

[Hill, McClellan Hose]

McClellan H. Hill, Little Falls, Dies

Little Falls, Oct. 16, 1931.—The city lost another good citizen last evening in the death of McClellan Hose Hill, which occurred at 6 o'clock at the hospital. Death was due to a complication of diseases. Two weeks ago he underwent an operation.

Mr. Hill was born in St. Johnsville, August 2, 1861. His parents, the late Walton and Sarah Hose Hill, were ardent admirers of General George B. McClellan, the great Civil War leader, and so named their son after him. When a young man[,] deceased entered the employ of the New York Central railroad, later moving to this city, and came to be known as one of Major Priest's old boys. He was employed in the freight service, but severed his connection with the company in the big strike of 1891. Later he went west and was employed for a time on some western railroads. After a while, however, he returned to this city and since made his home here. For about 15 years past he worked as a welder at the [H. P.] Snyder bicycle shop.

It was in this city 47 years ago that Mr. Hill was united in marriage to Ella Petrie, the ceremony having been performed by Dr. Richard Eddy Sykes, now president of St. Lawrence University, but who at that time was pastor of the local Universalist Church. Deceased was a member of that church and of Little Falls Lodge No. 181, F. & A. M. He was the first to take advantage of the life membership in the lodge, which he did in 1926. He was made a Master Mason August 27, 1895. He had many friends and was held in high regard throughout the city.

Surviving are his widow; a son, Frank Hill; a daughter, Mrs. Carmie [Evelyn] Innes; a grandson, Leland Hill, three granddaughters, Misses Lucille Innes and Vivian and Evelyn Hill, all of whom reside in this city, and two sisters, Mrs. William Beecher of St. Johnsville and Mrs. Elma Dickey of Buehl [Buhl], Idaho, and a brother, Earl Hill of Utica.¹

The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 from the home at 17 Summit avenue, occupied jointly by Mr. and Mrs. Hill and Mr. and Mrs. Carmie Innes and daughter. The local lodge of Masons will be in charge. Rev. T. [Trueman] J. Menadue of the Universalist church will officiate and interment will be in the church street cemetery.

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¹ The *Gloversville Morning Herald* of Sat. the 17th noted that Mrs. Izora Munk, who had died a few weeks earlier after being struck by an automobile near her home in St. Johnsville, was another sister of his.