February, 1927, being admitted to the bar in June, 1927. He then began his professional career in New York City as general counsel for the Great American Tea Company, a subsidiary of the Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company. He came to Ithaca December 5, 1927, and was associated with the law firm of Stagg & Teath until January, 1931, when the firm was reorganized as Stagg, Thaler & Stagg. Mr. Thaler is a member of the Tompkins County and New York State Bar Association.

On September 5, 1926, Mr. Thaler married Miss Rachel Shulman, who was born in New York City, May 7, 1907, the daughter of Max and Sarah (Robinson) Shulman. For many years Mr. Shulman conducted a furniture business at 103 West State Street, Ithaca. He died in July, 1921, and his widow still resides here. Rachel (Shulman) Thaler is a graduate of Ithaca High School and Ithaca Conservatory of Music. Mr. and Mrs. Thaler have two sons: 1. Manley Hugh, born October 13, 1929. 2. Richard Byron, born March 15, 1932.

Mr. Thaler is a Republican, a member and Senior Deacon of Fidelity Lodge, No. 51, F. and A. M., Ithaca Lodge of Perfection, fourteenth degree, Masonic Club, Exchange Club, and Y. M. C. A.

David B. Perry.—As vice president and secretary of the Morse Chain Company, Inc., Mr. Perry is accounted one of the prominent and most influential men associated with the industrial interests of Ithaca. He was born here, November 15, 1873, the son of William H. and Mathilda M. (Barnes) Perry.

William H. Perry was born near Buffalo, New York, and spent his early life there. At the age of eleven years he was left an orphan and he later enlisted as a seaman on a whaling vessel. He spent eleven years on the sea, the last four years of which were spent in the U. S. Navy during the Civil War. Mr. Perry came to Ithaca in 1869 and immediately became associated in the building and contracting business with William Nelson. In 1871 he went with the firm of Hyatt & Oltz, and four years later became associated with John Snaith. At the time of his retirement Mr. Perry was recognized as the city's leading building contractor, and completed such important contracts as the Congregational Church, Unitarian Church, Fiske mansion, Kappa Alpha and Chi Phi fraternity houses, as well as residences in Ithaca for professors Fuertes, Thruston, and Nichols. He also had the contract for carpenter work for the Cornell University Library. Mr. Perry died November 4, 1910. His wife was born in Tompkins County and died in February, 1931. They are buried in Lakeview Cemetery, Ithaca. Mr. Perry was a Republican and served as alderman of the Fourth Ward. He was a trustee of Unitarian Church and belonged to the Masonic Lodge and Grand Army of the Republic. To Mr. and Mrs. Perry were born six children: 1. George W., insurance, lives at Ithaca. 2. Cora M., married F. L. Morse, president of Morse Chain Company, Inc. 3. David B., the subject of this sketch. 4. Chapin Cavanaugh, farmer, lives at Lansing, New

York. 5. Carleton, who died in 1898. 6. William H., who died in 1926.

David B. Perry is a graduate of Ithaca High School and Pratt Institute, Brooklyn. His entire business career has been identified with the Morse Chain Company. He began as a draftsman in the Trumansburg plant in July, 1897. He then served as secretary of the company from 1898 until 1906, and in the latter year the business was removed to Ithaca, with Mr. Perry as superintendent and secretary. He was promoted to works manager in 1909, and also continued as secretary. When the business was sold to Borg-Warner Company in 1929, it was incorporated with Mr. Perry as vice president, secretary and assistant treasurer.

On April 1, 1901, Mr. Perry married Miss Elizabeth Cornelia Hall, of Wellsville, New York, the daughter of William L. and Mary F. (Allen) Hall, both deceased. She was born March 22, 1872, and is a graduate of Trumansburg High School and Cortland Normal School. Her father was widely known as a photographer, being identified with the studio of J. E. Lewis, at Trumansburg. In 1893 he was the inventor of a new enameled process for printing photographs, which won wide recognition. To Mr. and Mrs. Perry were born two children: 1. Dorothy Thelma married John S. Livermore, lives at Rochester, New York. She is a graduate of Ithaca High School, Ithaca Conservatory of Music, Putnam Hall at Poughkeepsie, and also studied piano for one year at Fontainblau, France. 2. David Sinclair, who is associated with the Cincinnati Milling Machine Company, of Cincinnati, Ohio, as an industrial engineer. He is a graduate of Cornell University, Bachelor of Science, class of 1929. He married Miss Helen Hustead Harris, of Gloversville, New York, and they have a son, David Harris, born March 31, 1930.

Politically Mr. Perry is a Republican. He is a member of Hobasca Lodge, No. 716, F. & A. M.; Eagle Chapter, No. 51, R. A. M.; St. Augustine's Commandery, No. 38, K. T.; Masonic Club, Ithaca Country Club; Chamber of Commerce; and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. He and his family

are members of the Unitarian Church, and Mrs. Perry is an active member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, being Regent of Cayuga Chapter, and Past State Officer.

Charlotte V. Bush.—As treasurer of Tompkins County, Charlotte V. Bush has the honor and distinction of being the first woman to hold this important office in New York State. She was born at Taughannock Falls, Tompkins County, the daughter of William A. and Mary A. (Barton) VanOrder.

William A. VanOrder was a veteran of the Civil War. He was born at Jacksonville, New York, and engaged in farming until the outbreak of the Civil War, when he enlisted and served as a member of Company G, 109th New York Volunteer Infantry. He participated in many important engagements, including Gettysburg and Appomatox, being slightly wounded at the battle of Appomatox. He then resumed his farming interests in Tompkins County, and died there in 1907. His wife was born at Apalachin, Tioga County, and died in 1916. They are buried in Lakeview Cemetery, Ithaca. Mr. VanOrder was a Republican and served as constable of Jacksonville and deputy sheriff of Tompkins County. He was a member of the Methodist Church and belonged to the Grand Army of the Republic, Sidney Post No. 41 and past officer. Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. VanOrder: 1. Anna Jane, married Carl Dailey, lives at Rochester. 2. Flora O., married John Lambert, lives at North Anson, Maine. 3. Nellie E., the widow of Frederick Carter, lives at Ithaca. 4. Albert B., lives at Calderwood, Tennessee. 5. Charlotte V., the subject of this sketch.

Charlotte V. VanOrder is a graduate of Ithaca High School, class of 1901. She spent five years as a bookkeeper in the offices of the Cayuga Lake Cement Company, two years as private secretary to E. G. Wycoff. She became a bookkeeper in the County Treasurer's office in 1907 and resigned in 1914, and from 1914 to 1916 was private secretary to Col. C. A. Simmons, in the Chamber of Commerce. In 1916 Mrs. Bush returned to the County

Treasurer's office as bookkeeper, and in November, 1924, was elected treasurer of Tompkins County, being reelected in 1927 and again in 1930.

On April 15, 1903, Charlotte V. VanOrder married Howard Stanley Bush, a native of Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, born July 25, 1870. He is the son of John S. and Emma (Kresge) Bush, natives of Stroudsburg. The former lives at Buffalo, and the latter died in 1912. She is buried in Lakeview Cemetery, Ithaca. Howard S. Bush attended the public schools of Stroudsburg and for a number of years was employed by the contracting firm of S. M. Oltz of Ithaca. He became an instructor in mechanical engineering at Cornell University in 1907 and still serves in that capacity. He is a Republican and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. and Mrs. Bush have no children.

In politics Mrs. Bush is identified with the Republican party. She is a member of the Daughters of Veterans and attends Enfield Larger Parish Church, at Enfield, New York. She is active in the affairs of the Grange, being a member of Pomona, New York State, and National Grange, and is now lecturer for Forest City Grange No. 288, and assistant secretary of Tompkins County Pomona Grange. She is also a member of the League of Women Voters and Tompkins County Republican Club.

Leslie B. Townsend, who is commission distributor of the Gulf Refining Company, with headquarters in Ithaca, is recognized as one of the progressive and enterprising young business men of Tompkins County. He was born at Lansingville, Tompkins County, September 7, 1897, the son of Clifford E. and Maude E. (Bower) Townsend.

Clifford E. Townsend was a native of Cayuga County, born at Genoa. As a young man he was interested in dairy farming near Locke, New York. He then conducted a general mercantile business at Lansingville for fifteen years, after which he was identified with a coal and feed business at Ludlowville, in partnership with his brother, Clayton Townsend. He retired from

the firm in 1916 and at that time came to Ithaca and purchased the South Hill Coal Company, with which he was identified until 1921. In 1922 he purchased the Ithaca Fuel Supply Company, and sold this concern in 1925. In 1923 he had organized the Ithaca Oil Company and was connected with that enterprise at the time of his death, July 29, 1929. His widow was born at Lansingville and lives at Ithaca. Mr. Townsend was a Republican, held membership in the Methodist Church, and belonged to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Forest City Grange. Leslie B., the subject of this sketch, was the only child born to Mr. and Mrs. Townsend.

After his graduation from Ithaca High School, Leslie B. Townsend entered Cornell University, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1920. He spent the following two years as a teller at the Union Trust Company, Cleveland, Ohio, and from 1922 until 1925 was associated with his father in the interests of the Ithaca Fuel Supply Company. In the latter year he became secretary and treasurer of the Ithaca Oil Company. October 1, 1931, the business was sold to the Gulf Refining Company and he became commission distributor of this district.

On April 14, 1927, Mr. Townsend was united in marriage with Miss Jane E. Smiley, born at Danby, New York, November 7, 1898, the daughter of Frank D. and Emma (Ostrander) Smiley. Mr. Smiley, a retired farmer, resides at Ithaca. His wife was born at Danby and died in 1930. Mrs. Townsend is a graduate of Ithaca High School and Bellevue Hospital, New York City. Mr. and Mrs. Townsend have two children, Clifford E. II., born April 20, 1930, and Zoë Marie, born July 6, 1932.

Politically Mr. Townsend is a Republican, and he is serving as alderman from the Fourth Ward, being elected to office in November, 1931. He is affiliated with Hobasco Lodge, 716, F. and A. M.; Eagle Chapter, No. 51, R. A. M.; St. Augustine Commandery, No. 38, K. T.; Balbec Grotto, M. O. V. P. E. R. and Kalurah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and Tompkins Country Shrine Club; Ithaca Masonic Club; B. P. O. Elks, No. 636; Theta Chi fraternity; Exchange Club; Cornell Club of Ithaca; Ithaca Yacht

Club; Ithaca Country Club; and Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of the Ithaca Volunteer Fire Department No. 3, and the Young Men's Christian Association.

J. W. Bishop.—One of the well known men of Ithaca is J. W. Bishop, who is superintendent of the city water department. He is a native of this city, born October 24, 1876, the son of James A. and Charlotte J. (Crance) Bishop.

James A. Bishop, deceased, was a prominent figure in the history of the steamboat on the Finger Lakes. He was a native of Tompkins County, as was his wife. As a young man he became an engineer on such well known lake boats as the "Kate Morgan", "Aurora", and "Frontenac". He spent more than forty years on the lakes. Mr. Bishop and his wife are deceased and are buried at Ulysses, Tompkins County. He was a Republican and a member of the Baptist Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Bishop the following children were born: 1. Hattie E., deceased, was the wife of Fred Burling. 2. Luella A., the widow of George Brown, lives at McKinney Point, New York. 3. Gertrude, married George Gunn, lives at Ithaca. 4. Dwight W., who is inspector of the water shed for the City of Ithaca. 5. Grace, married Stephen Gunn, both deceased. 6. J. W., the subject of this sketch.

J. W. Bishop attended the public schools of Ithaca. For ten years after leaving school he was employed by the city water department as a meter man. In 1912 he became superintendent of meters and in 1927 assumed his present duties as superintendent of the plant.

Mr. Bishop was married on February 18, 1900, to Miss Bessie M. True, born March 12, 1880, at Ithaca, the daughter of Charles and Josephine (Milligan) True, natives of England and Ithaca, respectively. Mr. True was employed by the Lehigh Valley Railroad and met with an accidental death in a railroad wreck. He was a Democrat. To Mr. and Mrs. Bishop were born three children: 1. Roger Sherman, born September 7, 1901, a graduate of Ithaca High School and Cornell University, class of 1924,

Bachelor of Arts. He then took graduate work in landscape architecture at the university and now is a landscape architect at Ithaca. He married Miss Rowena Hall, of Jamestown. 2. Rotha Jane, born April 25, 1906, married Ralph J. Cole, lives at Ithaca. 3. Helen M., born August 1, 1909, married Mason Mower, water works engineer, who travels throughout the United States.

Mr. Bishop is a Republican and has served as county committeeman for several terms. He is affiliated with Fidelity Lodge, No. 51, F. & A. M., Knights of Pythias, Cascadilla Lodge No. 39, and Sons of Veterans. He is a charter member of the Veteran Firemen's Association, being a member of Volunteer Fire Department Cataract Hose Company No. 7. He served as a member of the city fire department as foreman for several years and in 1906 was elected second assistant fire chief. During 1907-8 he was first assistant fire chief and in 1909 was elected to the office of fire chief.

William Crance, maternal grandfather of J. W. Bishop, was a Civil War veteran. William True, grandfather of Mrs. Bishop, was also a soldier in the Civil War. He was killed in the Battle of Lookout Mountain. Mrs. Bishop is a member of the Daughters of Union Veterans.

Harry J. Van Valkenburg.—Among Ithaca's most dependable business men, widely known throughout Central New York, is Harry J. Van Valkenburg, who is identified with the Ithaca Engraving Company. He was born at Hensall, Ontario, Canada, May 24, 1880, the son of William R. and Mary A. (McDougal) Van Valkenburg.

William R. Van Valkenburg was a native of Ontario, Canada, as was his wife. He was reared on a farm, attended the district schools and at the age of thirty-five years came to the United States and located at Detroit, Michigan, where he established a business as a painting and decorating contractor. He was a Republican, a member of the Disciples of Christ Church, and belonged to the Foresters. Mr. Van Valkenburg died in 1912

and his wife died in 1930. Both are buried at Detroit, Michigan. Their children were: 1. Arthur L., who died in 1917. 2. Lulu M., who died in 1900. 3. Harry J., the subject of this sketch. 4. Maude M., married Roy Johnson, deceased, and she lives at Detroit. 5. Pearl, unmarried, is secretary for the American Life Insurance Company. 6. Birdie, who died in infancy.

Harry J. Van Valkenburg is a graduate of the public schools of Detroit, and as a young man learned the trade of engraver with the Peninsular Engraving Company in Detroit. He remained with that concern from 1898 until 1905 and spent six months at their branch establishment at Toledo, Ohio. He then went with the Minneapolis Bureau of Engraving at St. Paul, Minnesota, later was identified with the Herald at Rochester, New York, in their engraving department for a five year period, after which he became associated with the Central Engraving Company, of Rochester, for three years. He next went with the Rochester Post Express, and left there in 1918 to come to Ithaca, where he took over the interests of the Stanley Engraving Company, which has since been reorganized as the Ithaca Engraving Company. Mr. Van Valkenburg specializes in photo engraving in copper and steel and is prominent for his professional ability. His plant is located at Seneca and Tioga streets.

On August 1, 1905, Mr. Van Valkenburg was united in marriage with Miss Florence R. Bradstreet, of Rochester, born July 4, 1885, the daughter of Geo. Bradstreet and Carrie M. (Briggs) Bradstreet, natives of Rochester. Mr. Bradstreet died in 1903 and his wife died in 1928. He had spent twenty years in the employ of the New York Central Railroad Company as chief clerk in the freight department at Rochester, New York, and later was transferred to the company's offices at Detroit, Michigan. Mr. and Mrs. Van Valkenburg have a daughter, Helen R., born August 27, 1911. She is a graduate of Ithaca High School and Cascadilla Preparatory School, and now attends Cornell University.

In politics Mr. Van Valkenburg is identified with the Republican party. He is an active member of the First Presbyterian Church, and belongs to Hobasco Lodge No. 716, F. & A. M., Ithaca

Advertising Club, Ithaca Yacht Club, Chamber of Commerce, Tompkins County Fish & Game Club, and Ben Walsh Snowshoe Club.

Arthur E. Jones is a substantial and well known citizen of Ithaca where he is engaged in the sign business, at 112 East State Street. He was born at Springfield, Ohio, September 15, 1886, the son of Albert E. and Ella (Cunningham) Jones.

Albert E. Jones was born at Martinsburg, West Virginia. He was educated in the public schools of Cincinnati and at an early age became interested in the ornamental sign business, which he successfully followed at Springfield, Ohio, for more than half a century. He was a Republican, a member of the Congregational Church, Knights of Pythias, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Owls. Mr. Jones died in 1924 and is buried at Springfield. His widow is a native of Tiffin, Ohio, and lives at Springfield. Their children were: 1. Elmer L., who died in 1923. 2. Nellie B., married George F. Lewis, lives at Springfield. 3. Arthur E., the subject of this sketch. 4. Albert W., lives at Chicago, Illinois.

Arthur E. Jones is a graduate of Springfield High School. He remained in that city for two years as an associate in his father's business, and during the following twenty years traveled throughout the United States. He located at Ithaca in 1927 after spending two years with the Binghamton Sign Company.

On July 2, 1925, Mr. Jones married Miss Genevieve M. Grant, of Sayre, Pennsylvania, born August 3, 1890, the daughter of Nathan P. and Emma (Tripp) Grant. Mr. Grant was born at Sayre and for thirty years was in the employ of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company in that city. He was a Republican and a member of the Methodist Church. Mr. Grant died in 1918 and his wife died March 22, 1932. They are buried at Athens, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Jones have no children.

Mr. Jones is a Republican, a member of the Baptist Church and belongs to the Chamber of Commerce.

Edgar E. Tunison.—Identified with H. C. T. Motor and Equipment Company, 201-07 South Cayuga Street, Mr. Tunison takes a prominent part in the business affairs of Ithaca. He is a native of Seneca County, born at Interlaken, November 21, 1890, the son of Edgar E. and Flora (Eldred) Tunison.

Edgar E. Tunison, who died October 1, 1890, is buried at Interlaken. He was a native of Tompkins County, was educated at Trumansburg, and engaged in farming. His wife was born in Schuyler County and is now a resident of Ovid, New York. She later married William Porter, deceased. To the latter marriage was born a son, William Porter, who lives at Ithaca.

Edgar E. Tunison is a graduate of Interlaken High School and Rochester Business Institute. In 1910 he became a bookkeeper in the employ of the Interlaken Produce Company, and in 1913 was appointed assistant postmaster at Interlaken. He was a member of the firm of Covert & Tunison, automobile dealers at Trumansburg from 1915 until 1918, and in the latter year enlisted for service in the World War. He was sent to Camp Upton, New York, and later to Liverpool, England. He saw service in France and after the close of the war was sent to Tours, where he was engaged in the war risk insurance department and allotment division. He returned to this country in May, 1919, and was honorably discharged at Camp Upton, June 17, 1919, as a sergeant. Mr. Tunison then located in Ithaca and in August, 1919, became secretary and treasurer of the Finger Lakes Garage Company, Inc. He was one of the organizers of the H. C. T. Motor and Equipment Company in October, 1922, in association with J. W. Hines and Harry W. Covert. They became local dealers for the Hudson and Essex cars, and established an excellent business. In 1926 Mr. Tunison purchased Mr. Hines interest in the firm and in 1930 became sole owner of the enterprise.

On April 14, 1917, Mr. Tunison married Miss Margaret Geary, of Spencer, New York, born April 18, 1887. She is the daughter of James and Elizabeth Geary, natives of Ireland. The former died in 1915 and the latter in 1892. They are buried in Ithaca. Mr. Geary spent many years in the employ of the Lehigh Valley

Railroad Company at Ithaca. He was a Democrat and a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

Mr. Tunison is a Republican, and is affiliated with Fidelity Lodge, 51, F. and A. M.; B. P. O. Elks, No. 636, Past Exalted Ruler; American Legion Post No. 221; Ithaca Gun Club; Tompkins County Fish and Game Club; and Chamber of Commerce. He is secretary of the Ithaca Automobile Dealers Association.

Mrs. Tunison is a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Ithaca.

James P. Donahue, who is president of the Donahue & Halverson Plumbing and Heating Company, Inc., is among Ithaca's representative young business men. He was born in this city, December 6, 1908, the son of Peter M. and Nora (Sullivan) Donahue.

Peter M. Donahue, retired, was actively identified with the business affairs of Ithaca for many years. He was born in County Longford, Ireland, and his wife was a native of Ithaca. She died in 1930 and is buried in Calvary Cemetery. Mr. Donahue came to this country at the age of fourteen years. He learned the trade of plumber in Brooklyn, New York, and subsequently came to Ithaca, where for a short time he was associated with the firm of Lucas, Higgins & Donahue. He then purchased his partner's interest and conducted the business alone for thirty years. He retired June 15, 1931, and at that time the business was incorporated as the Donahue & Halverson Plumbing & Heating Company. Mr. Donahue is a Democrat and for several terms served as a member of the Board of Examiners. He holds membership in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, and belongs to the B. P. O. Elks and Ithaca Yacht Club. To Mr. and Mrs. Donahue were born four children: 1. Florence Marie, lives at home. 2. James P., the subject of this sketch. 3. Albert M., a graduate of Ithaca High School, attends the University of North Carolina. 4. Ralph E., a student.

James P. Donahue is a graduate of Ithaca High School and in 1930 received the degree of Bachelor of Arts at Cornell University. He has since been identified with the business which was established by his father a number of years ago. At its incorporation he became president.

Mr. Donahue is independent politically. He is a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and belongs to the Savage Club, Beta Theta Pi fraternity, Ithaca Yacht Club, and Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Donahue is unmarried.

Leslie Tyler, who is identified with the Student's Transfer Company, 704 West Buffalo Street, is well known in Ithaca. He was born at Owego, Tioga County, April 23, 1876, the son of George and Harriet (Edsall) Tyler.

George Tyler was a native of Owego and as a young man engaged in the lumber business. At the outbreak of the Civil War he enlisted as Ezra Tyler and served throughout the war period as a member of the Eighty-eighth New York Volunteer Infantry. At the time of his death in 1905 he was identified with lumbering interests in Tioga County. He is buried at Spencer. Mr. Tyler was a Republican, and belonged to the Grand Army of the Republic. His wife was born at Campbell, Steuben County, and died in 1901. They were the parents of the following children: 1. James, who died in 1932. 2. Charles, lives at Bayonne, New Jersey. 3. Frank, who died in 1929. 4. Elizabeth, married Arthur Davenport, lives at Spencer. 5. William, lives at Pueblo, Colorado. 6. George, lives at Ithaca. 7. Leslie, the subject of this sketch.

Leslie Tyler grew up on a farm near Spencer and attended the district schools. He later owned and operated a farm until 1906, at which time he located in Ithaca with the Cornell Transfer Company. Four years later he purchased the business of John Troy on Eddy Street, and removed to his present location in 1929.

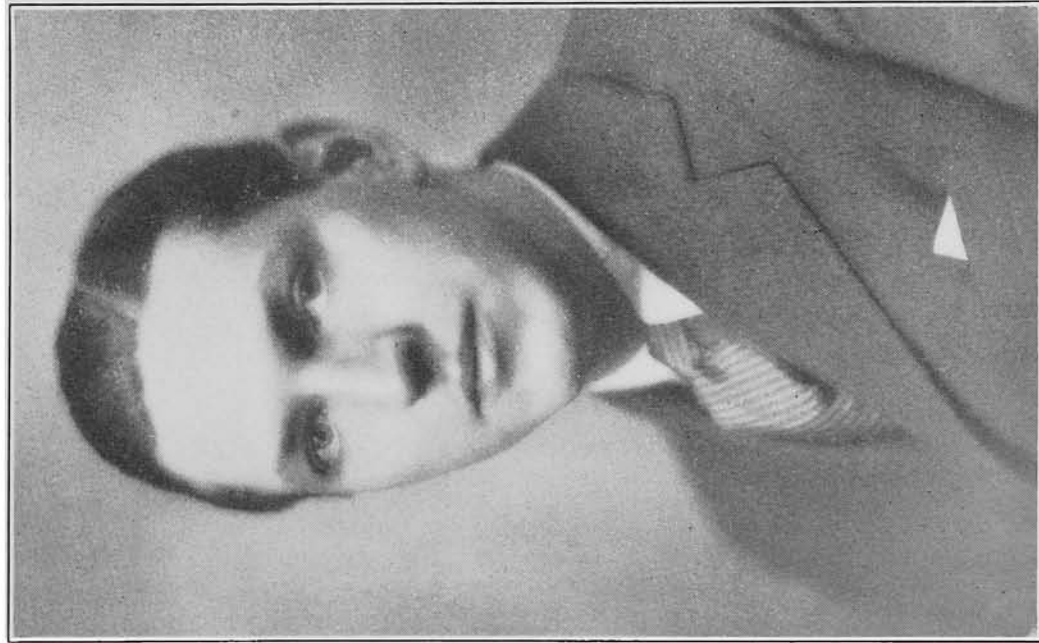
Mr. Tyler was married (first) to Miss Edna Davenport of Spencer, who died in 1913. She was the daughter of Sherman Davenport. He died in 1928. Mr. Tyler married (second) November 27, 1914, Miss Mabel Carter, of Ithaca. She is the daughter of George Carter, a native of Owego, who died in 1929. He is buried in Ithaca. He remained in the employ of the D. L. & W. Railroad Company as an engineer for more than thirty years. He was a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church, and belonged to B. P. O. Elks. Mr. and Mrs. Tyler have had three children: 1. Marian Florence, born July 10, 1916, attends Ithaca High School. 2. Adelbert, died in infancy. 3. Raymond Leslie, born June 3, 1923.

Mr. Tyler is a Republican, a member of State Street Methodist Church, and belongs to the Knights of Pythias, Chamber of Commerce, and Sons of Union Veterans.

Veranus A. Moore, M. D.—Internationally known as a medical scientist, Dr. Veranus A. Moore had served as Dean of the New York State College of Veterinary Medicine for a period of twenty-one years, and at the time of his death, February 11, 1931, he was superintendent of Ithaca Memorial Hospital. Honor and distinction had settled upon Dr. Moore only to be received with the calm modesty which characterized his life. Shortly before his death he had been made a Fellow in the Royal College of Surgeons in London. Other scientific honors were his membership in Sigma Xi and Phi Kappa Phi fraternities. He was also a member of Phi Sigma Kappa.

Dr. Moore's principal national and international reputation rested upon his work in tuberculosis. He was appointed by President Roosevelt as a member of The International Conference on Tuberculosis. President Hoover had appointed him a member of the White House Conference on Child Health.

Veranus A. Moore was born at Houndsfield, Jefferson County, New York, April 13, 1859, the son of Alva and Antoinette (Eastman) Moore.



NORMAN S. MOORE, M. D.



VERANUS A. MOORE, M. D.



ERWIN V. MOORE, D. V. M.

Dr. Moore came to Cornell University after completing his preliminary education and received the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1887, subsequently taking his M. D. degree at Columbian (now George Washington University) in 1890. He also held the degree of V. M. D., from the University of Pennsylvania and that of Doctor of Science from Syracuse University. From 1890 until 1896 Dr. Moore was engaged in the investigation of infectious diseases for the Bureau of Animal Industry of the United States Department of Agriculture, and was chief of the Division of Animal Pathology for a year before he returned to Cornell as professor of comparative pathology, bacteriology, and meat inspection. He became dean of the college in 1908 when Dr. James Law retired. After twenty-one years as dean Dr. Moore retired. He had planned to engage in research in his chosen field but the Ithaca Memorial Hospital was in need of a superintendent and in the fall of 1929 he finally gave up his ideas of a retired life and took over the management of the institution. The Tompkins County Laboratory, which has aided physicians of the county and guarded the health of the public, was a project for which Dr. Moore worked over a long period of time, appearing personally before the Board of Supervisors and speaking before many groups in order to point out the need for such a laboratory and to secure the appropriation necessary from the county before state aid could be obtained.

Dr. Moore gave devoted service to the city as a member of the Board of Education for twelve years, and was president during 1922. He had also served on the Board of Health for twelve years, and no one can accurately estimate the great value of the work which he has done for the improvement of the city water and milk supplies, and the general betterment of sanitation.

In 1892 Dr. Moore married Miss Mary L. Slawson, of Cicero. They had three children: 1. Erwin V., Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, lives at Cortland. 2. Mary Eastman, married Horace E. Shackleton, lives at Glen Ridge, N. Y. 3. Norman S., M. D., a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this history.

Dr. Moore was prominent in the work of the First Methodist Church and served as Master of Hobasco Lodge, No. 761, F. and

A. M. He was also a member of Eagle Chapter, No. 58, R. A. M.; St. Augustine Commandery, No. 38, K. T.; Kalurah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; and was Past District Deputy of the Cayuga-Tompkins Masonic District. He was also a director of the Ithaca Savings & Loan Association and a member of the Rotary Club. One of his favorite affiliations was with the Cosmos Club in Washington.

Dr. Moore was widely known as a bacteriologist and writer on subjects dealing with veterinary science. He was all his life primarily a Doctor of Medicine, his original degree. Dr. Simon H. Gage, formerly a member of the Veterinary College faculty, influenced him to enter the field of veterinary medicine. But in his retirement as Dean of the State College he returned to his first love, the treatment of human ills and became superintendent of Ithaca Memorial Hospital. Much of Dr. Moore's unselfish philosophy is summed up in the phrase he often used in his hospital work, "The patient comes first."

The following tribute was paid Dr. Moore at the time of his death by Dr. Livingston Farrand, president of Cornell University. "It is hard to picture Cornell without the quiet, lovable, trusted figure of Dean Moore. It is doubtful if there was any man whose passing could have brought the same feeling of sadness to so many members of the community, present and past. For more than forty years Dean Moore played an important part in the building of the university. It was not alone his unchallenged leadership in the field of Veterinary Medicine that gave him his peculiar influence. It was not even his sturdy insistence upon the best scientific standards that won the admiration of his colleagues in all the faculties. It was the sterling character of the man and the simple, winning, sympathetic personality that gave to his professional leadership its unusual touch. The state and the city have lost a great servant, and Cornell University one of its best loved men."

Erwin V. Moore, D. V. M.—A veteran of the World War and prominent throughout Cortland County, where he has established an excellent practice, is Dr. E. V. Moore, Cortland, New York. He

was born in Washington, D. C., December 24, 1893, the son of Dr. V. A. Moore, whose sketch appears in this history.

E. V. Moore attended the public schools of Ithaca, and was graduated from Ithaca High School in 1913, and received the degree of Doctor of Veterinary Medicine at Cornell University in 1917. He began his practice at Brooktondale, New York. In 1918 he was commissioned a second lieutenant in Veterinary Corps and was stationed at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia. He established his offices in Cortland and later became associated with Dr. J. L. McAuliff under the firm of McAuliff and Moore. They have a modern animal hospital.

Doctor Moore was married on November 1, 1923, to Miss Lulu W. Williams, the daughter of Chester and Luella (Smith) Williams, natives of Owego and Trumansburg respectively. Mrs. Williams is deceased and is buried at Owego, New York. Mr. Williams resides at Owego, New York. He is a retired Erie Railroad employe.

Politically, Doctor Moore is a Republican and has held the office of County Veterinarian since March 1, 1922. He is an active member of the Presbyterian Church. Doctor Moore is a member of Omega Tau Sigma Fraternity; Caroline Lodge, No. 681, F. & A. M., Lodge of Perfection; Central City Consistory, thirty-second degree, Syracuse, New York. Doctor Moore is president of the Southern Tier Veterinary Medical Society, and a member of the New York State Veterinary Society and the American Veterinary Medical Association. He is secretary of the Veterinary Board of Examiners of New York State.

Norman S. Moore, M. D.—One of the most prominent of the younger physicians and surgeons of Central New York is Dr. Norman S. Moore, of Ithaca, who is the son of the late Dr. Veranus A. Moore, emeritus dean of New York State College of Veterinary Medicine. Norman S. Moore was born at Ithaca, April 17, 1901.

To Dr. Veranus A. and Mary L. (Slawson) Moore were born three children: 1. Erwin Veranus, Doctor of Veterinary Medi-

cine at Cortland, New York. 2. Mary E., married Horace E. Shackleton, lives at Glen Ridge, New York. 3. Norman S., the subject of this sketch.

Norman S. Moore is a graduate of Ithaca High School, class of 1919. He received the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Doctor of Medicine at Cornell University in 1923 and 1926, respectively, spent two years as an interne in Bellevue Hospital, New York City, and one year at Rockefeller Institute. He has engaged in private practice in Ithaca since 1929, and has offices in the Seneca Building. Doctor Moore is a member of the staff of Ithaca Memorial Hospital, and is identified with the Harvey Society of New York City, American Medical Association, National Tuberculosis Association, American Heart Association and American Association for the Advancement of Science. He also is a director of the Tuberculosis Hospital, and takes an active interest in all public health work in the community, as did his honored father before him.

Dr. Moore married, June 28, 1932, Miss Bernice Barkee of Ithaca, New York.

Doctor Moore is a member of the First Methodist Church, and belongs to the Cornell Club of New York City, Phi Sigma Kappa and Nu Sigma Nu fraternities, Ithaca Yacht Club, and Hobasco Lodge No. 716, F. & A. M. Doctor Moore is a member of the Ithaca Country Club and a member of the Leadership and Training Committee, Louis Agassiz Fuertes Council, Boy Scouts of America. He is also a member of Ithaca Fire Department, Hook and Ladder Company No. 3.

Howard Edward Babcock.—One of Ithaca's most prominent citizens is Howard Edward Babcock, who is president of the cooperative G. L. F. Holding Company, with offices in the Seneca Building. He was born at Gilbertsville, Otsego County, New York, the son of Howard Worden and Mary Emma (Donahue) Babcock.

Howard Worden Babcock is a native of Massachusetts and his wife was born in New York City. She died in 1918 and is

buried at Gilbertsville. Mr. Babcock was reared and educated in Central New York and throughout his life was interested in general farming in Otsego, Chenango, and Tompkins counties. At the present time he owns and operates a farm near Ithaca. Mr. Babcock is a Republican and a member of the Presbyterian Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Babcock only one child was born, Howard Edward.

Howard Edward Babcock grew up on his father's farm and is a graduate of the public schools. He received the degree of Ph. B. at Syracuse University in 1911, and began his professional career as a teacher of agriculture at Albion, New York. He later was County Agent and successively Assistant State Leader of County Agents, State Leader of County Agents and Secretary of the New York State Farm Bureau Federation, Secretary of the New York State Agricultural Conference Board, which he was instrumental in organizing, and for a period during the War, State Director of Food Conservation. From 1920 to 1922 he was Professor of Marketing at Cornell University, resigning to become General Manager of the Cooperative Grange League Federation Exchange, Inc., which position he held to July 1, 1932, when he resigned to become President of the Cooperative G. L. F. Holding Corporation.

On October 23, 1913, Mr. Babcock married Miss Hilda Wall Butler, of Albion, New York, the daughter of Frederick and Sarah (Wall) Butler, natives of England and New York respectively. Mr. Butler was a leading jeweler of Albion, New York, and died in that city in 1900. His wife died in 1925. Both are buried there. To Mr. and Mrs. Babcock have been born three children: 1. Howard E., born December 16, 1914, attends New Mexico Military Institute, at Roswell, New Mexico. 2. Barbara E., born in July, 1918, attends Ithaca High School. 3. John Butler, born in August, 1920, a student.

Mr. Babcock is a member of the Congregational Church, Chamber of Commerce, and Delta Chi fraternity. He also is a member of the American Guernsey Cattle Breeders Association, and the Ayrshire Breeders Association. For many years has been a successful breeder of both pure bred Ayrshire and Guernsey cattle.

James E. Van Natta, dealer in office supplies and equipment, located at 222 East State Street, is well and favorably known in Ithaca, and is a member of one of the oldest families in Tompkins County. He was born in this city, December 16, 1887, the son of David M. and Ada (Cremer) Van Natta.

David M. Van Natta is a graduate of Ithaca Academy and until his recent retirement was interested in general farming. He is the third generation of the Van Natta family to reside on the homestead, which was settled in Tompkins County in 1818. His wife is also a native of this county, born at Varna. Their only child is James E., the subject of this sketch. Mr. Van Natta is a Republican and an active member of the Baptist Church.

The boyhood of James E. Van Natta was spent on his father's farm and he is a graduate of Ithaca High School. He began his business career as a clerk and salesman with the Cornell Cooperative Society, and remained with that organization from 1908 until 1915. He spent the following three years as a salesman at the Corner Book Store in Ithaca, and in 1918 established his own business. A branch store was opened by Mr. Van Natta in 1927 at Cortland.

On June 7, 1910, Mr. Van Natta was united in marriage with Miss Florence B. Howe, who was born at Ithaca, March 22, 1890, the daughter of Frank B. and Flora (Bliven) Howe. Frank B. Howe was a native of Dryden, Tompkins County, where he spent his early life. He studied dentistry and after a number of years in practice at Dryden he located at Ithaca, where he was successful for a period of twenty-five years. Doctor Howe died in 1912 and his wife died in 1930. Both are buried in Lakeview Cemetery, Ithaca. Doctor Howe was a Republican and was prominent in Masonic circles, being Past High Priest and a member of the Masonic Club. He also belonged to the Ithaca City Club, Town & Gown Club, and Business Men's Association. He was a member of the Episcopal Church, as was his wife. To Mr. and Mrs. Van Natta were born two children: 1. James E., Jr., born December 16, 1912, attends Colgate University, at Hamilton, New York. 2. Doris J., born April 17, 1920, attends the Ithaca public schools.