

James P. Van de Water

James P. Van de Water County Native Dies

James P. Van de Water, 76, of Kitchener, former secretary-treasurer and business administrator of the K.W. high school board, died of a heart attack Wednesday, June 7, 1967 in Sarnia while attending a Canadian Legion convention.

His death came three weeks after that of his wife, the former Helen Brown.

Mr. Van de Water retired from his position with the high school board in December, 1964, after 21 years in which he saw the system grow from one collegiate to five.

He was also prominent in legion work, and was a former president and treasurer of the Kitchener branch.

Mr. Van de Water was also a member of the Canadian Red

Cross Society, the Waterloo County Children's Aid Society and St. John's Anglican Church. He lived at 214 Queen St. S.

He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Philip A. Van de Water, and was born near Picton. He started his business career in 1907 with the Standard Bank of Canada and worked in several branches in Midland and the Bay of Quinte area. He served in Bank of Commerce branches in Lethbridge and Calgary until enlisting in 1915.

After serving in France, Belgium and Germany, he worked for bank branches in Brantford, Walkerton and Listowel before coming to Kitchener in 1928 as manager of the Bongard and Co. brokerage office. In 1940 the company was taken over by Seagram, Harris and Bricker and he stayed with the firm until joining the high school board staff in 1942.

Surviving are three sons, James of Toronto, George of Montreal and Peter of Kitchener; a brother, Edward of Toronto; a sister, Mrs. Helen Mitford of Ottawa, and six grandchildren. One son, Jack, predeceased him.

The body rested at the Gruhn Funeral Home until noon Saturday when removal was made to St. John's Anglican Church for service at 2 p.m. Burial in Woodland Cemetery.

Donations to the Canadian Red Cross Society will be accepted as expressions of sympathy.



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