

PERSONAL of the NORTHW



DR. JOHN L. WOLTZ

The practice of medicine has become a tradition in the family of Dr. John Louis Woltz, veteran Mount Airy physician, who represents the fourth generation of doctors and has already completed 43 years of practice in North Carolina and adjoining states. Dr. Woltz was born at Dobson, a son of the late Dr. John R. Woltz, who was one of the old-time practitioners. His grandfather, Dr. Louis F. Woltz practiced for many years at Hillsville, Va., and his great-grandfather was a physician in Germany before coming to America to settle in Maryland. The tradition faltered in Dr. Woltz's family when his two sons elected the legal profession, although both started the study of medicine. One son, Howard Olser Woltz, is one of Mount Airy's leading attorneys. The other, Grier C. Woltz, is now connected with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He has one daughter, Mrs. Lola Elliott of Hickory. Dr. Woltz attended the old East Bend Academy, studying under John and Frank Benbow. He then attended Davidson College and the Southern Medical College, now Emory University at Atlanta, Ga. He graduated from the latter institution in 1897 and served at Grady Hospital in that city as an interne. He then practiced at Mountain City, Tenn., after he went to Kansas seeking a good place to practice. He is licensed to practice in Georgia, Kansas, Tennessee, Virginia and North Carolina. He returned to North Carolina in 1900 after taking post-graduate work at Johns Hopkins in Baltimore and Richmond Medical College at Richmond, Va. He practiced at Pilot Mountain for some time, moving to Mount Airy in 1919. He now specializes in diseases of women and children and boasts that he has never charged any minister or widow for attending them. He was married in 1897 to Miss Issie Mildred Richards of the Beulah section of Surry county before he finished his medical education. He is a member of the Central Methodist Church at Mount Airy, Odd Fellows, Woodmen of the World and Junior Order as well as the state and county medical societies. He served two years as Surry medical officer. Hunting, fishing and shooting are his hobbies and he is an expert pistol shot.

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Prominent Mount Airy Doctor Succumbs Here

Dr. Woltz Came From Long Line Of Medical Practitioners

The death of Dr. John L. Woltz, 81, came at 7 o'clock Friday morning at Martin Memorial Hospital where the well known physician had been taken the night before for medical treatment.

Dr. Woltz, the idol of many rural people of Stokes, Surry, Carroll and Patrick Counties, had been in declining health for over a year. His health had kept him from practicing for some time.

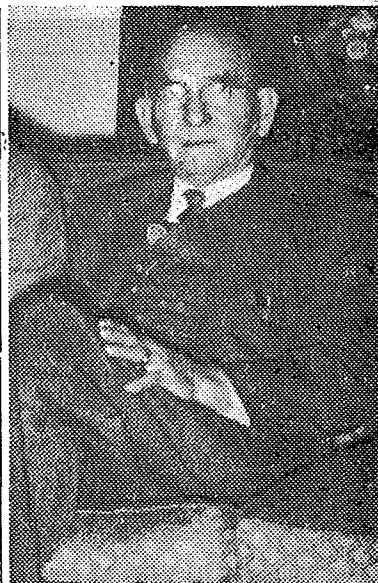
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Funeral services were held at 4 p.m. Saturday at his home on Rawley Avenue with Rev. A. C. Waggoner in charge of the rites. Burial was in Oakdale cemetery.

Survivors include two sons, Attorney Howard O. Woltz and Greer C. Woltz, textile manufacturer, both of Mount Airy; a daughter, Mrs. K. C. Elliott of Durham; a brother, Attorney Claude B. Woltz of Bessemer City, and a sister, Mrs. George Key of Mount Airy.

Pallbearers were Dr. Renzo Sutter, John W. Comer, Sheriff Sam C. Patterson, Dr. Joe Folger, Dr. R. C. Mitchell, L. M. Lamm, John Llewellyn and Frank Freeman.

826. Howard Osler WOLTZ Jr.
b. 4-2-25.
m. Joan Elizabeth MOORE
773. Howard Osler WOLTZ
b. 5-26-99
m. LOUISE ELLIOTT
d. 10-21-75
736. Dr. John Lewis Benjamin WOLTZ
b. 1971
m. Issie Mildred RICHARDS
d. 1952
698. Dr. John Raines Picken, WOLTZ
b. 1841
m. Louisa Julia KINGSBURY
d. 1926
678. Dr. Lewis Ferdinand WOLTZ
b. 1823 Botetourt County Virginia
m. Nancy Jane EARLY
d. 1895
664. William WOLTZ
b. lived Newbern Virginia
m. Mary Ann SIMPKINS
d. 1862

10. Major John George Adam WOLTZ
b. 1744
m. Charlotte SUGARS
d. 1820 Lt. Col. Maryland Militia

Dt. Peter WOLTZ SR.
b. 1719 came to U.S. 1738
m. Maria Elizabeth Harn HAAS
d. 1785 physician Berkeley County Va.
now West Virginia (Martinsburg)

Frederick Rhinehart WOLTZ
settled in Penn. moved to Maryland
First WOLTZ to U.S.
died Frederick County Maryland 1782