

Antone Merline Of Oconto, Dies

OCONTO, Wis. — Antone M. Merline, 83, the city treasurer here for more than 20 years, died unexpectedly at his home here about 7 o'clock this morning.

Mr. Merline was born in Oconto on April 13, 1871 and served as the first postmaster in the village of Underhill. After coming to Oconto, he was employed by the Express Co. and the Goodrich-Martineau So. as well as serving as the city treasurer. He was a member of the Catholic Order of Foresters.

He was married to the former Agatha Van Ryzin of Appleton in May, 1893.

The body has been taken to the Sheffield Funeral home here where it may be viewed from Thursday evening until the time of services tentatively set for 8:30 at the funeral home and 9 o'clock Saturday morning at St. Joseph Catholic Church with the Rev. Robert Klein officiating. The Rosary will be recited at 8:15 Friday evening.

Surviving him are his wife; four daughters, Mrs. Stanley Lorang, Flint, Mich.; Mrs. Alfred Clausen and Mrs. C. J. Desotell, both of Green Bay; and Mrs. Frank Dietzer of Lena; one son, Paul, Kenosha; one brother Frank of Oconto; one sister, Mrs. Anna Bostedt of Marinette; 15 grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren.

City offices will be closed Saturday morning in observance of the passing of Mr. Merline.