# Franklin Pierce Morgan

(-24 Dec 1932)

**Morgan.** On Saturday, December 24, 1932, at Emergency Hospital, Franklin Pierce Morgan. Services will be held at his late residence, 141 North Spruce street, Lyon Village, Va., on Monday, December 26 at 2 p.m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment in Congressional Cemetery.

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#### F.P. Morgan Dies After Operation

### Veteran Newspaper Man Helped Manage W.J. Bryan's Campaigns



Franklin Pierce Morgan, 78, one of Washington's oldest newspaper men, died early today in Emergency Hospital, following an operation performed yesterday. He had been ill for several months and had been confined to his home, 141 Spruce street, Lyon Village, until several days ago.

Col. Morgan, who was born in the District, entered journalism as a member of the staff of the Washington Critic about 1882. Later he joined the Washington Times and became chief of its Capitol staff.

His duty on Capitol Hill caused him to interest himself in politics, and he became a staunch supporter of the democratic party. In 1904, when at St. Louis attending the Democratic Convention at which Judge Alton Parker was nominated, he made the acquaintance of August Belmont, influential banker. He became Belmont's confidant and kept the banker advised of political movements in the capital. He was Washington correspondent for several New England newspapers, and actively engaged in the management of Bryan's first and second campaigns.

He was the first reporter on the staff of the Washington Post

when that paper was founded.

In recent months he had been engaged in publicity work with the George Washington Bicentennial Commission.

Most of his life had been spent as a resident in the vicinity of Capitol Hill, but he moved to Lyon Village four or five years ago. He is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Louis Otterback and Mrs. William Hendricks, Lyon Village.

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#### F.P. Morgan Rites Set For Tomorrow

#### Services for Veteran Capital Newspaper Man Will Be Held at 2 P.M.

Final Rites for Franklin Pierce Morgan, 78, veteran Washington newspaper man, who died early yesterday in Emergency Hospital, will be held at 2 p.m. tomorrow at the residence, 141 North Spruce street, Lyon Village, Va. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery.

Mr. Morgan entered newspaper work 50 years ago as a member of the staff of the Washington Critic. After he became associated with the Washington Times and was named chief of its Capitol staff.

#### First Named to Post

More recently Mr. Morgan had been engaged in publicity for the George Washington Bicentennial Commission. He was the first reporter named to the staff of the Washington Post when that paper was founded, and was a charter member of the National Press Club.

Mr. Morgan's long association in the local newspaper field prompted the National Press Club to appoint one of the largest committees in its history to attend the funeral tomorrow, in addition to the following pallbearers: H.O. Bishop, James William Bryan, Donald A. Craig, sr.; Benjamin B. Melman, Harvey D. Jacobs and John O. Williams.

## Committee of Club

The committee appointed from the club includes the following officers and charter members: Bascom N. Timmons, president; Raymond P. Brandt, president-elect; John Boyle, W.H. Atkins, George H. Barrows, Ira E. Bennett, David R. Barbee, H.O. Bishop, John B. Colpys, C.C. Carlin, George H. Carter, Edward B. Clark, Ralph A. Collins, George W. Combs, Donald A. Craig, sr.; William Cromise, John J. Daly, Thomas P. Edmunds, Fred A. Emery, Michael W. Flynn, Edward T. Pollard, Gilson Gardner, Charles A. Hamilton, James Hay, jr.; Charles S. Hayden, A.E. Heiss, J.B. Hildebrand, James P. Hornsday, Philander C. Johnson, Winfield Scott Larner, John Lorance, Elmer Murphy, John Edwin Nevin, W.J. Showalter, Maurice Splain, Luther C. Steward, George W. Stimpson, James True, John J. Walsh, Gladstone Williams, Benjamin B. Melman, Edgar P. Allen, Sol Bloom, Thomas W. Brahany, Matt Horne, George H. O'Connor, Otto Carmichael, J. Harry Cunningham, Robert Dougan, Alfred L. Geiger, Maj. Gen. George H. Harries, Thomas Kirby, Jerry A. Mathews, Frank P. Morse, Thomas R. Shipp, Ernest O. Walker, Charles E. Breckons, H. Ralph Burton, J. Fred Kelly, John J. Kennelly, John J.. Noonan, Leland B. Conness, Robert E. King.