

[Willett, Fred L.]

Death Claims Fred L. Willett  
Former Supervisor Town of Portage Died New Year's Eve—  
Was on County Board Eleven Years—Funeral at House Sunday

Fred L. Willett, prominent Portage farmer and former Supervisor of that town, died at his home there at 11:30 New Year's Eve, following an illness of heart trouble. He is survived by his wife and one son Claud[e] and four grandchildren. The funeral will take place Sunday at the house at 2 p.m., Rev. Clara Morgan of Cohocton, former pastor of the Nunda Universalist church, officiating, and interment will be made in Oakwood cemetery, Nunda.

Fred L. Willett was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Willett of Portage and was born in the town of Portage in 1864. He was united in marriage in 1888 to Inez Burroughs, daughter of the late Supervisor and Mrs. A. [Andrew] J. Burroughs. Mr. Willett served as Supervisor of the town of Portage for eleven years, from 1909 to 1919 inclusive. His father was Supervisor of the town in 1887-88-89-90. His father-in-law Mr. Burroughs served one year as Supervisor, in 1886.

Fred Willett had many friends in Portage and thruout the county. He had a wide acquaintance in Nunda and will be missed here in the village. Mr. Willett took a prominent part in affairs of the Dairyman's League and in Masonic circles. His death removes one of Southern Livingston's most prominent men.

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