

WILLIAM J. STONE, U. S. SENATOR, DEAD

Missourian in Public Life Nearly
Half Century Passes
Away at Capital.

ONE OF "WILFUL TWELVE"

Democratic Leader Who at First
Opposed Declaration of War
Changes Overnight When
Die Finally Is Cast.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—Senator William J. Stone, of Missouri, chairman of the Senate foreign relations committee and for many years prominent among Democratic leaders, died here today after a stroke of paralysis suffered last Wednesday.

Senator Stone suffered the stroke while on a streetcar on his way to the Senate office building. A slight cerebral hemorrhage affected his left side, rendering him helpless, but he did not lose consciousness and a few hours later rallied. His family and friends were very hopeful until yesterday, when there was a decided turn for the worse.

Second Hemorrhage Is Fatal.

Today there was a second cerebral hemorrhage and the Senator fell into a state of coma. Death came at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon.

At the bedside were Mrs. Stone and their children, Federal Judge Kimbrough Stone, of Kansas City; Mrs. John W. Parkinson, of St. Joseph, Mo.; and Miss Mabel Stone and niece, Miss Margaret Winston, of St. Louis.

Senator Stone died tomorrow afternoon at the home and the family, accompanied by a Congressional committee, will leave with the body in the evening for Jefferson City, where the body will rest in state in the State Capitol Wednesday. That evening the body will be taken to Nevada. Senator Stone's old home, for burial there Thursday, by the Nevada Masonic Lodge.

Public Career Notable.

Senator William J. Stone was in public life 48 years and during that period probably engaged in as many political contests as any man of his time, ranging all the way from controversies over county offices to the broadest National issues. At the entry of the United States into the war Senator Stone performed the trying feat of antagonizing his own party Administration, later aligning in a generally satisfactory manner.

It was in connection with the bill proposing the arming of American merchant ships that he took sharp issue with President Wilson. He stood with the dozen Senators whose opposition caused the failure of that measure at the close of the 64th Congress and brought down the denunciation of the President upon "the wilful twelve."

War Declaration Opposed.

While Senator Stone made no apologies for his course on that occasion, he always contended it was in strict line with his duty as a Senator, because in accord with his conviction.

His opposition to the declaration of war upon Germany was also pronounced, and he declined to take charge of the war resolution, as would have been expected of the chairman of the committee on foreign relations. He did not seek, however, to place obstacles in the way of a consideration of the measure and transferred the leadership to Senator Hitchcock, next ranking Democratic member of the committee. He believed that American participation should be avoided if possible, but when the die was cast for war he changed overnight. He took his place with the supporters of war measures and consistently maintained that attitude.

Stone Bryan Supporter.

Although he had served in the House of Representatives and had been Governor of his state, Senator Stone first attracted National attention in connection with Mr. Bryan's fight for reelection to the Presidency in 1906. He became the Missouri member of the National Democratic committee, and soon took front rank among the Bryan supporters, justifying the reputation for shrewdness and foresight which he already had gained in Missouri.

His position as member of the National committee led to his selection as vice-chairman for Mr. Bryan's second race. As a consequence the two men became close friends. But at the Democratic convention in 1912 Stone led the fight for the nomination of Speaker Clark. Since coming to the Senate in 1907 Mr. Stone had been to the front on all important questions. He seldom hesitated to attack any Senator, Democrat or Republican, who opposed what he believed to be deserving Administration measures.

Senator Platform Builder.

Notwithstanding his pacifist attitude, he was made chairman of the committee on resolutions at the St. Louis convention in 1916 and to him fell the difficult work of shaping the platform on which President Wilson was re-elected.

A Kentuckian by birth, born May 7, 1848, Senator Stone removed to Missouri, where he graduated from Missouri University and where he admitted to the bar in 1869. In 1872 he was Prosecuting Attorney of Vernon County.

He came to Congress as a representative in the 45th Congress and was re-elected to the 50th and 51st Congresses, serving from 1895 to 1897. From 1897 to 1899 he was Governor of Missouri. Upon the death of George J. Vest he was first elected to the Senate in 1903, and was re-elected in 1909 and 1915.

He married in 1874 and had three children.

A successor to Senator Stone to hold office until the next general election in November will be named by Governor Gardner, of Missouri, who is a Democrat. Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, ranking Democrat of the foreign relations committee, is expected to succeed to the chairmanship.

Prineville to Have New Garage.

PRINEVILLE, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—The garage that is being erected for the Boss Motor Company will be finished in a few days. It is modern in every respect, with dressing-rooms for women and other conveniences. The main floor is 149 feet by 49 feet, and the second floor will be used for a vaulting room. The building is fireproof. The grand opening will be Saturday, April 20, with a dance and other festivities. A crowd is expected from all over Central Oregon. The proceeds of the dance will be turned over to the Red Cross.

Woman Spy Urges Silence.

NEW YORK, April 14.—Suggestions regarding answers to be made to probable questions and a warning to be careful were written by Madame C. Harbott Elizabeth Nix from Ellis Island, where she is held awaiting deportation as an alleged German spy, to Count Robert De Clairmont, who is a prisoner at Bellevue Hospital. In a letter intercepted by agents of the American Protective League, it is learned here.

UNITED STATES SENATOR FROM MISSOURI, WHO SUCCEEDED TO
STROKE OF PARALYSIS.



WILLIAM JOEL STONE.

HOTELS FACE TIEUP

Labor Strike Threatened in
Chicago Wednesday.

UNION WANTS RECOGNITION

Hotel Managers Declare They Pay
Higher Wage Scale Than Union
Requires—Failure of Walkout
Forecast by One Employer.

CHICAGO, April 14.—(Special.)—

Every hotel in Chicago, including the big Loop establishments, is threatened next Wednesday with a labor tie-up of such proportions as may cripple business. A proposed walkout of employees, totaling several thousand, is scheduled in a campaign to force recognition of the union.

Hotel managers tonight admitted strike trouble is being considered. They declared that though they are paying higher than scale wages in all departments they are confronted with the problem of a general walkout. Plans have been adopted to offset the threatened crisis.

Carl C. Roessler, one of the proprietors of the Hotel Atlantic, said that every department of the hotel industry would be affected. Cooks, waiters, bachelors, chambermaids, laundry help, and all incidental branches of labor will join in the strike, he said.

A general strike of laborers is scheduled for May 1 and it is the proposal of the hotel employees to co-operate with this movement.

"I don't think the strike will last long," said Mr. Roessler. "Under the present conditions of food service waiters do well to have any job. I, for one, am willing to close down my restaurant. There is no profit in the business as long as we are compelled to operate on so small a margin of profit."

"I am not alarmed by threats of a strike, because most of our employees have been with us 12 and 15 years. I don't think they will leave."

It is said by the hotel employment bureau heads that calls have been frequent in the last few days for additional help.

MISS HUNT RESIGNS PLACE

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but yesterday it was learned from reliable sources that this was Miss M. Louise Hunt, who has now refused to support any patriotic activity.

Miss Hunt Coldly Received.

According to advices from Washington at that time Miss Hunt received a cold reception from all but one of the Oregon delegation. Most insistently presented her views to those who would listen to them. Representative Hawley told her she "disagreed with her sentiments as to Germany." Senator Chamberlain informed her he was in hearty accord with the President.

Yesterday individual protests against Miss Hunt continued to be expressed everywhere and to be telephoned to the newspaper offices. Saturday telephone messages of this character were received in great numbers at liberty loan headquarters.

Formal action against Miss Hunt was taken yesterday by the congregation and membership of Mount Tabor Methodist Episcopal Church, who passed the following resolution:

Resignation Is Demanded.

"To the Members of the Board of Directors of the Portland Library Association:—Whereas, by refusal to buy liberty bonds and in other ways to support our Government in its present crisis, Miss Hunt, assistant librarian of our City Library, has shown an unpatriotic spirit and has rendered herself obnoxious to the loyal citizenship of our city; and whereas, such action is prejudicial to all patriotic efforts in our midst;

"Therefore, be it resolved, That we, the membership and congregation of the Mount Tabor Methodist Episcopal Church respectfully request that the action taken by you in condoning Miss Hunt's attitude be rescinded and her resignation be requested."

"Signed by pastor, president, secretary of official board of representatives of congregation and membership in a unanimous vote taken Sunday morning, 1918.

R. E. OLIN, ELDER, Pastor.

W. N. WHEELER, President.

C. C. MILLER, Secretary.

Bitter Attack Planned.

Had Miss Hunt not resigned, she would have been made the target for a bitter attack by at least two direct-

meeting that had previously been set for tonight, when the board was to consider the numerous requests and resolutions that the vote of confidence of last Friday night be reconsidered.

Resolutions denouncing the action of the board supporting Miss Hunt had been prepared by leaders of the Liberty loan drive, by the City Federation of Women's Organizations of Portland and by the Mount Tabor Methodist Episcopal Church. Mayor Baker, too, had made a strong statement along the same lines, while many officials and private citizens were aroused to a high pitch by the refusal of Miss Hunt to support the Government by buying liberty bonds.

W. F. Woodward and Rufus C. Holman, dissenting members of the library directorate, pledged themselves to lead an attack upon Miss Hunt at the scheduled meeting tonight. Before her resignation was submitted yesterday they again stated their positions.

If maintain that Miss Hunt's usefulness, so far as the Public Library is concerned, is at an end," said Mr. Woodward yesterday. "A woman holding the views she adheres to is unfit for the position. My stand is just the same as it was last Friday night, that only persons who are loyal to the Government in time of stress should be permitted to hold positions in the Government or any subdivision of it."

"I think Miss Hunt should be removed," said Mr. Holman. "I think the School Board has set a precedent that is sound. No one should be employed by the Government or any branch of it who is not loyal. Loyalty means being for the Government, heart and soul and resources."

It was reported yesterday that Miss Mary Frances Isom, librarian, had expressed herself as having been proud of the action of the directors last Friday night, and that she acted otherwise she herself would have felt compelled to resign.

Miss Isom was asked yesterday if this were true. She said that, since the directors are giving out all statements as regards the situation, she thinks it would not be fitting for her, as secretary of the board, to make any statements relating to the case.

The Portland Library Association is a public institution. It was formerly a private enterprise, or philanthropy. About 1911 a law was passed by the Legislature whereby it was stipulated that the association should turn its property over to the free use of the public and in return the county should levy a tax, not to exceed 4¢ mill, for the support of the institution. At the same time the County Commissioners became, by virtue of the law, ex-officio members of the board of directors.

It is said the County Commissioners could, in the event the management of the library were unsatisfactory, refuse to levy the tax for maintenance, so the institution would be left without means.

The storm that has been aroused over Miss Hunt's action will have the effect of making more emphatic inquiry into the attitude of others in upholding the Government in war time.

DISMISS HER, SAYS GOVERNOR

MISS HUNT'S UTTERANCES HELD INEXCUSABLE AND REPREHENSIBLE.

SALEM, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—

"Not only should she be summarily dismissed, but if she continues her anti-war propaganda she should be interned during the course of the war, like any other disloyal citizen or alien enemy," was Governor Whitcomb's comment today, as to what action should be taken in regard to Miss Louise Hunt, assistant city librarian of Portland, who refused to buy liberty bonds and uttered remarks disparaging to this country's position in the world war.

"None of our citizens or alien enemies," said the Governor, "but utterances such as those made by Miss Hunt are absolutely inexcusable and reprehensible, no matter what may be her individual principles. Any citizen who refuses to support the Government in a wholehearted manner at this time is unpatriotic and disloyal. I fail to see why such a fuss should be made about the matter. Miss Hunt should have been dismissed forthwith and if she continued her propaganda she should then be interned."

RAILROAD MEN TO DO PART

Four Acres Will Be Planted to War
Gardens at Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 14.—(Special.)—Four acres will be planted to war gardens by the employees of the North Bank round house this year, through the association formed by them last season.

J. R. Mason has been elected president of the association; Orlo Chamberlain, vice-president; Ray Land, secretary; and P. L. Sather, treasurer.

Home for Delinquents Urged.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 14.—A proposal that the Legislature establish a home or colony for delinquent women was adopted here today by the Women's Legislative Council of California, representing 187,000 women.

Hun Torpedoed Is Sunk.

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GERMAN FLIERS BESTED

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HUN AEROPLANES.

In His Last Encounter Lieutenant Ferguson's Machine Is Hit 14 Times by the Enemy.

AMSTERDAM, N. Y., April 14.—(Special.)—

Lieutenant H. Clay Ferguson, an Amsterdam boy who enlisted in the aviation service as soon as the United States entered the war and is now with American flying corps somewhere in France, has bagged five German planes since the American fliers went into action, according to a letter received by his parents here.

He is now in a base hospital with a bullet in his leg, the result of his last encounter with a Boche machine. Ferguson belongs to a squadron which includes some of America's greatest aces. The letter was dated March 10 and indicated that the Amsterdam aviator had been in active service for two or three weeks prior to that time. He said he had brought down three German machines following aerial flights and had got two others on the ground.

In his last encounter Lieutenant Ferguson's machine was hit 14 times by the machine gun fire from her German opponent, one of the bullets lodging in his leg. He was forced to abandon the fight, landing safely within his own lines. His wound is not serious and he expects to get into action again soon.

Lieutenant Ferguson predicted brilliant things for the men of his corps when they once get into the fight. The squadron comprises such stars as Hobey Baker, of Princeton; Seth Low, Cord Meyer and Bick Richards, of Yale; Ted Meredith and Tom Lennon, of Pennsylvania; Tom Farnsworth, of Cornell; Quentin Roosevelt and Edwin Rickensbaeker, the former automobile racer.

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DEAN OF PILOTS IS DEAD

Captain John Peterson Paralysis Victim at Astoria.

ASTORIA, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—

Captain John Peterson, dean of the

Columbia River pilots, died at 2 o'clock this morning as the result of a stroke of paralysis. He was born in Sweden in 1856, and was 62 years of age.

Captain Peterson came to Astoria on an American ship 40 years ago and had resided here since that time. For several years he was master of the steamers Alliance and Dolphin, plying between Portland and Grays Harbor, and about 25 years ago began piloting on the river, a vocation he followed until failing health compelled him to retire.

Captain Peterson left a widow, but no children.

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