

L. Andrew Reinhard, 72, Dies; A Rockefeller Center Architect

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BRONXVILLE, N. Y., Aug. 2 —L. Andrew Reinhard, who was one of New York's leading architects before his retirement in 1956, died today at his home, 900 Palmer Road. His age was 72.

Mr. Reinhard and his partner, Henry Hofmeister, who died in January, 1962, were named by the late John D. Rockefeller Jr. in 1929 as general architects for the \$250 million Rockefeller Center in New York, with Harvey W. Corbett, Raymond M. Hood and Benjamin W. Morris as consultants.

After Rockefeller Center, Mr. Reinhard did designs for the Chrysler Building, the Federal Building at John F. Kennedy International Airport at Idlewild, Queens, the New York Medical College and other projects.

His work included buildings for the Chase Manhattan Bank, the Italian, Swedish and Waterman steamship lines, the Dun and Bradstreet home office building in New York, the surgical building and research center of the New England Medical Center in Boston, the Deeds Carillon Tower in Dayton, Ohio, and the World War II American Cemetery and Chapel at Neuville en Condroz in Belgium.

From 1945 to 1950, Mr. Reinhard was a member of the National Commission of Fine Arts in Washington. When his term was about to expire, a Washington newspaper reported that he and four other commissioners would not be reappointed by President Harry S. Truman because they had opposed Mr. Truman's plan to install a balcony on the White House.

Mr. Reinhard had been a vice president and executive committee member of the New York chapter of the American Institute of Architects and a fellow of the national body.

He had also been a vice president of the Architectural League and of the Municipal Art Society. His interests included the New York Building Congress, the National Sculpture Society and the American Arbitration Association.

An honorary member of the National Institute for Architectural Education, Mr. Reinhard had served on the visiting advisory committees of the architectural schools of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Syracuse, Cornell and Columbia Universities.

Here, he had been a member



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of the zoning board for 13 years and also a chairman of the library art committee.

For his work on Rockefeller Center, Mr. Reinhard received gold medals from the Architectural League of New York and the Fifth Avenue Association there. His awards also included the Grande Prix at the Paris International Exposition in 1937, prizes in competitions of the Pittsburgh Glass Institute and the Prize of Honor of the Fifth Pan-American Congress at Montevideo, Uruguay. He had also received honorable mentions from architectural organizations.

Mr. Reinhard studied at the Mechanics Institute and Beaux Arts Institute of Design in New York and had taken extension courses at Columbia University.

He formed the firm of Reinhard & Hofmeister in 1928 after working in the offices of prominent New York architects. In 1947, it became Reinhard, Hofmeister & Walquist, and was dissolved upon Mr. Reinhard's retirement.

Mr. Reinhard belonged to the Beaux Arts Institute of Design in New York, the Cosmos Club in Washington, the Gypsy Trail Club in Carmel, the Siwanoy Country Club and the Larchmont Shore Club.

Surviving are his widow, the former Miss Ruth Ellen Rush; two daughters, Mrs. Ruth Rush Stewart and Mrs. Jean Arlette Hampton, and six grandchildren.