



## **FISCHER Joseph**

**(1856 - 1937)** <sup>1</sup>

## **Luxembourg-Cessange**

## **Biography**

(Pierre) Joseph FISCHER was born in Cessange in 1856. He was the eldest son of Adolphe FISCHER (1828 - 1892) <sup>2</sup> and Justine GÉRARD (1823 - 1922).

Joseph FISCHER studied engineering in Aachen.

In 1884 he married Catherine PETTINGER, born in Alzingen. The couple had 2 children.

In 1895 FISCHER was named *Betriebsdirektor* with Metz & Cie in Esch sur Alzette and in 1897 he became director of steelworks in Seraing (Liège).

His next appointment in 1900 was *Directeur des Hauts-Fourneaux de Rodange* and later he became *Directeur-gérant de la Société anonyme d'Ougrée-Marihaye* in Rodange. <sup>3 4</sup>

On 1 January 1926 Joseph FISCHER retired at the age of 70 and soon after, on 26 February 1926, his wife Catherine PETTINGER died.

FISCHER took up residence in Luxembourg-city (42 Boulevard Joseph II) where he died in 1937.

His professional curriculum was summarised as follows in the death announcement:

Ancien Directeur de l'Usine de Rodange Président du Conseil d'Administration de la Minière et Métallurgique de Rodange Administrateur du Comptoir des Fers et Métaux Officier de la Couronne de Chêne Officier de l'Ordre de la Couronne de Belgique

Already in 1926, the city of Rodange named an avenue after him.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>FamilySearch database</u> (GHKW-WFF)

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  <u>Wikipedia</u> "Adolphe Fischer was a well-known politician, mayor of Hollerich and member of Parliament from 1857-1892."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> see in particular <u>industrie.lu</u> for additional details of Fischer's professional career

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> see also the obituary published in Revue Technique luxembourgeoise 1937, page 118-119