

Juan Terrazas, Ill Two Weeks, Dies Suddenly

Son Of Famous Mexican Family Passes Away At Age Of 70

Juan Terrazas, 70, of Chihuahua city, died unexpectedly Tuesday night in Hotel Paso del Norte here, where he had been for two weeks for medical treatment.

He was a son of the late Gen. Luis Terrazas, fighter, composer, financier and governor of his state for several terms, and a brother of Alberto Terrazas, also former governor, now a cotton financier and merchant here.

Although he had suffered for some time with kidney trouble, his condition was not thought critical, and death came as a surprise to members of his family who were at his bedside.

Burial in Chihuahua

Funeral arrangements are pending. Burial will likely be made in Chihuahua city beside the father, who died in 1922 at the age of 93. Leo C. Hartford mortuary is in charge of the body.

Those with him in the hotel when death came were his wife, Mrs. Maria L. de Terrazas; a daughter, Mrs. Rosa T. de Munoz, and the son-in-law, Jorge Munoz, also two nephews, S. and Miguel Marquez.

Six sisters survive the deceased. They are Mrs. Luisa T. de Guerrero, Mrs. Carlos T. de Marquez, Mrs. Elena T. de Horcasitos, Mrs. Elisa T. de Urreta, Mrs. aClestina de Laguette and Mrs. Amada T. de Saniega, all of Chihuahua city.

Four grandchildren, Rosa, Maria, Leonora and Juan F. Munoz, are children of Mr. and Mrs. Jorge Munoz. Mr. Munoz was active in the handling of the Terrazas estate, estimated at 12,000,000 acres. Alberto Terrazas, jr., nephew of the deceased, is associated with his father in the local firm.

Held By Villa

A third son and namesake, Luis, jr., did not survive his father. He was held captive by the famous bandit leader, Pancho Villa, during which time he was hanged by the neck until forced to reveal the cache of 600,000 pesos in the Banco Minero, Terrazas bank in Chihuahua.

The money was found in a hollow metal column of the bank building. Soon after Luis, jr., escaped, the family lived awhile in El Paso, later going to Los Angeles and eventually returning to Chihuahua to pull the estate back together.

The father of the picturesque family lived for a while in the home of Albert Bacon Fall in El Paso. Health of Luis, jr., was so shattered by the Villa confinement and treatment that he died soon after in Los Angeles.

Expropriation of the Terrazas estate under the agrarian law was begun under former president Alvaro Obregon. Payment was reported to be \$7,000,000,000 for 6,000,000 acres of as fine range lands as there are in the world.