

FAMOUS TWINS DEAD, ONE PASSING AWAY 15 MINUTES AFTER OTHER



Left to right, Rosa and Josefa Blazek.

Physicians Work All Night to Save Famous Pair—No Effort Will be Made to Separate Blazek Sisters.

WANTED TO DIE TOGETHER

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CHICAGO, March 30.—Rosa and Josefa Blazek, Siamese twins, died here early today.

Josefa, who had been in a stupor for nearly a week, was the first to pass away. Her sister Rosa died 15 minutes later, at 3:10 a. m.

Dr. Benjamin Breakstone and a staff of eminent Chicago surgeons worked all night to save the life of the famous pair. Their battle was lost, however, when complications set in. The twins had been suffering from catarrhal jaundice.

Josefa has been near death for nearly a week. Rosa was apparently in good health, until two days ago. She made up her mind, according to Dr. Breakstone, that she wanted to die with Josefa.

Frantz, the 12-year-old son of Rosa, was with his mother and aunt when the end came. The boy, normal in every way, clutched at the covers and sobbed when the end was pronounced. Frank Blazek, brother of the twins, also was present.

No attempt to operate to separate the two after death of Josefa was made. An x-ray had never been taken to determine the possibility, this was in accord with the wishes of the sisters.

The brother Frank was asked at midnight if he would consent to an operation if his sisters revived. He refused, saying it was not their will. Frantz, the son, said he preferred to be an orphan to crossing the desire of his mother and aunt to go to death as they had lived—inseparable.

Did Not Dispose of Fortune.

J. K. Triska, attorney for the sisters, kept vigil all night, hoping they would rally sufficiently to make a will disposing of their fortune, amassed while traveling with shows in Europe.

It is likely, according to Dr. Breakstone, that the bodies will be turned

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