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FRANK L. BRYANT, 80, DIES; TEACHER, CAMP DIRECTOR

Frank L. Bryant, 80, former teacher of physics and physiography at Erasmus Hall High School, who for the last 38 years had conducted the Quinibeck Summer Camp for Girls at Ely, Vt., died today of a coronary thrombosis in Brooklyn Hospital.

Since 1918 he had been chairman of the board of trustees of All Souls Universalist Church, Ocean and Ditmas Aves. He succeeded Herbert F. Gunnison, at Mr. Gunnison's suggestion, to that post. His home was at 466 E. 17th St.

Mr. Bryant was born in Columbus, N.Y., and was graduated from the Clinton Liberal Institute, Clinton, N.Y., and in 1891 received his B.S. degree from St. Lawrence University, Canton, N.Y. He began his teaching career at about that time in New Berlin, N.Y., and in 1898 came to Brooklyn, where he became a member of the faculty of Erasmus Hall, under the principalship of Dr. Walter B. Gunnison. He retired about 25 years ago.

Soon after coming to Brooklyn he built a home, one of the first in the Ditmas Park section, and became a member of All Souls church, in which he had been active since. He was a member of the pulpit committee which called the Rev. Dr. Arthur W. Grose as pastor in 1922, and the Rev. Dr. Cornelius Greenway as pastor in 1929.

At one time he was president of the earth-science section of the New York State Teachers Association, and in 1908 managed the Dutch Museum exhibit at the Flatbush Dutch Festival.

For many years Mr. Bryant had been on the Council of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences and had long been a member of the Municipal Club of Brooklyn. He was also chairman of the reception committee of the Brooklyn Academy of Music, his office being to introduce distinguished visitors at the various functions there.

He was a pioneer in establishing Summer camps for girls and at one time was president of the Camp Directors Association of America. Only last Saturday afternoon he served as toastmaster at the annual reunion of Camp Quinibeck at the Hotel Roosevelt, Manhattan.

Mr. Bryant had traveled extensively and made a hobby of photography and astronomy. He was the author of the textbook, "New Physiography for Beginners," still used extensively in high schools.

Surviving are his widow, the former Lena Frances Brown, a native of New Berlin, N.Y., and a daughter, Mrs. Richard [Hilda] Howell of Bethlehem, Pa.

Funeral plans have not been completed.

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