Francis M. Skinner

(-23 Jan 1929)

Skinner, Frank M. On Wednesday, January 23, 1929, at his residence, 454 10th st. s.w., Frank M., beloved husband of Lillian T. Skinner (nee Jacobsen). Funeral from his late residence Friday, January 25, at 2 p.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery. (Baltimore and New York City papers please copy.)

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Francis M. Skinner, Navy Veteran Dies

Retired Chief Clerk of Treasury Issuing Division Expires After Illness

Francis Marion Skinner, 84 years old, retired chief clerk of the issuing division, United States Treasury Department, where he was employed for 40 years, died at his residence, 454 Tenth street southwest, yesterday after an illness of three weeks.

Mr. Skinner was a veteran of the Union Navy and had long been active in fraternal circles here. He was retired from the Government service four years ago.

Many years ago Mr. Skinner gained distinction by rescuing two men from drowning. The first time he dived overboard to rescue a man who fell from a boat and on the second occasion, rescued an escaped inmate of an asylum, who attempted to drown himself. Mr. Skinner served on the U.S.S. Tulip during the Civil War, rising to the grade of ensign.

He was a past commander of Lincoln Post, Grand Army of the Republic; was an organizer and had held every office in Champion Council, No. 15, Junior Order of United American Mechanics; member of the Columbia Lodge of the Shield of Honor; had held all chairs in the Crusader Commandery, No. 180, Knights of Malta, and was at one time lieutenant commander of the Naval Veterans' Association of the District of Columbia. He also was a charter member of the "Old Guard" of this city and served as color sergeant of that organization for four years.

Prior to his service in the Treasury Department, Mr. Skinner served for four years as a member of the Metropolitan police force here. Prior to then, as a newsboy, he sold first copies of The Evening Star. He was a native of Dumfries, Va., and came to this city with his father, the late William Skinner, when a boy.

Mr. Skinner was married three times. His first wife died in 1873 and his second in 1912. He is survived by his widow, who was Miss Lillian T. Jacobsen, and two sons, Mitchell A. and Francis M. Skinner, jr.

Funeral services will be conducted at the residence tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment will be in Congressional Cemetery.

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Skinner Rites Today

Funeral Services Are Held for Union Navy Veteran

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