

[Willets, Platt]

Platt Willets, 70, Ex-Boro Resident

Platt Willets, former manager of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company's transcription division, died Wednesday in his home, 1430 Parkchester Road, the Bronx. He was 70 and until a year or two ago had resided in Flatbush.

Mr. Willets, born in this borough, started with the insurance company as a messenger in the audit division in 1898. Later he became bookkeeper, rising steadily in rank until 1930 when he became manager of the transcription division. He retired in 1949.

On Jan. 3, 1948, a celebration marking the completion of a half-century with the company was held in the Home Office, with many executives and co-workers attending. He was presented with a gold pin marking the occasion.

One of the speakers on this occasion referred to the fact that Mr. Willet's father was former cashier of the company and that an uncle years ago had served as head of one of the departments.

Mr. Willets is survived by his wife, Mrs. Edith Cisco Willets, formerly connected with the actuarial department of the company.

Services will be held at 8 o'clock tonight in All Souls Universalist Church, Ocean and Ditmas Aves. The Rev. Dr. Cornelius Greenway, pastor, a cousin of Mr. Willets, will officiate. Burial tomorrow will be in Green-Wood Cemetery.

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