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Mr Glenn Brown
Secy AIA.
The Octagon, Washington D.C.

My dear Brown,

Enclosed find press notice of death of a member of St Louis Chapter AIA. Mr Thomas Beatty Annan which fairly well describes his achievements. His training and work was strictly along the lines of the classic. My first work as a draughtsman for two years was under his direction. You must obtain the exact date of his death from Presd Russell.

Hastily Yours
W. G. King

ARCHITECT T. B. ANNAN EXPIRES IN KIRKWOOD

DREW PLANS FOR THE MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE AND OTHER BUILDINGS.

Thomas Beatty Annan, designer and architect of some of the most important public buildings in St. Louis, died yesterday morning at 9 o'clock at his residence in Kirkwood. A complication of diseases caused the end. The funeral will take place from the residence this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, and interment will be in Oak Hill cemetery. Rev. L. F. Potter, rector of Grace Episcopal church, Kirkwood, will officiate. The deceased is survived by his widow and the following children: Sylvester Papin Annan, Joseph Paul Annan, Mrs. Charles A. Robinson, Mrs. Ruth Beatty Graves of Sulphur Springs, Colo., and Alfred Heacock Annan.

Mr. Annan was born in St. Louis, December 20, 1839. After completing a common school education he studied architecture in the office of the late Thomas P. Barnett, Sr., father of the well-known architect of that name. He married Miss Victorine O. Scofield about forty-three years ago in St. Louis. During the civil war, when building operations practically ceased, he served as chief clerk in the St. Louis subtreasury.

After the war Mr. Annan and Maj. Lee, then one of the best-known architects in Missouri, formed a partnership. The firm designed the Merchants' Exchange building in the early 70s and superintended its construction. Mr. Annan was a member of the firm of Furlong & Annan from 1875 to about 1880, after which he became the head of the firm of T. B. Annan & Sons, and continued as such until about 1896.

Some Buildings He Designed.

Among the buildings designed by Mr. Annan are the Boatmen's bank, in 1890; the Cook Avenue M. E. church, the St. Louis Provident Association, the Methodist Episcopal orphans' home, the memorial home for aged people and the Richard M. Scruggs and the J. B. C. Lucas residences.

More recently Mr. Annan was superintendent of construction under former Building Commissioner Longfellow, and as such played no small part in the designing and superintending of the present city hospital group of buildings. Four years ago he was appointed superintendent of construction under Building Commissioner William B. Ittner of the school board, and he held this office up to the time of his death. In the latter capacity he superintended the construction of the McKinley and Yeatman high schools.

He was the first president of the Western Society of Architects, which was absorbed in the American institute of architecture. He was elected president for three terms of the St. Louis chapter of the American institute.