Robert G. Garrett was born in Allentown, Pennsylvania, April 14, 1880, the son of William W. Garrett, M.D. and Hattie Garrett. His maternal grandfather, Henry Bell, was one of the early coal proprietors of Schuylkill County and his paternal grandfather, William Garrett, was cashier of the Potstown Bank, Pot- stown, Pennsylvania. Robert's father moved his family to Orwigsburg, Pennsylvania in 1896, where he became Cashier of the bank in that borough. Robert attended DeWitt Clinton High School, Orwigsburg and Marshall Academy, Mercersburg Academy and the Penn State College. He was active in baseball and earned distinction as a short stop on the Pennsylvania State Baseball Team. He received a degree in Electrical Engineering but never followed his profession. Instead, he became Assistant Cashier to his father in the Orwigsburg Bank.

On March 26, 1906, he was elected to fill the vacancy of cashier of the First National Bank and Trust Company of Frackville caused by the resignation of the former cashier, G.N. Potshabel. While a resident of Frackville he was treasurer of the Orwigsburg gas company and as well as all phases of athletics. His eldest son and member of the Executive Board of the Frackville playground was named in honor of him.

Robert attended Franklin and Marshall College, and the University of Wisconsin. Also two grandsons—David W. Garrett of Schuylkill Haven; Robert H. Garrett, Robert W. Garrett, Alexandria, Virginia and Zulick of Orwigsburg. They had two daughters, Mrs. W. Garrett, Alexandria, Virginia and Mrs. H. G. Garrett, St. Petersburg, Florida. Mrs. Garrett preceded her husband in death and in 1909 he was married to the former Edna Hess, well known local writer of Potstown.

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The playground will be open to the public and will be under the direction of the people of Frackville, and the community will be asked to purchase stock in the scale. As there is no place for the children to play, except the streets, it is the duty of the community to secure an ideal spot where the children can have beautiful recreation; while comfortable seats will give the parents an opportunity to sit and look on. It will be found that the facilities will be intended for spectators to the children.

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