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MRS. G. R. CORWIN DIES IN BURBANK FUNERAL THERE

Wife of Former Plant Manager At Radiator

Mrs. Cyrena Weir Corwin, wife of George R. Corwin, formerly of Litchfield, died at her home, 811 Country Club drive, in Burbank, Cal., Saturday evening, following an extended illness. A message telling of her death was received here yesterday by Mrs. J. Roy Miller, a friend of Mrs. Corwin.

Only daughter of Mrs. Mary Weir, who has been with the Corwin couple during their residence in California, and of the late John P. Weir, Mrs. Corwin came to Litchfield with her parents more than 30 years ago. Her father, with Mr. Baldwin, brother of Mrs. Weir, organized the Baldwin-Weir Lumber company, which they operated for a number of years at the corner of West Union avenue and Madison street.

She was united in marriage with Mr. Corwin, during his superintendency of the Litchfield American Radiator plant. They resided here for a number of years after their marriage, before Mr. Corwin went to Buffalo, N. Y., plant. Mr. Corwin retired a few years ago, and since then the couple spent the winters in California returning to Litchfield to spend the summers at the Weir home, 914 East Union avenue, until the last two summers, when Mrs. Corwin's health would not permit her to make the trip home.

She was an only child of the Weir couple, and besides her husband, is survived by her mother. Her father preceded her in death a few years ago. A cousin, Mrs. Duncan, resides in Springfield.

Funeral services will be held in Burbank, the message received by Mrs. Miller, stated.

GEO. CORWIN EX-RADIATOR MANAGER DIES

Retired Industrialist Succumbs At 83 To Brief Illness

George Corwin, retired American Radiator & Standard Sanitary Corp. executive, died last night at 11:55 o'clock in St. Francis hospital, where he had been a patient since March 27.

Mr. Corwin was 83 years old last March 19. He was the second manager of the local plant of the firm and had resided in this community off and on since coming here shortly after the plant was built.

Mr. Corwin and his mother-in-law, Mrs. Mary V. Weir, made their home at 910 East Union avenue. Mr. Corwin had been prominent in local affairs for many years.

Mr. Corwin was one of the principal stockholders in American Radiator. He acquired large holdings in the early 20's and had held them since in firm conviction of the success of his firm.

He came here in 1907 and served as manager until Jan. 1, 1909, when he became manager of the newly erected Bond plant at Buffalo, N. Y.

He remained at the Bond plant until retiring in 1928. He was the second manager of the local plant, succeeding Frank LeClerq and being succeeded by the late Henry Bergman.

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Until his recent illness he was a frequent visitor at the local plant, calling on Manager E. R. Grenagle about once a month and discussing production techniques.

After retiring until a few years ago he spent the winter months at his home in Burbank, Calif., and his summers at the East Union avenue residence. Shortly after the war he sold his west coast home and stayed here all year around.

He was a member of the Litchfield Rotary club and took an active interest in the boys' work of the club. He was a leading contributor to the various activities carried on by the organization for boys.

Each year on his birthday he presented the club with sums for the use of the youth activities committee, taking care the contributions would be made anonymously.

George Roger Corwin was born in Dunkirk, N. Y., in 1867, a son of William A. and Elizabeth Corwin. He learned the trade of a toolmaker in boyhood and worked in the Dunkirk foundries.

He was married twice. His first wife, the former Minnie Avery, died about the time he came to Litchfield, leaving a daughter, Josephine.

He married Miss Cyrena Weir, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Weir, whose father was a prominent lumberman here, in 1908, shortly before he went to Buffalo.

They resided in Buffalo until he

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retired as head of the big Bond plant and after his daughter's wedding to Mr. Ackerman. The daughter also preceded him in death a number of years ago as did several brothers and sisters.

Mrs. Corwin died 13 years ago on April 12, 1937. His only survivors are two grandsons, George Ackerman of Buffalo, and Robert Ackerman of Rochester, N. Y., and a great grandson, George Ackerman, Jr., of Buffalo.

The grandsons were informed of his death this morning.

Besides his membership in the Rotary club here Mr. Corwin was a 32nd degree Mason and a Shriner. He was a member of the Methodist church in New York.

He held membership in Ismailia Temple, Lake Erie Commandery No. 20, Hiram A.F. & A.M. lodge No. 106 and the Royal Order of Jesters at Buffalo.

The body lies in state at Ross & Becker funeral home where services will be conducted Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Rev. Herbert Lohr, former pastor of First Presbyterian church here and present minister at Winnebago Presbyterian church, St. Louis, and Rev. D. J. Brigham, minister of First Presbyterian church, will officiate.

Burial will be in the Weir family crypt at the mausoleum in Oak Ridge cemetery, Springfield.