

[Sneck, Clara Hufnail]

CLARA SNECK, FORT PLAIN, FOUND DEAD

Body Discovered in Garage With Burns About Lips;  
Had Been in Ill Health; Funeral Rites on Tuesday

FORT PLAIN, Feb. 25.—The body of Clara Hufnail Sneck, 55, was found in the garage in the rear of her home about 9 o'clock last night under conditions that would indicate she had taken her own life. While Coroner Charles E. Congdon had not given an opinion this morning, it was said that there were burns about the lips and that there was a possibility that monoxide poisoning had been a contributory cause of death.

Mrs. Sneck returned home at an unknown hour last evening. When she failed to appear for supper, a search was instituted and the body was found in the garage. It was also said that there was found a note in the Sneck Electrical store, conducted by Mrs. Sneck since the death of her husband, Albert J. Sneck, in 1924, which was worded to the effect that "I cannot stand it any longer."

Mrs. Sneck had been in ill health for several years. She had recently submitted to two operations and it is believed that her physical condition was responsible for the act.

She was a native of Fort Plain and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hufnail. Active in the affairs of the village, she was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Order of Eastern Star, and the Chapin Club of the Universalist Church.

Surviving are her mother, Mrs. Viola Hufnail; five sisters, Mrs. Ward [Mary] Selwood, Mrs. Harold Timmerman, and the Misses Laura, Frances and Edythe Hufnail, all of this village; and three brothers, George, Newark, N.J., and Edward and Frank, Fort Plain.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 2:30 o'clock at the home with the Rev. William A. Haney, of the Universalist Church, officiating. Interment will be made in Fort Plain Cemetery.

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