[Howell, Claude Bitley]

Rites To Be Held For Manufacturer

Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 2 o'clock from his late home, 315 West Center St., Medina, for Claude Bitley Howell, 69, president of the S. A. Cook Manufacturing Co., who died suddenly Friday night following a cerebral hemorrhage.

A lifelong resident of Medina, Mr. Howell succeeded to the presidency last May upon the death of George Bowen, also a Medina resident. Mr. Howell, who quit school at an early age to accept employment with the manufacturing firm, celebrated his 50th anniversary with the S. & A. Cook Co., Oct. 11.

He was the son of the late Rev. H. B. [and] Adelaide Howell, pastor of the Universalist Church, Ridgeway, and grandson of Col. Hezekiah Bowen [d. 1902], commander of the 151st New York Volunteers during the Civil War.

Mr. Howell was a member of the Medina Board of Education for 14 years. He also held membership in the Medina Lodge of Masons, Elks, Batavia Club and the Lockport Country Club.

Surviving are his wife, Anna J. Howell, one son, Roland C. Howell, and a grandson, Roland C. Howell, Jr., all of Medina; a brother, Fred B. Howell, also of Medina, and a sister, Mrs. H. A. Chubbuck, of Long Beach, Cal.

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