[Lee, Samuel D.]

SAMUEL D. LEE, FORMER EDITOR, PASSES AWAY Funeral Services Will Be Held This Morning at Chestnut Street Chapel

Samuel D. Lee, one of the founders of the Rochester Morning Herald, died Saturday in Jacksonville, Florida, while on his way to his winter home in Avon Park, Florida. He had contracted pneumonia and was removed to the Riverside Hospital where he died. He is survived by two nephews, R. H. Lee, auditor of the Illinois Central Railroad and Samuel W. Lee of Philadelphia, Pa., also one niece, Mabel Lee of Weedsport, N.Y.

Mr. Lee was the last of the three founders of The Morning Herald to pass from earth. Samuel Lowe died about fifteen years ago and Frank J. Skinner died several months ago at his home in Miami, Florida. The Herald was founded in 1879 and ended its career when merged with the Democrat and Chronicle several years ago.

Myron T. Bly was perhaps better acquainted with Mr. Lee than was any other of the present residents of this city. In 1879, soon after graduating from the University of Rochester, Mr. Bly started his newspaper career as a reporter under Mr. Lee on the Rochester Morning Herald. The association grew into a friendship that has now only been broken by death.

"Samuel D. Lee," said Mr. Bly to a reporter of The Daily Record, "was not what is commonly known as a reserved nature. Rather he chose his friends and when one was once so honored he remained his friend through prosperity and adversity.

"Mr. Lee was above all things truthfully frank and loyally courageous in all his walks in life. He had the true ideal of a daily newspaper that was a newspaper in every way and he lived up to that ideal. He lived in the age when the newspaper was the creation of one or two great men. That age is passed and it is timely in the fullness of labor well performed that Mr. Lee too should pass."

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 o'clock this morning at the chapel of Ingmire & Thompson, No. 137 Chestnut street, Rev. Charles Clare Blauvelt of the First Universalist Church, officiating. Interment will take place at Newark, N.Y.

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