

DEATHS IN THE ERIE FAMILY

Milton Hanners

Milton Hanners, veteran New York division conductor who retired on special allowance last July, died December 27th last at his home, 47 Sussex street, Port Jervis. He was 78 and had 49 years service with the Erie, beginning as a freight conductor. Mr. Hanners was a member of Neversink division 52, Order of Railway Conductors, and Drew M. E. church. He is survived by his widow Mrs. Jessie Hanners and a daughter, Gertrude. The funeral was held from his home and burial was in Laurel Grove cemetery.

George S. Keeler

George S. Keeler, 65, baggage-master on the New York, Susquehanna & Western branch of the Erie, who began as a passenger trainman in 1894, died last December. Mr. Keeler lived at 84 Hillside avenue, Paterson. He was an Odd Fellow and a member of the M. E. church.

Fred W. Klippel

Fred W. Klippel, 76, veteran Erie employe of Warren, O., was killed by a train at the interlocking plant at Leavittsburg last December. Mr. Klippel, a blacksmith in the signal department, failed to notice an approaching passenger train. Mr. Klippel was widely known and popular. On October 19th last he and Mrs. Klippel, who was Mary Ellen Lynn, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. Other survivors are three sons, A. P. Klippel of Niles, Howard and F. F. Klippel of Warren. Funeral services were held at the home, 926 Union S. W., and First Reformed church. Burial was in Oakwood.

George Henry Glasgow

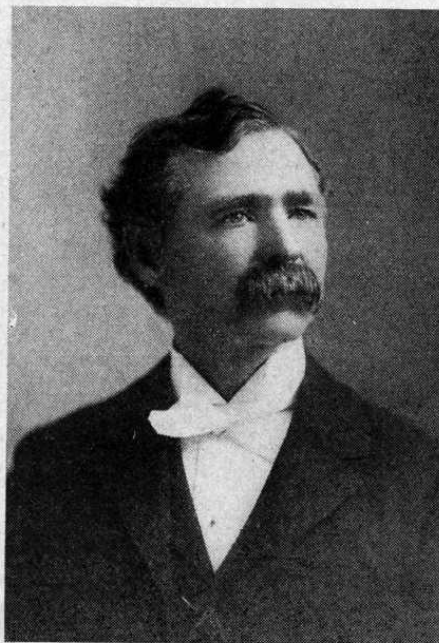
George Henry Glasgow, 71, veteran Erie employe who was rate clerk at the Rochester freight station when he retired last November on special allowance after 54 years service, died last December at his home, 208 Fitzhugh street South, Rochester. He had been ill only 24 hours. Mr. Glasgow attended Bible class for 64 years and fellow worshippers in the Central Pres-

byterian church said that he had a world record for unbroken attendance. Mr. Glasgow occupied the positions of yard clerk, switchman, yardmaster, contracting agent and



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rate clerk in Rochester. He was popular and when he retired last November his associates gave him a ring and showered him with well wishes. Mr. Glasgow and the late



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Simon Birmingham, conductor on trains 142 and 143, were inseparable companions, and both refused better positions elsewhere because they feared to part. Mr. Glasgow was an inveterate reader. The

funeral was held from his home and burial was in Mount Hope cemetery, beside Mrs. Glasgow, who, before her marriage was Miss Annie Calder of Rochester. Two daughters, Mrs. Ella Eberwein and Miss Florence Day Glasgow and a sister, Miss Eliza C. Glasgow, all of Rochester, survive.

Arthur White

Arthur White, 65, New York division brakeman, died at his home in Clifton, N. J., last December. For 35 years he had collected tickets on main line trains and was widely known among commuters. He was a member of Clifton Masonic lodge, Masonic Square club, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and Erie Veterans association. He is survived by his widow, Helen, and two children, Arthur J. and Mrs. Beatrice Schweighardt, of Clifton. Funeral services were held from the home, 92 East Third street, and burial was in East Richlawn cemetery.

Julius Weiss

Julius Weiss, widely known Erie employe who was formerly shop foreman at Avon, N. Y., when his late father, Charles L. Weiss, was master mechanic at Hornell, died last December at Rochester. After leaving Erie service he operated several hotels in Livingston county, raised chickens and became an expert fisherman and huntsman. He was a brother of Carl Weiss, once an expert machinist with the Erie at Rochester who, before the outbreak of the war with Spain, organized, with Wellington Lee and Fred C. Santee, the "three musketeers" and went to Cuba. General Weyler, the Spanish governor who recently died in Spain, offered \$1,000 reward for their capture. Lee was ambushed by the Spaniards and Weiss and Santee were killed in a gun explosion. Julius Weiss is survived by his widow, Inez Batchelder; a sister, Mrs. Cammela McDonald of Hornell; a brother, Eugene Weiss of Detroit; two nephews and two nieces. Burial was in Mount Hope cemetery.

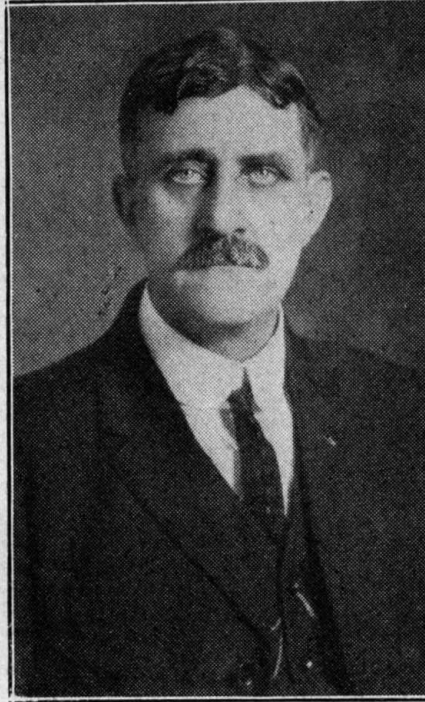
Richard Dabron

Richard Dabron, employed in the
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William H. Westfall Is Dead

William H. Westfall, general scale inspector for the Erie Railroad, died January 19th of pneumonia at his late home, 36 Spring Dell, Rutherford, N. J., after an illness of about ten days. Mr. Westfall had been in Erie employ 41 years and was widely known along the system. The funeral was con-



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ducted by the Masonic lodge and the body, accompanied by relatives and many friends, was taken for burial to Phelps, in Western New York, where Mr. Westfall was born 65 years ago. Mr. Westfall is survived by his widow, Mertle Louise Westfall.

Benjamin Byers

Benjamin Byers, 61, former Erie engineer at Oil City and Meadville, died last month in the former city.

William T. Hunter

William T. Hunter, station agent for the Erie at Tuxedo, died last month of pneumonia at his home in Highland Mills. He was 41.

Anthony Zeigler

Anthony Zeigler, 63, Erie machinist at Susquehanna, died recently at his home in Lanesboro, where he was widely known. He is survived by his widow and five children, Phillip, Francis, Marie and Nora of Lanesboro, and Harry of Syracuse.

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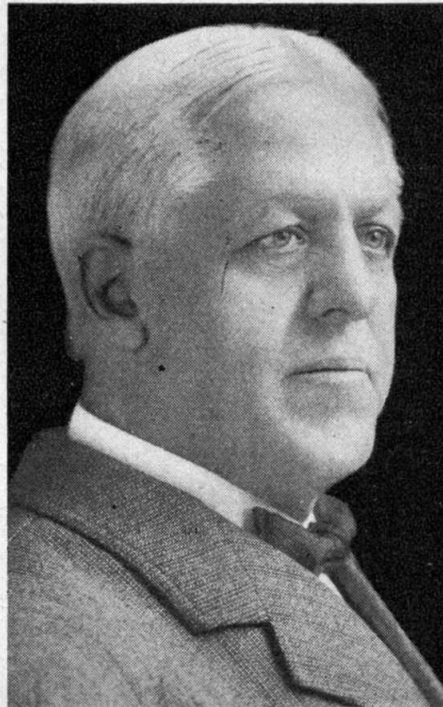
Deaths in the Erie Family

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Erie car department at Port Jervis, died last month at his home, 69 West Main street, Port Jervis. He was a member of the Drew M. E. church, B. of R. T., Erie Veterans association and honorary member of Neversink Engine Company No. 1. He is survived by his widow, Anna Truex, a son, Elmer Dabron, and a granddaughter, Esther E. Dabron, all of Port Jervis.

Charles Perin Morse

Charles Perin Morse, 79, formerly general passenger and freight agent of the Erie, died last month



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at his home, 2916 Cleinview Avenue, Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, after a long illness. Mr. Morse retired three years ago after 40 years' service with the railroad which began as bill of lading clerk. Mr. Morse was appointed general agent at Cincinnati in 1889, became general southern agent there in 1912, general freight and passenger agent in 1920 and assistant general freight agent in 1927, the same year he retired. Mr. Morse was a native of Louisville. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Emma E. Morse; a daughter, Mucille Morse of Cincinnati; three sisters, Mrs. Sarah Huber and Mrs. Mattie Griffiths of Covington, and Mrs. W. O. Chenault of Mount Sterling, Ky., and a brother, S. F. B. Morse of New York. The funeral was

held from the late home and burial was in Highland cemetery, Covington.

James W. Gross

James W. Gross, a brief account of whose life was published in the January magazine, was an Erie



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locomotive engineer 41 years. He was 69, lived at Rutherford, and passed away in a Passaic hospital following a hernia operation. He began with the Erie in 1883 as a brakeman. Two years later he became fireman and in 1889 was promoted to engineer. Mr. Gross was a man of integrity and sterling principles, kind and generous, and his genial spirit and kind disposition endeared him to all with whom he came in contact. His death comes as a sad loss to his family and many friends. Besides his widow, Mrs. Emma Gross, he is survived by two daughters, Iona Gross and Winona Hamilton of Rutherford; a sister, Mrs. Janet Banker of New York and a brother, Osman Gross of Nanuet, N. Y., Mr. Gross's birthplace.

Miss Anna T. Smith

Miss Anna T. Smith of 1551 Medford avenue, Youngstown, died recently. A few hours before, she left the following for publication: "Miss Anna T. Smith died (at 2:15) Nov. 11, after a lingering illness. She was the daughter of Nehemiah and Ann Smith, pioneers of Youngstown and was well known here and in Cleveland, having worked for the Erie Railroad for 10 years."

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