

DEATH DIARY LEFT BY DRUGGED DOCTOR

Suicide Notes Sensations as End of Life Nears.

WIFE'S GRIEF PICTURED

Only Regret Declared Caused by Thoughts of Feelings of Beloved Family.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.) MILWAUKEE, Wis., Aug. 1.—After taking poison enough to kill him, Dr. A. J. Merscham wrote a diary of his last hours, reaffirming that he believed that nothing followed death, speculated as to why, when consciousness was slipping pleasantly away he hesitated to take another draught, because it tasted nasty, smoked a cigar, and with his eyes on the moving hands of his watch welcomed death.

The doctor, linguist and philosopher, died last night. The diary became public today. Here it is: "Personally, I have been kept so busy on this last day in the effort to straighten out matters without overlooking anything that no time is left for petty thoughts. Besides, many clients interrupted me, keeping me from meditation. I nevertheless wound all up, and at 5:40 P. M. took 12 one-half grains of poison, which will be sufficient a quantity, but which works slowly. Now, at 6 P. M., I feel somewhat drowsy, but far away from eternal sleep. I intend to follow the first poison up by a draught of another drug, the deadliest of all poisons, but am putting it off until the narcotic effects will be more marked and my extreme reluctance to swallow the nasty stuff be overcome.

Delay Is Caused. "Is it not foolish for a man determined to die without one hour to rather wait than partake of an unpleasant drink? Two seconds would finish it all right away, still I am musing and add more time to my life which, in fact, is already ended. The narcotic has put me in a condition of absolute mental painlessness. I am not attempting to review my past life, and do not try to look into the future, as I believe that death is the end, and that there is no hereafter. My thoughts are with my beloved wife, whose love and devotion has rendered me infinitely happy for many years, and with my two grandchildren, who unconsciously brought sunshine to me.

But, although I deeply regret the grief my voluntary parting from life for a time must bring on my loved ones, ill health and late reverses make my step desirable. "I did not know that I have taken sufficient poison to warrant result. I could not notice it from my condition; aside from fluttering heart action and contracted eye pupils and moderate drowsiness I feel no effects. Still I cannot make up my mind to swallow the deadly poison and have a cigar awaiting, further increase of drowsiness, and hope to be soon able to coax me into the inevitable.

Resurrection Kept Up. "I feel my heart here still beating, to take this poison. My thoughts become blurred from the drug and a sensation of supreme solitude reigns in me. If it were not for my beloved wife, who just telephoned, I would go on waiting, but I am afraid of too long a delay because a lapsing into unconsciousness might result in being saved by medical assistance. Ten minutes more and then the end.

"I am in no pain, but kept in suspense, just pleasantly and curiously watching developments. Queer enough my only wish is I had an additional handkerchief so I could wipe the surplus perspiration. It being close and my skin clammy from the drug effects.

"DR. A. J. M." Then death arrived.

STATE TO HEAR OF FAIR

(Continued From First Page.) News Men are expected to join gladly in the enterprise as soon as fully apprised of the plans. The state fair board will be invited to send a car or two.

The mayor's estimate yesterday was that not less than 25 to 30 cars will be in the enterprise on the caravan pusher out from Portland on Monday, August 14. Time schedule of the itinerary will be announced later.

Route Is Outlined. The route has been outlined, however, and was given out yesterday as passing progressively through the following places: Salem, Albany, Corvallis, Eugene, Roseburg, Grants Pass, Medford, Ashland, Klamath Falls, Crater Lake, Bend, Prineville, Pendleton, Echo, Stanfield, Hermiston, Arlington, Moro, Wasco, The Dalles, Heister, Hood River, Gorge Hotel, Cascade Locks.

The point was particularly emphasized in connection with this routing that, while it will be impossible at this time to visit eastern portions of the state, they will be visited in some what similar manner later. The itinerary gives only the names of the larger towns to be visited. Stops will be made at all intervening towns, villages and hamlets through which the exposition boosters travel.

Plans to Be Explained. According to the committee's plans the party will not be a speaking or entertaining outfit, as was planned rather as one that will greet citizens of the state, assure them that the fair will be held, and give them all available information on the subject. There will be explanation, for instance, of the initiative measure under which Portland is once more to get a chance to make a special levy to raise \$2,000,000 to help finance the fair. This time Portland plans such a levy without making it at all contingent upon the raising of funds by the state at large. All that is asked of the voters at large is that they favor the initiative measure under which Portland will be given this opportunity.

Speakers to Be Furnished. If any of the towns to be visited arrange special meetings, the caravanists will be glad to play the part of guests. At such meetings speakers will be provided to give the message of the party. Entertainment of the caravan in this way is not asked, Mayor Baker made plain, nor is it

DISINHERITED SON OF MULTI-MILLIONAIRE TO START WORK AS RAILROAD STRIKEBREAKER.



ALFRED V. DUPONT.

Alfred Victor DuPont, the disinherited son of Alfred I. DuPont, one of the 40 richest men in the United States, it is said, has been considering a job as a strikebreaker in the local shops of the Pennsylvania Railroad company at Wilmington, Del., where he was spending the vacation season at his mother's home. Young DuPont is about 22 years old.

generally expected. Such hostilities may be extended entirely at the discretion of the citizens and business men. In commenting on the caravan plans, Mayor Baker said: "It is a fact that Philadelphia is still doubtful about holding its 1924 exposition. There is no longer any doubt about our holding the 1925 exposition in Oregon. Some people may think so, but there is one time is at hand for the opening gun—for everyone to be convinced that the exposition is an assured fact.

Expense Fund Sought. "Our finance committee, under chairmanship of Emory Olmstead, is at present engaged in obtaining funds for preliminary expenses. This committee is meeting with a wonderful response. There is no question about the attitude of business men both here and elsewhere in the state on the fair question. They want the fair, and it will be held."

Early in September it is planned to mention the work of the caravan committee, with members from all over the state, whose duty it will be to point out advantages and benefits accruing from such an exposition. A follow-up campaign of information will be formulated, supplementing the work of the caravan. This way it is proposed to carry the message of the fair particularly to parts of the state which it is impossible for the caravan to visit.

IRRIGATORS BUY BONDS

Residents of Eagle Point District Show Faith in Paper.

MEADOWS, Or., Aug. 1.—(Special.)—According to an announcement today by a representative of the G. E. Miller company, bond house of Portland, residents of the Eagle Point irrigation district are the first to buy their own bonds, \$50,000 of the \$400,000 district issue having been subscribed through the Butte Falls bank yesterday.

While others awaited the formal offering of these bonds, the people of Eagle Point and Butte Falls got busy. They have faith in themselves and faith in their lands. Yesterday a banker came to Medford and closed the deal. He bought also for his personal account.

The Oregonian publishes practically all of the want ads printed in the other three Portland papers, in addition to thousands of exclusive advertisements not printed in any other local paper.

S. & L. green stamps for cash. Holman Fuel Co., coal and wood. Broadway 6153; 566-21.—Adv.

Summer prices on coal. Phone Diamond Coal Co., Bldg. 2027.—Adv.

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OBCENCHAIN JURORS FINALLY DISMISSED

Vote Reported 8-4 and 9-3 for Acquittal.

DEADLOCK IS 97 HOURS

Leader of Defense Forces Declares Foreman Refused Full Discussion of Evidence.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Aug. 1.—The jury in the second trial of Mrs. Madalynne Obchain for the murder of J. Bolton Kennedy reported today to Judge John W. Shenk that it was unable to agree upon a verdict and was discharged.

The jury on its final ballot showed a majority for acquittal. One juror later said the vote was 4 to 4, while another gave it as 3 to 3. Two members protested against being discharged when Judge Shenk called them into the courtroom. James M. Rhoades, president of the Glendale chamber of commerce, who is the defense forces in the jury room, and another juror rose to protest, but the judge refused to hear them.

July Out 97 Hours. "I am convinced that no useful purpose can be served by keeping you in session any longer," he declared. He referred to the fact that they had been out 97 hours and said he believed that if a conscientious verdict could not be reached in that time it never would be. The jurors were thanked and discharged from further service. Seven women and five men comprised the jury.

When Paddock left the courtroom he walked up to J. D. Kennedy, father of the slain man, and said: "I am glad to meet you, Mr. Kennedy, and would like to have a talk with you some time about this case." "Suppose we go to the district attorney's office and talk now," replied Kennedy. Paddock agreed, and the men walked off together.

Judge Sets Case on Calendar. Meanwhile Judge Shenk had put the case on his calendar for next Friday morning for resetting. Representatives of the district attorney's office and the defense met to state whether there would be another trial.

City Engineer Removed Mayor of Seattle Takes Summary Action Failing Resignation.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 1.—Failing to receive the resignation of Arthur H. Dimock, city engineer, Edwin J. Brown, mayor, has filed with the council an order formally removing him.

The council has confirmed James B. Blackwell as Mr. Dimock's successor.

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FUGITIVE MAY LOSE LEG

Alleged Liquor Runner Shot by Federal Official.

BAKER, Or., Aug. 1.—(Special.)—Felled by a bullet in his leg from the gun of a federal prohibition officer when he attempted to escape last night, a man giving his name as T. H. Wilson and his home as Walla Walla, Wash., probably will lose the member by amputation, the attending physician at St. Elizabeth's hospital said today.

A car driven by the wounded man containing 1108 quarts of brandy and whiskey was seized by the local officers.

Wilson was captured after he leaped from his machine on Main street in a chase by the federal officer, in which three shots were fired, one taking effect.

Ward's Big August Clearing Sale

Beginning Wednesday, This Sale Offers STUPENDOUS SAVINGS

THE REASON The season's end sale of all merchandise that will not be listed in our new fall catalogue, an enthusiastic offering from every department in this great store. It's a gigantic clearance that represents the utmost in savings for those that participate in it—savings that will be appreciated by the extra value of your dollar at Wards. Quantities limited on some articles.

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Substantial Savings Offered in Cotton, Wool and Silk Fabrics—Save! All-Silk Crepe de Chine 98c Yd. Navy Blanket \$4.95. Cotton Crash 11c Yd. Plain Voiles 39c Yd. Fancy Voiles 59c Yd. Cretonnes 27c Yd. Terry Cloth 78c Yd. Dotted Swiss 39c Yd. Colored Dimity 39c Yd. Wool Taffeta \$1.29 Yd. All-Wool Plaids \$2.98 Yd.

Bigger Values in All-Wool Bathing Suits. Men's \$1.98, Misses' \$2.19, Women's \$2.65. Rubber Bathing Caps 25c. Women's Cotton Bathing Suit \$1.43. Men's Cotton and Wool Bathing Suit \$1.49.

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