

# Frank A. Mingle

## 1912-1985

Frank A. Mingle, former president of Motors Insurance Corporation and a director of both General Motors Acceptance Corporation and MIC, died October 18 in Montclair, New Jersey. He was 73 years old.

Mr. Mingle was president of MIC from 1969 until his retirement in 1977 after serving the two companies for nearly 43 years.

Mr. Mingle was born July 20, 1912, in Newark, New Jersey, where his father was an ice dealer. When he was 12, Frank's family moved to Hackettstown when his father acquired an automobile dealership with franchises for Nash, International and American La France fire engines.

Mr. Mingle entered Wesleyan University in Middletown, Connecticut, where he earned a degree in chemistry. Though he worked to help defray tuition expenses, he found time to play football and was secretary of the Varsity Athletic Association. He also served as president of the College Body and president and treasurer of his fraternity, Beta Theta Pi.

Graduating in 1934, Mr. Mingle applied for a position with GMAC and joined the company as a student-in-training on July 2 of that year. Upon completion of the training program, he was offered a position as a field representative in Atlanta or as an underwriter for General Exchange Insurance Corporation in Cleveland. He chose to go with the insurance company.

Mr. Mingle's career progressed from 1936 when he served in Detroit and Newark as an underwriter and adjuster, in Paterson and Camden as a field branch agent, and again in Newark as claim examiner and claim manager. During two tours of duty in Paterson, he met and subse-

in 1945, he was promoted to manager there.

Mr. Mingle returned to Executive Office in 1947 as assistant manager of Branch Operations, and was appointed regional manager six years later with headquarters in Baltimore. In 1957, he was named manager of the former New York region.

In 1961, Mr. Mingle was promoted to manager of the Plans Department and the following year was elected a director of MIC and vice president in charge of Plans and Sales Promotion. He was named vice president in charge of Branch Operations in 1968 and, one year later, he assumed responsibility for Staff functions after being elected to the MIC and CIM Executive Committees in late 1968.

Mr. Mingle was elected president of MIC and CIM Insurance Corporation in October, 1969. At the same time he was elected a director and a member of the Executive Committee of GMAC and a member of the Finance Committees of MIC and CIM.

During Frank Mingle's eight-year stewardship, MIC experienced a multitude of important changes including the development of mechanical insurance, and the company's entry into the credit insurance field with the establishment of MIC Life Insurance Corporation.

Mr. Mingle is survived by his widow, Mae Mingle, a son Larry and a daughter Maureen. Also surviving are three grandchildren.



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quently married Mae C. Healey who had joined GMAC in Newark in 1936.

When MIC was organized in 1939, Mr. Mingle transferred to the new company. After serving with GM's Fisher Body Division's B-29 plant in Cleveland, he returned from his war service leave to become assistant manager of the Newark branch. Two months later,