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Heinley – Brothers John and Charles Heinley appear to have had a boat shipping business on Ocean Avenue in Amityville by 1890. The first news clipping to include shipping coal appeared in 1896. The brothers dissolved their business partnership in 1901. In 1902, Charles Heinley started his own coal business in Amityville and opened a business in Babylon in 1913. John Heinley had his own coal business in Amityville.

<p>Heinley Bros., the Ocean avenue coal dealers, have dissolved partnership. Brother Charles retires, and Brother John will continue the business. A family jar on Sunday last was, it is said, the cause of the dissolution.</p>	<p>*Heinley Bros. South Side Signal, Oct. 18, 1890, p. 3</p>
<p>Heinley Bros. are building a large scow, 60x20 feet in size, to be used for lightering coal.</p>	<p>*coal, Heinley Bros. South Side Signal, Jan. 11, 1896, p. 3</p>
<p>PROBABLY FATAL ACCIDENT AT FARMINGDALE. Frank Heinley Falls From a Wagon and Sustains a Dislocation of the Spine. Farmingdale, L. I., April 8. On Thursday afternoon Frank Heinley, brother of John and Charles Heinley, coal dealers and vessel owners, of Amityville, fell from the top of a wagon in this place, and sustained injuries that will probably terminate fatally. His spine is dislocated and his body is completely paralyzed from his chest down.</p>	<p>South Side Signal, April 10, 1897, p. 2</p>
<p>Just on the stroke of midnight on Friday the alarm of fire was sounded. It came from the coal yard of Messrs. Heinley Bros., on Ocean avenue. It seems that the mainsail of the schooner, C. & J. Heinley, on the firm's ways, for repairs, had caught fire, and the vessel was in danger of being destroyed. The firemen made a prompt response—all the companies turning out. The flames were soon extinguished, but not until the sail, boom, gaff and running rigging were destroyed and the cabin top charred in several places. The fire is supposed to have been caused by the boom becoming loosened and, swinging across the cabin, overturning the pipe to a stove in the cabin, in which a fire was burning. The escaping sparks set fire to the sail, with the result above mentioned. The loss is probably about \$150. A man in the employ of the Messrs. Heinley was asleep in the schooner's cabin when the fire broke out.</p>	<p>*"coal yard of Messrs. Heinley Bros. on Ocean Avenue" South Side Signal, March 9, 1901, p. 3</p>

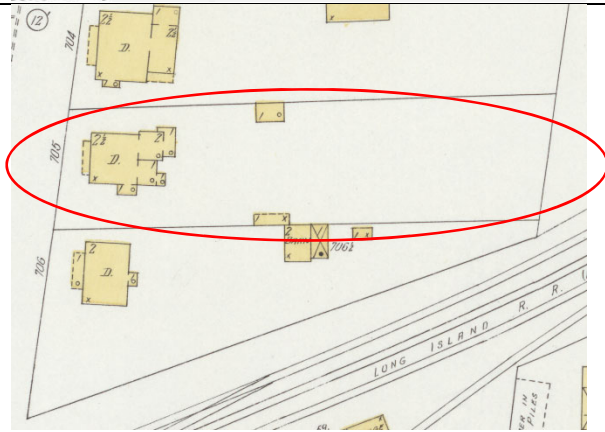
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<p>Hartt & Griffen for the heirs of the late Richard Hawxhurst, have sold to Charles Heinley the property of the Hawxhurst estate, on the west side of Broadway, extending from the railroad company's line south to the premises of Arthur W. White. It is understood that the new owner will occupy the property as a coal yard, to which purpose it is well adapted. The price paid for the property is not stated. Whether the buildings on the premises—Lush's restaurant and the Hawxhurst home- stead—will be disturbed or not we failed to learn. We presume, however, that only the rear of the property will be used for coal yards. A switch will be run into the premises by the railroad company. This is one of the most notable sales of local real estate made in some time, and following close on the King's Hotel sale, shows that there is "something doing" in the this line.</p>	<p>*Charles Heinley - start of business in Amityville South Side Signal, March 29, 1902, p. 3</p>
<p>A set of scales for weighing coal, etc., are being placed in position on the Heinley property on Broadway, and the work of laying a switch along the north side of the yard is in brisk progress.</p>	<p>*Charles Heinley South Side Signal, May 10, 1902, p. 3</p>
<p>JOHN K. HEINLEY dealer in BEST COAL — — — Retailed at wholesale prices. Special rates on large cargoes. Post office address, AMITYVILLE. When vessel is unloading at Babylon orders received there. 2m54</p>	<p>*John Heinley South Side Signal, Sep. 3, 1904, p. 2</p>

TWO NEW COAL FIRMS.

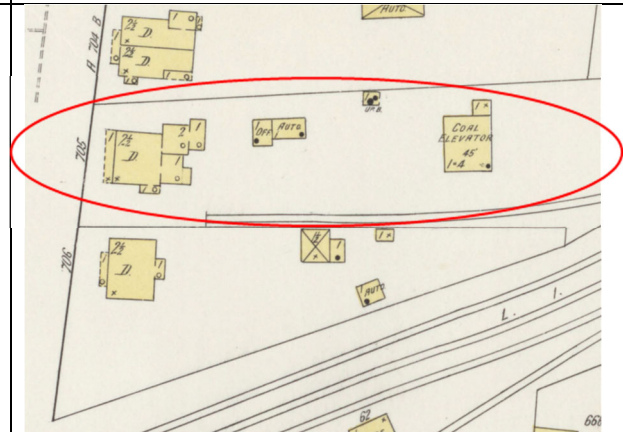
Charles Heinly, of Amityville, is to open a branch coal yard at Babylon shortly. He has purchased the property of Miss Henrietta R. Brown on the east side of Deer Park avenue, just above the railroad tracks, now occupied by Alonzo Fleet. He has also bought the rear end of the property of Mrs. Fleet on Simon street, adjoining the railroad tracks and which will give him trackage entrance to his Deer Park avenue property. Mrs. Fleet will move into her own house on Simon street in the near future.

J. Clinton Robbins has purchased the coal and wood business of B. F. Saxton, and the new firm will be ready for business about December 1. The Saxton coal yard is now occupied by the State road contractors and it is expected they will be out of there by the end of this month.

South Side Signal, Nov. 15, 1912, p. 1



1908 – owner Mary Rowland died in this year.



1915 – atlas shows Charles Heinley as property owner

Brown, H R to C Heinley, lot on Deer Park avenue, adjoining land of J Conlon, Babylon, \$100.

Fleet, M E to C Heinley, lot adjoining land of B B Wood and H R Brown, Babylon, \$100.

HR Brown appears to sell house property to Heinley. ME Fleet appear to sell property beyond east boundary

This follows the announcement in January 1913 about new coal yard on upper Deer Park Ave. South Side Signal, Dec. 20, 1912, p. 5

<p>Attention is called to the advertisement in another column of Charles Heinley, of Amityville, whose new coal yard adjoining the railroad on upper Deer Park avenue, was formally opened for business last week. Mr. Heinley is prepared to deliver orders for the best grades of coal, and solicits a share of the public's patronage.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHARLES HEINLY Dealer in Old Company Lehigh Coal YARD, AT DEER PARK AVE., NORTH OF RAILROAD TRACK Babylon, L. I.</p>	<p>* Charles Heinley - new business in Babylon</p> <p>South Side Signal, Jan. 31, 1913, p. 4, 5</p>
<p>Wilbur F. Heinley, of Amityville, has gone to Pittsburg, Pa., and his father, Charles Heinley, of Babylon, will now manage his coal yards in Babylon and Amityville.</p>	<p>*Charles Heinley managed yards in Babylon and Amityville</p> <p>South Side Signal, May 25, 1917, p. 5</p>
<p>Charles L. Heinley.</p> <p>Charles L. Heinley, who had conducted a coal business for the past six years here, and for thirty years in Amityville before coming to Babylon, died of tuberculosis of the throat at Liberty, N. Y., on Wednesday. He went away seven weeks ago for the benefit of his health and drove his own car to Liberty.</p> <p>Mr. Heinley was born in Farmingdale, July 7, 1862, the son of John and Barbara Heinley. He had spent his life at Farmingdale, Amityville and Babylon, and was always a hard and diligent worker, building up an extensive business.</p> <p>He was twice married, his first wife being Lillian Wright, of Freeport, who died twenty years ago. His widow was Mrs. Sarah Crum, whom he married eighteen years ago. His surviving children are Wilbur Heinley, of Amityville; and Mrs. Ralph L. Haff, of Babylon, and his stepchildren are Mrs. Walter Cleary and James Leo Crumm. His youngest son, Charles L. Heinley, Jr., was killed in an accident at a rail-</p>	<p>road crossing at Hancock, Md., when an express train crashed into the automobile in which he and his father and stepmother were driving, while en route to Washington, Pa. Since then the young man's widow has made her home with Mr. and Mrs. Heinley. Six grandchildren also survive, as well as his brother, John Heinley, of Amityville, and his sister, Mrs. Barbara Lammon, of Jacksonville, Fla.</p> <p>The funeral will be held at St. Ann's chapel, at 2:00 P. M., tomorrow, the Rev. E. J. Burlingham to officiate. Interment will be in Amityville cemetery.</p> <p>Mrs. Heinley was with her husband when he died, and the remains were brought here on Wednesday night.</p> <p>*death of Charles Heinley</p> <p>South Side Signal, July 25, 1919, p. 4</p>

WIDOW TO CONTEST C. L. HEINLEY'S WILL

Undue Influence Alleged in Distribution of Late Coal Dealer's Property, Valued at \$35,000, to First Wife's Children.

What promises to be a bitter fight, unless a settlement is soon made, will be the contest of the will of the late Charles L. Heinley, by his widow, who claims that she has not been properly provided for under the instrument.

The will, which was read to the family shortly after the funeral of Mr. Heinley, gives the residence and business in Deer Park avenue to the testator's daughter, Mrs. Ralph L. Haff, and the Amityville property, which includes a business block in Broadway and the coal business there, to the testator's son, Wilbur Heinley.

It is provided that Mrs. Haff give the testator's widow \$10 a month and the son, Wilbur, is to pay the widow \$20 a month, all in lieu of her dower. Mrs. Heinley claims she never waived any dower rights and that she did not know what was in the will until it was read at her home by Lawyer Samuel P. Hildreth, counsel for the children.

The will also sets apart the sum of \$2,000 in trust for the infant daughter of the testator's son, Charles Heinley, Jr., who was killed in an automobile accident several years ago.

Mrs. Heinley, who had been married to Mr. Heinley for eighteen years, says that she has always helped her husband in his business and that she is entitled to more consideration. She says that about the time will was drawn, January 16, 1917, her husband was away from home all day for two days in succession, visiting relatives here and in Amityville, he then getting out of a sick bed. About that time he also went to visit his sister at Jacksonville Fla.

Lawyer Hildreth and Miss Lina Heartt are witnesses to the will, and the son, Wilbur, and son-in-law, Ralph L. Haff, are named as executors. The property and business here is estimated at upwards of \$15,000 and the business and property in Amityville is estimated over \$20,000. It is provided in the will that the son and daughter pay all indebtedness against the specific business and property bequeathed to them.

William H. Robbins, of Bay Shore, is counsel for Mrs. Heinley. The widow of the younger Mr. Heinley, who has made her home with Mr. and Mrs. Heinley since her husband was killed, will probably join the senior Mrs. Heinley in the contest of the will. The two Mrs. Heinleys are now conducting the business here, and the son, Wilbur, is continuing as manager of the business in Amityville.

*dispute over coal business after Charles Heinley's death

South Side Signal, Aug. 8, 1919, p. 1

Harwein – Harwein Feed and Fuel was reportedly started around 1920 on John Street, Babylon. A 1938 fire destroyed a building there.¹

HARWEINS HAVE A FINE PLANT AT STATION

Sticking to a policy of "guaranteed quality, weight and prompt service," the Weinstein "boys" have worked up a real substantial feed and fuel business from a proverbial shoe string under the name of Harwein Feed and Fuel Company.

Eight years ago they first started in a modest way at Babylon. Working day and night, they succeeded in putting their new enterprise on a good foundation.

Seeing great possibilities in opening a branch yard in Huntington, they purchased two and a half acres of land on Ninth street, Huntington Station, just south of the Long Island Railroad tracks. A long siding was then laid running into the property, capable of holding six cars.

Four large coal silos were then constructed of reinforced concrete, capable of holding 1,300 tons. These silos are 15 feet in diameter and over 50 feet in height. A large room built covering the tops of the four silos contains machinery used in running an endless belt conveyor. The conveyor extends from a pit located under the railroad siding to the top of the silos. When a cargo of coal is dumped into the pit it is conveyed along this belt to the top of the silos. Each size coal drops into the proper silo containing that size. At the base of the silos are four chutes from which the coal is drawn. When the coal passes down these chutes it is automatically screened, assuring Harwein customers, good clean coal.

They have recently erected a warehouse on the south side of their siding for the use of grain and fertilizers. They have in operation fifteen motor trucks. All those attached to this yard are of the latest design, equipped with pneumatic tires and special high lift coal bodies, which will deliver coal across lawns and difficult terraces, cleanly and quickly, for a distance of over thirty-five feet.

The office building at the entrance of the plant houses a set of Bennington platform scales capable of weighing from an ounce up to twenty-one tons.

Since it is possible for the weight of trucks to vary during the day, each truck of the Harwein Co. fleet is weighed several times a day, thus assuring all their customers of honest weights.

All the employees of the Harwein Co. are obliged to follow the rule set out by the company that "you must be honest, courteous, and obliging, ever remembering that politeness and clean delivery are required and enforced by this company at all times."

*branching out to Huntington Station. Babylon business reportedly started around 1920.

Long Islander, June 1, 1928, p. 5

¹ DeWan, George. "Putting Out Fires In Babylon Village for 100 Years," Newsday, June 30, 1981, Part 2, p. 4.



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