

Mrs. Dilts was a very faithful worker in the various organizations of the First Presbyterian Church of Lambertville, New Jersey. Possessing a very beautiful mezzo-soprano voice, she sang in the church choir for over thirty years. Her father was brought up in the mercantile business and became the junior partner of the firm of Holcombe & Son. He gave up that business and studied law; after he was admitted to the bar he practiced law in Lambertville until his death, and during this period was mayor. Previous to the Civil War, he was commissioned by Governor Newell as Judge Advocate of the Hunterdon Brigade, and held that position after the war broke out, when as a member of that board, he assisted in enrolling the militia of the county. During the war he was commissioned by Adjutant Stockton to raise a company of volunteers; under an act of the Legislature, passed in 1876, he was appointed by Governor Bedle as one of his aides, ranking as colonel. Her mother was noted for her deeds of charity and was very prominent in church work.

Mr. and Mrs. Dilts are the parents of one son, Alexander Robert, who was born March 19, 1895, and who, during the World War, served in the Aviation Corps of the United States Navy, receiving his commission as ensign just before the Armistice was signed. Alexander Robert Dilts married Helen Iza Bingham, of Boston, Massachusetts, May 31, 1924, and they are the parents of one son, Alexander R., Jr., born December 19, 1925. Miss Bingham's parents were Charles Sumner Bingham (deceased) and Mary Ann Roberson. She is a descendant of Oliver Holden, who wrote "All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name," and members of her family were all musically gifted. She possesses a wonderful soprano voice. Her mother's father was Dr. Walter Scott Roberson, a famous physician in Northern New York State, in which State her family originated. Mr. and Mrs. Alexander R. Dilts now reside in Manchester, New Hampshire, where Mr. Dilts is connected with the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company.

THOMAS JOHN WALKER—For more than fifteen years Thomas John Walker has been the proprietor of a grocery business in Lambertville, New Jersey, and he is now the proprietor of

another at New Hope, Pennsylvania. Mr. Walker is vice-president of the newly organized Chamber of Commerce of Lambertville, and a member of the Fire Department.

Thomas John Walker was born in Dover, England, November 29, 1882, son of Samuel S. and Elizabeth Jane (Somerford) Walker, natives of England, and both now deceased. The father was general manager of a grocery store in England, and after coming to this country was engaged in the grocery and baking business in Lambertville, New Jersey.

Thomas John Walker attended the public schools in Dover, England, and after coming to this country with his parents continued his studies in the public schools of Lambertville, including the high school. When his education was completed he went to Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, and there took charge of a grocery store, where he remained for some years. In 1912 he established a grocery business of his own in Lambertville, New Jersey, and this he has continued to operate to the present time (1928). He has built up a very large patronage, drawn not only from Lambertville but from a large section surrounding that community, and in addition to the management of this successful retail grocery store he also owns another in New Hope, Pennsylvania.

In his political sympathies Mr. Walker is a Republican, and he is a public-spirited citizen in the best sense of the word. During the World War he was active in all the various drives by means of which Lambertville went "over the top" in its war work, had charge of the Red Cross work and "did his bit" whenever the opportunity offered. Fraternally he is identified with Amwell Lodge, No. 12, Wilson Chapter, No. 13, St. Elmo Commandery, No. 14, Knights Templar, Crescent Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and is Past Master of his lodge. He is also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and a patron of the Order of the Eastern Star. He is a member of the board of directors of the Rotary Club, and his religious affiliation is with St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, in which he is a warden and has been an active worker for the past seventeen years.

Thomas John Walker was married, in Lambertville, New Jersey, January 29, 1907, to Blanche S.

Basford, who was born in England. Mr. and Mrs. Walker are the parents of one son, Donald, who was born October 29, 1908, and in 1927 was a student in the University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Walker reside in Lambertville.

ELMER W. SMITH—Well known in Lambertville, New Jersey, is Elmer W. Smith, justice of the peace, notary public, superintendent of the Holcombe Cemetery, and general insurance man. Mr. Smith is a native of Lambertville and has spent practically his entire life here. He is also well known in fraternal circles and has many friends in this locality.

Aaron W. Smith, father of Elmer W. Smith, is a native of Hunterdon County, New Jersey, and a veteran of the Civil War, in which conflict he served with Company E of the 7th New Jersey Infantry. In 1922 he engaged in the restaurant business in Lambertville, in association with his son, Elmer W. Smith, but after a year the restaurant business was given up and Mr. Smith retired. Since that time he has continued to live in Lambertville, where he is enjoying the well earned leisure of his years of retirement. He married Adeline Penley, a native of Canada, who is deceased, and among their children was Elmer W. Smith, of further mention.

Elmer W. Smith was born in Lambertville, New Jersey, March 28, 1890, and attended the public schools of his birthplace, including the high school. His training in the public schools was supplemented by special study, and after the completion of his education he was employed in various lines of business for several years. In association with his father he has been engaged in the restaurant business in Lambertville for a number of years, since he has been serving as justice of the peace and as notary public in Lambertville. He is also superintendent of the Holcombe Riverview Cemetery, in which capacity he is rendering most efficient service, and he has filled that position since 1918. Mr. Smith is a musician of note, is a member now of the Community Band of Lambertville. He has been connected with several orchestras and has played in many cities, specializing on the drums. Along with the responsibilities already mentioned,