

### The Death of Mr. Frank Nelson Brassaw

The sudden death of Mr. Frank Nelson Brassaw at his home No. 38 Elm street, Montpelier, Vt., yesterday morning, cast a gloom of sorrow over his many friends in Montpelier and elsewhere.

Mr. Brassaw is the last member of his family and he is survived by his wife, the former Katheleen Campbell of Ottawa, Canada. He is also survived by a niece, Mrs. Rosario R. Paquet and young son, Richard, of Barre, Vermont.

Mr. Brassaw was born June 1, 1888, at Barre, Vermont, the son of the late Nelson Brassaw and his wife, Fanny (Dumas) Brassaw.

Mr. Brassaw came to Montpelier as a young man and has lived practically all his life here. In his younger days he was a travelling salesman. In 1924 he purchased the William Miller property on Elm street and engaged in the automobile business which he continued until the time of the flood in 1927.

Later Mr. Brassaw started a wholesale toy and novelty business which proved very successful. He established modern showrooms at his place of business which were very attractive and probably exhibited more samples of toys and novelties than any other place in the east.

About four years ago the demand for wooden toys was such that Mr. Brassaw started manufacturing them himself and developed a business in that line which started with employment of two or three hands and increased to regular employment of from 15 to 25. His business was carried on under the name of the Brassaw Novelty company which has become well known all over the United States.

Mr. Brassaw frequently attended the national meetings and exhibits held in New York and Chicago, thus keeping abreast with this line of business. His keen judgment in his selections made it that the business developed as it did.

The body is at the Barber and Lanier funeral home where an Elks Memorial service will be conducted this afternoon at 5 o'clock by members of the Montpelier lodge of which he was a member. He also belonged to the Loyal Order of Moose in Barre and to the United Commercial Travelers.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the funeral home with the Rev. G. Lewis Porter, pastor of Trinity Methodist church, officiating. Burial will be in the Green Mount cemetery in Montpelier.