

MRS. ROCKEFELLER DIES, ALMOST 75

Husband and Son in Florida; Daughters, Too, Absent, When End Comes.

SISTER IS AT BEDSIDE

Fatal Change Comes in Early Morning Hours and Physician, After Past Thirty-Mile Auto Trip, Cannot Avert End.

TARRYTOWN, N. Y., March 12.—Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, wife of the richest man in the world, died suddenly today in her 74th year at the Rockefeller country home in Pocantico Hills. She had been an invalid for a year, but during the last few months her health had so improved that the rapid turn for the worse which her illness took early today was not expected by her family.

For this reason it happened that the only relative at her bedside when she died at 10:20 A. M. was her sister, Miss Lucy M. Spelman.

Her husband, Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Sr., was at Ormond, Fla., where they went—Mr. Rockefeller, Sr., on February 28 and his son last Friday, accompanied by his wife—believing that Mrs. Rockefeller was growing better. Informed over the long-distance telephone early today of the critical change in her condition, she was taken for Jacksonville, where arrangements were quickly made for a special train to bring them to New York. They were expected to arrive here some time tomorrow night.

Mrs. E. Parmalee Prentice, one of Mrs. Rockefeller's two daughters, was summoned from New York but failed to arrive before her mother died. The other daughter, Mrs. Harold Fowler McCormick, of Chicago, is in Switzerland, recuperating from an illness. Her husband was about to sail to join her, but canceled his passage and came here at once.

Illness Dates Back to 1912. Until the arrival of Mr. Rockefeller funeral arrangements will be held in abeyance, but it was thought at the Rockefeller home today that an undoubtedly would take place in Cleveland, where the Rockefeller family plot is situated. It was thought probable that funeral services would be held at Pocantico Hills on Sunday and the body at once taken to Cleveland.

Mrs. Rockefeller's illness dates back to the fall of 1912, when she was stricken with pneumonia. She virtually recovered from this at Hot Springs, Va., but on returning to Cleveland in June, 1912, she again became ill, due largely to her weakened condition and advanced years. She remained in Cleveland until February, 1914, when her physician decided that she was well enough to be taken to New York, going to the Rockefeller mansion there. She was brought here last November.

Change Comes Suddenly. Mrs. Rockefeller had during this interim become an invalid and was confined to a wheel chair most of the time. Her room in the Pocantico Hills mansion opened out onto a large, sunny balcony, and here on fair days she spent many hours in the open air. She was described at the Rockefeller home today as having been lately in the best of spirits, only yesterday sending a cheery message to her son, telling of her improved health.

The fatal change in her condition came in the early morning hours. Her nurses immediately summoned Dr. Paul Allen, of New York, her physician. He made the 30-mile trip here at top speed in a high-powered automobile, and although he arrived some time before her death, he could do nothing to avert the end. She had been unconscious for several hours and remained so to the last.

Mrs. Rockefeller 75 Years Old. Mrs. Rockefeller, who was Laura Celestia Spelman, was born in Wadsworth, O., September 29, 1840, and was 75 years old. She was two months her husband's junior. She first met Mr. Rockefeller in a grammar school in Cleveland's side streets. Upon her marriage she became a Baptist, and to her religion and her home she devoted her entire time.

When Mr. Rockefeller's wealth was mentioned in seven figures they left their first home for a residence remarkable only for its unostentatiousness on Euclid avenue, Cleveland's "mile of millions." Here Mrs. Rockefeller reared her four children; a fifth died in infancy.

The training given the Rockefeller children by their mother is declared to have been almost Spartan. Although the Rockefeller wealth increased by leaps and bounds, there was only one carriage and a horse, cared for by a man who acted as both coachman and heater. These were used mostly Sundays on the trip to church. Mrs. Rockefeller employed two maids, but still insisted on doing much of the work herself. She also supervised every detail of the care and training of her children, particularly seeking to instill in their minds the lesson of thrift.

It is related that on one occasion she averaged up the gas bills for a year and promised as spending money to her eldest daughter any sum she might save each month by watching that no lights were left burning needlessly.

DR. H. W. COE IS RELATIVE. Portland Man's Father and Mrs. Rockefeller First Cousins.

Mrs. Rockefeller was a first cousin of the father of Dr. Henry Wadsworth Coe, of Portland.

Dr. Coe's father was Dr. Samuel Buel Coe. Mrs. Rockefeller's father was Harvey Buel Spelman, both descendants of Samuel Buel Spelman, a pioneer in Northern Ohio, and himself descended from a family of considerable prominence in England.

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PORTRAIT OF MRS. JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER AND SNAPSHOT OF HER WITH HER HUSBAND.

GOVERNOR IS AIDED

Aid Enlisted by Executive on Portland Visit.

SUFFRAGE DENIAL RAPPED

Democrats Criticised for Failure to Grant Franchise—Clubs Asked to Assist in All of State's Public Enterprises.

Governor Withycombe is going to put the women of Oregon to a test. At least he has invited them to lend a hand in a lot of public affairs, and at a meeting of the Portland Women's clubs yesterday at Women of Woodcraft Hall the invitation was accepted in an enthusiastic way, because there were more than 125 women present and all seemed to be ready.

Political House Cleaning Proposed.

In his response Governor Withycombe said: "At the request of the Federated Women's Clubs of Oregon I yesterday issued a proclamation setting aside a week in May as a state cleanup week. You women are naturally interested in Spring house cleaning and I am glad that you plan to extend your influence from your homes to the entire community. A general house cleaning and renovation of our physical surroundings is highly desirable and you are to be complimented upon your initiative in developing the idea."

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"You women of Oregon now have half of our political powers—I might say our better half. It is your duty as well as your privilege to exert your political influence in proper channels, and I am glad indeed to say that your interest and your ability in your new tasks are most evident. But why not carry your influence further?"

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"The women of the East are seeking enfranchisement. The National woman suffrage constitutional amendment was placed before Congress in January. It was defeated there. Why? Because the party in power at Washington does not care to have the sisters of Oregon's women endowed with the political rights you women of Oregon have won. Most of you know the story of the vote which killed, for the time being, the amendment."

Republicans Vote for Franchise.

"Thirty-one per cent of the Democrats voted for the Mondell resolution. Seventy per cent of the Republicans voted for it. Out of a total of 282 Democratic members 170 voted against the amendment. In short, the defeat of the measure was due to the overwhelming majority of the Democratic party."

Congress were overwhelmingly Republican and if a Republican Administration were in the saddle would you win your fight? It is safe to assume that you would. The point is, I think, apparent. You women are going to co-operate in an Oregon house-cleaning week in May. Why not undertake a National house-cleaning in November, 1916?"

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The "wear and tear" which boys give their clothes is, after all, the true test of their economy. A poorly made suit of a good fabric or a well made suit of a poor fabric fail to satisfy. We have found the ideal combination of good fabric and superlative tailoring plus an element of style which has no equal.

See our fine lines of Boys' Norfolk Suits in new Spring patterns, priced from \$4.95 upwards. —Second Floor

Saturday Only! A big lot of Boys' Felt Hats in gray, green, brown and black, sizes 6 1/2 to 7. Regularly priced from \$1.50 to \$3.00 Saturday only, 50¢



Saturday Only! Boys' famous K & E brand in a full range of sizes from 7 to 16 years. Regularly priced \$1 each, Saturday only 50¢

BEN SELLING

Morrison at Fourth

PRESS CLUB JINKS NEAR

NEWSMEN AGAIN TO HAVE FROLIC AND STARS ARE TO SING.

St. Patrick's Day to Be Occasion for Bigger Programme, Headlined by Mrs. E. M. Hogan.

The Portland Press Club is to have another of those jinks for which the newspaper men have made themselves famous.

Jolly old St. Patrick has been chosen this time as the particular personage to be honored and the affair will be held in the Press Club rooms in the Elks' building next Wednesday, St. Patrick's day, March 17.

Everyone is expected to wear a vivid green tie and smoking a viciously-odorous clay pipe will rather be encouraged. The affair will be of a "stagn" nature so far as the newspaper men and their guests are concerned, although, of course, for the stars who will appear it is quite another matter.

Chairman Frank McGettigan called the entertainment committee together last night and outlined preliminary plans.

"There's one act we must have," remarked "Jimmy" McCoal, who keeps unwelcome visitors away from Commissioner Daily.

"I know a great one, too," spoke up Clark Williams.

"But I've got a big one up my sleeve," insisted "Charlie" Myers.

They got together. The common secret was Mrs. E. M. Hogan, the hit of the week's show at the Orpheum and the delight of the Press Club men.

Someone hustled to a telephone. "Yes, Mrs. Hogan would consent to tell tales, sing 'Tipperary' and all those other songs."

Miss Letha McBride has promised to lend her services, but then she is the "pet of the Press Club," and that is to be expected. Miss McBride will play and accompany other acts.

Other acts are now being arranged

REMOVED OFFICIAL TO SUE

W. F. Arant Will Seek Reinstatement at National Park With Back Pay.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., March 12.—(Special.)—About two years ago while W. Frank Arant, of this city, was superintendent of Crater Lake National Park, he was requested by the Secretary of the Interior to resign in favor of Will G. Steel. Mr. Arant, asserting he held office under the classified civil service, refused to resign, as no charges had been filed against him.

The matter was then presented to the Civil Service Commission and they ruled in Mr. Arant's favor.

However, Attorney-General McReynolds held differently, and Mr. Arant was removed from office by a United States Marshal. Since then Mr. Arant's attorneys have been busy in the matter, and it is said suit will be filed soon in the United States Court of Claims for Mr. Arant's reinstatement and for back pay.

'HOBO KING' GETS \$250,000

James Eads How Inherits Part of Mother's Fortune.

LOS ANGELES, March 12.—James Eads How, "millionaire hobo king," inherited property here today worth \$125,000 and the income from a trust fund of equal size. The bequest is the will of his mother, Mrs. Eliza A. How, filed here today, dividing her estate between her sons, James and Louis. A "hobo," according to How, is a man who wants to work and cannot get it.

Cathlamet to Clean Up Today.

CATHLAMET, Wash., March 12.—(Special.)—Mayor Gorman has declared

March 13 as cleanup day here. The idea was suggested by Leonard Boylan, the youngest member of the Columbian Literary Society, who recently read a paper on the subject before the society.

Emblem for Fair Made of Stamps. CENTRALIA, Wash., March 12.—(Special.)—Mrs. Sarah Erickson, of Grand Mount, today sent to the San Francisco Fair an American eagle and shield, made of cancelled postage stamps. The emblem is three feet by two feet and is the result of nearly a year's work.

Advertisement for SLOAN'S LINIMENT. The Great Antiseptic. Good for cuts, sores, sore throat, bruises, swellings, scratches and bites of animals. Buy a bottle to-day. At all Dealers. Price 25c., 50c. & \$1.00. Dr. Earl S. Sloan, Inc., Phila. & St. Louis.

Advertisement for Rock Island. We Have Been to the Expositions at San Francisco and San Diego, and are in position to give the public reliable and helpful information.

Advertisement for Omega Oil. FOR Swellings & Inflammation. Rub Omega Oil gently over the place that hurts. Then soak a piece of flannel with the Oil, lay it on the painful part and cover with a piece of dry flannel. This simple treatment usually gives quick relief. Trial bottle 10c.

Advertisement for Castoria. 900 DROPS. CASTORIA. A Vegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food and Regulating the Stomach and Bowels of INFANTS & CHILDREN. Promotes Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral. NOT NARCOTIC. Recipe of Old Dr. J. C. WATKINS. THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK.

Advertisement for Fletcher's Castoria. Children Cry For Fletcher's CASTORIA. Extracts from Letters by Grateful Parents to Chas. H. Fletcher. Mr. John W. Derrick, of Lexington, S. C., says: "My children cry for Castoria, I could not do without it." Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gaines, of Ripley, Tenn., say: "We enclose our baby's picture hoping it will induce some poor tired mothers to give your Castoria a trial. We have used it since baby was two weeks old." Mrs. J. G. Parman, of Nashville, Tenn., says: "The perfect health of my baby is due to your Castoria—the first and only medicine he has taken. He is never satisfied with one dose, he always cries for more." Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Johnson, of Stevens Point, Wis., say: "When our baby was two weeks old he cried so much we did everything for him, then got some Castoria and he is now strong and fat. We would not be without it, and are very thankful to you."

Advertisement for Parker's Hair Balm. PARKER'S HAIR BALM. A Satisfying Preparation of Sulfur, Borax and Perfuming Oils. For Restoring Color and Beauty to Gray or Faded Hair. 25c. and \$1.00 at Drugstores.