

Obituaries

BRADLEY BALDWIN GILMAN

Bradley Baldwin Gilman died in Kennett Square, Pennsylvania, on November 12, 1987. He had been a member of the American Antiquarian Society for over forty-two years. Brad was born March 30, 1904, in Worcester, Massachusetts, the son of Dr. Warren R. and Helen (Baldwin) Gilman. Among his many prominent ancestors were a signatory to the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States and two governors of Connecticut. After his father's death, the family moved back to his mother's family home in New Haven, Connecticut. He attended Worcester Academy and graduated from the Taft School in 1921, from Yale in 1925, and from Harvard Law School in 1928. At Yale, he was active in sports, playing on the varsity soccer and lacrosse teams, being captain of the former and a member of the American Lacrosse Hall of Fame.

Brad began his career with the law firm of Gage, Hamilton, June & White of Worcester, Massachusetts, in 1928. He served as law secretary to Chief Justice Arthur Prentice Rugg of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court. At law school and at camp in New Hampshire previously, Brad had been a close friend of Erwin N. Griswold, later to become dean of Harvard Law School. When Griswold was serving in the Solicitor General's office shortly after graduation, he was asked to recommend a young lawyer to add to the staff of the Department of Justice. He recommended Brad and urged him to accept, as a consequence of which Brad spent two years, ending in 1932, with the Department of Justice. From 1943 to 1945 he served as an assistant district attorney for Worcester County. In 1952, he moved to the Worcester County National

Bank in charge of its trust department, from which he retired in 1969. Thereafter, he retired to Florida but resumed the part-time practice of law until his removal to Kennett Square, Pennsylvania, in 1984.

He married Jean Tillinghast on October 4, 1929. She died in January, 1963, and in 1964 he married Janice Ackerman.

Brad was a responsible Worcester citizen, active in many local and even national affairs. He was a trustee and treasurer of the Worcester Art Museum, trustee and secretary of Worcester Memorial Hospital, president of the American Alpine Club and of the Appalachian Mountain Club, on the board of the Worcester County Institution for Savings, and a trustee of the R. C. Taylor Trust. His clubs included the Worcester Club, the Tatnuck Country Club, the Yale Club of New York City, and the Worcester Fire Society.

Brad was a lover of the outdoors. His great love, and a sport in which he achieved national and international recognition, was mountain climbing. During World War II, he participated in the training of Canadian troops in mountain techniques, more, as he admitted in his modest way, as an excuse to be in the mountains than out of patriotism. He had several first ascents to his credit; one of his routes is memorialized as the 'Whitney-Gilman' at Cannon Mountain, New Hampshire. Those who know say that he scorned use of sophisticated equipment and was looked on with horror by the mountain-climbing hierarchy when he did such things as climb uncharted routes in sneakers and without guides. He and his first wife, Jean, spent many vacations in the Canadian Rockies, and his daughter, Harriet Kruszyna, is an active and experienced climber.

One can detect a note of sadness in the answer of this adventurous mountaineer to a 1984 questionnaire from the American Antiquarian Society concerning his hobbies and other interests: 'travel, bird-watching, reading, mountain climbing in past years.' Brad was a modest, shy individual, whose useful life has made us all richer. He is survived by his widow, Janice, a son, Bradley B.

Gilman, Jr., of Holden, Massachusetts, a daughter, Harriet, wife of Robert Kruszyna of Randolph, New Hampshire, and a sister, Charlotte E., wife of Paul L. Penfield of Lakeland, Florida.

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DONALD DEAN JACKSON

Donald Jackson was born in Glenwood, Iowa, on June 10, 1919. Although he graduated from Iowa State University in 1942 with a degree in technical journalism and worked as a reporter on the *Des Moines Register* and as radio news editor for WOI in Ames, Iowa, his career was not to lie in that field. His first (and only) novel was published the year he graduated. He received his M.A. in English from the University of Iowa in 1946 and subsequently wrote a study of the Renaissance printer Johann Amerbach. But the world of belles lettres was not to claim him either. In 1948 he received his Ph.D. in communications from the University of Iowa, and in that same year he became editor of the University of Illinois Press. He held this position for twenty years, eventually becoming associate director. I do not know how many books Donald saw through the press in those years, but I am sure that the keen eye for details and the passion for accuracy and clarity that he brought to his own work helped to build and maintain Illinois's reputation for scholarly publishing.

I first met Donald through the Western History Association, of which he was, I believe, a charter member. Over the years, he was a member of a number of historical societies, including the American Historical Association, the Organization of American Historians, and the Society for the History of Discoveries. But his first love was the history of the exploration of the American West. Donald's conservative dress and quiet demeanor were in sharp contrast to some of the more flamboyant members of the WHA, but the warmth of his personality, his great knowledge, and his

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