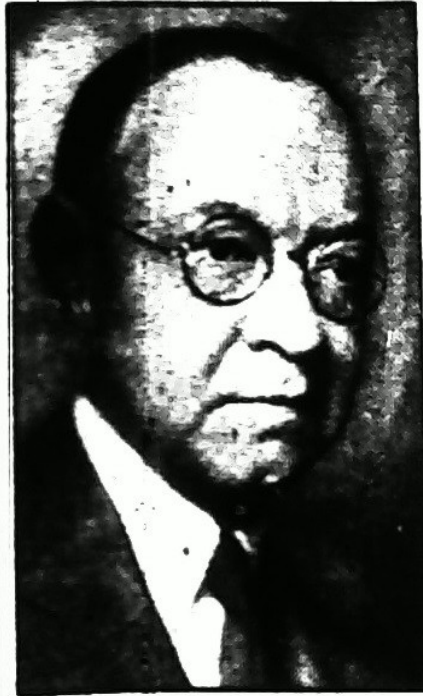


Maurice Husey Avery

(- d. 14 Aug 1930)

Avery. On Sunday, March 24, 1935, at Emergency Hospital, Maurice Hussey, beloved husband of Evelyn Fant Avery. Funeral services at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Third and A streets southeast, on Tuesday, March 26, at 2 p.m. Relatives and friends are invited. Interment at Congressional Cemetery.



MAURICE HUSSEY AVERY.
—Harris-Ewing Photo.

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Maurice H. Avery, Bibliophile, Dies

Former Library of Congress Official Was Expert in Field

Maurice Hussey Avery, 54, former officer of the Library of Congress and well-known bibliophile died yesterday at Emergency Hospital after a brief illness.

Mr. Avery had lived in Washington since his graduation from the New York State Library School in 1905, when he joined the staff of the Library of Congress. He resigned in 1927 to devote his time to private interests and travel.

An expert in the rarities of the book world, Mr. Avery was responsible for the acquisition of some of the finest items in the Library's collection. His part in obtaining the John Boyd Thatcher collection on the French Revolution was noteworthy.

Born in Nashua, N.H., July 26, 1881, the son of Charles H. and Ida L. Avery, he was the descendant of distinguished Massachusetts colonists. He was graduated from Dartmouth in 1903.

A Scottish Rite Mason, he was a member also of St. John's Lodge No. 11, then Albert Pike Consistory and the Sons of the American Revolution, Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity and the University Club. His home was at 3701 Massachusetts avenue.

He is survived by his widow, the former Evelyn Fant, sister of Mrs. Joshua Evans, jr., and a brother of Philip S. Avery, architect, of

Boston and Wellesley Hills.

The Washington Post, March 25, 1935, p. 7

Maurice Avery, Ex-Bibliotec In D.C., Is Dead

Former Officer of Library of Congress Expert on Rare Books

Maurice Hussey Avery, 53, of 3701 Massachusetts avenue northwest, former officer of the Library of Congress and an authority on rare books, died yesterday after a brief illness.

Mr. Avery was born in Nashua, N.H., the son of Charles H. and Ida L. Avery. He was the descendant of persons prominent in the founding of the Bay Colony and the development of Massachusetts. After graduating from Dartmouth in 1903, he continued his studies at the New York State Library School, graduating in 1905.

From 1905 to 1927 Mr. Avery was connected with the Library of Congress, becoming well known for his knowledge of book values and rare books. He was responsible for acquisition of many fine items in the library, including the John Boyd Thatcher collection on the French Revolution.

Mr. Avery resigned from the Library of Congress in 1927 to devote his time to private interests and to travel. That year he married Evelyn Fant, of Washington, whose brother-in-law and sister Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Evans, jr., are identified with the banking and university life of the city. He was a Scottish Rite Mason, belonging to St. John's Lodge, No. 11, and Albert Pike Consistory, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, both of this city.

He also was affiliated with the Sons of the American Revolution, Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity and the University Club, of Washington.

Mr. Avery is survived by his wife and a brother, Philip S. Avery, of Boston and Wellesley Hills, Mass.