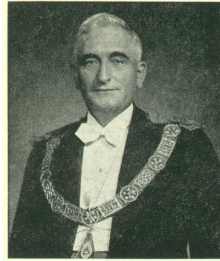


Timothy Clark Wardley

Grand Master (1943-44 and 1944-45) of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada
in the Province of Ontario



M.W. Bro. T. C. Wardley

(1893-1947)

Timothy Clark Wardley was born in Glasgow, Scotland on April 27, 1893. He was educated at the public School in Talcross and Hutcheson's Gramma School in Glasgow. He came to Smiths Falls in March 1910 where he became interested in the manufacture of agricultural implements. In 1912 he moved to Elora where he joined the staff of the T. E. Bissell Company, and ultimately became the Managing Director. When Bissell amalgamated with J. Fleury & Sons, he continued as Managing Director until his retirement in 1940 when he continued on the Board of Directors. In addition he was Vice-President of the Dominion Linseed Oil Company.

He married Jane McGowan (daughter of the late John McGowan, MP for North Wellington) in 1916. They had one son, William, who served in the RCAF during World War II.

He was interested and played curling, soccer and lawn bowling.

He was active in local community affairs and served on the local Hydro Commission, Chairman of the local Victory Loan organization, and was a United Church elder.

He died on November 28, 1947.

Masonic Career

Mr. Timothy Clark Wardley was initiated into Irvine Lodge, No. 203 GRC, Elora on December 15, 1916 and served as WM (June 1922 - June 1923). He was elected as DDGM of Wellington District (1927-28). He was first elected to the Board of General Purposes in 1931 and was successively elected up to 1941. He was elected as Deputy Grand Master (1941-42 and 1942-43) and Grand Master (1943-44 and 1944-45) of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the province of Ontario. At the 89th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge (July 19-20, 1944, Toronto) he recommended and subsequently established the William Mercer Wilson Medal to be presented annually to a worthy brother who has made valuable contributions to the Craft without any desire for preferment in office.

He was a member of Guelph Chapter No. 40, Guelph.

He was a member of Moore Sovereign Consistory, Hamilton.

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