Butler Ames served as president of the United States Cartridge Company and treasurer of the Heinze Electric Company of Lowell, where he invented numerous mechanical and electrical devices. He established the Lowell Airport Corporation, which ran the Lowell Airport and was dedicated with a huge air meet in June of 1928. At the time of his death, he was treasurer and director of the Wamesit Power Company, vice president and director of the Ames Textile Corporation, and a director of the Union Land and Grazing Company of Colorado.

The U.S. Cartridge Company plant circa 1899.
These wooden buildings were torn down after brick buildings were constructed.
The U.S. Cartridge Company located in brick buildings on Lawrence Street.
MAJOR GENERAL BUTLER AMES

Our New Treasurer and Executive Officer

It was very fitting that, a few days ago, the Directors of the United States Cartridge Company should have a special meeting and elect to the most important office of Treasurer and Executive Officer, General Butler Ames.

This Company was founded by his illustrious grandfather, General Benjamin F. Butler, soon after the conclusion of the Civil War. General Butler's son, the late Paul Butler, taking the helm upon his death.

While General Butler was a great statesman and soldier, Mr. Paul Butler was an indefatigable student, successful inventor, and a keen financier; and in General Ames, the third chief executive of the Company since its foundation, we find combined in high degree, the great qualities of both.

General Ames was born in Lowell, graduated from Lowell Grammar and High Schools, his further education being had at Phillips Exeter Academy and United States Military Academy, West Point, graduating therefrom in 1894. He later took a post-graduate course at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, whence he graduated in 1896, as a Mechanical and Electrical Engineer. At the outbreak of the Spanish War, although serving in the Massachusetts Legislature, he enlisted as First Lieutenant and Adjutant of the Sixth Massachusetts Volunteers, and served in Cuba and Porto Rico under General Miles. Later, having won a Lieutenant-Colonelcy, he was appointed Civil Administrator in the Island of Porto Rico. Returning, he resumed his place in the Legislature, where as Chairman of the Committee on Street Railways, he was responsible for the Humane Legislation compelling railcars to equip their street rail cars with vestibules.

Following three terms at Beacon Hill, the General was elected to the National Congress where he served ten years with distinction, voluntarily withdrawing from public life in 1913.

General Ames, is, in addition to being Treasurer of this Company, Treasurer of the Heine Electric Co., Treasurer of the Wamesit Power Co., Treasurer of the U-Magnetic Safety Razor Co., and is interested in several other large, prosperous concerns that are, and ever have been, helpful to his native city.
NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES

Owing to the seriousness of the epidemic now raging throughout the Community, this Company urgently requests that you refrain as much as possible from visiting the homes of friends suffering from Influenza, and avoid in all possible ways exposure to this disease.

Our Boards of Health all over the Country request that visiting the homes of persons that have died as a result of Influenza should be confined to the immediate relatives of the deceased.

Production MUST be maintained for our Army, and the Executives of this Company trust that, in the interest of our Government and the boys “Over There,” this suggestion will be followed until the Influenza be entirely stamped out.

U. S. CARTRIDGE CO.

WE’LL SAY YOU’RE RIGHT, MR. MAN ABOUT TOWN

Says the Man About Town in the “Sun.”

From what I hear of the precautions taken at the plants of the United States Cartridge Company in Lawrence street and in Market street, the supervisors certainly furnish the best kind of an example for other industrial plants in the city, notably the textile industries. I am told that in the ammunition factories there is a cuspidor near each machine, that spraying and disinfection of the work rooms takes place three times a day and there is all the fresh air the workers need. Besides this, there is a first-class hospital department and constant medical supervision of the plants. A condition, all things considered, that ought to obtain in all industrial plants to safeguard the lives of their workers.

SOME OF EMPLOYMENT MANAGER SMITH’S CLERKS TAKING PRECAUTIONS AGAINST THE RAVAGES OF THE DREADED INFLUENZA

From left to right—Misses Rogers, Finnegan, Davis, Shugru, Van Dyne, Ward, Duffy and Moran.
The **Heinz Electric Company** built parts for automobiles and radios and other electric devices.