

DR. ARTHUR HOWE, RETIRED EDITOR, 80

Chief of The Brooklyn Eagle,
1915-31, Dies in Bermuda
—Educator and Historian

Dr. Arthur M. Howe, former editor of The Brooklyn Eagle and a former member of the Board of Higher Education, died on Monday in Bermuda, his lawyer, Frederick A. Keck of 16 Court Street, Brooklyn, reported here yesterday. Dr. Howe, who had been ill for several weeks, was 80 years old.

He sold his home this summer and moved to Bermuda, where he resided with his cousin, Mrs. Sarah Harnett, her husband, and their two children.

Born in St. Eleanor's, Prince Edward Island, Canada, Dr. Howe came to this country in 1887 and two years later joined The Brooklyn Standard Union and began writing special stories for various New York newspapers.

In 1893, Dr. Howe joined the staff of The Brooklyn Eagle, serving in order as exchange editor, editorial writer and managing editor. In 1915 he became editor, succeeding the late Dr. St. Clair McKelway. He retired from this post in 1931.

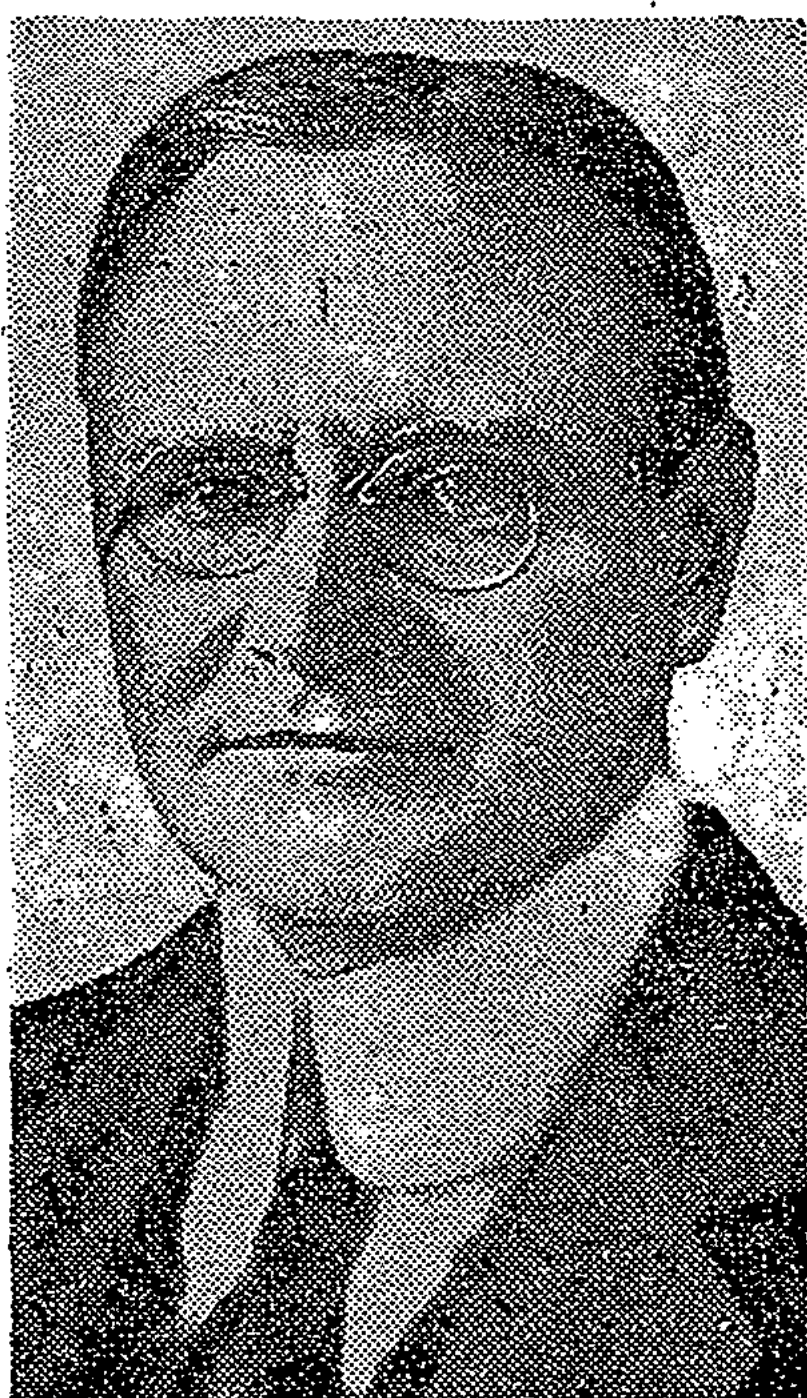
Dr. Howe achieved a reputation for his knowledge of American history. In addition to that, he was particularly well informed in English history and literature and early in his career had made a study of politics.

While abroad in 1927, he interviewed Benito Mussolini, French Premier Raymond Poincare and Ramsay MacDonald, the then leader of Great Britain's Labor party.

Known as a Democrat, Dr. Howe supported the late Wendell L. Willkie during the 1940 Presidential campaign primarily on the basis that a third term for the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt would shatter, "beyond repair, a sound tradition which may well be regarded as an unwritten law."

Dr. Howe, who was educated in public and private schools, received an honorary LL.D. degree from St. Lawrence University in 1923. Particularly active in many different fields, he was a member of the advisory board of the Columbia School of Journalism, a trustee of Packer Institute, chairman of the Brooklyn College executive committee and a member of the board of managers and vice president of the Brooklyn Association for 'Improving' the Condition of the Poor.

He was secretary of the board of directors of the Prospect Park South Association and also was a member of the advisory council of the National Civic Federation and a director of the American Society of Newspaper Editors.



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