

[Babcock, Oliver Wirt]

O. W. BABCOCK, HERKIMER RESIDENT

HERKIMER—Oliver Wirt Babcock, 85, died April 17, 1956 at his home, 402 W. German St., after a long illness.

He was born on May 14, 1870, in Brookfield, son of Luther and Harriett Babcock.

Mr. Babcock married Mathilda Braxie on Oct. 27, 1889, in the Town of Columbus, Chenango County. She died March 28, 1955. The couple had lived in the Town of Columbus, New Berlin, Walton, Waterville and Iliion before coming to Herkimer in 1919.

Mr. Babcock had worked at Remington Rand, Inc., Iliion, at the Breese shoe store, H. G. Munger & Co. and the Herkimer Hardware Co.

He was postmaster at Tallette, Town of Columbus, for 10 years until 1905.

Mr. Babcock was a member of the Universalist Church.

Surviving are three sons, Perry, Robert and Walter, all of Herkimer, and three grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 1:30 Friday from the Fenner Funeral Home, the Rev. Ralph N. Schmidt, interim pastor of the Universalist Church, and the Rev. Fred D. Cotnam, Methodist Church pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Columbus Corners.

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