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Material for Biographical Sketch of
Wm. C. Alexander,
Proprietor Alexander's Pharmacy,
Salida, Colorado.

Submitted to The American Druggist at the request of Mr. John T. Bartlett of Boulder, Colo.

Much of the following may be "irrelevant, immaterial and incompetent." Use whatever you believe will be of interest.

Born at La Grange, Fayette County, Texas, December 23, 1871.

Common school education. Entered the employ of E. Hertzberg, Jeweler, San Antonio, Texas, about 1885. Later worked for Joseph Linz & Bro., of Dallas, Texas and L. Lechenger, of Houston, Texas. These three firms are today among the largest jewelry establishments in Texas.

Removed to Salida, Colorado in 1901 where he engaged in the jewelry business.

Purchased the drug business of G. W. Armstrong of Salida in 1910 and later consolidated the same with his jewelry store.

Registered with the State Pharmacy Board as a druggist Apprentice, later became an Assistant Pharmacist by examination and in 1934 became a Registered Pharmacist by examination.

Has always conducted his drug store as an ethical establishment, carrying only lines traditional to the business and specializing in exclusive toiletries and confections.

His capacity as a business man proven by his successful career in Salida, extending over a third of a century.

Served on Legislative and other committees of Colorado Pharmaceutical Association for several years. Elected Second Vice-President of the Association in 1933 and advanced to First Vice President the same year. Elected President in 1934. Made Chairman of Executive Committee in 1935. Member of Colorado delegations in attendance at N. A. R. D. Conventions in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans and Cincinnati.

Elected Mayor of Salida in 1913 and 1915 and again in 1927. Is Past Master Salida Lodge No. 57, A. F. & A. M., ^{PAST WORTHY PATRON} Order of the Eastern Star and B. P. O. Elks ^{PAST EXALTED RULER} ~~of~~ Salida and is a member of Colorado Consistory No. 1, A. A. S. R. and El Jebel Temple, Order of the Mystic Shrine, Denver, Colo. Is Past Grand Patron, Order of the Eastern Star of Colorado and Past District Deputy, B. P. O. Elks having been appointed to the latter office by Rush L. Holland, Grand Exalted Ruler at the time. In addition to the above organizations, holds membership in the N. A. R. D., the A. Ph. A. and ~~the~~ San Jacinto Chapter, Sons of the Republic of Texas, at Houston, Texas.

Recently resigned as Chairman Republican County Central Committee, Chaffee County, having served as such for past twelve years.

Hobby. Genealogical research and early Missouri and Texas history. Is descendant of Captain Joseph Neyburn ~~and~~ of Virginia and Andrew Mc Cormick of North Carolina, Revolutionary War soldiers; great-great-grand-son of John Rice Jones, member First Constitutional Convention of Missouri and one of the state's first Supreme Court Judges; grand-son of John Rufus Alexander, last surviving member of the Mier Expedition who was one of five to make his "get-a-way" from his Mexican guards at Hacienda Salado, Mexico, thereby escaping the bean drawing or "lottery of Death."

Married Harriet Lucinda Wright at New Castle, Indiana, July 2, 1907.