

Wastrel Dies By Suicide

Palm Beach, Fla., Dec. 21 (AP)—The life of Byron D. Chandler, made glittering in his days as Broadway's "million dollar kid," ended here yesterday. A justice of the peace said it was suicide.

The body of the 62-year-old man who squandered two million dollars along a primrose path in a spendthrift career that began in the early 1900's was found yesterday floating in Lake Worth. There was a bullet wound in the chest.

Justice of the Peace T. H. Rickards, who said Chandler had shot himself, deemed an inquest unnecessary. Police Chief L. O. Ecklund said the shooting apparently took place on a dock at Chandler's Palm Beach estate, and the body fell into the water. A newsboy discovered it.

Chandler was said to have been despondent because of ill health and a conviction at Miami last year on a charge of sending a lewd letter through the mails. He was fined \$1,000 and given a suspended sentence of a year and a day.

Chandler was married four times, each wife an actress and each marriage ending in divorce. He was born at Nashua, N.H., in 1879 of a banking family and inherited a million dollars from his father and another million from his grandfather. At 23, fresh from Harvard, with charming manner and feigning smile, he burst upon Broadway. His antics were spectacular.

Philip Chipman Dies in Car Wreck

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 21 (AP)—Philip Chipman, 37, former prominent attorney of Portland, Ore., and honor graduate of Harvard university and three other soldiers were killed in an automobile collision near here yesterday.

Chipman was an officer school student at nearby Camp Davis, as were Edmund L. Ladde, 28, also of Portland, Ore., and William A. Pommeroy, 22, Fort Thomas, Ky. All would have been graduated this month.

The fourth victim was technician, fourth grade, Norman Pakett, 26, of Hillsdale, N.J.

Two men and a woman were injured in the second car in the crash.

Pocatello Spots Out of Bounds

Pocatello, Idaho, Dec. 21 (AP)—Five eating and drinking places in Pocatello have been declared off limits for all military personnel of the Pocatello army air base.

While the official announcement gave no reason for the action, Chief of Police R. J. Roubidoux said it was his understanding the places concerned do not meet certain sanitary requirements of the army.

Similar action was taken recently at Boise.

Cougars Leave For New York

Pullman, Dec. 21 (AP)—Ten Washington State college players, accompanied by Coach Jack Friel and student manager, Elwood Shemwell, left yesterday for an 18-day eastern trip and a half dozen games with strong mid-west and east coast basketball teams.

The first game is Wednesday night against Creighton, at Omaha. The others are Temple, Philadelphia, Dec. 28; New York university, Madison Square Garden, December 30; Canisius, Buffalo, January 1; Wayne, Detroit, January 2; and Bradley Tech, Peoria, Ill., January 4.



Private Frank Gruneth and Private Robert Boehm purchasing Christmas seals from Miss Pat Fish at the USO center sold there to soldiers for use on their Christmas mail. Private Gruneth remarked, "I always use Christmas seals and this year will not be an exception." Seals are also available at the post office and in the lobby of the Ladd & Bush bank.

Mrs. George Pearce Passes at Home Here

Mrs. George J. Pearce, born in Salem May 6, 1859, died at her North Winter street home Saturday night. Her passing closed a career which had been actively identified with Salem's progress along commercial, religious, educational and cultural lines. Although quiet and unassuming she made her influence felt in numerous ways which have led to the city's permanent civic advance.

She was born Mary Ellen Riely, daughter of Adolphus J. Riely and Sarah Strong Riely (Small) long time Salem residents.

In her girlhood she became a compositor, probably the first of the women compositors in Oregon and was an early member of the typographical union. She worked on the old Salem Mercury, prominent among newspapers here in the early days, also was employed on the Statesman and for a considerable period worked in the E. M. Waite printing establishment which did the bulk of the general printing here for many years. Old time printers familiar with her work, including Sumpter Craig, veteran printer who survives her, all attested to her ability and capacity in that field.

She was married to George J. Pearce September 26, 1888. Mr. Pearce was owner and operator of a hardware and implement business in Salem situated at the present location of the Pearce building, Court and Commercial street. Mr. Pearce died in 1912 and the property remained in the family. Mrs. Pearce still owning the store where the Allen Hardware company is operated at the time of her death.

This building was virtually reconstructed into one of Salem's handsomest downtown business structures. Her interest in Salem's commercial welfare was attested further by the fact that for many years she was a member of the Chamber of Commerce.

Also throughout her life she was interested in the development of Willamette university and devoted much energy along that line as well as giving material assistance to the institution. She was the first woman chairman of the board of trustees of the First Presbyterian church and served with that body for 15 years. She also was a mem-

Laundries Are Held Essential

Portland, Ore., Dec. 21 (AP)—The regional war manpower commission today advised the laundry and dry cleaning industries of Oregon, Washington and Alaska that they were classified as essential to the war effort.

The announcement was made by Gen. H. G. Winsor, district WMC director.

Winsor said the industries' ever-increasing importance to maintaining civilian health standards plus heavy demand for laundry and dry cleaning service by the armed forces prompted the classification.

New Dean Elected For St. Stephen's

Portland, Dec. 21 (AP)—Rev. M. Guilbert, now vicar of St. James mission, Coquille, and other Coos and Curry county missions of the diocese of Oregon, has been elected dean of St. Stephen's Episcopal cathedral, it was announced here Saturday.

Rev. Mr. Guilbert has accepted the position and will assume his duties in mid-January.

The new dean is 34. He was advanced to the priesthood at Trinity church, Portland, in January, 1937. A month later, he went to Trinity church, Ashland, where he remained until February, 1940, when he assumed his present position.

Ross Voted Neil Memorial Trophy

New York, Dec. 21 (AP)—Barney Ross, who won three world championships in the ring but now does his fighting in far-off Guadalcanal as a corporal in the United States marines, is the winner of the Edward J. Neil memorial trophy as boxing's "man of the year."

Although he hasn't pulled on the padded gloves in many months, the little Chicagoan was the unanimous choice of members of the New York Boxing Writers association to receive the award given each year in memory of the former Associated Press sports writer who was killed in 1938 while serving as a war correspondent in Spain.

The writers considered no other candidate than Corporal Barney, who only last month stood off a detachment of Japs and protected three wounded comrades all night until help arrived the next day.

Ross, wounded and suffering from shock and fever, refused to be evacuated when his marine unit was ordered to the rear after being isolated in dangerously located underbrush.

Instead, he stood guard over his wounded pals in a fox hole exposed to a hidden machine gun nest. He fired more than 450 rounds of ammunition, pitched hand grenades and prayed. He killed at least seven Japs and his rescuers said he probably got ten more.

Webroots Play Ramblers Again

Portland, Dec. 21 (AP)—The University of Oregon basketball team will play a return game with the Vancouver Ramblers here tonight.

The Ramblers previously defeated Oregon at Eugene, 55-37. It will be the final Portland appearance of the season for the Ducks.

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