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CENTENNIAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF 1914.

Mr. Leroy M. Rand was born June 22, 1857 at Steep Falls, Standish, Me., son of James M. and Harriet E. (White) Rand. He attended the common schools of Standish with the addition of private instructions by Alphonse Rand in higher mathematics and Latin language; geometry, Albion Miles; Latin, Dana P. Lowell; a course of Greek and a course of reading and lectures, Rev. E. M. Cousins; course in the International Correspondence Schools, Scranton, Pa.; also private preparations of the No. 1 grades in the Civil Service Government, and for seven examinations passed the highest general average.

He was married first Nov. 11, 1876 to Clara Anna, daughter of Sargent S. and Abbie P. (Thompson) Rand. Clara died Feb. 5, 1888. Married second Nov. 17, 1888 Mrs. Abbie M. Snow. She died June 9, 1901 and married third Nov. 11, 1903 Mrs. Flora Morrison Sherman, who still survives. Three children were born to the first wife. Eugene A., born Oct. 16, 1877; died June 15, 1901. Habel F., born Apr. 2, 1880. Harry L., born May 16, 1885. These children together with the children of Mrs. Abbie M. Snow consisting of Bessie H., Lettie M. and Laura K. were brought up together. All who are living are married excepting Laura M. Snow.

In the schools of Standish Mr. Rand became fitted and received certificate of examination for teaching in the common schools, but instead of following this line he followed the line of mechanical pursuits until within recent years. He served on the Board of Assessors in Westbrook 1909 and 1910 and was Sec. of the Board. He was chosen Sexton of the Universalist Church in 1890 and has served ever since.

He is a member of Presumpscot Valley Lodge #4 K. of P.; also

a member of the Red Men and American Mechanics, and was Sec. of the Westbrook Board of Trade five years, which office he still holds. Mr. Rand holds the position of Asst. Supt. of the Universalist Sunday School and is a popular teacher in the Adult Bible Class of that school.

Mr. Rand brought up a family of his own children, a family of step children and is now bringing up two grandchildren, Mildred H. and Norman E. Hopkins. Age respectively five and seven and both attending Warren School.

William Bryant Bragdon was born June 25, 1868 at So. Windham, Me., son of Jacob Sawyer and Augusta Prescott (Lombard) Bragdon. Mr. Bragdon married Aug. 13, 1889 Mary Elizabeth Hodgkins daughter Charles E. and Laura Anne (Verrill) Hodgkins. Mr. Bragdon's parents removed to Exeter, Me. when he was about five years of age and at the age of fourteen removed again to So. Windham. After living there about one year they moved to Cumberland Mills, Westbrook, his present place of residence. In 1885 he entered the employ of S. D. Warren & Co. as a paper maker. He later served as an apprentice in the carpenter shop of the same firm. In 1897 he entered into the electrical service of the same Company, and has since advanced with this industry and has acted as General Manager for the electrical interests with the same Company, the same position which he now holds.

Mr. Bragdon's policy has always been strongly in line with the religious and temperance cause. He has been Pres. of the Westbrook Board of Trade for the past three years. He was elected Representative to the Legislature in September 1914 by the Republican party.

CHILDREN:

Laura A., born May 20, 1890.
Lillian C., born Feb. 25, 1892.
Everett E., born Jan. 3, 1894.
Stanley B., Born Oct. 6, 1897.
Kenneth W., born Sept. 16, 1902.

Oscar G. K. Robinson was born in Cambridge, Mass., Mar. 13, 1870, the son of Robert Samuel and Susan Jane (Stover) Robinson. His father removed to Portland when Oscar was a child. They later lived at So. Portland, Woodfords, and then removed to Milbridge, Me. His mother died in Milbridge and his father moved to Westbrook in 1882. Mr. Robinson was married Feb. 13, 1894 in Rochester, N. H. to Maggie I. Campbell of New Brunswick.

Children:

Frank I.	
George G.	
Susan J.	Died, age 5 months.
Edward J.	
Robert S.	
Dewey	Died, age 4 months.
Leroy	
Elsie I.	
Clara M.	
John J.	
Oscar G. K.	

The births of these children are all contained in the Westbrook City Records.

Mr. Robinson has carried on a large business as Contractor & Builder for a number of years. In 1907 he served on the Board of Aldermen. In 1909 he was alderman and Pres. of the City Council. He was elected Mayor in 1911 to which office he is the present incumbent, and is Mayor-elect for 1915. Many improvements in the City have taken place during Mr. Robinson's Administration. Among them Main Street

with Hassan paving from Church Street to Deer Hill Street, with a construction of a side walk on the left hand side of the Street for the entire distance named above. A large addition was made to the High School in 1913.

Mr. Robinson is a member of I.O.O.F. and a member of F.&A.M. Blue Lodge Council and Chapter, and has served as High Priest in the Chapter.

Mr. Robinson and his entire family reside at 28 Pennell St.

Will L. Peavey was born March 31, 1865 in Farmington, N. H., son of Anthony and Elizabeth (Edgerly) Peavey, married Dec. 20, 1886 to Alice E. Leavitt of Farmington, N. H. One child, Merton L. was born July 31, 1891, unmarried.

Mr. Peavey was one of a family of six children, three boys and three girls were left as orphans. As a result of this the family became separated, and Mr. Peavey at the age of seven was put out to live on a farm at West Milton, N. H. in the family of George H. Plummer. He lived here until he was sixteen and the next year or two was passed in different towns in N. H. In 1883 he attended school in Newhampton, N. H. one year. He attended three terms in the Commercial College from which he graduated. He was employed in the Commercial College for one term. He returned to Farmington, N. H. and in the Fall of 1884 began as a clerk in the drug store of Emerson & Garland. The next five years he worked for three different firms in the same store, and became a partner in the business with W. W. Roberts. This firm continued for a period of five or six years when Mr. Peavey sold out his interest to Mr. Roberts and engaged in the Dry and Fancy Goods business, which business he followed in Farmington until September 1908 when he removed to Westbrook where he engaged in the Dry & Fancy Goods business and continued until 1914 when he closed out and gave up the business, and removed to Detroit, Mich. where he is now in business.

Mr. Peavey was a member of the Free Baptist Church at Farmington, N. H.; also a member of Woodbine Lodge #41 I.O.O.F. of the same town; also a member of Westbrook Lodge #1439 I.O.O.M.

In politics Mr. Peavey is a republican, and is a man of very fine personality, and genial disposition.

George B. Gray was born Oct. 9, 1863, son of Arthur and Margaret (Wyck) Gray in Naples, Mo. He studied in the schools of Naples and No. Bridgton and in Westbrook High School. At the age of sixteen years he learned the carpenter's trade and commenced working with his father thus doing his tasks in the most faithful and conscientious manner. When he began to build houses for sale he found ready market for all such work. He is now a well known contractor and builder, associated with James W. Huston under the firm name of Gray & Huston.

In politics he is a Democrat. In 1894 he was elected alderman, serving three terms. For two years he was chairman for the Board of Assessors. In 1905 he was appointed Collector and Treasurer for the City, which office he served two years.

He is a Mason and a member of the Lodge, Chapter and Council of Westbrook; also a member of the Red Men Lodge, Golden Cross and Modern Woodmen of America. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and was its Treasurer and one of the Trustees for some years.

He married June 8, 1889 Amy Farley Garland, born at Sherley, Me., Feb. 12, 1868 and studied in the schools of Sherley and Westbrook. She was the daughter of Washington Garland deceased and Frances E. (Winslow) Garland, who now resides in Westbrook.

Children:

Marcia Evelyn, born Westbrook Dec. 19, 1890.
Albert Leroy, " " Nov. 24, 1894.

Mr. Gray is a man held in the very highest esteem by all his townsmen.

Mr. John Lawrensen born Sept. 29, 1866 in Hustrup near Wønder in Schleswig-Holstein, Germany, formerly Denmark, son of Lorenz and Marie (Crumm) Lawrensen. Mr. Lawrensen married Jan. 28, 1892 Christien Hansen, daughter of Hans and Eleanor (Johansen) Hansen, born in Steinstrup in Fynn, Denmark, May 30, 1866.

Mr. Lawrensen's parents came to Westbrook when he was about eight years of age. They moved to Cumberland in 1880. He attended the old North school, Bridge St., Westbrook and the common schools in Cumberland.

Mr. Lawrensen again returned to Westbrook in 1896 and started in the grain business alone. He soon became associated with Charles M. Cole at So. Portland under the firm name of Cole & Lawrensen. The firm continued for about 1½ years when Mr. Lawrensen again assumed the business alone.

Mr. Lawrensen was elected Alderman in ward 2 in 1909 and again in 1910 serving as chairman of Streets, Bridges and Sidewalks.

He is a worthy member of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church.

The following are the children of Mr. & Mrs. Lawrensen: Lewis Hansen, born August 8, 1893; died Jan. 27, 1894. Lewis Henry, born Nov. 25, 1894; died May 1, 1896. Ella M., born June 4, 1896, graduate of Westbrook High School and works in the office of S. D. Warren & Co. Emma L., born August 12, 1898, student in the High School. Vesta E., born July 28, 1903; died May 5, 1904. Mildred L., born Nov. 7, 1906.

Mr. Lawrensen's mother aged 89, Aug. 25th, 1914, is very active and able to walk for miles and spends her spare time in making bed quilts, and during each year she produces a large number.

Mr. Lawrensen is a fluent speaker and writer in both the Danish and English languages.

Mr. Lewis J. Hogan, born Dec. 5, 1882 in St. Johns, N.B., son of Capt. William and Elizabeth (Bartley) Hogan.

Mr. Hogan at the age of eight years followed the sea as cabin boy, and from that time to the age of nineteen he had earned a Master Mariner's certificate, and became master of the three master schooner "Etta A. Stimson" of Boston. Second of the schooner "H. P. Homan", and third, master of the three master schooner "Annie Parker". All of these vessels were engaged in the coast wise trade.

In the spring of 1904 he came to Westbrook, and worked at the Paper Mills about one year and then worked at different occupations until April 1, 1908 when he and John G. Watson purchased the meat and provision business of Andrew Folsom. They continued a thriving business until Oct. 3, 1910 when Mr. Hogan took Mr. Watson's interest, and from that time Mr. Hogan has made great improvements in the store and has added the grocery business as a result of the work.

Mr. Hogan has two brothers and two sisters, three of them living in Maine and one at Truro, N. S.

Mr. Hogan is unmarried.