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RICHARD S. BEEBE

NEWPORT NEWS - Richard Stockton Beebe, 95, passed away Thursday, March 23, 1995, after a brief illness. He was born May 23, 1899 in Coshocton, Ohio, spent most of his life in Pennsylvania being a longtime resident of Newtown, Bucks County, and made his home with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Kirkham V. Crabb of 100 Park Avenue, Newport News, during the past eight years.

In his youth, Mr. Beebe graduated from the Wenonah Military Academy, a renowned institution in its day frequently referred to as "The West Point of New Jersey." Due to the Depression, the academy closed in 1935, but the Alumni Association has kept its traditions of excellence alive with memories shared at annual reunions which are held to this day. Mr. Beebe was a very active member of the association having served it both as editor of its publication, "The Sabre," and as treasurer for many years.

He attended The University of Pennsylvania and subsequently was associated with General Motors in Credit Management. From 1949 until his passing, he was a member of the Newtown, Pa., Masonic Lodge No.427, F. and A.M.

Mr. Beebe had two daughters, Barbara Beebe Taylor, deceased, the mother of his five grandchildren, and Eloise Beebe Crabb of the Park Avenue address. Also surviving are two great-grandchildren and one great-greatgrandchild.

The Lawrence B. Wood Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Services were private.