

Albert Pleydell

ALBERT PLEYDELL, President of the Robert Schalkenbach Foundation which shares the building at 50 East 69th Street with the Henry George School, died suddenly at his home in Bellerose, New York on November first.

At a memorial service in the Unitarian Church of All Souls there were many tributes from fellow officers in all those organizations of which he was a cherished part. He was a management expert in business, government and voluntary community services, including the Hudson Guild and the Citizens Union.

Lancaster M. Greene, a member of the board of the RSF and also the HGS, said of his friend, "Albert Pleydell became a light and a power, exemplifying all the best qualities of the concerned citizen. All of us who served with him admired his fine qualities of patience, integrity, leadership and

friendliness. He will live in our hearts always as a warm and an able and great man."

Mr. Pleydell distinguished himself in the service of the City of New York in various capacities. He served as Commissioner of Purchases under Mayors LaGuardia and O'Dwyer, and during World War II as Fuel Administrator. Later he was the chief architect of the Health Insurance Plan of Greater New York, served on important executive committees, and was a member of the City Archives Commission. He formed his own Management Service organization in 1959.

Following in the footsteps of his father he became a member of the RSF board of directors in 1934 and gave to it his unstinted devotion, time and effort. Since 1960 he has served the Foundation with distinction and imagination as its president and keen adviser.