

John C. Rau

(- 22 Mar 1945)

Rau, John C. On Thursday, March 22, 1945, John C. Rau, of 125 Oglethorpe st. n.w., beloved husband of the late Emma Stall Rau and father of Adelaide M. McClendon. Funeral from the W.W. Deal funeral home, 4812 Georgia ave. n.w., on Saturday, March 24, at 2 p.m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Congressional Cemetery.



Rau, John C. Members of the Oldest Inhabitants Association are hereby notified of the death of their brother, John C. Rau. Funeral from the W.W. Deal funeral home, 4812 Georgia ave. n.w., Saturday, March 24, 1945, at 2 p.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

Theodore W. Noyes, President
Orrin J. Davy, Secretary

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John C. Rau
Electrical Supplies
Progressive Electrical Firm

The electrical supply house of John C. Rau was established by Mr. Rau June 1, 1893, at the corner of 6th street and Maryland avenue southwest, and putting time and energy in the business within two years it outgrew its quarters and was moved uptown to 423 12th street northwest. There it remained, the business constantly growing, until May, 1901, when larger quarters being needed, Mr. Rau moved his establishment to its present location, at 524 12th street northwest. The establishment while occupying an unpretentious building, is filled with electrical appliances of all kinds, and there are few things needed in the shape of electrical fittings of machinery that cannot be found there. But only a small portion of the stock carried by the firm is at 524 12th street, the bulk of the stock and the larger machinery being stored in the storehouse of the firm in a building near the corner of 11th street and Pennsylvania avenue northwest.

A Large Wholesale Business

The firm does a large wholesale business in electrical goods, in addition to the retail trade, and is ready on short notice to furnish any material that may be required in any class of electrical work. Mr. Rau also does electrical contracting, and has a force of twenty men steadily employed in installing electrical apparatus in buildings throughout the city. A feature is made of work that requires neatness and where great care must be exercised in order not to disfigure fine interiors. The firm has installed electrical work at the Soldiers' Home, in several of the large hotels and in numerous fine residences in the northwest section of the city. Its work is always of the finest class, and Mr. Rau does work in such a manner that those doing business with him once will call on him the second time when they want anything in his line.

Born in This City

Mr. John C. Rau, the proprietor, was born in this city thirty-seven years ago and has lived here continuously since that time. At the age of seventeen he started into the electrical business and after seven years' hard work in learning the business he embarked in business for himself. The volume of

business done has steadily increased until today. Some of Mr. Rau's electrical work has been in the Grafton Hotel, Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, St. Dominic's Church, St. Cyprian's Church, Fifth Baptist Church, Majestic Theater, and many business and private houses.

If you wish any electrical work done during 1906 consult him.

He carries a full line of Electrical Goods of every description. Office, 524 12th st. n.w.