

SEN. BRANDEGEE'S DEAD BODY FOUND IN ROOM OF HOME

Police Say They Are Told Circumstances Indicate That Death Was Caused Intentionally by Senator.

HELD GAS TUBE IN ONE HAND

Senator's Secretary Says He Found Body When Attracted to Third Floor of House by Gas Odor.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Oct. 14.—Senator Frank Brandegee, of Connecticut, for years one of the Republican leaders in Congress, was found dead at his home here today under circumstances which convince police officials that he had committed suicide.

His body was discovered in the bath room on the third floor of the house, and those who made the discovery were quoted by the police as saying that the dead man still held in his hand a rubber tube which was attached to an open gas jet.

Physicians said he had been dead before daylight, but a specific announcement of the cause of his death was withheld pending a coroner's investigation.

The sixty-year-old senator was a bachelor and lived alone. The body was found by W. G. Lundy, his secretary, who told the police he was attracted to the third floor by the odor of gas upon his arrival at the house this morning.

Senator Brandegee was chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee and one of the Republican leaders on the foreign relations committee. A close personal and political friend of Senator Lodge, the Republican floor leader, he has been one of the circle of senators who have had most to say in the conduct of Senate affairs since the Republicans regained a majority in Congress.

A native of New London, where he maintained his home until his death, Senator Brandegee had risen to prominence through a succession of minor offices, including the United States attorneyship of his home district, the speakership of the Connecticut House of Representatives, and membership in the United States House of Representatives for almost 20 years.

The most conspicuous part played by Mr. Brandegee in recent years was in the League of Nations fight. Taking a position from the start with the irreconcilable opponents of the Versailles treaty, he threw the powerful weight of his forensic ability against the treaty and league covenant during the long Senate debate and later at the Republican convention in 1920 was one of those who laid before party leaders a virtual threat to leave the ranks of Republicanism unless the national platform upheld the Republican senator opposed to ratification.

During the past session of Congress the senator was not active on the floor. His health had begun to show the effects of his years.

Committed Suicide. Washington, Oct. 14.—Senator Brandegee, of Connecticut, committed suicide at his home here today. Worried and distracted, his friends said, over financial difficulties, he went to an unused bath room on the third floor of his house and just before dawn took his own life by inhaling gas.

He left in his bedroom below a note to his chauffeur telling him where the body would be found. He was a bachelor and for years had lived alone. The note gave no motive. A verdict of suicide was returned by the coroner after he and the police had made a complete investigation. Pinned to the note was a \$100 bill for the chauffeur and two others for Emma and Rufus Kenney, negro servants of Mr. Brandegee. The chauffeur is George Jones.

The senator was last seen alive by Jones and W. D. Lundy, his secretary, yesterday. At that time he went for a ride about the city and Jones said he appeared to be in the best of spirits and health. Senator Brandegee had no living immediate relatives. Mr. Lundy took charges of funeral plans and announced burial probably would be in New London, Conn. Although he once was a comparatively rich man, his friends said today he had suffered heavy losses in recent years. He was a lawyer by profession but for some time had been heavily interested in real estate.

Says Financial Reasons Caused Act. New York, Oct. 14.—Secretary of War John W. Weeks today issued a statement concerning the death of Senator Brandegee. "I know that the reason for taking this rash step is due to personal financial troubles resulting from investments in real estate."

Stars and Stripes in Far North. (By the Associated Press.) Nome, Alaska, Oct. 14.—Since Russia hoisted her flag over Wrangell Island in the Arctic Ocean north of Siberia on August 20th, the Stars and Stripes have been run up on Herald Island, a smaller body of land forty miles east, it was learned here today.

22,621 Highway Fatalities for Year. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, Oct. 14.—Highway fatalities in the United States are estimated by the census bureau at 22,621 for 1923, or an increase of 5,418 over the previous year.

A motorcycle engine in a glider traveled ninety miles without a mishap in England.

ANOTHER INCREASE IN USE OF COTTON SHOWN LAST MONTH

During September 435,216 Bales of Lint and 49,976 Bales of Linters Were Consumed, Report Shows.

INCREASE OVER AUGUST TOTAL

September Total Not So Far Behind Total for Last Year More Than 2,000,000 Bales On Hand Now.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Oct. 14.—Cotton consumed during September amounted to 435,216 bales of lint and 49,976 of linters, compared with 397,455 of lint and 44,238 of linters during August of this year, and 485,065 of lint and 50,052 of linters during September last year, the Census Bureau announced today.

Cotton on hand September 30 was held as follows: in consuming establishments 514,537 bales of lint and 70,479 of linters. In public storage and at compresses 2,072,956 bales of lint and 38,202 of linters.

Imports during September totaled 9,054 bales. Exports totaled 737,010 including 3,498 bales of linters. Cotton spindles active during September numbered 30,122,384.

Statistics for cotton growing states include: Cotton consumed during September 303,478 bales. On hand September 30 in consuming establishments, 240,574 bales; in public storage and at compresses 2,002,473. Cotton spindles active during September numbered 15,962,640.

NO ACTION AT PRESENT ABOUT MUSCLE SHOALS President Not to Appoint Any Commission to Take Up Question Now.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Oct. 14.—President Coolidge does not contemplate the appointment of any commission to take up the Muscle Shoals question, it was said today at the White House in connection with the reported withdrawal of Henry Ford as a bidder for the property.

There was a misunderstanding about the President's message to Congress on the subject, it was said. In that message, it was explained, Mr. Coolidge suggested that the Senate and House appoint subcommittees to study the problem and report to Congress.

It was definitely announced that the President has received no information as to Mr. Ford's action except what he has read in the newspapers.

THE COTTON MARKET

Favorable Weather Reports Followed by Lower Prices Today.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Oct. 14.—The cotton market was lower early today on reports of favorable weather in the South and relatively easy Liverpool cables. Reports that a Gulf storm was threatening the Texas coast caused some nervousness.

These features, however, failed to produce aggressive buying power, and after opening weak at a decline of 25 to 40 points the market sold about 50 to 60 points net lower, December declining to 22.75.

Cotton futures opened weak. Oct. 23.30; Dec. 22.92 to 22.80; Jan. 22.95; March 23.40; May 23.60.

PRINCE TO SEE HOW FORD CAR IS MADE

While in Detroit British Heir Will Be Carried Over the Ford Plant.

(By the Associated Press.) Detroit, Mich., Oct. 14.—Assembling of a complete automobile at the Ford Motor Co. plant is one of the features planned for the visit of the Prince of Wales, who was to be the guest of Henry Ford today. The automobile, which will be known as the Prince of Wales Special, will be assembled while the Prince looks on and will be put together in an effort to break the present production record of the plant, which is 11 minutes and 40 seconds.

Killing of Ballard to Be Investigated. Asheville, Oct. 13.—Solicitor J. Ed. Swin will be asked to investigate the killing of Levi Ballard, of Skyland, by members of the sheriff's department and a posse, last Tuesday.

Ballard, declared a merchant of that section, had given no one any trouble, but had been continuously bothered by men and boys, who pointed guns at him, sticks and molested him in other ways until he became nervous.

Ballard was shot and killed, according to the officers, after he had wounded Deputy Sheriff McDowell and then fired upon members of the sheriff's department, in an attempt to resist arrest.

The Skyland merchant, who declared he was an eye-witness to the affair, said that Ballard fired upon the officers after he was fired upon by them.

Telephone Employees Gather in Charlotte. Charlotte, Oct. 13.—Thirty members of the Carolinas division executive committee of the Southern association of Bell Telephone employees were in session here Monday at the general offices of the company.

Problems affecting the 2,250 workers in the two states were discussed in group meetings.

George A. Ritchie has arrived here from St. Louis, Mo., to visit a few days with home folks, after which he will go to Miami, Fla., for the winter. He will join his wife in Miami.

Hear Gov. Morrison Tonight

Hon. Cameron Morrison, Governor of North Carolina, will speak in the Court House tonight at 8 o'clock on the ports and terminals issue. He has been making speeches throughout the State in the interest of this great movement for reducing freight rates in North Carolina. His speech will not be a political one and he appeals to Republicans and Democrats alike. Governor Morrison will be accompanied by Mrs. Morrison, and both will receive a cordial welcome here.

Fair Parade Will Be One Feature of Week

Number of Business Houses Have Already Started Work on Floats to Be Shown in Parade.

PARADE FIRST FAIR FEATURE Will Officially Set Time for Opening of Fair.—Officers of Fair to Be in the Parade Line.

The parade which is being planned for the opening day of the Fair next week is rapidly taking shape. A large number of the firms are to have floats and a large number of persons are to have automobiles in the parade. This promises to be the largest thing of its kind ever staged in the city.

The Chamber of Commerce which is getting up the parade is especially anxious that all persons owning automobiles arrange to drive them in the parade. The automobiles must be decorated, however, since no person will be permitted in the parade unless the car has been decorated. This is done to insure the parade being the more beautiful. The one exception to this is in the case of automobile dealers who have new cars which will be driven undecorated for the purpose of advertising them.

The parade is to start promptly at 10 o'clock on Tuesday, the 21st, at the Corbin Street school. The line of march will be drawn up those which will separate those in the parade being on main street shortly after nine. Starting from Corbin Street the line will move through the business part of the city and on over a number of the principal streets.

Merchants in the city were at first apathetic about the parade and were a little slow in agreeing to have floats. Since the thing has gotten underway, however, more and more interest is being manifested and some real enthusiasm is being exhibited. The following have agreed to have floats in the parade: C. H. Barrier and Co., Co-operative Dairy, Ehlid's, Penney's, Ritchie Hardware, Y. M. C. A., Niblock Lumber Co., Gibson Drug Store, York and Wade Hardware, W. J. Hethcox Electrical Co., Parks-Bell Co., Parker's Shoe Store, McClelland Five and Ten Cent Store, Dove-Bost Grocery, Ritchie-Caldwell Hardware Co., Richmond Flower Co., Pearl Drug Store, Hoover's, John K. Patterson, Pastime Theatre, Ivey's Shoe Store, Robinson's.

With Our Advertisers. An autumn event of extraordinary interest will take place at Ostricher's store in Salisbury from October 15 to 18. See ad. in this paper.

Big shipment of Halloween goods just received at the Mussette.

Buck's heaters have stood the test. Sold here by the Concord furniture co.

The Fall Opening Sale at Ehrd's will continue through Saturday, October 18. Call 890 for the beauty parlor at this store.

Finely made shoes in a great choice of models at Parker's Shoe Store.

H. C. S. 32-inch gingham only 10 cents a yard at the J. C. Penny Co's.

If you live in a rented house you pay for a home at least twice in a lifetime. See ad. of Cabarrus County B. L. & S. Association and take some building and loan shares at once.

Charles W. Dagny to Vote For Davis. Washington, Oct. 13.—The Democratic National Committee today issued a statement declaring that Charles W. Dagny former president of the University of Cincinnati, one of the thirty-one prominent voters who signed an appeal to vote for President Harding in 1920, would support John W. Davis, Democratic choice for President, this year. The committee said that President John Grier Hibben, of Princeton, another Harding advocate four years ago, also had repudiated his action in signing the appeal by declaring for Davis.

Highway Boosters Go For Tour to Virginia. Elkton, Oct. 13.—Lakes-to-Florida highway boosters left Elkton at 8 o'clock this morning, headed for Independence, Va., where at noon a big barbecue was given the large delegation. The party was scheduled to go to Wytheville at 3 o'clock and return to Elk Creek tonight, where a banquet and fox hunt is scheduled. Charlotte, Mooresville, Statesville and Elkton sent large delegations. Concord, Salisbury, Lexington, Mt. Airy and other delegations expected to meet the party at Independence.

ZR-3 Facing Strong Winds. New York, Oct. 14 (By the Associated Press).—The giant dirigible ZR-3 on her way across the Atlantic from Germany to Lakehurst, N. J., reported at 1 o'clock this afternoon, Greenwich time, that her position was 41 degrees north latitude, and 41 degrees west longitude, and that she was making 25 miles an hour against strong southwest winds.

Sheriff Sentenced to Prison. Huntington, W. Va., Oct. 14.—Convicted of having violated the Volstead Act, Don Chaffin, sheriff of Logan county, West Virginia, was sentenced in Federal court today to serve two years in the Atlanta prison and fined \$10,000.

All Privacy Ended as New X-Ray Device Makes Wall Transparent

Schenectady, N. Y., Oct. 14.—New X-ray machines by means of which one may look through walls and floors as easily as a physician or dentist now examines subcutaneous parts of his patient's body have been perfected. The inventors are Dr. W. D. Coolidge and his associates in the research laboratory of the General Electric Company.

The new apparatus, an oil-immersed portable unit in a box 17x8x10 inches and weighing but 30 pounds, is expected to prove of great value, especially to plumbers, building contractors, electricians and jewelers.

To use the new device it will only be necessary to connect an ordinary extension cord to the nearest lamp socket or base plug of the household lighting system, and then X-rays may be produced by simply pressing a button.

Hereafter, the inventor says, the man who wishes to hang a picture on the wall and doesn't know where to drive a nail will not have to ruin the wall before finding the right spot. The new machine may also prove a blow to smugglers, should customs officials use the device in searching for secret chambers in trunks and bags.

Jewelers, it is said, will be able to detect spurious gems at a glance by using the rays.

SHANGHAI IS RULED AT PRESENT BY NEW GOVERNMENT AGENTS

With Overthrow of General Hsiang the Peking Government Sent Officials to Take Charge of City.

NO OUTBREAK IS EXPECTED SOON Believed New Regime Will Be Able to Continue in Office Without Any Trouble From Any Factions.

Shanghai, Oct. 14 (By the Associated Press).—New Chinese administrators ruling Shanghai for the Peking government today worked in conjunction with the foreign authority, confident that they would be able to avert disturbances incident to the change in local government.

Gen. Hsiang in Nagasaki. Tokyo, Oct. 14 (By the Associated Press).—General Lu Yung Hsiang, deposed military governor of Chekiang Province, China, and leader of the deposed armies which defended Shanghai, today arrived at Nagasaki with his family and Ho Feng Ling, former defense commissioner of Shanghai. The party fled from Shanghai by water.

ZR-3 CONTINUES TO MAKE GOOD PROGRESS At Present Rate of Speed She Will Reach Lakehurst Early Tomorrow.

New York, Oct. 14 (By the Associated Press).—Overcoming a potential handicap which threatened unduly to delay her trans-Atlantic passage, the dirigible ZR-3 was speeding along the ocean air lane toward the New Jersey coast at noon today at the rate of 75 miles an hour. At that time she was approximately 1300 miles from her destination.

Maintenance of the same speed would bring her to Lakehurst early tomorrow. Before dawn today the messages from the big craft indicated she was plowing along at approximately 65 miles an hour. At 8 a. m., Eastern Standard Time, however, she apparently was encountering weather trouble, the rate of her progress having dropped to 25 miles an hour. She was then approximately 1500 miles from Lakehurst and almost due east of that point.

Within a brief period, however, the giant dirigible seems to have found a favoring current, for in the next three hours she had progressed some 200 miles and was traveling at a 75 mile pace. She had worked slightly to the north of her former position but still was not in any marked degree off the air-line from her goal.

Two Salisbury Boys Charged With Theft. Salisbury, Oct. 13.—For some time merchandise has been disappearing from the warehouse of the Rowan Grocery company on North Main street. Officers have been on the watch and Sheriff Krider, learning of a large quantity of cigarettes and other things hidden near town, put an officer to watch. He soon arrested a negro, Arthur Hunt, when he came to carry off some of the goods. Hunt is said to have confessed participation in the robbery and implicated another negro, John Hall, and he has been arrested. John Pulletts, a foreigner, is also implicated and is being held.

High Priced Stallion Burned. (By the Associated Press.) Lexington, Ky., Oct. 14.—Prince Palatine, E. T. Sims' quarter million dollar stallion, was burned to death at Xalapa Farm, Bourbon County, last night.

Declares She Killed Mother-in-Law and Father-in-Law—Tells Where the Body Was Hidden. Tulsa, Okla., Oct. 13.—The missing body of Lena Green, who was shot to death September 25th by her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Winona Green, according to the police at Little Rock, Ark., was found today in a wooded tract near Fisher, Okla.

The body rested against a rock at the spot the young woman told officers it was to be found. The condition of the body made it impossible to determine the cause of death, officers said.

According to the alleged confession of Mrs. Winona Green, she came to Tulsa September 25th, accompanied by her mother-in-law, took the elder woman to the lonely spot and shot her to death. She then relieved her of a \$2,000 draft.

The girl also confessed to the slaying of her father-in-law, J. R. Green, at Little Rock last August.

GIRL CONFESSES TO KILLING RELATIVES Declares She Killed Mother-in-Law and Father-in-Law—Tells Where the Body Was Hidden.

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JUDGE STACK SAYS PEOPLE MUST STOP VIOLATION OF STATE LIBRARY

In Charge to Grand Jury Able Judge Lays Blame For Crime Increase at Door of the People.

LIFE SAFER IN CHINA THAN HERE World War, the Auto, Ignorance and Laxity of Courts Some Reasons Given For the Increase.

Declaring that life and property are safer in China and Turkey than they are in the United States, Judge A. M. Stack, in his charge to the grand jury for the term of Cabarrus Superior Court, which convened here Monday, made a forceful and eloquent plea for "united" action to stop lawlessness in the United States.

"Final authority in the matter rests with the people themselves," Judge Stack declared, emphasizing that officers and the courts can do nothing without the support of the people. "Something must be done to stop the saturnalia of crime that threatens America," Judge Stack added.

The increase of crime in the United States Judge Stack described as "appalling," pointing out that no one cause was responsible for present conditions, but that the World War was one of the underlying causes. The war, Judge Stack said, "brutalized the mind, upset society and seared the consciences of many," because it taught many Americans to kill and confiscate property under conditions that seemed all right.

"I am no pessimist, no alarmist," Judge Stack said, "but something must be done. We must take steps to think. 'The World War is one cause of present conditions,' Judge Stack continued, 'and the auto is another. The man who is criminally inclined finds the auto a great aid in making his getaway. The auto has increased immorality, prostitution and other crimes, including fraud. It has made many people live above their means and they have to resort to crime to make ends meet.'

"One of the principal causes of the uncertainty of punishment in the courts, we must make punishment prompt and certain. The criminal figures on his chances to escape before committing the crime. First, there is the chance that he will not get caught; second, he figures that he has a chance to escape conviction by the jury and action by many judges leads 99 out of 100 criminals to believe they will be found not guilty; third, he figures that if convicted he will escape with a fine; fourth, if sent to prison he can appeal, thus delaying the action, and if his appeal is denied he has a chance for pardon or parole.

"It is no trouble to get up a petition or show sickness. I have no criticism of the present Governor or others who preceded him, but at present the Governor is the court of last resort, he is the Supreme Court so far as the criminal is concerned. When I started practicing law a pardon was a rare thing. Now they are circulating when a prisoner is convicted even of some misdemeanor.

"It takes too long to get a prisoner convicted and punished. We must wake up. And who is responsible for the increase in crime? The ignorant, the idle and the lazy. The more we educate the less crime we have, for the sensible man will not violate the law, for violation never pays. Unemployment also makes men drift to crime.

"One of the saddest things in life is to see an able-bodied man stealing because he is too lazy to work. Too many men are non-producers.

"The increase includes the more serious crimes such as burglary, highway robbery and murder. In Chicago in a year there were more homicides than in England and Wales combined. Why? Because in those countries the murderer is convicted.

"In North Carolina last year we had 366 homicides—one for every day in the year. Figures from my judicial district indicate that the number this year will be in excess of last year's total. Life is safer in China than it is in the United States.

"In China the Christian nations demanded that they be given a voice in the courts so they could reduce lawlessness there and better serve as protectors to their subjects. Why do we show more interest in this matter in China and other foreign countries than we do at home?

"In the matter of law enforcement there is one model country—England. The criminal there is punished and right away. An American doctor recently went to England where he murdered his wife. In a few days he was convicted and hung. If the murder had been committed in the United States his doctor would be in California practicing medicine with Dr. Peacock.

"I repeat, all crime is on the increase. If for no other reason than selfishness, a desire to protect ourselves, we should wake up.

"What are we going to do? Who is going to do it? The blame must be laid to the door of the people themselves. The people can stop this lawlessness. If the officers don't perform their duties the people can turn them out and elect new ones. The trouble is the people are not backing up the officers. Too many people want to select the law they are to obey. If a man gets pleasure and profit out of violation of certain laws he is against such laws. He tries to break them down.

"Too many people take no interest in change in temperature.

WHAT SMITTY'S WEATHER CAT SAYS

Fair tonight and Wednesday; little change in temperature.

NO TROUBLE SELLING GERMAN LOAN BONDS TO AMERICAN PEOPLE

America's Portion of German Loan Oversubscribed 12 Minutes After Subscription Books Were Opened.

GREAT DEMAND FOR THE BONDS Books Were Opened at 10 O'clock and Investment Houses Swamped With Applications for Bonds.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Oct. 14.—Subscription books for America's \$110,000,000 portion of the \$200,000,000 German loan were opened at 10 o'clock this morning and closed 12 minutes later with an indicated heavy over subscription.

So great was the demand for the German bonds that several large investment houses were compelled to decline to take any more subscriptions because their allotment of the loan had been sold.

In the first fifteen minutes of trading approximately \$550,000 worth of the bonds changed hands on the New York Stock Exchange at prices ranging between 94 3-8 and 92 7-8 as against the offering price of 92.

GREENSBORO WILL INSIST ON A FINE STATION City to Demand as Good as Contemplated Under Bond Plan.

Greensboro, Oct. 13.—The city council here will insist upon the Southern Railway building a station like the \$1,300,000 one that was planned when it was thought city bonds would be sold for that purpose.

Chester Masslich, of New York, a bond attorney, refused to approve the bonds, so the railroad informed a representative of the city that the station would not be built that way but that the Southern would of its own account build a station.

There is anxiety now that the Southern will not want to build such a fine station. An underpass was contemplated in the undertaking. There is a disposition here to hold the Southern to the bond-station contract unless the railway company does build as good a station as was contemplated.

That would necessitate selling the bonds without the approval of Mr. Masslich. The Southern and the city entered into a contract to build the station on the bond basis and that contract is still in force. Of course, sale of the bonds would be a necessary part of the contract.

New developments here await the coming of Henry W. Miller, vice president of the Southern, for a conference with city officials. He is expected here soon.

William Hall Last Member of Company. Charlotte, Oct. 13.—William Hall, of Burlington, who died October 8, was the last survivor of Co. K, 9th North Carolina Regiment Confederate Army. He was of Scotch Irish descent, his ancestors leaving Scotland in the reign of James I of England. They settled in Orange county, his forefathers were with General Greene at King's Mountain, and Guilford Court House. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, one daughter, Mrs. L. H. Isely, lives here.

Mrs. Woodruff Killed. (By the Associated Press.) New York, Oct. 14.—Mrs. Lewis B. Woodruff, playwright known to artists as one of the most beautiful women in the world, was killed today when she fell from a second floor window of her home here.

this matter. So long as they are let alone they are satisfied. The people must be aroused to the duty they owe one another. They must be aroused to the question of obedience and enforcement of the laws. Public sentiment must be united. We must agree to oppose all law violations.

"Something must be done to stop this saturnalia of crime. We must be aroused to the gravity of the situation. Ninety-nine per cent. of the people believe in the law, but they stop there. There is too much belief and not enough action.

"We must have intelligent jurors, men who can understand when the law has been violated and who have the manhood to back their convictions with sentences of 'guilty.' If crime is punished lawlessness will soon be halted."

In conclusion Judge Stack appealed for a Legislature in the State that "will not legalize another crime in North Carolina."

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