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## Frederick G. Reiter

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*Class of 1931*



Frederick Reiter retired from Bendix-Westinghouse Division, culminating a career that spanned 45 years with the company. He started as a bench hand and brake chamber assembler while a college student summer employee of the Westinghouse Air Brake Company, one of the parent companies of Bendix-Westinghouse.

A native of Pittsburgh, Pa., Reiter joined Bendix-Westinghouse as a traveling auditor following his college graduation. He moved to Elyria when Bendix-Westinghouse opened its new plant in 1941. Reiter was elected controller in 1943, treasurer in 1947, secretary and treasurer in 1953, vice president in 1957, director in 1963, and executive vice president in 1970. As chief financial officer for 25 years, he was an officer and director of all the company's interests in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Brazil.

When Bendix-Westinghouse Automotive Air Brake Company was merged into The Bendix-Corporation in 1971, Reiter was appointed executive assistant to the vice president and group executive of The Bendix Corporation.

Reiter was a director of the First National Bank of Elyria, a corporate member of the United Community Services of Lorain County and a member of Elyria Memorial Hospital Company. He was a past president of the Elyria Chamber of Commerce, a campaign manager of Elyria's first United Fund Campaign in 1955, and earlier served for many years as a member of the board of directors of the Community Chest.

He passed away Feb. 6, 1997.