

Bayard C. Wilson succumbs at 73

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Bayard Campbell Wilson was born in Millville, Mo. on Oct. 26, 1890 to James and Dorothy Wilson. He grew to manhood in Missouri and completed his schooling at William Jewel College in 1913 where he was a member of Phi Gama Delta fraternity.

He was commissioned 1st Lt. Field Artillery in December 1917 and had combat service in France. At the end of the War in 1919 he was discharged with the rank of Major.

After his discharge Bayard, his brother Gordon and their father, pooled their capital assets to homestead near Glendo. Their business ventures included a cattle ranch, general retail store and various other investments.

Mr. Wilson became active in politics while in Glendo and had the opportunity to serve for twelve years in the Wyoming State Legislature, eight years as senator and four in the house.

On June 7, 1926 he married Jeannie M. Mitchell, daughter of

George Mitchell. In 1933 they moved to Casper where the deceased entered the real estate business.

Mr. Wilson never lost his active interest in politics. While in Casper in 1952 he was appointed as Democratic State Chairman. Upon retiring after nursing a weak heart condition, he and Mrs. Wilson moved to Wheatland in 1962, the home of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. R. Jones. Mr. Wilson's son Bayard M. and wife Judith moved to Wheatland in 1963.

Death occurred in the Platte County Memorial Hospital February 1, 1964 after an extended illness. Last rites were conducted by Rev. Dale Sheffler at the Schraeder Chapel at 2:00 p.m. Monday, with interment in the Wheatland cemetery. Pallbearers included James Roff, James Wilson, Robert Mitchell, Don Fancher, George Fancher and Robert Fancher.

Relatives who survive are his wife, daughter, son, brother Gordon of Glendo, sister, Mrs. George W. Terry of San Francisco, Calif and three grandchildren.