

CONGRESSMAN S. M. BRINSON BE BURIED TODAY

Bold Robbery Occurred in Heart of City Last Night

HARDWARE STORE IN BUSINESS DISTRICT VISITED BY THIEVES

Robbers Gain Entrance To Rhodes and Kehoe's Establishment in Early Hours of Last Evening And Open Safe and Cash Register, Getting Away With \$200 And Watch

One of the boldest and most daring robberies to occur in this city in a long while, took place between 8 o'clock and 9:15 o'clock last evening...

The robbery was discovered by Mr. Claude White, who is employed by the firm and who went into the store shortly after nine o'clock for the purpose of using the telephone...

How the safe was opened is a mystery. Mr. Kehoe stated that he had placed the day's receipts in the safe before closing for the night...

That the thief or thieves had a fair knowledge of the store and the location of the various things therein seems probable. This fact is substantiated by the fact that the burglar got away with the money and watch and left via the window route...

DWELLING HOUSE WAS DESTROYED BY FIRE

A two-story frame building owned by Edna Bray and located in Sutton's alley, was practically destroyed by fire early this morning.

B. Y. P. U. Prayer Meeting The Junior B. Y. P. U. of the Tabernacle Baptist church will conduct a prayer service Friday night at 7 o'clock at the home of Miss Ollie Maud Boone, on George street.

Tons of Powder Explode; One Is Known Be Dead

(By Associated Press) CHARLESTON, W. Va., April 13.—James Hill, foreman for the Columbia Salvage Corporation, was blown into space about 11:30 o'clock this morning when an explosion of 20,000 pounds of black powder occurred in an ammunition magazine near the ordnance depot, North Charleston.

TO THE CITIZENS OF NEW BERN

We are all deeply touched and mourn the death of our distinguished townsman, Honorable S. M. Brinson. Rarely has there been reared in any community a gentleman of such noble character, possessing the traits of many fine qualities which made him a distinguished citizen and statesman...

Very respectfully, EDWARD CLARK, Mayor.

CANTATA WILL BE GIVEN ON SUNDAY

Choir Of Centenary Methodist Church Directed by Mr. Wilson Will Render It

Sunday night the cantata, "From Sepulchre to Throne" will be rendered by the choir of Centenary Methodist church, and the public is cordially invited to attend the service.

HOME BURNS REELSBOBO

A report received here yesterday morning by Mr. Jesse Dixon, of Reelsboro, called him home early in the afternoon. The value of the home could not be ascertained, but it was stated that some insurance was carried on the house and contents.

BERKLEY, VA. IS SWEEP BY THE WORST FIRE IN HISTORY OF THE PLACE

Fire Destroys More Than One Hundred Houses and Leaves Five Hundred Families Homeless; Covered An Area of More Than One Mile; Loss is Estimated to Be Nearly \$1,000,000

(By Associated Press) NORFOLK, Va., April 13.—Berkley, a suburb of Norfolk, was swept by fire this afternoon which destroyed more than one hundred houses covering an area one mile in length and averaging from two to four blocks in width. Five hundred families are estimated to have been made homeless and the damage will run to nearly a million dollars.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT FOR MR. BRINSON PASSED

Rotary Club of Which Distinguished Man Was Member Pays Its Respects

EBY NAMED PRESIDENT Election of Officers A Feature of Meeting; Songfest Is Enjoyed by Rotes

Mr. Clyde Eby was last night elected president of the New Bern Rotary club to succeed Mr. William Dunn, Jr. in a meeting of the board of directors which was held immediately after the regular weekly luncheon which was served in the dining room at the high school by Miss Lillian Chamberlain and her class.

On motion of Mr. Harry Jacobs the club last night voted resolution of respect to Hon. Samuel Mitchell Brinson who had been an honorary member of the New Bern club for several years. A treasure that is prized by the organization is the savel presented to the club by Mr. Brinson. It was made at his request from a piece of timber from an historic battleship.

The other officers elected were Messrs. John M. Aberly, vice-president; and Mr. Albert Willis, secretary, to succeed himself for his second term. The board of directors named with 29 members voting were Messrs. Eby, Aberly, Willis, William Dunn, C. L. Ives, L. I. Moore, and H. M. Jacobs.

A distinctive feature of the meeting last night was the musical program led by Prof. Martin, evangelist singer, who has charge of the music at the First Baptist church during the revival. He is a Kiwanian of Lynchburg, Va., and an artist in his work. For twenty minutes the Rotarians enjoyed the lusty singing of old favorites.

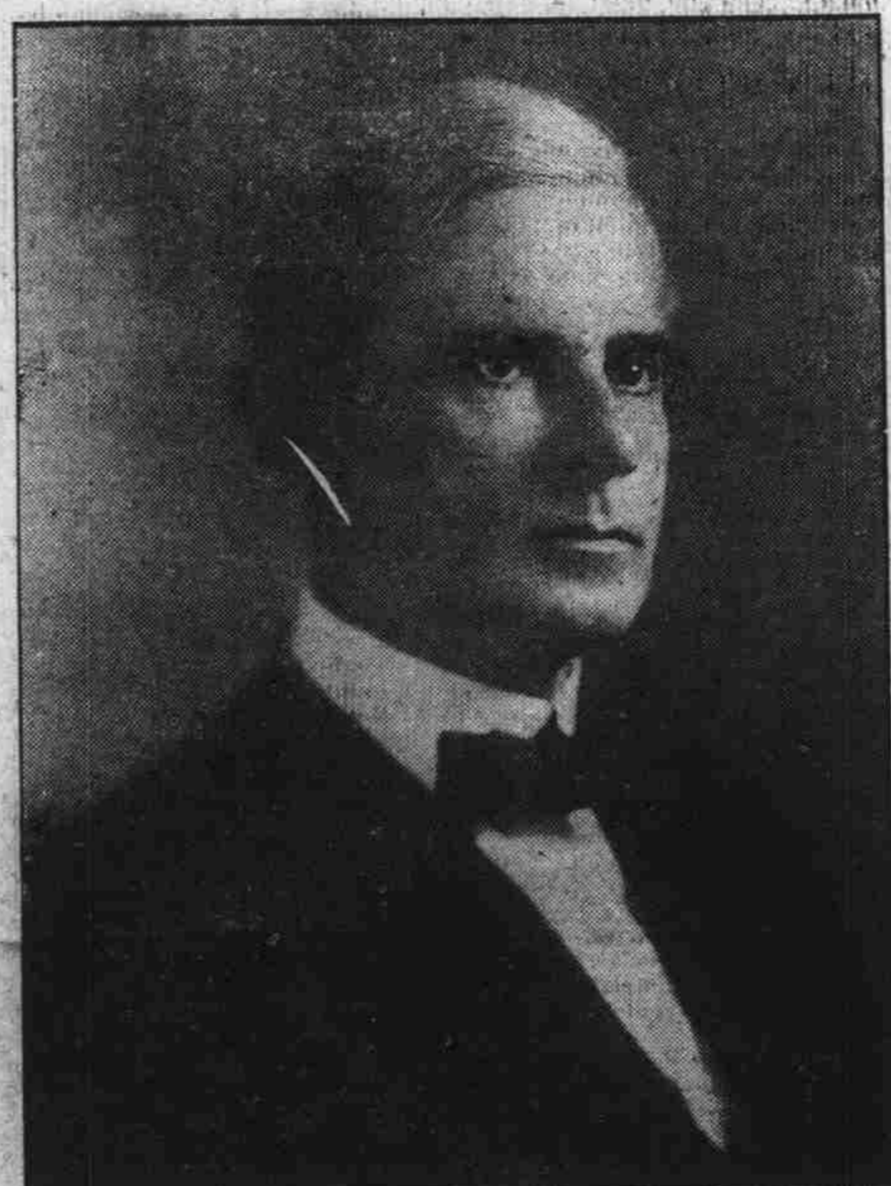
Selection of a site for a camp for the boy scouts organization was announced by Mr. L. H. Cutler of the boys work committee, and a committee of Messrs. Cutler and H. B. Smith appointed by President Dunn to act jointly with a like committee from the Kiwanis club to ascertain the actual cost of erecting and equipping three buildings, two shacks and a mess hall on the site.

ATTENTION, ELKS

Members of the New Bern Lodge of Elks are requested to meet at the Elks rooms at 8:40 this morning to attend the funeral of their brother, Dr. J. M. Ward.

REPRESENTATIVE FROM THIRD DISTRICT IN CONGRESS DIES FOLLOWING A LONG ILLNESS

HON. SAMUEL MITCHELL BRINSON.



DEMOCRAT'S DRIVE ON ADMINISTRATION TARIFF BILL IS ON

Senator Simmons Opens the Attack on Measure With A Warm Speech

SAYS IT IS UN-AMERICAN Predicts That Its Operation Will "Penalize Our Export Business"

WASHINGTON, April 13.—The democratic attack on the administration tariff bill was opened today by Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, ranking member of the senate finance committee, who, in a statement, characterized it as "the most un-American bill ever framed."

FACTIONS IN HOUSE READY FOR A SHOW DOWN ON MEASURE

Naval Bill Will Be Fought For and Against on Saturday

SAID TO BE IN NO DANGER Suggested Delay Until After Easter Is Not to Be Countenanced

WASHINGTON, April 13.—House factions upholding an opposing the 1923 naval bill, with its provisions for an enlisted force of 65,000 were lined up tonight for the first showdown probably at Saturday, with both sides claiming victory.

Roads Directors Been Re-elected ROANOKE, Va., April 13.—All directors of the Norfolk and Western Railway Company were re-elected at the annual meeting of the stockholders here this morning.

Congressman Samuel M. Brinson Died at Local Hospital Yesterday After An Illness of Several Weeks; While Not Unexpected, His Death Was A Shock to the Entire State; Funeral Service Be Conducted this afternoon and Interment Made Here

Hon. S. M. Brinson, Representative from the Third North Carolina District, passed away yesterday morning at 6:30 at the New Bern general hospital, following a critical illness there since last Saturday morning when he came home from Battle Creek, Mich., where in vain he had sought to stem the tide of falling health that dated back to the close of the campaign in 1918. The funeral will be conducted this afternoon at three o'clock from the First Baptist church by Rev. W. A. Ayers, the pastor and the remains will be interred in Cedar Grove cemetery beside the late wife and young son of the deceased.

This city is under a pall of deep grief at the passing of Sam Brinson. And with the feeling of distinct loss that is felt here have come messages from all over the state and nation expressing the universal sorrow that has followed the news of his death. Today New Bern will pause to pay just tribute to this greatly loved man, joined by friends and associates from outside who have valued his friendship.

The end came peacefully, without pain or struggle. At six o'clock Mr. Brinson was still conscious, although desperate. It was he maintained the same calmness and courage which won for him deep admiration all through the fearful hours of his last days. It seemed that the end was near, and attendants stood by. There was a slight restlessness and unconsciousness followed. Thirty minutes later he passed quietly away.

Mr. Brinson is survived by his daughter, Miss Mary Steele Brinson, who has been in school in Washington, and a brother, Hon. James M. Brinson, prominent Montana lawyer who is in government service with headquarters at Washington. Miss Brinson was summoned from there Wednesday, but was unable to reach here before her father's death.

Hon. Thomas D. Warren, former chairman of the state democratic executive committee, whose association with Mr. Brinson was marked by an intimate friendship, in a statement to the press last night pays high tribute to his long and valued friend. "The death of Sam Brinson," said Mr. Warren, "causes universal grief and sorrow in the people of North Carolina. He was greatly respected and deeply loved by all who knew him. No purer man has lived. He was a noble spirit, generous, charitable, gentle; always fighting for right. He was candid; without guile or deception. His heart was always overflowing with the milk of human kindness."

"I first met him in 1885 when we were law students at the University of North Carolina. We obtained our licenses to practice at the same time and ever since have been intimately associated and devoted friends. I never knew a finer character."

"I was with him in his last hours and saw him pass quietly, without a murmur or complaint. He was prepared for the end. His life work was over but the meaning of the man and his virtues will survive for future generations."

"The best years of Mr. Brinson's life were spent in the cause of education—a cause very near and dear to his heart. He gave his life's work with great reluctance, when called to represent his people in congress. His brief service there was signalized by fidelity and devotion to duty. He was rapidly rushing to the front ranks in that body, and but for his untimely death he would have made an enviable record."

"I had known him so long, and so well that the thought of separation fills me with sadness. He was a pure and clean as a woman's soul and as conspicuous as any man I ever knew. His life was a benediction to all who knew him."

Funeral service will be held at 3 o'clock this afternoon at the First Baptist church, with interment in Cedar Grove cemetery. Pall bearers who will officiate this afternoon were announced yesterday as follows: Messrs. J. E. Smith, D. M. Roberts, Edward Clark, W. T. Hollister, R. A. Nunn and W. P. Jones; honorary, Messrs. A. D. Warren, W. J. Lucas, H. P. Whitehurst, J. A. Jones, W. P. Melts, and A. D. Ward.

Delegation of Senators And Congressmen to Attend Funeral

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, April 13.—The senate late today adopted resolutions presented by Senator Simmons, expressing regret over Representative S. M. Brinson's death and also adjourned out of respect. Vice-President Coolidge appointed Senators Simmons and Overman, of North Carolina; Ashurst, democrat, Arizona; Caraway, democrat, Arkansas; Ladd, republican, North Dakota, and Harrel, republican, Oklahoma, as a committee to attend the funeral.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—Announcement of the death of Representative Brinson was made to the house today by Representative Pou, dean of the delegation, and as a mark of respect it adjourned.

Speaker Gillette appointed a committee of fifteen members to attend the funeral at New Bern tomorrow afternoon. Mr. Pou said that when Mr. Brinson realized his condition was serious and the end was near, he determined to return to North Carolina that he might die among his own people.