

Horatio Balch Hackett

Childhood

Born January 8, 1844

Named after his uncle, Professor Horatio B. Hackett

Born in New Jersey, but moved to 2217 E. Cumberland St. as an infant

At 16 he had to go to work on a farm

Attended Philadelphia Schools, Wm. Gorgas Primary School & Morris (now Adaire) Grammar School

Military Career

Volunteered in the military in 1861 at 16 and was a drummer boy, 4'11", 89 lbs.

Became a veteran in the military at 19 years old

Nickname "Rash"

He participated in the battle in front of Petersburg

Promoted to Second Lieutenant, First Lieutenant and finally Captain

Veteran of the Civil War

Occupations

Brakeman, Fireman and Letter Carrier on the Reading Railroad

Night Inspector in the Custom House

Clerk in the Register of Wills Office

State Appraiser

Elected Positions, Political Career

Elected Police Magistrate of Philadelphia

Treasurer of the Republican City Campaign Committee

Delegate to the St. Louis Convention that nominated Major McKinley

Elected Register of Wills of Philadelphia County

Republican ward leader

State Senator

Personality

Pleasant, smiling, hearty and frank in manner

Always ready to serve a friend or do something for somebody

Family

1890 lived with his family at 2504 Tulip St.

Married Jane F Lukens in 1871 and had 3 sons and 1 daughter

Died July 12, 1905