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A GRADUATE OF ANNAPOLIS

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Louis Duncan, a member of the firm of Duncan, Young & Co. of 50 Church's Street, and for many years widely known as an electrical engineer, died yesterday morning at his home, 966 Prospect Avenue, Pelham Manor, N. Y., in his fifty-fourth year. He was best known as an electrical traction expert and was consulting engineer of the Rapid Transit Commission during the electrification of the transit systems of this city.

Mr. Duncan was born in Washington, D. C., and was graduated from the Naval Academy in 1889, being appointed an ensign three years later. In the same year he was sent to Johns Hopkins University by the Government to take a graduate course in physics and electricity, and during his course there determined the unit of electrical resistance. Mr. Duncan served as Chairman of the Board of Judges of the International Electrical Exhibition at the Franklin Institute in Philadelphia when only 22 years old. In 1897 he received his degree of Doctor of Philosophy at Johns Hopkins and then became a professor there, resigning from the navy to accept the appointment.

During the Spanish-American War, President McKinley appointed Mr. Duncan an aid in forming a battalion of engineers, and he became Mayor of the First Volunteer Engineers. After the war, he again entered business and in 1902 became head of the Department of Electrical Engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Mr. Duncan was the author of many articles on electrical subjects, and wrote on electricity for the Encyclopaedia Britannica. He was twice President of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. Mr. Duncan was an honorary member of the Franklin Institute, and was a member of the Mathematical Society of France, the Psychical Society of France, the Electrochemical Society, and belonged to the Automobile Club of America, the Maryland Club of Baltimore, and was a fellow of the American Psychological Society. In addition, he was a member of the University and Engineers' Clubs. His wife, a son and three daughters survive him.

Phred the following Tuesday
2-15-16 - a.m. nine
- attending, funeral of acting as social treasurer

Mr. H. T. Martin - cannot go
J.G. Sheple - doubtful
C.C. Malbert - "out" his uncle
Mr. C. H. Crion - cannot go
H.O. Watt - will try to go
C.T. Fulcherman - "will go"
Mr. H. P. Hughes "will call on"
Mr. H. T. Martin "will call on"
Mr. B. T. Stutwill "will call on"
H.O. Callm - "will call on"

H. H. Harris "can't"

W. H. Barnes "not going"

3 pm train on Hudson River, P.S. & P. Pelham Manor
2:15 pm Mr. C. P. Pelham (signed from memory)
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