

WORTHINGTON'S MAN OF THE WEEK

Clement F. Burr, the oldest resident and member of the oldest and most respected family in town will celebrate his 90th birthday on Feb. 22. Mr. Burr was born in Feb. 22, 1849 in the house where he now lives with his son, Franklin H. Burr and family. His parents were Franklin and Persis (Knapp) Burr.

Above all else "Gramp" is a farmer always loved it and was interested in all new ideas as is shown by the farm, which was



Clement F. Burr

bought by his grandfather in 1800, is one of the most modern in town and is carried on by his sons.

In 1870 he was married to Ella Crosier who died only a few days before their 60th wedding anniversary. Their five sons are all living. Roy C. of Metuchen, N. J., Franklin H. of Worthington, Joseph A. of Huntington, Walter E. of West Springfield and Frederick H. of Easthampton with 9 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. Many public offices were held by Clement F. Burr, including town clerk and treasurer for 13 years, also serving as selectman, assessor, tax collector, man, assessor, tax collector, truant officer and other minor offices in town. Mr. Burr was president of Library Corporation, secretary of Hillside Agricultural society and treasurer of Ringville Creamery. He was one of the founders of Bashan Hill council of the Royal Arcanum and at present is a Deacon of the Congregational Church. In 1897 Mr. Burr was a representative to the State Legislature and a member of the South Worthington Grange (now disbanded).

Mr. Burr received his early education at Wilbraham Academy.

Considering his age Mr. Burr's health is quite good. Always a great reader. Mr. Burr has kept up with the modern trends and has had a keen interest in world affairs.