

C. H. Elliott, 71, Dies At Home; Was Head Of Lumber Concern

Clayton H. Elliott, 71, president of the Elliott Hardware Company Inc., died suddenly at his home, 5 Lawrence Ave. at 5:30 a.m. yesterday, Jan. 31, of a cerebral hemorrhage. He had been in ill health for two years.

Show me a man, they said, show me a man without enemies. I can show you that man because I have known that man, have talked to that man and have been a friend of that man. This, then is in tribute to Clate Elliott. This is goodbye to a friend of mine and an ideal to my children—goodbye to a truly great gentleman.

Last summer a sand box appeared in our yard. When I asked the children if it had gotten there by magic they said that Clate had sent it to them—you see, it was never Mr. Elliott, it was always "Clate." That was the way he wanted it—he just wouldn't have it otherwise. And when it was Christmas the dolls, the blocks, the dresses, the toys and all the other gadgets and gimmicks came from Santa Claus, BUT the kitchen set came from Clate and Santa Claus didn't have anything to do with that!

Yes, Clate Elliott is gone, and this world is going to be a far sadder place to live because he is gone. Many of you had the good fortune to know Clate Elliott much longer than I, but you couldn't have loved or respected him more—I guess we all felt just about the same when it came to Clate.

What made Clate Elliott the man he was? Ask Fred Woodruff and Soule Lamar. Ask Skip Morris and Murray Walker. Ask Mac Monagle, now ill in Syracuse—Clate, even though about to die, called to inquire how Mac was doing after an operation in Syracuse. Ask the man who brings the milk, ask the mailman, ask the man on the street, the butcher, the baker—ask them all and hear the same answer, "Clate Elliott was a man."

Clate Elliott died on the coldest day of the winter. This, too, is emblematic of this man. This was the climate he loved. This was the rugged, bitter cold of his north. "I never wear a glove," he told me Tuesday noon. "I like to feel the cold on my hands—I love the winter."

Other men die and their passing is mourned. Few achieve the stature of Clate Elliott. Perhaps that is why it is so difficult to realize that the smile is gone from his lips, that the laugh and the hearty voice is stilled.

How do you tell your children that their friend is dead? And how are they going to tell Johnny Deans, age four, a next door neighbor to Clate Elliott? Johnny told me a few weeks ago, with the infinite wisdom of the very young, that, "Clate and me is real buddies."

We are going to tell the twins that Clate is away on a long trip—and now that you think about it that is probably just right, because a man can't die ever unless he can also die in your heart. Clate Elliott will never die in a single heart today, tomorrow or ever.

Some day when the children are older we are going to tell them more about Clate Elliott. There are so many wonderful things to tell. We all know that.

I hope that the winter is long—for any day now the twins are going to ask to see Clate's sand box. They are going to say that it is spring again and that means that it is time to put Clate's sand box in operation. That is the day when I am going to have that lump in my throat that one thousand swallows is not going to erase.

Remember that last gin-rummy game, Clate? It was just a couple of days ago. I'm certainly glad that you remember, because I do. Goodbye, Clate, and I hope that sometime in the future we can both pick up our hands in a far better land and finish out that game we started two days ago.

And when I hear those words, "I'm going to knock for two, Tom," I'm going to be happier than all get-out—you know why, Clate? Simply because you won another point.

You got all those points, Clate. It couldn't happen to a nicer guy.

That is why the angels must be happy tonight. Another regular has finally come home.

Goodnight, Clate—and God Bless.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, Feb. 2, at 2 p.m. at the Clark and Foote Funeral Home. The Rev. J. Thurston Travis, rector of Trinity Episcopal Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Bayside Cemetery.

Bearers will be Donald P. White, Soule R. Lamar, E. V. Deans Jr., Vincent Cavanaugh, Walter L. Baker and G. Murray Walker.

Until the funeral, the body will be at the Clark and Foote Funeral Home, where friends may call.

Mr. Elliott was born Oct. 4, 1879 in Wellsboro, Pa., the son of Levi and Amelia Elliott. As a young man he was in the lumber business in Pennsylvania, later moving to Tupper Lake where he conducted roller mill and sawmill operations for 35 years. He came to Potsdam in 1925 and founded C. H. Elliott and Son, a lumber company which later became Elliott Hardware Co. Inc.

In 1896 he married Mrs. Bertha J. Wheeler who died in 1945. He married Mrs. Isabelle Engstrom of Tupper Lake in 1947. She survives him. Mr. Elliott was formerly a member of the Masonic lodge.

He is survived by his widow; a son, Basil W. Elliott, 52 Elm St., former mayor of the Village of Potsdam; two grandchildren, Richard S. Elliott and Miss Diane Elliott; and a great-granddaughter, Sarah C. Elliott.

Churches to Observe World Prayer Day

World Day of Prayer will be observed in Potsdam on Friday, Feb. 9, the first Friday in Lent, by a service in the Baptist Church at 3 p. m. in which all Protestant churches in the village are participating.

Proclamation

Whereas, my attention has been called to a coming event of worldwide significance and in which every citizen of Potsdam can have a part, namely: a "World Day of Prayer," which will be totally interracial, totally international and totally interdenominational and totally indivisible and that international understanding is the condition of survival and

Whereas, it is the mission of our churches to witness and proclaim the significant part they must play in the realization of a world order founded on the Golden Rule;

Now, Therefore, I do proclaim Friday, February 9th, as a "Day of Prayer," in the Village of Potsdam and do call all citizens to give this occasion their thoughtful attention, and if possible participate in some appropriate service, or in other ways observe this event, asking God to guide us, that His Kingdom may come on earth as it is in Heaven.

HAROLD A. PUTNAM, Mayor, Village of Potsdam

participating. As has been the custom in past years, the bells of the Methodist, Presbyterian and Trinity Churches will ring for one minute at 1, 2 and 3 p. m. to remind citizens of the day.

Mrs. Ernest Carvin is general chairman of the church service. A short play will be directed by Mrs. Edward Young. Mrs. Carvin and Mrs. Orion Hess are in charge of a radio broadcast planned from the Massena station. A window display will be set up at Kaplan's Department Store. For those who wish to bring their children to the church, a nursery school will be provided.

World Day of Prayer is a worldwide observance sponsored by the United Council of Church Women in which 92 countries will take part this year. It began as an annual event in 1887.

New Jersey Man Fined

Anthony Caccione, 47, who said he was from New Jersey, was arrested for the second time within a week by Potsdam police Saturday night for disorderly conduct. He was fined \$50 by Police Justice Thomas W. Pevrin for attempting to start a fight with a serviceman in a restaurant.

Caccione was arrested for public intoxication on Jan. 16 and paid a fine of \$10. He came here Jan. 15 and had lived in a hotel here. Police say he left for New Jersey Monday.

Takes Ticket at K of C Supper



Mrs. William A. Smith (seated) hands a ticket to Mrs. George Roote (center) at the spaghetti supper served by the Knights of Columbus in their hall on Saturday evening. Mrs. Benjamin Howard, Jr. (at left) watches.

Minto Skaters, Royalty, Stunts Featured At PSTC-Tech Carnival; Starts Feb. 8

Joint committees of Potsdam State Teachers and Clarkson College students are putting final touches to plans for four days of Winter Carnival, Thursday, Feb. 8, through Sunday, Feb. 11. Featured will be performances of the Minto Skating Club of Ottawa, appearing for the 16th time on local ice since the fifth annual carnival in 1935.

Among the stars appearing with the Minto Club will be Mrs. Andrea Kekessy-Bernolak, 1949 amateur world pair skating champion; Dick Nutter, comedian formerly with "Skating Sensations of 1950," and John Routh, formerly with the Barbara Ann Scott show.

Also on Thursday is stunt night at the Clarkson arena. Following the stunt skits and skating acts, awards will be presented to winners.

Plan Ski Meet

Carnival ski events begin at 2 p.m. at the Clarkson ski hill on Saturday. Slalom races for men and women and jumping, cross-country and classic-combined for men are the ski events planned for the day. Various groups in both colleges will enter teams in the competitions.

62 Make Honor Roll at PHS; Gale Stillman Heads Scholar List

Gale Stillman, with an average of 95.20, heads the honor roll at Potsdam High School released this week by A. A. Kingston, principal.

Following is the list which is divided into classes A and B, first including students with averages between 90 and 100, the second with marks averaging between 85 and 90. Those starred are in the eighth grade. On the honor roll are 62 pupils, 24 in class A and 38 in class B:

- Class A 90-100: Gale Stillman 95.20, Barbara Dadds 93.80, Jacqueline Pierce 93.80, Kenneth Mochel 93.80, Neil Cayce 93.75, David Parmelee 93.20, Louise Grace 92.80, Dale Smith 92.40, Molly Sidel 92.40, Barbara Arnold 92.33. Richard Kendall 92.20, Judith Lowe 92.20, James Mason 92, James Pike 91.75, Joretta Pierce 91.75, Robin Thatcher 90.40, Norma 90.40, Mary Sue Wallace 90.20, Mary Brownell 90. Janice Sellick 90, *Douglas Theobald 90, Rose Marie Aldrich

Violinist to Play Concert Tuesday At Civic Center

Szymon Goldberg, noted Polish violinist, will play on Tuesday, Feb. 6, at 8:15 p.m. in the Potsdam Civic Center. He appears as the third concert in the year's Community Concert Association program.

The Loewenguth String Ensemble was previously scheduled to appear on Feb. 6. Members of this group, however, are hospitalized in a Rochester hospital following an automobile accident. Their tour has been cancelled for the remainder of the season. The date of the concert was changed to obtain a program.

Mr. Goldberg's career as a soloist started at 14 when he appeared with the Berlin Philharmonic. At 16 he was appointed concertmaster of the Dresden Philharmonic and later served in the same post with the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra.

In 1938 he came to America for the first time on the first lap of a world tour which found him in the Dutch East Indies a year and a half later. In Java he and his wife were taken prisoner by the Japanese and were moved to 14 different concentration camps as the war map changed.

Released from prison by the Allies in 1945, the Goldbergs went to Singapore to recover their health. Two years ago they returned to the United States.

Mr. Goldberg has taken out his first United States citizenship papers and plans to live here permanently.

Quell Garage Fire

A boiler room fire at garage of the Potsdam Motor Sales Co., 68 Market St., called out volunteer firemen Wednesday morning at 7:35 a.m. The blaze was extinguished quickly. No estimate has been made of damage.

Firemen also answered three alarms on Saturday and Sunday, one of which caused considerable damage.

The most serious was a fire in the home of E. Poisey on Munson St. at 2:30 p.m. Saturday. Fire broke in a partition on the second floor due to a defective wire. The blaze was quelled by a booster line before it spread extensively. Smoke and water caused damage.

State Teachers Gets \$1,666,984 In Dewey's 1951 State Budget

\$900,000 Goes For Heating Plant, Rest for Grounds, Operations

Phone Rate Here May Jump 50c With PSC OK

The eight percent increase in telephone rates requested last week by the New York Telephone Company of the Public Service Commission will cost most users of residence service in Potsdam 50 cents a month more than they are now paying, John J. Hayes, telephone company manager, estimated this week.

Officers of the Chamber of Commerce will be elected at the meeting. Verner M. Ingram, president will preside.

Dr. Frederick W. Crumb is in charge of arrangements. Headed by Dr. Crumb, the nominating committee includes Charles Merriman, Malcolm Rodger, Louis Greenblatt, Cyrus Everett and Grant Cotton.

15 Area Men To Get Physicals

Among the 68 registrants who will leave Feb. 6 from the customs house, Ogdensburg, for armed forces physical examinations are seven Potsdam men, three from Norwood and five others from the surrounding area. Mrs. John J. McNulty, coordinator of St. Lawrence County Selective Service Board 45, announced the names this week. The men will return to Ogdensburg the same day.

They are: Allen C. Fadden, Richard S. Cleveland, Alfred A. Renino, Lewis M. Stevens, Kenneth H. Berger, William J. Carey and Lloyd L. LaValley, all of Potsdam.

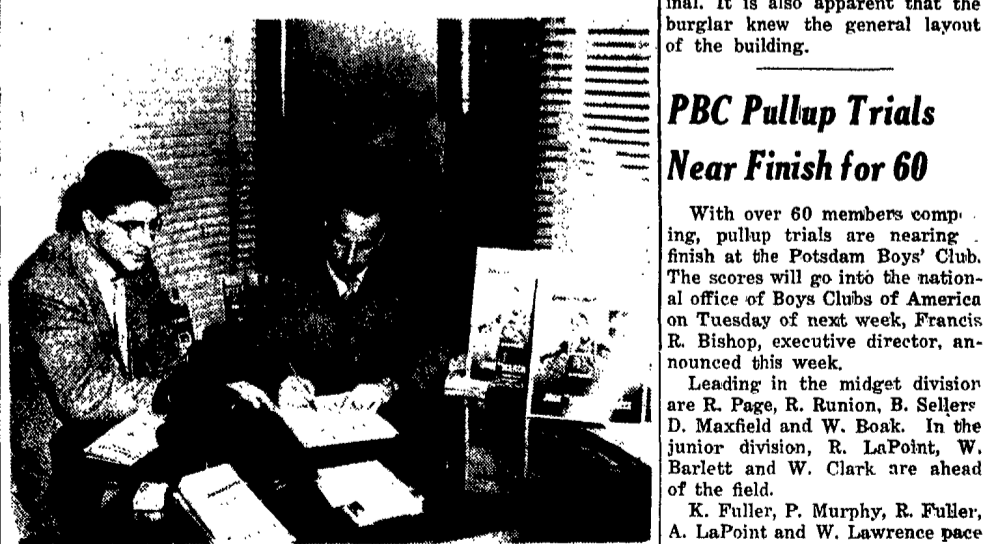
From the Norwood area: Daniel T. Kelly, Francis B. Pryce and Burton T. MacKenzie Jr., all of Madrid; Neil K. Lewis, Pine, and Roy A. Mitchell, Nicholville.

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Potsdam Lions Club will sponsor a baked food sale on Saturday, Feb. 10, at the St. Lawrence Electrical Appliances, Inc. store, 38 Market St. The sale will start at 10 a. m.

Mrs. Roland Cornish is chairman. She is assisted by Mesdames Darby Cook, Francis Pask, Earl Kidd, William Krebs, W. Nye Smith Jr., Frank Roberts and Charles Duncan.

Movie Showing to Aid Polio Fund; 'Dimes' Gets Proceeds Feb 6-7



Peter Papayanakos (left), manager of the Rialto Theater, and Thomas P. Dolan, local March of Dimes head, discuss the benefit show for polio to be held at the theatre Feb. 6 and 7.

Potsdam's March of Dimes campaign took another step forward yesterday when the Rialto Theater was leased for the nights of Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 6 and 7. "The Lives of Bengal Lancer" will be shown as a benefit for the polio fund.

New Leads Open In VFW Theft

Village police, aided by state troopers and Bureau of Criminal Investigation officers are working on new leads in the investigation of the \$879 burglary at the Veterans of Foreign Wars club-house on Main St., early Monday morning, Jan. 22. The money was stolen from beneath the club bar after a burglar entered the building through the unlocked window.

Suspected by Chief Floyd E. Gilson is a parked pickup truck seen near the VFW by patrolmen between 2:30 and 3 o'clock the morning before the robbery. When police, cruising in the patrol car, stopped to investigate the vehicle, its occupant ran from it and escaped. Chief Gilson believes that the driver of the truck may have committed the burglary the following night.

He is also checking on a car seen a bit after 2 a.m. the morning of the crime near the VFW.

The absence of fingerprints on the money box and the doors of the VFW building leads Chief Gilson to suspect an expert criminal. It is also apparent that the burglar knew the general layout of the building.

PBC Pullup Trials Near Finish for 60

With over 60 members completing, pullup trials are nearing finish at the Potsdam Boys' Club. The scores will go into the national office of Boys Clubs of America on Tuesday of next week, Francis R. Bishop, executive director, announced this week.

Leading in the midget division are R. Page, R. Bunton, B. Sellers, D. Maxfield and W. Boak. In the junior division, R. LaPoint, W. Barlett and W. Clark are ahead of the field.

K. Fuller, P. Murphy, R. Fuller, A. LaPoint and W. Lawrence pace the intermediate division. Senior leaders are F. McCann, B. Wadleigh, K. Deisler, M. Fetsche and H. Pitts. Future events at the club include movies on Friday night. The feature film will be "The Bank Dick," starring W. C. Fields and Una Merkel and the 15th chapter of "Overland With Kit Carson." On Saturday the junior, intermediate and senior basketball teams will travel to Cornwall to play three games with St. Columban Boys School.