## WARREN R. BRIGGS, F. A. I. A. ARCHITECT

BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT

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February 5, 1921.

Mr. D. Everett Waid.,

The Octagon, Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:-

Encloses you will find my cheque for \$20.00 in payment of my annual dues for 1921..

As I have closed my office retired from active practice, passed the three score and ten limit and have been an active member in good standing, for forty years, I believed I am fully entitled, according to Article INV Section 11 to be exempt from further payments of dues and hereby apply for such exemption. Will you kindly see that this request is granted and greatly oblige.

Yours very truly,

June 6, 1933.

Dear Mr. Briggs:

We have received, with deep regret, information concerning the death of Warren Richard Briggs, F. A. I. A., on May 30, 1933.

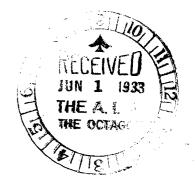
We appreciate the biographical sketch which was transmitted and which we have placed in the permanent record of the Institute here at The Octagon.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Roger B. Briggs, Esq., 974 Broad Street, Stratford, Connecticut.

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Warren Richard Briggs, F.A.I.A., was born in Malden, Mass., on June 6th, 1850. He was of good old Puritan stock, being the seventh descendent in a direct line from Richard Briggs, who settled in Teunton, Mass., in 1862. He was educated in private schools in the vicinity of Boston. In his eighteenth year, while preparing for Harvard, he left his studies and unbeknown to his parents, entered the office of a Boston Architect. When his parents learned of this, and attempted to have him resume his studies, he protested so vehemently that it was finally decided to let him follow his natural inclination to become an Architect.

He spont the next four years in the office of Feebody & Stearns and Cummings & Bears, the leading Architects of that time in the City of Boston.

In the Fall of 1872, he went to Paris, France, to study architecture, entering the Atelier Andre, in the famous Ecole des Besux-Arts, where he remained two years. Upon his return to Boston, in 1874, he was engaged as instructor for the advanced classes in Architecture and Free Hand Araving in the City's evening schools for the next two years.

In the Summer of 1876, he was called to Bridgeport to do some special architectural work, and soon afterwards.

through the instigntion of the late Mathaniel Wheeler, and other prominent citizens, opened an office there, where he practiced his profession successfully slone for thirty-'eight years.

In 1913 he formed a partnership with Edward B. Caldwell, Jr., under the name of Briggs & Caldwell, which was dissolved by sutual consent in 1916. In 1919 he closed his office after forty-four years of active practice, and has cince lived quietly at his home in Stratford, Conn.

In his early practice, he specialized in School Buildings, and was recognized throughout the country as an authority on their construction, heating, ventilation and maintenance. He wrote extensively upon these subjects for the leading technical journals, and a collection of articles published by him in book form in 1899, under the title "Modern American School Buildings" had a wide circulation, and is used as a hand book in the Architectural Schools.

In 1882, he married Hiss Elisa Hawley Beach of this City, who died on January 15th, 1921. She is survived by two children, Mrs. Howard B. Crane of Caldwell, N. J., and Roger Beach Briggs of Stratford, and seven grandchildren, Warren Briggs Crane, Peter Moelie Crane, Stophen Jasper Crane, Howard Beach Crane, Richard Cady Briggs, Roger Beach Briggs, Jr., Tirsah Anne and one brother, William Henry Briggs, of Seymour, Connecticut.

In his younger days, Mr. Briggs was an amateur athlote of marked ability, a skillful baseball player, finished earsman, excellent boxer and a powerful football player; in fact, he excelled in all outdoor aports, which he loved and took a life-long interest in. He had a wide acquaint-ance with the leading athletes of his time and was the first man to use a base ball mask outside of Harvard, and in 1874, in conjunction with the late A. G. Spaulding, (his life-long friend) introduced the American game of Base Ball into England through a game played on Kensington Oval in the City of London, in February of that year.

He was one of the fourtiers of the Beaside Club.
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Fishing and Came Club of Canada.

He was also a member of the University Club, the Housatonic Club, Connecticut Historical Society Association, Association Amicale des Architectes Anciens Eleven de Jules Andre, Peris, a Fellow and former Arector of American Institute of Architects, a Member and three times President of the Connecticut Chapter, A.I.A., and a member of the Architectural League of N. Y., and for eight years its Treasurer.

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Rogers Memorial School

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The Moridon Town Hall

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The Janbury Alms House

Bonbury, Conn.

The Bridgeport Orphen Asylum

Bridgeport, Conn.

The Police and Charities Building

Bridgeport. Conn.

The Y. H. C. A. Building

Bridgeport, Conn.

The decelde Institute Building

Bridgeport. Conn.

The St. John's Chapel

Bridgeport. Conn.

The Olivet Church

Bridgeport, Conn.

The N.Y. R.H. & R. R.R. Station

Bridgeport, Conn.

The Boys' Club Building

Bridgeport. Conn.

The Connecticut Met'l Dank Building

Bridgeport. Conn.

The City Serings Senk Bullding

Bridgeport. Com.

The First Sational Bank Building

Manbury, Conn.

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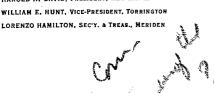
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and immumerable immufacturing, Commercial and Residential Buildings in all parts of the Country.

Thile in partnership with Mr. Caldwell, they built the Brooklawn Country Club. The Southern New England Telophone Building Extension, Terry Werehouse, Stratford Trust Building, Stratford, Connecticut, Stratford Telephone Building and mumerous fine residences.

ir. Briggs was an ardent depublican, but never sought office, or would let his name be used by his party. Nor was he ever connected with any fraternal societies outside of his profession.

HAROLD H. DAVIS, PRESIDENT, NEW HAVEN





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CONNECTICUT CHAPTER

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

WHEREAS: In the passing of Warren Richard Briggs the profession of architecture has lost

a devoted member, the American Institute of Architects has lost an ardent and devoted Fellow and the Connecticut Chapter is deprived of the loyalty and

counsel of a charter member,

WHEREAS: The highest ideals of professional practice were always maintained by Warren Richard Briggs and he staunchly

supported every effort for raising the standards of ethical conduct, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Connecticut Chapter of the American Institute of A rchitects does hereby express its keen sense of personal loss and does cause to be spread upon its records this tribute to the loyalty and

devotion of its departed member.