

J. HORACE HARDING DEAD.

**RUMSON ROAD RESIDENT WAS
A PROMINENT FINANCIER.**

**He Died Last Friday at New York at
the Age of 65 Years—He Was a Di-
rector of Many Corporations—
Harding Road Named in His Honor**

J. Horace Harding of the Rumson road, one of the wealthiest and best known residents of this section of Monmouth county, died Friday at his winter home at New York. Spinal meningitis and other complications, which followed an attack of influenza, caused his death. He was sick only a few days. He was one of Wall street's best known figures.

At the time of his death Mr. Harding was a member of the banking firm of Charles D. Barney & Co. of New York and was active in the affairs of many corporations. He held directorships in the St. Louis River water power company, the American Metals company, the Anna Arbor, the New York, Ontario and Western, Southern Pacific, Wabash and New York, New Haven and Hartford railroads; the Irving Trust company, the American Exchange, the Cerro de Pasco copper company, the Continental Can company, the Public Service corporation of New Jersey, the Industrial Alcohol company and several investment organizations.

Mr. Harding was born 65 years ago at Philadelphia and was the son of William W. and Catherine Hart Harding. In 1858 he married Dorothea Barney of Ogontz, Pennsylvania. Her father was the founder of Charles D. Barney & Co. Mr. Harding entered the banking business when he was twenty years old. Eventually he became senior partner of Charles D. Barney & Co. Since 1912 he had been a special partner of the firm.

Mr. Harding took an active part in civic affairs in this locality and was prominent as a public benefactor. Harding road, which was named in his honor, was built by him about twelve years ago. This stretch of concrete links Broad street, Red Bank, with the Rumson road. He was the donor of the public playgrounds at Seabright. He had been a member of the board of governors of the Long Branch hospital since 1914.

Besides his financial and philanthropic interests Mr. Harding was prominent in sporting and art circles. He was a member of a number of clubs, including the Rumson country club, the Seabright beach club and a number of clubs at New York and Philadelphia. He was a member of the American Association of Museums and the American association of Arts, and at one time was a trustee of the art treasures bequeathed to the city of New York by Henry Clay Frick.

Besides his wife he leaves two daughters and two sons, they being Mrs. L. Suffern Tallier, Miss Laura Harding, Charles Barney Harding and William Barclay Harding. He also leaves a sister, Mrs. A. Hennen Morris, and two brothers, Edward Harding and W. G. Harding. Mr. Harding was a Republican in politics and was a delegate-at-large at the last Republican national convention.

The funeral was held Monday morning at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal church at New York. Burial was made at Philadelphia.