

Henry Harrison Blagden

(- 14 Feb 1957)

Blagden, Henry Harrison. Suddenly, on Thursday, February 14, 1957, at Overhills, N.C., Henry Harrison Blagden, beloved husband of Mary Bradley Blagden, father of Helen Peabody Blagden and Henry H. Blagden, jr., son of the late Thomas and Helen Peabody Blagden. Services at 11 a.m. Monday, February 18, at the Christ Church, 31st and O sts. N.w. Interment private.

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H.H. Blagden, Member of Old D.C. Family, Dies

Henry Harrison Blagden, about 68, member of an old Washington family and former operator of a well-known boys' camp near Saranac Inn, N.Y., died yesterday at his winter residence at Overhills, N.C.

Mr. Blagden, known to his acquaintances as Harry, suffered a stroke.

He was born at the family home, Argyle, in the upper Sixteenth street area and was the son of the late Thomas and Helen Peabody Blagden. It was from his family, who settled here before 1800, that Blagden avenue derived its name.

From 1916 until a few years ago, when he retired, Mr. Blagden operated the boys' camp, known as La Jeunesse, attended by youths from Washington. He continued to make his home there. Character building and abundant outdoor life were primary objectives of Mr. Blagden in conducting the camp.

Mr. Blagden had attended Friends School here and in the early 1900s went on a joint expedition sponsored by the Smithsonian Institution and the Canadian government into the wilds of Canada, above what is now Jasper Park. He was known as a big game hunter and fisherman.

Later he accompanied the late Lincoln Ellsworth, the famed explorer, on an expedition.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Mary Bradley Blagden; a daughter, Miss Helen Peabody Blagden, who is staying with her grandmother, Mrs. Thomas Bradley, 1601 Twenty-eighth

street N.W.; a son, Henry H. Blagden, jr., a student at Yale University, and four brothers, Augustus S. Blagden, Cedar Hill, Tenn.; Thomas Blagden, who lives in California; B.D.S. Blagden and Donald P. Blagden of New York.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday in Christ Episcopal Church, Georgetown, 3112 O street N.W. Burial will be private.



HENRY H. BLAGDEN
From An Old Photo