

LONG ILLNESS IS FATAL TO LOUISIANA'S CHIEF EXECUTIVE

GOVERNOR FUQUA'S CAREER CUT SHORT BY SUDDEN DEATH

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the first session of the Legislature and in the second session he found a fight on his administration.

These and other things that went wrong told on the governor's health and his friends noticed that he was aging greatly. When the Legislature met it was apparent that Governor Fuqua's life was in danger. Reports to this effect received quite general denial, but those close to the governor knew he was "a sick man" and to those the death of the executive to night was not a great surprise.

Funeral arrangements probably will be announced Tuesday.

Race, Creed, Politics Forgotten as All Join in Common Sorrow

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acquaintance with the governor whom I regarded as a particularly sensible man and a capable executive."

Esmond Phelps

"I am exceedingly and sincerely sorry to hear of Governor Fuqua's death. He was an outstanding citizen, a lovable man and a capable executive. His loss is felt not only by his relatives and immediate circle of friends, but by the citizenry of the state as a whole."

Attorney-General Saint

"I've just heard of the governor's death. It was more than a shock to me. I had a deep personal attachment for Mr. Fuqua, and his death brings a distinct personal loss to me as well as a feeling of loss as a citizen, whose chief magistrate has passed on."

Secretary of State Bailey

"I regard the death of Governor Fuqua as a great calamity to the state. It has become known to me that he was a man of high character and my personal admiration for him is beyond expression. The state has lost a great, good man."

Commissioner Klorer

"I am shocked beyond expression at the news of the governor's death. I knew him as a friend and it is as such I feel his loss. He had those attributes of character that make men liked by other men and his passing will be keenly felt by all who knew him personally and officially."

John P. Sullivan

"Through many years of personal friendship I became very fond of Henry Fuqua as a friend and to admire and respect his fine qualities. I feel his loss deeply and share in the mourning of all Louisiana at his passing."

Charles E. Dunbar, Jr.

"I am saddened by the news. Governor Fuqua's death is a cause for sincere regret among all the people."

Henry Mooney

"I was shocked to hear of Governor Fuqua's death. We have been personal friends for years, and from knowing him intimately I have acquired a profound admiration for him as a man and as a public official. His death is a calamity to the state."

Stanley W. Ray

"Governor Fuqua was a man of exceptionally fine character and one for whom I had great regard. I sincerely mourn his death."

Treasurer Baynard

"The death of Governor Fuqua deprives the state of a most valuable, honest and conscientious citizen. His loss will be felt throughout the whole state."

Senator John C. Davey

"Governor Fuqua was a man with exceptional ability as an administrator and executive. As an orator he had no superior in the state. His kindly disposition endeared him to all who knew him. Louisiana has lost a good man."

Paul H. Maloney

"I am very sorry to learn of Governor Fuqua's death. It is a severe shock to our community. His dear ones have my deepest sympathy in their hour of bereavement."

Judge Frank Echezal

"The state of Louisiana has lost a governor whose public acts were actuated by a staunch and sincere desire to promote the welfare of the commonwealth."

Hewitt Bouanchaud

"I am deeply grieved to learn of Governor Fuqua's passing. We had been acquaintances for more than thirty years and while we opposed each other politically our personal relations always were most cordial. It is indeed most unfortunate that he should have been called away at a time when the duties of his office called for some of the most constructive work of his administration. Governor Fuqua was a man of high intellectual attainment. He was loyal to his friends and his sudden taking off will be deeply mourned by a host of citizens of Louisiana. I deeply sympathize with the members of his family in their hour of sorrow."

Auditor Edward F. Lyons

"In the loss of Governor Fuqua, I, with hundreds of thousands of other Louisianians, feel a very keen personal loss. He and I campaigned together. I looked upon him as not only a close personal friend but as a man on whom the state could rely in any emergency."

Huey P. Long

"I am very sorry to learn of the death of Governor Fuqua. In his long public career he drew to himself a large number of friends in whom he trusted to as great an extent as one of his attainments could. The fact that he lived long enough to have accomplished his ambition of being the governor of the great state of Louisiana will be of great solace to his family and friends."

Victor Loisel

"Governor Fuqua was a very strong man. In my opinion, I knew him for years and was his ardent partisan. His death is a great loss to a friend and an able public official."

Told of Death by Friends



MRS. HENRY L. FUQUA

Mrs. Fuqua Learns of Husband's Death When Friend Telephones Tour Party at Clarksdale Hotel

(By The Associated Press) Baton Rouge, La., Oct. 11.—Speaking from the living room of the mansion, Frank Jones, the governor's devoted friend, located Mrs. Fuqua and Mr. and Mrs. Jones Irvine at a Clarksdale, Miss., hotel about 20:30 o'clock tonight by long distance telephone.

At first he was unable to get anyone but Mrs. Fuqua on the telephone, and he refused to speak to her, asking for Mr. Irvine. At length Mr. Irvine was summoned and Mr. Jones broke the news to him as gently as he could.

"You'll have to tell her, Jones," he said. "I don't know how—but it's up to you, boy. I'd have a doctor in the hotel there before you do," he advised. "What's that? You can't tell her? Well, you can tell her she's very, very sick, and then tell her later."

It was agreed that the party should board the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley night train if possible, as this would place them in Baton Rouge at 5 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Since the governor's illness became dangerous efforts had been made to trace the party at all points from St. Louis.

When death came the governor was being attended by his daughter, Mrs. Walter Scott, and his son, Henry, Jr., Dr. L. G. Sterling, Dr. John McKowen and Dr. J. J. Robert; Mrs. J. W. Hubbs, sister of Mrs. Fuqua; Mrs. Felix Gaudet, niece of Mrs. Fuqua and Mr. Gaudet; Frank Jones, manager of the governor's private hardware business here; Mrs. Leila Garig, a close friend of the family; Mrs. Waldemar Landry, a sister of Mrs. Fuqua; W. A. Ponder, secretary to the governor; Joe Jones, assistant

secretary; Mrs. Leila Gatz, nurse, and Louella Williams, old negro family nurse, who nursed the governor's mother in her last illness.

Dr. Malcolm W. Lockhart, rector of the St. James Episcopal church, of which the governor was a member, arrived a few moments before death just in time to say the commendatory prayer as the governor breathed his last.

Shortly after the death numerous state officials and former state officials as well as city and parish officials began to gather at the mansion, where the chief executive of the state lay in preparation for local undertakers for the burial, which probably will take place Thursday.

Governor Fuqua was the first governor to die in office since 1831, when Lewis Alfred Willet died in New Orleans after a year in the executive office. At that time the state capital was in New Orleans. Governor Willet was succeeded by Lieutenant-Governor Samuel D. McEnery, who was later elected to the post. Only twice has death visited the mansion—once in 1914, when the father of Governor Hall died in the mansion, and again during the administration of Governor Pleasant, when the brother of the chief executive died there.

BABY IN FILM FAMILY Great Neck, L. I., Oct. 11.—A seven and a half pound baby girl has arrived at the home of Samuel L. Warner, the picture producer, and Mrs. Warner, who was Lina Basquette of California. She was a member of the Ziegfeld Follies in 1923, 1924 and 1925 when she left the stage for domestic life.

Governor Reached Height of Political Career After Making Mark in Business

Late Executive Long Recognized as Dominant Figure in Progress and Prosperity of State—Won Prominence in Direction of Penal System

Henry L. Fuqua, governor of the state of Louisiana, had not only reached the top rung in the ladder of real political success from the standpoint of state politics, but had long been recognized as one of the most successful business men of the South and a forceful and dominant figure in the progress and prosperity as well as the development of his home city of Baton Rouge, La., and all of that surrounding country.

Mr. Fuqua was born at Baton Rouge, La., on November 8, 1855, the son of James Overton Fuqua and Jeannetta M. Fuqua. Like so many of the present-day citizens of Louisiana and other Southern states, his ancestors made their way from the Atlantic seaboard, South and West through Virginia, the Carolinas and Mississippi into Louisiana. His father, one of the eminently respected citizens of the early days of Louisiana, was a veteran of both the Mexican and Civil wars, receiving a dangerous wound at the Battle of Shiloh from which he recovered and lived to play an important part in the after-war history of his state.

His active efforts on behalf of his people during reconstruction are well remembered by all the older citizens of Louisiana.

Mr. Fuqua received his early education at Magruder's College Institute, Baton Rouge, and then attended the Louisiana State university. After completing his education he went to work as an assistant with the corps of engineers then building the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley railroad from New Orleans to Memphis.

He served in this capacity until the work was completed when he was employed by a contracting firm in the handling of a camp engaged in constructing the bridge work on that railroad.

His older brothers having left home to seek their fortunes, some in distant lands, Mr. Fuqua conceived it to be his duty to return home and seek employment where he could be of service to his country and his brothers, one of whom was the late Charles Fuqua, well known in Louisiana, and the other, Ogden Fuqua, who served in Hood's immunes in the Spanish American war, now a lieutenant-colonel in the army and who won distinction in the World war as chief of staff overseas in the famous

First Division of the American army. Mr. Fuqua found employment at a very meager salary in a hardware store, but by dint of hard, personal interest in the business of his employers and a display of real business acumen he rose to the top of the salary list. After nine years' service as clerk and traveling man, and with but little money, he organized the Fuqua Hardware Company of Baton Rouge, and with the help of one of the largest and most successful retail hardware establishments in the South. He relinquished the active management in order to accept the appointment from Governor Pleasant as general manager of the Louisiana state penitentiary system.

The management of the Louisiana penal institution is a position only a practical business man can successfully fill, and it was because of the executive qualities and business acumen manifested by Mr. Fuqua that Governor Pleasant selected and requested him to accept the appointment. The management covers three large plantations as well as the handling of men and Mr. Fuqua proved so successful that he made real money for the state. When Governor Parker came into power he reappointed Mr. Fuqua, who remained in that capacity until he decided to enter the race for governor and resigned.

SUCCESSFUL AS FARMER Mr. Fuqua has successfully conducted the culture of cane and the manufacture of sugar, as well as the culture of rice and cotton, and he thus had a thorough knowledge and acquaintance with and a pronounced feeling for all engaged in the various pursuits of agriculture. He knew levee construction, and in short, had a practical knowledge of everything connected with the industrial, commercial and agricultural life of the state. He was that rare citizen in

SANDERS, CLOSE FRIEND OF FUQUA, BREAKS INTO SOBS

Declares Louisiana Loses Outstanding Citizen in Governor's Death

Baton Rouge, Oct. 11.—As the powers of the state administration and of the past state administrations gathered tonight, none was more grieved than former Governor Jared Y. Sanders, who for two score years has been as a brother to the late governor.

The former governor was informed at about 9:30 o'clock of the death of his old friend by his son, J. Y. Sanders, Jr.

"And, I didn't know he was even in a serious condition until late this evening," Mr. Sanders sobbed as he broke down on reaching the executive mansion in which the body lay. "Had I known it a few hours earlier, I could have seen him before he died."

Later, Mr. Sanders issued the following statement: "A great and a good man has gone, but the good that he has done will live after him. My heart is so full of sorrow that I cannot find words to express my feelings.

"For thirty odd years I have known Henry Fuqua, and for thirty odd public life who is both a successful business man and a student of and active participant in civic affairs and politics. He was a forceful and impressive public speaker.

Henry L. Fuqua was married to Miss Laura Matts at Baton Rouge on January 24, 1890. They have two children, Mrs. Walter Scott of Tallulah, La., and a son, Henry L. Fuqua, Jr., a student at the Louisiana State university at Baton Rouge.

Gov. Whitfield Expresses Deep Regret at Death

In reply to a telegram last night Governor Whitfield of Mississippi wired The Times-Picayune as follows:

"I knew Governor Fuqua personally as well as I was familiar with his career as a public servant. Louisiana has lost an outstanding executive and the country at large a public spirited citizen who fought for the welfare and honor of his country and his family a most devoted head."

'Able Executive and Good Man,' Says Ransdell

United States Senator Joseph E. Ransdell, who was in Crowley, last night was advised by The Times-Picayune of Governor Fuqua's death.

"It is with deepest regret that I learn of the passing of our governor," he said. "I am exceedingly sorry, not only for his relatives but for the citizenry of the state, for he was an able governor and a good man. His death is a tremendous loss to Louisiana."

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South Has Lost Friend, Alabama Governor Wires

Governor William F. Brandon of Alabama wired The Times-Picayune as follows:

"It is with profound sorrow that I have just heard of the passing away of Governor Fuqua. The state of Louisiana has lost a great, good man, and the people of the South stood for its development and progress. I sympathize with the people of Louisiana and the people of Alabama in their grief and the people of Louisiana and feel their loss."

Tennessee Chief Executive Wires His Sympathy

Governor Austin Peay of Tennessee last night wired The Times-Picayune as follows:

"Your wire with the shocking information of Governor Fuqua's death is acknowledged. I hasten to express my profound regret individually and officially and to extend assurances of deepest sympathy to his family in their grief and to the people of Louisiana on the loss of their most able and distinguished executive. The great bereavement which has fallen upon Louisiana through this sad event will arouse the sincerest feelings of sorrow and sympathy throughout her sister state of Tennessee."

SPEAK IN CAMPAIGN FOR SCHOOL BOARD

Candidates for the Orleans parish school board will speak Thursday night in the Sophie Wright High school, Napoleon avenue and Prichard street. The meeting, sponsored by the New Orleans High School Association, will begin at 8 o'clock. Charles Bonneau is president of the association.