

DR. EDGAR BARNEY, AN EDUCATOR HERE

**Principal for Half Century of
Hebrew Technical Institute
Dies at Home at 77**

LIFE TRUSTEE OF UNION

**General Passenger Agent of
Hudson River Day Line in
Company Service 55 Years**

Dr. Edgar Starr Barney, educator and transportation company official, who was principal of the Hebrew Technical Institute for more than fifty years, died at 6 o'clock last night at his home, 48 South Eighth Street, Brooklyn, from the effects of a stroke suffered ten days ago. He was 77 years old.

Born at Worcester, N. Y., the only child of Ansyl and Sarah A. Barney, Dr. Barney received his higher education at Union College, Schenectady, which awarded him four degrees: A. B. and C. E., 1884; A. M., 1887; Sc. D., 1904. Ever since his graduation from the college he had been active in alumni affairs. He became alumni trustee in 1897, and was elected a life trustee in 1906. He had been secretary of the board of trustees of Union College since 1909, a governor of Union University since 1909, a trustee of the Albany Medical College since 1915.

Honored for His Work

The Hebrew Technical Institute, at 36 Stuyvesant Street, which is maintained by the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, was founded in 1883. The next Fall Dr. Barney began his long association with the institution, joining the faculty as a teacher of engineering and mathematics. In 1887 he was elected principal and he retained the position until his death.

In October, 1937, the fiftieth anniversary of his first connection with the institute was celebrated at a dinner in his honor at the Hotel Astor which was attended by more than 1,000 persons. Two months later a second celebration took place, when a bronze bas-relief portrait of Dr. Barney, the gift of the school's alumni, was unveiled at the institute.

Began Career as Clerk

In 1883 Dr. Barney entered the employ of the Hudson River Day Line as a clerk. He was the line's auditor from 1889 to 1921, its general passenger agent since the latter year. He had been a member of the board of directors since 1913.

He was a former president of the General Eastern Passenger Agents Association, a former vice-president of the American Waterlines Passenger Agents Association, a life member of the National Education Association, the New York Electrical Society, and the New York State Historical Association, and a member of various other cultural societies.

A widower since 1910, Dr. Barney is survived by no members of his immediate family. Arrangements for the funeral will be announced later.

