

## Otto Roenius, Former Local Mayor, Dies

Otto R. Roenius, 69, former Wisconsin Rapids industrialist and mayor of this city from 1922 to 1926, died at 11:15 this morning at the Wood county hospital, Marshfield, following a lingering illness. He had been a resident of Stevens Point since leaving here about six years ago.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed this afternoon, but it was expected that services and burial will be in Wisconsin Rapids.

Mr. Roenius was president and manager of the Grand Rapids Foundry company and the American Carbonic Machinery company for a number of years until their dissolution. The companies had been established by his father, Edmund Roenius, whom he succeeded in the managerial position.

Born in Dodge county August 11, 1878, Otto Roenius came to Wood county with his parents in 1883. He attended rural school in the town of Hansen, and after moving to this city completed his schooling, graduating from Howe High school in 1898. He was a member of the first football team here, playing regularly for three years.

Mr. Roenius was long active in civic affairs here. In addition to serving two terms as mayor, he was formerly president of Riverview Hospital association, and was a member of the board of trustees of the Wood county hospital for a number of years. He was a member of the Rotary club, Masonic lodge and Elks lodge, being a thirty-second degree mason and serving in 1914-15 as president of the Wisconsin State Elks' association.

In recent years he had engaged in the sale of stocks and bonds, representing a brokerage firm in this section of the state, until his health failed.

Surviving are his wife, the former Emaline Uehling, whom he married at Richwood, Wis., September 21, 1904; one son, Karl, Madison; a daughter, Jane, Stevens Point; one brother, Fred A. Roenius, Wisconsin Rapids, and one grandson.