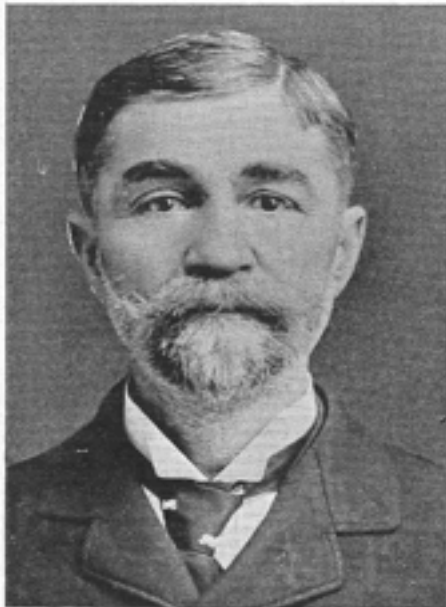


[below obituary from (1927, February) *Silent Worker*, 39 (5), 142. Note some errors in the Obit such as spelling of last name and date of birth.]

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Robert P. MacGregor

THE MANY friends of Robert P. Gregor, of Columbus, Ohio, will be shocked to learn that he was killed by an auto, on the evening of Tuesday December 21st, as he was returning from the post office to mail Christmas cards of greeting to friends. The driver of the machine that ran him down said the rain on the windshield prevented him from seeing ahead, which should have caused slow and careful driving. He is the fourth deaf man of prominence to pass from this life



Robert P. MacGregor

during the past few months—Rev. Dr. Cloud and Mr. Charles, and Chester C. Codman, of Chicago, and now in the joyous Christmastide, our old friend MacGregor. His funeral was held on Friday morning, December 24th.

Robert P. MacGregor was born at Dayton, Ohio, April 26th, 1849. He became deaf at eight years, from brain fever, and was educated at the Ohio Institution for five years—1861 to 1866. He afterwards took a full course at Gallaudet College, Washington, D. C., graduating with the class of 1872. The late Amos G. Draper was one his classmates. Still alert, active and progressive, another of his college class, Editor Wells L. Hill, of Athol, Mass., survives.

He was a teacher of the deaf for three years at the Maryland State School at Frederick; for six years principal of the Day School at Cincinnati; one year Principal of the Colorado Institution; and from 1883 till he retired on a pension in 1920, at the Ohio Institution at Columbus.

Robert P. MacGregor was known by thousands of the deaf of the United States. He was famed for his wonderful facility in the use of the sign-language and for his

force and lucidity in presenting subjects from the lecture-platform.

In the United States he was looked upon as a leader



Robert P. MacGregor and Rev. Franklin Smiley. Picture taken shortly before Mr. MacGregor was killed.

and his views on subjects concerning the deaf had great influence upon the popular mind.

In the year 1880, he was head of the local committee that made all the arrangements for the founding of the National Association of the Deaf, and after the temporary chairmanship of Edmund Booth, was elected president of the new organization, and through all the years that followed its inception at Cincinnati, Ohio, in the year 1880, took an intense interest in all its activities.

Mr. MacGregor was what men call "a good mixer," and he had a glad handclasp and a pleasant greeting for all the deaf—the rich and poor, the humble and the proud. His death is a distinct loss to the deaf.

He leaves two daughters, one of whom, Miss Bessie, is a teacher at the Ohio School, the other, Miss Jean, is engaged in social service at Cornell, N. Y.—*Deaf-Mutes' Journal*.

Charles Chester Codman

By A FRIEND

IN THE death of Charles Chester Codman on December 16, 1926, Chicago lost one of its foremost deaf citizens. While he had lived almost the allotted span of years, having just entered his sixty-sixth year on December 11, he was hale, hearty, and active, and his zest in life and all that it had in store for him was undiminished to the end. His passing seemed such a tragedy and so altogether unnecessary that it made all the more poignant the grief felt by his host of friends in Chicago and throughout the country.

A slight operation on his right hand performed December 1 at a South Side hospital, for the removal of a small cyst, resulted in septic poisoning from which he died after a little over two weeks of terrible suffering.

The funeral on the 18th of December was one of the most largely attended within the memory of old-timers in Chicago. The services were conducted by the Reverend George F. Flick of All Angels Episcopal church, Chicago. Mrs. George T. Dougherty rendered "Jesus Lover of My Soul," and Mrs. Washington Barrow "Nearer My God To Thee." The pallbearers were all old friends of the deceased: Dr. G. T. Dougherty, Messrs. B. F. Frank, E. W. Craig, H. M. Leiter, W. E. McGann, and A. L. Roberts. Mr. George E. Morton, a life-long friend, was honorary pallbearer. Interment was in beautiful Rosehill cemetery, in the family lot beside the loved ones who had preceded him. Only one member