

ALFRED DATER, 65, UTILITIES OFFICIAL

Vice Chairman of the Board of
Connecticut Power Co. Is
Dead in Stamford

LEADER IN CIVIC AFFAIRS

Executive of Two Banks and
for 21 Years President of
Boy Scout Council

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STAMFORD, Conn., Feb. 21.—
Alfred Warner Dater, vice chairman of the board of the Connecticut Power Company, and chairman of the Stamford Gas and Electric divisional committee of the company, died at his home, 178 Strawberry Hill Avenue, this morning. He was 65 years old.

Mr. Dater, who was identified with the local utility company for thirty-five years in various executive capacities, was named to the board of the Connecticut Power Company June 30, 1936, when the Stamford company became an affiliate.

Born in Brooklyn, N. Y., Aug. 23, 1872, he was a son of J. Henry Dater and Adda McMurray Dater. He was educated at Adelphi Academy, later entering Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute and subsequently Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University. He was graduated at Yale in 1895 with a degree of Bachelor of Philosophy. At Yale he rowed two years on the varsity crew and was a member of the varsity football squad. He was a member of Delta Psi fraternity and vice president of his class.

Worked in Railroad Shop

After finishing college Mr. Dater went to Fort Wayne, Ind., as an apprentice in the Pennsylvania Railroad shops. In 1897 he went to Brooklyn as assistant general superintendent of the Kings County Electric Light and Power Company, which later acquired the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Brooklyn. He was made treasurer of the combined companies, holding that office until 1903 when he resigned and came to Stamford.

He became associated with the Stamford Gas and Electric Company as treasurer and successfully filled the position of vice president and general manager before becoming president, an office he held for twenty-one years until the merger.

Mr. Dater was a member of the Stamford Board of Education. He also was a former president of the Stamford Community Chest, a director of the Stamford Chamber of Commerce, president of the Suburban Club, rear commodore of Stamford Yacht Club, member of Woodway Country Club, Yale Club of New York, Stamford Rotary Club, Manufacturers Association of Stamford and United States Chamber of Commerce.

Boy Scouting Enthusiast

One of Mr. Dater's chief interests was Boy Scouting. He was president of the Stamford Council for twenty-one years and on last Jan. 11 was elected for his twenty-second term. He was a member of the National Council of Boy Scouts. He was also vice president of the Stamford Children's Home, now known as Stamford Children's Service, and was one of the incorporators of the Stamford Hospital. During the World War he was chairman of the Stamford Fuel Committee.

Mr. Dater was president of the Stamford Savings Bank and a director of the First Stamford National Bank and Trust Company, and of the Nazareth Cement Company of Nazareth, Pa.

On Nov. 23, 1898, he married Miss Grace Carroll Ferguson, a native of Stamford, daughter of Walton and Julia Ferguson.

Also surviving are three sons, Walton Ferguson Dater and Alfred W. Jr., both of Stamford, and Philip of Bloomfield, Conn.