

GEN. OTIS VICTIM OF HEART DISEASE

Noted Editor of Los Angeles Times Dies Suddenly at Age of 80.

END COMES WHILE ALONE

Publisher, Stricken After Being Served Breakfast in Room, Tells Maid, "I Am Gone"—Business Attended to Until Death.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 30.—General Harrison Gray Otis, noted newspaper publisher and editor of the Los Angeles Times, died suddenly this morning at the age of 80. Death came quickly and unexpectedly at the home of Harry Chandler, son-in-law and business associate, just after General Otis had concluded his breakfast, which he had taken in bed. It was ascribed to a rupture of the heart.

Though 80 years old, and warned, it became known today, by a slight attack of heart trouble a week ago, General Otis was active to the last. He was out for a few days ago to the Southern California Association of Companions of the Military Order of the Royal Legion of the United States, of which he was president. He was at his desk in the Times office nearly every day during the last few weeks. He took a long automobile ride yesterday with Mr. Chandler, and at midnight last night he sent a message, written in his own hand, to the foreman of the composing-room at the Times office, suggesting a change in the make-up of the paper. Until his breakfast was brought to him he had passed the morning reading the paper.

The maid who had served him was the only person present, when apparently he felt the end coming.

"Take the tray away; I am gone," he said, and before either Mr. or Mrs. Chandler could be summoned from another part of the house he was dead.

The funeral will be held here Wednesday.

The quick, quiet death, it was said by friends, was as the General had wished it to be.

In addition to his son-in-law, who is assistant general manager and treasurer of the Times, General Otis is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Chandler and Mrs. Franklin Booth, of Los Angeles, and 13 grandchildren.

General Otis was a member of military, patriotic and civic societies in Los Angeles, among them the American Academy of Sciences.

Last Christmas he gave his home in Los Angeles for an art gallery for the public, to be maintained under supervision of the county.

Times Controlled Since 1856. He was a veteran of both the Civil and Spanish-American wars. He had held Government positions at different times, being foreman of the Government printing office at Washington from 1869 to 1870.

His first venture as a newspaper publisher was in Marietta, O., where he acquired a small plant in 1856. Later he came to California, where he became editor and publisher of the Santa Barbara Press in 1875.

He acquired a fourth interest in the Los Angeles Times in 1882 and four years later organized the Times-Mirror Company, of which he became president and general manager. He was a member of the Associated Press.

GENERAL OF MILITARY STOCK Late Publisher Veteran of Civil and Spanish American Wars.

General Harrison Gray Otis, himself a veteran of two wars, came of a long line of military and statesmanship ancestry. His grandfather was a soldier of note in the Revolutionary War and the Otis stock produced James Otis, Revolutionary patriot and orator, and the first Harrison Gray Otis, once noted as a Senator from Massachusetts.

General Otis was 80 years old, his birth having occurred on a Washington County, Ohio, farm, February 10, 1837.

More than five years of General Otis' life was spent as a volunteer soldier of the United States. In 1861, at the age of 24, he enlisted in the Twelfth Ohio

PROMINENT LOS ANGELES NEWSPAPER PUBLISHER WHO, AT AGE OF 80, PASSED AWAY AFTER EATING BREAKFAST.



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Volunteers; was promoted through all grades to a Captain in 1864. In that year a consolidation of regiments placed him in the Twenty-third Ohio Veteran Volunteers, his Colonel and Captain being, respectively, Rutherford B. Hayes and William McKinley. Altogether Otis saw 45 months of actual service in the Civil War, was twice wounded and received seven promotions, including two brevets, retiring with the title of Major and Lieutenant-Colonel, by brevet.

With the outbreak of the Spanish-American War, in 1898, Major Otis, at the age of 61, volunteered his services to President McKinley and was made a Brigadier-General of volunteers. He was assigned to the campaign for the capture of the Philippine capital, Manila, and then to the Philippines, where, at different times, he commanded various divisions of the Eighth Army Corps in the campaign for the pacification of the native revolt. He led a brigade in person in the assault on Calococan and participated in the capture of the Spanish capital, Cebu. He resigned his command in April, 1899, returning to the United States. Upon his discharge he was brevetted Major-General for "meritorious conduct in action."

Following the Civil War Captain Otis returned to the trade of printer, for which he had abandoned school at an early age, acquiring finally, in 1882, a fourth interest in the Los Angeles Times. Previously he had served for four years as foreman of the Government Printing Office at Washington.

Quite early in his career as editor and publisher of the Times, General Otis secured full control. General Otis came into conflict with organized labor and thereafter until the day of his death he waged an unrelenting warfare for what he termed industrial freedom.

On October 10, 1910, his building and printing plant was dynamited and 25 of his men were killed. The arrests and trials which followed were matters of National-wide interest.

General Otis acquired a large fortune, his interests aside from publishing being extensive. In politics his paper ever reflected the attitude of its editor as an uncompromising Republican.

General Otis' connection with that party dating back to 1860, when he was sent from Kentucky as a delegate to the convention at Chicago, which nominated Lincoln for the Presidency.

Aside from those mentioned General Otis held numerous Governmental positions at different periods of his life. He was prominent in the Grand Army of the Republic and numerous other patriotic orders and societies of the American Academy of Sciences.

The bride of General Otis' young manhood, Mrs. Eliza Wesley, was his constant associate in journalism and literature until her death in 1904. Of the five children born to them two daughters survive.

French General-in-Chief Is Growing Own Vegetables.

PARIS, July 30.—(By mail).—The General-in-Chief of the French army is becoming the first gardener of France. He is raising, under his own supervision, enough vegetables to supply the entire general staff.

When General Petain arrived at the simple villa now serving as general headquarters he found spacious lawns and flower gardens. He obtained permission from the proprietor to dig them up. Roses and other climbing plants have been replaced by beans, peas, cabbage, tomatoes and potatoes.

The General is out at daylight every morning inspecting his crops and directing the work of soldiers who occupy their leisure by duty weeding and cultivating the garden.

These men were all picked for their vegetable gardening experience, but General Petain is often able to give them good hints as to how to grow vegetables.

TROOP RIOT TO BE PROBED Negro Soldiers at Waco, Tex., May Be Tried by Court-Martial.

WACO, Tex., July 30.—Steps were instituted by Army officers today for a general investigation of the clashes last night between police officers and negro troops of the Twenty-fourth United States Infantry.

With the taking into custody by military officers of the negroes who took part in the riots last night, quiet prevails in Waco tonight.

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Eligible Men Not Registered Are Being Rounded Up and Will Receive First Numbers Made Available by Exemptions.

WASHINGTON, July 30.—Prompt and efficient work by district exemption boards is expected by Government officials as a result of stripping all red tape from the procedure of the tribunals.

President Wilson's executive order outlining the principles to govern exemptions, coupled with instructions to the boards from Provost Marshal-General Crowder, are regarded here as setting in motion the last phase of the selection process with a momentum that insures a minimum of confusion and delay.

The object of instructions is to increase the size of registration reservoirs from which the 67,000 men of the first call are to be drawn. Thousands of men failed to register, it has been found, for one cause or another.

Through the District Attorneys, the Department of Justice is rounding up these men and numbers will be assigned which will insure their being called up for examination at an early date. They will receive the serial numbers of men near the top of the list already permanently discharged for physical reasons.

The first reports of the local boards on physical examination are beginning to appear. As yet, however, they are not complete enough to make any logical deduction as to the probable average rejection for this season.

The draft statistics of the Civil War, which showed between 25 and 30 per cent rejected on this ground, still are the best guide on the question. Such figures as have come from the local boards are in general harmony with the old averages.

The average of rejections on physical grounds in regular Army recruiting has been far higher, but conditions are entirely different with the selective draft forces.

In many districts where examinations are proceeding large numbers of men have asked for affidavits blank on which to submit applications for exemption because of dependent families. This is no criterion of the exemptions to be granted, however, as each case must be considered on its merits.

MICHAELIS VISITS VIENNA

Appointment of Ministers Expected on Return.

BERLIN, July 28, via London, July 30.—Official announcement of the appointment of new men to Prussian ministerial positions is not expected to be made before Chancellor Michaelis

returns from official visits to Vienna and Dresden and Munich the latter part of next week.

Herr Michaelis has been in active communication with leading party members of the Prussian lower house and the selection of men who are to assist him in carrying out electoral reforms has been agreed upon, appointment merely awaiting the Emperor's approval.

Junction Autos Collide.

JUNCTION CITY, Or., July 30.—(Special).—Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Cooley, occupants of a touring car standing in front of a store, enjoyed a ride of 20 feet when another car, driven by William Pitney, crashed into them.

Kornloff Executes Deserters.

LONDON, July 30.—The correspondent of the Times at Russian southwest headquarters says General Kornloff is executing deserters by wholesale.

"Bad weather today prevented much work. Our ace, Adjutant Raoul Lufbery, in a fight yesterday fired 100 shots at a German machine, which fell and disappeared amid the thick clouds. The machine undoubtedly was disabled, but the cloudy sky prevented Lufbery from marking the spot where it disappeared."

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TONIGHT'S DANCE NIGHT

AMBULANCE FUND WORKERS TO HAVE 14 HALLS.

One Hundred Per Cent of Proceeds Will Go to Purchase of First Aid Machine for Third Oregon.

Public dances, chaperoned by a number of representative women, will be held tonight in 14 dancehalls of Portland, the proceeds to go to the Third Oregon Ambulance fund.

The money received will be used for the ambulance fund. Several fraternal organizations and clubs are in general charge. Each hall will be in charge of a particular committee or division of the workers and the patronesses who have accepted will be at the halls. At the Council Crest Hall alone plans were being made for entertaining several thousand dancers during the evening.

Dances will be held in the following: Firemen's Pavilion, Tremont Station; Grebel's Hall, East Eightieth and Stark; Artisans' Temple, Newcastle, on St. Johns carline; Moose Hall, Royal building, Broadway and Morrison; Modern Woodmen of America Hall, Eleventh and Burnside; Women of Woodcraft hall, Tenth and Taylor; Woodmen of the World Hall, Eleventh and Alder; Christian's Hall, Fourteenth and Washington; Christensen's Hall, Eleventh and Morrison; Ibernia Hall, Russell and Rodney; Neighborhood House, Second and Wood; Rose City Park club-house, and Bohemian Hall, East Fourteenth street and Duke avenue. At Christensen's Hall United Artisans' Advance Assembly will be in charge, and the patronesses there will be Mrs. C. L. Read, Mrs. J. B. Kepper, Mrs. E. J. Steele, Mrs. J. E. Newcastle, Mrs. H. L. Lee, Mrs. M. E. Sims, Mrs. Otto Roehrer, Mrs. J. L. May, Mrs. G. E. Humphrey, Mrs. R. D. Inman, Mrs. E. A. Ingham, Mrs. J. B. Gentry and Mrs. H. A. Nelson.

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