

# HEART DISEASE ATTACK FATAL TO G. D. FLORY

Bank Vice President  
Unconscious When  
Death Strikes

## FUNERAL TOMORROW

El Paso Financier Donated  
Money Anonymously To  
Avoid Publicity

George D. Flory, 64, vice president of the State National bank, died at 6 a. m. today at his home, 717 E. Blacker.

Funeral services will be held from Peak-Hagedon chapel at 4 p. m. tomorrow. Rev. Wister E. Smith of the First Presbyterian church will officiate.

Pallbearers will be: Walter W. Scott, George G. Matkin, Paul H. Anderson, Forrest M. Smith, Wendell Cherton and Kenneth P. Gifford.

State National and El Paso National banks will close at 3 p. m. tomorrow because of the funeral.

Flory lapsed into unconsciousness before he died.

At his bedside when he died were Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Bassett, R. W. McAfee, Maury Kemp, M. C. Edwards and Richard O'Leary.

### Ill Several Years

Flory had been troubled with heart disease for several years, friends said. Recently he returned from Johns Hopkins University hospital, where he underwent an operation.

He was born on a farm near Hagerstown, Md., and came to El Paso with his uncle, B. F. Roman, about 1884. The office of the Pacific Express Co., the first firm for which he worked in El Paso, was in a building almost directly across the street from the present site of the State National bank.

Flory was an employe of the Wells Fargo Express Co. when Henry Davis was superintendent. In 1896, J. C. Lockland, then cashier, offered him a position with the State National bank. He became assistant cashier in 1907, on the death of J. H. Russell, and advanced to cashier when Lockland died in 1908.

**Interest Relinquished**  
C. N. Bassett, a stockholder in the bank at the time, in July, 1908, acquired Lockland's stock and became active manager with Flory. Bassett was made vice president when Flory was cashier. Later, Bassett succeeded C. R. Morehead as president. Flory became vice president. In recent years, ill health forced Flory gradually to relinquish active interest in the bank.

Flory was a generous giver to charity and churches, although he seldom attended church, and never allowed himself to be given publicity for his donations to charity.

Ever since the old Evening Post began its Atlas Santa fund to help the needy at Christmas time, Flory gave \$50 yearly with an extra \$50 this last Christmas. He always specified that his contributions were to be kept anonymous.

# Flory Funeral To Be Today

## Banks Will Close Earlier In Honor Of Prominent El Pasoan.

Member banks of the El Paso Clearing House association will close their doors an hour early today so friends may attend the funeral of George D. Flory, 64, vice president of the State National bank, who died at his residence, 717 East Blacker street, early yesterday.

Funeral services will be in the Peak-Hagedorn chapel at 4 p. m. today with the Rev. W. R. Smith officiating. Burial will be in Evergreen cemetery. Pallbearers will be George G. Mathis, Walter W. Scott, Paul H. Anderson, Wendell Carton, Kenneth P. Gifford and F. S. Smith.

### Came Here In 1888.

Mr. Flory has no survivors except distant relatives, friends said last night. He came here with an uncle, B. F. Roman, in 1888, from Hagerstown, Md., where he was born and reared.

After his condition improved slightly Monday night the banker lapsed into unconsciousness again early yesterday morning and died at 5 a. m.

Mr. Flory's first position here was with the Pacific Express company in offices almost directly across the street from the present site of the State National bank. He then worked for the Wells Fargo Express company, and in 1896 was given a position in the State National bank by J. C. Lackland, who at the time was cashier.

### Associated With Bassett.

He became assistant cashier in 1907 and a year later he and C. N. Bassett, present president of the bank, became active managers of the institution.

Ill health during recent years forced Mr. Flory to give up active interest in the bank.

Mr. and Mrs. Bassett, R. W. McAfee, Maury Kemp, Richard O'Leary, and M. C. Edwards, his roommate, were with Mr. Flory when he died.