

## [Benedict, Arthur Lincoln]

### Dr. Benedict, Prominent Physician, Stricken Fatally

Dr. A. L. Benedict, well-known physician who had practiced here for 55 years, died about 9:15 o'clock last night of a heart attack. He was 84. Dr. Benedict, who had resided at 377 Elmwood Ave., was making a professional call at 6 Arlington Pl. when stricken.

His wife, Mrs. Vida G. Benedict, was notified and when she arrived at the Arlington Pl. address, notified Dr. Benedict's physician, Dr. Frank Valenti of 242 Normal Ave.

Dr. Valenti summoned a Fire Department rescue squad. The unit, under the direction of Fireman Roy B. Farrell, used an inhalator and administered artificial respiration for about 45 minutes before Dr. Valenti pronounced the physician dead.

Dr. Benedict was born in Buffalo in 1865, the son of the late Nathan Gregory Benedict, Jr., and Gracia Skinner Smith Benedict.

He received his bachelor of arts degree from the University of Michigan and was awarded degrees of doctor of medicine by the University of Buffalo and the University of Pennsylvania. He received [a] degree of master of arts from Ohio Wesleyan University and an honorary master of arts degree from Oberlin College.

Dr. Benedict was appointed in 1890 to the U.S. Marine Hospital Service but did not serve. He held various teaching positions in professional schools, including professorship in physiology in the Dental Department of the University of Buffalo from 1896 to 1901.

He was superintendent of ethnology at the Pan American Exposition here in 1901 and was associate editor of the Philadelphia Medical and Surgical Reporter from 1895 to 1898.

Dr. Benedict was vice-president of the American Academy of Medicine in 1902, a councilor of the American Gastro-enterologic Association, a recipient of the gold medal in medicine from the American Medical Association, twice prize essayist of the Medical Society of New York State and president of the Michigan Chapter of Delta Upsilon fraternity.

He was a member of the College of Physicians of U.S.A., a director of the Buffalo Historical Society and of the Buffalo Museum of Science and a past president of the Guild of Allied Arts.

Dr. Benedict was president of the Buffalo Association for observance of American Indian Day in 1928.

He was a captain in the Army Medical Corps from 1917 to 1918 and a captain in the Medical Corps of the New York Guard, attached to the 174th Infantry from 1919 to 1920. He served as a major in the latter unit from 1920 to 1921. From then until 1924 he was a major in the New York National Guard. In 1924 he was a major in the medical section of the U.S. Reserves.

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At the time of his death he was vice-president of the French Society and a member of the Erie County Medical Society.

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DEATHS

BENEDICT—A. L. Benedict, MD, suddenly, January 14, 1950, of 377 Elmwood Ave.; husband of Vida G. Friends may call at the Henry S. Kelly Funeral Home, 2850 Main St. until noon Wednesday. Funeral from the [Universalist] Church of the Messiah, North and Mariner Sts. at 1 o'clock. Friends invited to attend.

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