

From 1887-89 he was cartoonist for the *Chicago Daily News and Record*. He drew for the *Chicago Herald* from 1889 to 1896; *New York Journal*, 1896-1900; *Verdict*, 1900-1902.

ALARIC SKINNER EMBREE, XI 1863, died at Topeka, Kan., on October 17, 1921. Dr. Embree was one of the most prominent alumni members of his chapter, and was the installing officer for Alpha Xi Chapter at its establishment on May 23, 1884. Since his retirement from active ministry he had officiated at over two thousand funerals.

The *Topeka Capital* said:

Dr. A. S. Embree, 78, well-known Topeka minister, died suddenly at his home 1616 West Sixth avenue, early yesterday morning. Death resulted from an attack of asthma which affected his heart. He had been in unusually good health up to the time he was stricken.

Doctor Embree was born in Lafayette, Ind., July 9, 1843. He served with Company A, Fortieth Indiana infantry in the Civil War. He graduated from De Pauw university in 1867.

Doctor Embree was pastor of Methodist churches in Hiawatha, Leavenworth and Manhattan before coming to Topeka in 1892. He was pastor of the First Methodist church five years. He also was pastor of the Kansas Avenue Methodist church for a year.

Since his retirement in 1898, Doctor Embree had officiated at more funerals than any other preacher in the city, having had charge of almost 2,000. He was a member of Lincoln Post No. 1, G.A.R., and of the Topeka Commandery No. 5, Knights Templar.

On Monday of last week, Doctor Embree came to the Capital office to give some information about Harrison Clarkson, who had died that morning. He and Mr. Clarkson had been lifelong friends. After recounting the deaths of several old timers recently, Doctor Embree remarked:

"Yes, we old timers are going fast." He said it in a tone that indicated he had a premonition that he was the next to be called to his eternal home.

The funeral will be held from the Embree home at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon. Dr. C. B. Zook, superintendent of the Methodist churches in the Topeka district, and the Rev. J. R. Madison, of Topeka, a retired Methodist minister, will have charge of the services. Burial will be in Topeka cemetery.

Doctor Embree is survived by two daughters, Miss Elizabeth Embree, Topeka, and Mrs. F. G. Vasey, Burlington, Kan.

JESSE R. CLARK, Gamma 1873, president of the Union Central Life Insurance company, died at Petoskey, Mich., on September 25, 1921.

The *Cincinnati Enquirer* paid this tribute to his memory:

Jesse R. Clark, president of the Union Central Life Insurance company, died yesterday afternoon at Petoskey, Mich., where he had a summer cottage, following a stroke of paralysis which he suffered three weeks ago. He was 67 years old.

The news of Mr. Clark's death, which reached Cincinnati late yesterday afternoon, came as a surprise to many of his friends, who did not know that his condition

was so critical. They had been encouraged by recent reports that had indicated his improvement and had expected he would recover.

Mr. Clark was stricken September 4, shortly after he had been bathing in the Little Traverse bay. Feeling in the best of health, he had donned a bathing suit and



JESSE R. CLARK

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Late President of the Union Central Life Insurance Co.

gone for a short swim in the bay at Harbor Point. He collapsed at the gate of his summer cottage on his return from the bay, and was removed to Petoskey hospital.

Dr. William Muhlberg, medical director of the Union Central Life Insurance company, was summoned from Cincinnati and went immediately to Petoskey. Mr. Clark's condition, while critical immediately following the stroke, soon indicated an

improvement and Dr. Muhlberg returned to Cincinnati. The stroke was the first he had sustained and his attending physicians believed that his condition was favorable for recovery.

When stricken Mr. Clark was passing a part of the summer in Michigan with Mrs. Clark and a daughter, Mrs. Harrison B. Warrener, who were at his bedside when the end came. His three sons and another daughter were in Cincinnati when they learned of his death through a telegram from Petoskey. They immediately arranged for Rev. John B. Ascham, of the Avondale Methodist Episcopal church, to conduct the funeral services. The date of the funeral will be determined after Mrs. Clark has been consulted.

Mr. Clark gave most of his life to the Union Central Life Insurance company, starting with the concern when it was a new and modest enterprise and rising from the ranks through successive promotions to its presidency. As president of the company for the last fifteen years he had done much to put it in the front rank, for under his guidance its assets and its insurance in force had more than tripled, the insurance in force having recently passed the three-quarter-billion-dollar mark.

Jesse Redman Clark was born in Cincinnati, October 31, 1854. He was educated in the public schools and at Chickering Institute, and was graduated from the Ohio Wesleyan university. In 1873 he entered the service of the Union Central Life Insurance company, being at that time nineteen years old. First as a clerk, then cash-teller, and, in 1878, as cashier, he grew up with the company. In 1886 he became treasurer and in 1906 its president. He was a member of the Board of Directors in 1880 and a member of the Executive Committee in 1882.

During his term as treasurer he organized the farm loan investment bureau of the company, and it was under this investment policy, developed under Mr. Clark, that the company achieved a remarkable record of practically no losses and an exceptionally high interest return.

It was due largely to his vision and foresight that the company erected the big building which now houses its affairs and the Chamber of Commerce. The building has been a valuable asset to the company and expansion has been greatly accelerated since its erection.

Under his guidance the insurance in force has increased from \$233,000,000 to \$778,000,000, and the assets have grown from \$49,000,000 in 1906 to \$150,000,000.

Mr. Clark was an active member of the Methodist Episcopal church, of which his father, Rev. Davis W. Clark, one of the founders of the Company, was a bishop. Mr. Clark was a member of the book committee of the Methodist Episcopal church, and occupied other responsible positions in this church. He was devoted to charity and to charitable acts, and had aided many institutions and individuals by his generosity. He also was interested actively in the civic affairs of Cincinnati.

He was a member of the Executive Committee of the Association of Life Insurance Presidents, a member of the Queen City club, the Commercial club, Business Men's club, Optimists, Cincinnati Country club, Chamber of Commerce and University club. He was a director of the First National bank and the Central Trust Company.

Besides his widow, Mrs. Carrie Marqua Clark, he is survived by three sons, Jesse R., Philip Jerome, and Roger Clark, and two daughters, Mrs. Warrener and Miss Marianne Clark.