

**B. A. HOFFMAN, FORMER  
OSHKOSH NEWSPAPER MAN  
IS DEAD AT WAUKESHA**

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*Oshkosh  
Northwestern*

(By Associated Press)

Waukesha, Wis.—B. A. Hoffman, 38, secretary of the Waukesha Association of Commerce, and former newspaper man, died, Monday, after a short illness. He leaves a wife and seven children.

Mr. Hoffman came to Waukesha three years ago as secretary of the association and also served as city treasurer. He edited a weekly newspaper in Delavan, was at one time city editor of The Waukesha Freeman and served on the staff of The Milwaukee Journal for a short time.

(Bernard A. Hoffman for several years was affiliated with The Daily Northwestern. He came to this city from Stevens Point and served on the local staff as a reporter, later being promoted to the office of telegraph editor. He left Oshkosh in April, 1918, to take a position with The Milwaukee Journal. Later he went to Madison in the employ of the United Press.)

The funeral of Bernard Hoffman, former Oshkosh man whose death was noted in Monday evening's Northwestern, will be held Thursday morning at Stevens Point. The body will pass through Oshkosh on the 1.30 Soo line train Wednesday afternoon.

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**B. A. HOFFMAN**

Wisconsin journalism sustained a genuine loss this week in the death of B. A. Hoffman, secretary of the Associated Commerce at Waukesha. He was first and always a newspaperman although during the last three years of his life he was not directly connected with journalistic activities. It was his editorial training, obtained on various Badger papers and the United Press, which helped train him in his work as a commercial club secretary.

Mr. Hoffman wielded a ready pen. He was never too engrossed in his duties as editor and business manager of the Delavan Republican, (as we remember him) to trail down a feature yarn or to co-operate with others in his profession on the handling of an important news break. He was familiar with the ethics of the "game" and lived up to them religiously. When out to put over something for his newspaper he was a hard man to beat.

The city of Delavan can thank Ben Hoffman for their Rotary club. Coming to that city from Waukesha where he had been active in their noon day luncheon organization he immediately took steps to form one in that Bradley mill center. Undeterred by those who told him "it can't be done" this energetic individual went right ahead with his plans and as a result Delavan is said to be the smallest city in the United States to boast of a Rotary club.

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**BEN HOFFMAN**

--This poor sheet would be poorer if it failed to pause for a moment and stand reverently, so to speak, at the passing of it's Editor. For with all the burdens which Ben loaded upon his brave shoulders, The Revolver always received the full measure of Ben's attention and devotion.

Those who attended the Rotary Memorial Service last Monday and also those who paid tribute to Ben at his church, heard fitting talks by Bruce, Morgan and by Reverend Miller.

As one speaker said, Ben took upon himself too many burdens - his energy, ambition and enthusiasm was not backed by proper physique - but without drag or pull Ben carved a niche for himself among men. He was a true servant of his fellow men - a good Rotarian.

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**B.A. Hoffman, Leader  
In Waukesha, Dead**

Waukesha, Wis., Feb. 14.—(Special)—B. A. Hoffman, former city treasurer and secretary of the Association of Commerce, died this morning at a sanitarium here, from Bright's disease, following a short illness.

Mr. Hoffman was a former newspaper man and at one time was bureau manager for the United Press in Milwaukee. He returned to Waukesha three years ago as secretary of the Association of Commerce. Elected city treasurer, Mr. Hoffman was obliged to resign a month ago because of ill health.

Besides the widow Mr. Hoffman is survived by seven children, the oldest 12.

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