

FORMER ARMY LEADER DIES IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Feb. 20, (U.P.)—Brigadier-General William E. Mitchell, retired, former chief of the army air corps, died at his home in New York City, Wednesday, after a long illness.

He was 56. The wartime commander of the army's aviation forces had been suffering from influenza complicated by a heart condition which his physician, Dr. Adrian Van S. Lambert, attributed to overwork.

Death Sudden—It was believed that his condition was improving but a turn for the worse developed this afternoon. A few hours later he died.

At the hospital, his death was described as "sudden."

It occurred at 4:45 p. m. Mitchell was admitted to the hospital on January 28.

Surviving are his widow, the former Elizabeth Trumbull Mitchell, of Grosse Pointe, Mich., whom he married in 1923, and two children, Lucy Trumbull and William.

Mitchell and Butler—Mitchell shared the field with General Smedley D. Butler as the most outspoken army officers of the last two decades.

It was his insistence on talking "straight from the shoulder" that led to his retirement from a distinguished army career, which, unlike that of most of his fellow officers, did not begin at West Point.

Most of Mitchell's criticism was directed against army administration. In February, 1925, he bluntly charged the war department was "quite incapable of creating, handling or administering air power in an efficient manner."

Coolidge Orders Inquiry—President Coolidge appointed a special board to investigate the charges as well as to determine the efficiency of a unified air service.

Mitchell



Brigadier-General William E. Mitchell, wartime hero as leader of the army air corps, died late Wednesday at a New York hospital. He gained particular prominence in the mid-1920s for his sharp criticism of the air corps system, which led eventually to his court-martial and suspension.

After 10 months the board denied the charges and dismissed the idea of an independent air corps.

Then came the disaster to the dirigible Shenandoah and a near tragedy to a naval plane attempting a flight to Hawaii. Mitchell believed that "these accidents are the direct result of incompetency, criminal negligence and almost treasonable administration of the national defense by the war and navy boards."

Court-martialed—Less than two months later, on October 20, 1925, the secretary of war ordered a court-martial to try Mitchell for "violation of the 5th article of war, which prohibits conduct prejudicial to good order and military discipline."

He was found guilty, sentenced to immediate suspension from his rank with forfeiture of all pay and allowances for five years. President Coolidge upheld the suspension but restored part of his pay and allowance.

Mitchell resigned the following day. He retired to obscurity as a gentleman farmer, but his interest in aviation never waned.

FEB. 20 IMPORTANT DATE FOR WILSONS

February 20 is a landmark day to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur R. Wilson, for on February 20, 1911, they arrived in Klamath Falls—just 25 years ago today. They came here from Pueblo, Colorado, both just getting started after college. Mr. Wilson having graduated four years before from the University of Nebraska and Mrs. Wilson in the same year from the University of Colorado.

Shortly after arriving here, they purchased the City and County Abstract company, which Mr. Wilson has operated ever since. The name, however, has been changed to Wilson Title & Abstract company.

Mr. Wilson was a bridge engineer in Pueblo when he heard of Klamath Falls as a promising young city, and he and Mrs. Wilson decided to take a plunge into what to them seemed the far west. He says they have never regretted the step.

Mr. Wilson served as mayor of Klamath Falls in the early twenties.

Attorneys Seek To Retain Gold For Foreigner

NEW YORK, Feb. 20, (U.P.)—Attorneys for Zelyk Josefowicz, mysterious Lithuanian money broker, moved swiftly Wednesday to force the federal government to return their client's hoard of gold coins valued at \$238,000, seized by secret service men.

Federal Judge Robert Patterson granted their petition for an order directing the treasury department to show cause why the search warrant under which the gold was seized from a safe deposit box should not be set aside.

The lawyers argued that Josefowicz had been a citizen of Lithuania—early reports indicated he was a Swiss—since before March, 1930, has never been a citizen of the United States, and therefore not subject to jurisdiction.

They further set forth that the gold embargo executive order of August 28, 1935, did not apply to Josefowicz and that his possession of the gold at all times was legal.

This contention was disputed by acting United States Attorney Lamart Hardy, who argued that the embargo made no distinction between aliens and citizens.

According to Captain William H. Houghton, secret service chief here, it had been planned to transfer the gold to Canada and then to Switzerland where Josefowicz could have realized \$238,000 on the basis of the present rate of exchange.

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Heads Ball



R. D. Eller, prominent Hillah Shriner, who will head the potentate's ball here Saturday night.

George Hillah of Klamath Falls, newly elected potentate of Hillah Temple, will be honored next Saturday evening, February 22, when Shriners will gather at Klamath Falls for the annual potentate's ball.

The brilliant event, one of the outstanding social events of the season in southern Oregon, will be held at the Hotel Willard and the program will be replete with dancing, special entertainment and refreshments.

R. D. Eller, prominent Hillah Shriner and resident of Klamath Falls, heads the many committees arranging the details of the colorful ball.

The annual Potentate's ball this month will mark the opening of a busy Shrine year in southern Oregon. A ceremonial that promises to set a new record for the southern Oregon temple, will be held later this spring at Klamath Falls, followed by Hillah's participation in the national Imperial Session in Seattle next July.

Under the leadership of Potentate Hillah, members of Hillah Temple throughout southern Oregon are preparing for a full program of activities for the 1936 season.

Among the features of the Potentate's ball Saturday evening will be a concert by Hillah Temple's band. Cards will be enjoyed by those who do not dance, according to Chairman Eller.

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RECKLESS DRIVING TOPIC AT MERRILL

MERRILL, Ore.—In accordance with the nation-wide campaign against reckless driving, with its consequent toll of deaths, a reel of moving pictures on the topic will be presented by an automobile insurance company under the auspices of the Merrill grange, in the Odd Fellows' hall, Monday night, February 24, preceding the regular grange session.

The program is expected to last one-half hour, beginning at 7:30, and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Head offices of the insurance company are in Los Angeles, and all granges west of the Mississippi are having an opportunity to use the films. Local offices of the company are located in Klamath Falls.

Men folks of the grange are scheduled to serve refreshments following the program and grange session.

Fort Klamath

FORT KLAMATH, Ore.—Twenty-eight members attended the regular monthly social meeting of Fort Klamath Grange held Tuesday evening in the C. I. club house, with worthy Master M. L. Ferguson in the chair.

During the business session preceding the social hour, Mr. and Mrs. William Herriek, former members, were reinstated as grange members. Third and fourth degrees of the order were conferred on Mrs. Oris Moon and Fred G. Brown, initiation conducted by Past Master George Denton, assisted by Master Ferguson and the lady assistant steward, Mrs. Hansford Williams.

At the conclusion of the business session, the following program was enjoyed: first, Hooligan race, won by Harold Wimer; second, cake walk, the team of which Theodore Nicholson was captain winning; third, pie-eating contest, in which Walter Monroe, Harold Wimer and George Denton participated, with Wimer winning by eating the most pie.

The last game on the program was much enjoyed, members being blindfolded and attempting to hit a bundle with a long stick. Hansford Williams being the only successful one in the contest. Prizes were given winners in the games.

At the conclusion of the program, a largest feast was enjoyed, short speeches being made by the new members, Mrs. Moon and Fred Brown. Ladies of the local grange were hostesses for the evening to the men, the program being arranged and refreshments served by them in return for last month's social meeting, when the men outdid themselves as hosts to the women.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Noah and daughter Helen, accompanied by Mrs. Charles Noah and Mrs. Frank Edwards, left Saturday evening for Brownsville, Ore., called by the illness of Patsy Noah, granddaughter of Mrs. Noah and Mrs. Edwards. Latest reports state that the little girl is recovering from her illness.

Mr. and Mrs. William Herriek, Mrs. Frances Smith and Mrs. Doris Smith were in Klamath Falls Saturday. Other local people going to the county seat the same day included Frank Edwards and Paul Read.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bennett are in Medford, where their daughter, Erna, is seriously ill in a hospital. The little girl has been suffering from sugar diabetes for some time now, and her condition is reported to be extremely critical at the present time.

Mesdames Guss Page and Clay Taylor were Klamath Falls visitors Tuesday.

Mesdames Eldon Brattain, Alfred B. Castel and Ray Taylor attended the theatre in Chiloquin Monday evening.

Laura, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ferguson, is ill at the home of her parents.

Adrian "Dad" Page is reported to be slowly improving, according to word just received in Fort Klamath. Page is confined to a Stockton hospital suffering from an aggravated foot condition, and will be there for at least three more weeks, it is reported.

Rev. Brady Will Conduct Mission

MERRILL, Ore.—Sunday morning, March 1, Rev. Thomas Brady Oregon diocesan missionary, will open a mission to continue for one week under auspices of the Holy Cross church of Merrill.

In order to accommodate large audiences, the meetings will be held in the community hall instead of at the church. The sessions will open with a 10 a. m. mass on Sunday and services will be held each evening at 8 o'clock.

The mission is held for the purpose of converting non-Catholics and those members of the church who have not been in regular communication with the church. Invitations are to be sent out and all are welcome to attend the meetings.

Klamath Agency

KLAMATH AGENCY, Ore.—Several men were employed putting up ice for next summer, during the past week. This year is not such a task as formerly, since many of the employees now have electric refrigerators.

The E. C. W. employees enjoyed a dance in the gymnasium here Friday evening. This is the second dance given for the E. C. W. An Indian orchestra furnished the music and very good times are had.

The first of a series of card parties was held in the mess building Saturday evening. The women are competing with the men for the largest score at the end of the series. Last Saturday the men won with Willard Angell high for men and Mrs. James Sowder high for women.

Mesdames Wade Crawford, Gay Kempff, Cecil Actison, Melvin Robertson and Pierce served last Saturday.

Dr. Roger, of Klamath Falls was a recent guest at the Agency, having dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Overton. Dr. Rogers was the government doctor here several years ago.

Bob Ward and Clyde James left last week for Arizona. Ward

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