

Elderly Man Dies Suddenly At Home In Ocean Springs

Adrian P. Mechain, 79 years old, a native of France and a resident of Ocean Springs for 42 years, was found dead of a heart ailment at his home near the entrance to Gulf Hills last Thursday at 3 p. m.

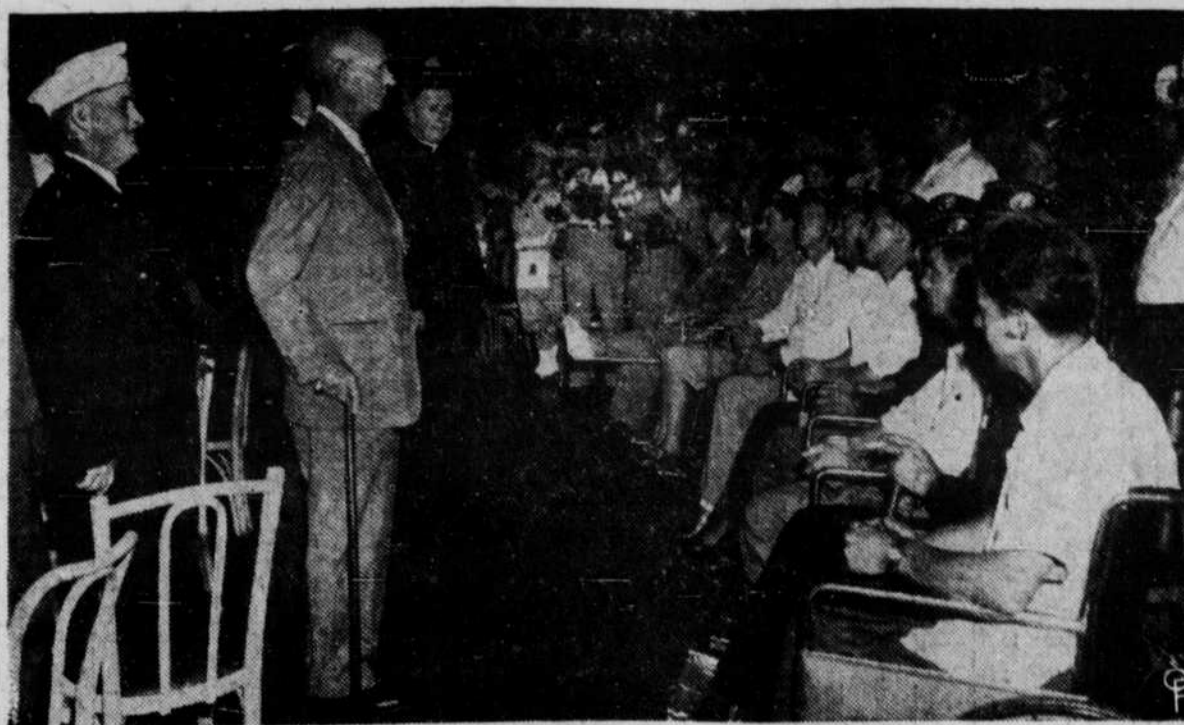
The body was discovered by M. D. Guice who had called by Mr. Mechain's home early that morning and found the elderly man not feeling well, he told the coroner's jury summoned by Coroner M. C. Porter. Mr. Guice said he returned in the afternoon and the coroner said when the body was discovered the man had been dead approximately five hours. The inquest verdict was death from natural causes.

Funeral services were conducted from the Bradford Funeral home in Biloxi with interment in Ocean Springs in Evergreen cemetery. He is survived by a step-daughter, Mrs. Charles Hoffman and a niece and two nephews of Ocean Springs.

Captain And Mrs. Ramsey Guests Of Dr. And Mrs. Gray

Interesting visitors in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Charles H. Gray this week have been Captain and Mrs. H. H. Ramsey and their son, Penn Ramsey, who have only lately returned to the states after a lengthy stay in Germany. Captain Ramsey has just been returned to civilian life after several years of service, the last one of which was spent in Europe. They will make their home in Plainview, Tex., where Captain Ramsey will be connected with the Southwestern Gas and Electric Company. The younger Mr. Ramsey will resume his collegiate studies at the opening of the fall term.

While here they were accorded a number of social courtesies by friends of Dr. and Mrs. Gray. Among these was a luncheon at Longfellow House. They also found time to visit Mrs. R. V. Stewart at Grand Bay before leaving for Atlanta where they are located at the present. They departed Thursday.



LEANING ON HIS CANE, Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright, hero of Corregidor and Bataan, addresses the Disabled American Veterans at their twenty-seventh annual convention in New York. The men in wheelchairs are vets from the Rego Park, N. Y., chapter. The General, who is representative of National Service Chapter 9 of Washington, is expected to be elected the new Commander of the Disabled Veterans. (International)

Barbecue And Program Entertain Lake Garden Club

A chicken barbecue and a humorous program were highlights of the evening's entertainment for about 40 members of the Lake Garden Club and their husbands at the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Gray Thursday evening.

The guests gathered in the patio at the Gray home where Dr. Gray, assisted by M. L. Hatten, barbecued the chickens which were served with other picnic food. Guests were Mrs. A. E. Burdick of Conway, Ark., daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Elchue Denton of Tunica, daughter of Mrs. C. A. Carrier.

Mrs. J. S. Abbey gave a reading; Mrs. P. J. Higginbotham conducted a singing contest as a woman newly arrived from New York, and Mrs. Charles Bush, dressed as an old fashioned school teacher, held a spelling bee from the old Blue Back Speller.

Nephew Of Mrs. Cole Dead In Double Memphis Drowning

Mrs. Joe N. Cole was called to Memphis Sunday by the tragic death of her six-year-old nephew, Joe Beall Lackey, who, with a five year old cousin and inseparable playmate, Billy Howard Lackey, was drowned Sunday morning.

The accident occurred when a jeep and trailer rolled into the Mississippi river while the father of Joe and a friend launched a

boat for fishing. Joe's father jumped into the jeep as it rolled into the water and was carried to the bottom of the river. Although he managed to touch a piece of cloth as he reached for the children he was unable to secure a hold. The mother of Billy, who was also in the jeep, was thrown into the river but was rescued.

The boy's body was brought to Lumberton, the mother's former home, for burial Thursday at 10 a. m. Going from Pascagoula for the funeral were Mr. Cole and his son and daughter, Joe and Emma Rea.



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Keeping Fire Out Of Woods Paid Big Dividends To This Timber Landowner

Living proof of the value of keeping fire out of the woods is a 125 acre tract of mixed pine and hardwood trees owned by G. W. Chadwick of the Stronghope community near Wesson.

Mr. Chadwick who proclaims himself 81 years young purchased 180 acres of land which includes the timbered tract in 1899. He knows from personal experience that it is a money making proposition to harvest trees selectively and to keep them free from fire. In the last 49 years he has sold approximately \$14,000 worth of timber from this woodland and has about the same value in merchantable stock at the present time but states that he is interested in harvesting his timber only in such a manner that he can receive some cash now and save some trees for his future and for the future generation.

Recently Mr. Chadwick requested Area Forest Ranger Monroe James of the Mississippi Forestry Commission to assist him in estimating his timber and selectively marking some of the trees to be sold. Despite his age, Mr. Chadwick accompanied Ranger James on the trip and while cruising the timber stated that he had known the place most of his life and since he could remember there had not been any fire in the woods. "There were many times when it was a hard job to keep fire off my land but somehow we were always successful," he declared.

The fast-growing fine hardwood and pine trees reveal the results of his fire protection. They are free of scars which are present on most timber being harvested in the state.

"A low estimate of the damage a fire would do to my trees is \$10.00 per acre, so I am well pleased at paying two cents an acre to have organized help in keeping fire off my woodland," Mr. Chadwick asserts.

According to Ranger James every timber landowner can have a good paying woodlot if they will protect their trees from fire and practice good harvesting methods.

Peat mosses have reclaimed vast areas of wasteland, turning them into peat, which makes a useful fuel, and forming fertile soil.

Moss Point Churches

METHODIST

The WSCS was entertained in the home of Mrs. A. J. Franklin on Monday afternoon.

After a short business meeting Mrs. John Cirlot gave the study lesson on the subject, "World Evangelism, and Projects by Members on What Evangelism Could Do in Our Church."

Mrs. D. Stewart led the devotional and Mrs. E. L. Goff dismissed with a prayer.

During the social hour the hosts served iced drinks and cookies.

BAPTIST

The Margaret Lackey circle met in the home of Mrs. A. G. Broussard on Monday afternoon with Mrs. J. D. Harris as co-hostess. Mrs. John Baxter gave the devotional and Mrs. R. C. Eley presented the program. Mrs. Leon Nelson, chairman, presided over the business meeting. A delicious drink, sandwiches and cake were served by the hostess.

Circle No. Three was entertained on Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. J. B. Taylor and Miss Hattie Daniels. Mrs. B. B. Hobby gave the devotional and Mrs. T. L. DeLashmet, Sr. presided over the business meeting when reports of committees were given.

Iced drinks and sandwiches were served during the social hour.

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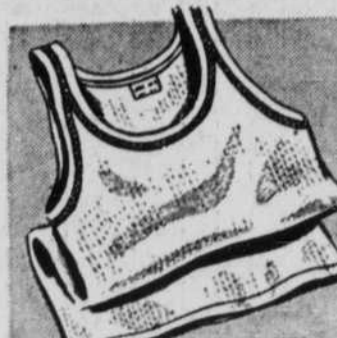
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