OLD AGE DRIVES MAN TO SUICIDE

"Don't Want to Be a Nuisance," He Writes

Senile despondency is believed to have prompted the suicide of a man 70 years old, found with a bullet hole in his head in a field near Dumas Monday.

Beside the body was a note, reading:

"Old age is an awful thing. My mind is failing and I do not want to be a nuisance. That is why I did this thing. I was born January 17, 1850."

The note was not signed. A revolver was found beside the note. The man was five feet five inches tall, weighed about 135 pounds, and is described as having sandy hair, a gray mustache and blue eyes.

WORKERS MAY START STORE

Spokane's Old Clothes Club Fighting High Prices

SPOKANE, Feb. 24.—A co-operative clothing store by the organized railway men of Spokane and possibly by all of organized labor may be the outgrowth of the Old Clothes club founded here last week.

It is believed that a store would be the most effective weapon to beat down prices.

Patched pants and threadbare clothing were worn proudly, even by the elite, when railroad employes came to work here today.

It was the first active day of the Old Clothes club. The club's members have pledged themselves not to buy anything new for six months unless clothing prices are reduced one-third.

Bass Vice Prexy of Trail Association

Dan W. Bass, Seattle hotel man, has been elected Western vice president of the Yellowstone trail. This highway stretches from Plymouth, Mass., to Seattle, and is destined to become the great motor route from the East into the Northwest, according to Douglas A. Shelor, who returned from the annual meeting of the Yellowstone trail executive committee held in Milwaukee last week.

Thieves Get $200 Jewelry From Home

Jewelry valued at $200 was stolen Monday night from the home of William Kemer, 163 Garfield st., by thieves, who pried open a dining room window.

MYSTERIOUS fire, of unknown origin, damaged the dry kilns of the Northern Magnesia Manufacturing Co., 903 Carstens place, about $250, Monday.

WHERE HE STANDS

JAPANESE DIET FACES CONFLICT

Lack of Confidence Vote Is Introduced

TOKYO, Feb. 14.—(Delayed.)—The Kensei Kai party today introduced in the diet a resolution for a vote of lack of confidence in the government. Debate on the motion probably will begin February 17.

The resolution recites alleged shortcomings of the Japanese delegation at the Paris conference, attacks the Siberian and Chinese policies and declares the government has failed to meet certain internal problems.

Viscount T. Kato is the recognized leader of the Kensei Kai party. The party formerly had an absolute majority in the hotse.

Chinaman Is Held as Dope Ring Chief

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 24.—"Dope" valued at $20,000 was taken by detectives from a cache under the floor of a bedroom at 3 Broadway E., occupied by James J. Wing, alias Chan Chin. He is under arrest here today as alleged leader of a narcotics syndicate with branches in various Northwest cities, including Seattle, Spokane, Tacoma and Portland.

Hold Banquet to Honor Washington

The Washington State society, sons of the American Revolution, celebrated the 188th anniversary of the birth of George Washington with a banquet held at the Masonic club rooms Monday evening. Richard Saxe Jones, president of the Seattle chapter, was toastmaster.

FIRE DAMAGE, amounting to $20,000, resulted from a blaze caused by crossed wires at the Puget Sound navy yard commissary store Monday.

SPOKANE GETS DEMS' MEETING

State Convention Will Be Held May 17

The state convention of the democraic party will be held in Spokane on Monday, May 17. An even 1,000 delegates will attend.

The democratic state central committee here Monday apportioned one delegate for every 250 votes cast for Woodrow Wilson in 1916, and six delegates at large for every county.

Indorsement of President Wilson's administration, a pledge of support of the party to returned service men, and a recommendation that women be appointed to office were the main features of a resolution adopted by the committee. Condemnation of Gov. Edwards, democrat, New Jersey, who seeks to restore beer and light wines in the nation, was voiced in a letter to the committee from A. R. Titlow, national committeeman, Washington, D. C.

Wire Briefs

PUYALLUP.—Construction starts on Puyallup Shope brick and tile plant.

LOS ANGELES.—Maurice Maeterlinck arrives here to write scenarios.

ABERDEEN.—Geo. A. Carothers, 24, dies of injuries. Huge cant falls on him.

PE ELL.—Michael Pivona found crushed between two logs.

EAGLE PASS, Tex.—Lieut. Horace M. H. Corey killed in fall of plane.

ROME.—Tiflis dispatches say great earthquake has occurred in that region.

HAMILTON, Ont.—Fire in attic of home burns wife and two daughters of Herbert Thompson, police sergeant.

WASHINGTON. — Germany has placed an embargo on export of musical instruments.

SPOKANE.—Fifty building laborers strike. Say $6 scale refused.

PORTLAND. — Large delegation Seventh Day Adventists to attend meeting in Walla Walla February 26.

TACOMA.—Tacoma gas rates are boosted 50 cents a month.

MILWAUKEE.—Order of Camels will seek to repeal national prohibition.

Aberdeen.—Paving Olympic highway cut-off west Montesano starts April 1.

Other Man Is Shot by Denver Husband

DENVER, Col., Feb. 24.—E. H. Rogers was too slow on the draw and it cost him his life here.

C. T. Brown, charged by Rogers with alienating his wife's affections, shot and killed Rogers in a local hotel yesterday afternoon. Rogers' gun stuck in the holster. Police are investigating the antecedents of the men.

Six Men Captured in a Gambling Raid

Police morals squad arrested six men in a gambling raid Monday night at 912½ First ave. Donald Eastman, 30, was charged with gambling, and released on $100 bail. The other five were released on $25 bail.

International Elk Affiliations, Plan

Social affiliation between Elks in Canada and the United States will be established before the next grand lodge session in Chicago. Seattle and Portland Elks visited Vancouver and pledged themselves to forward this plan.

Seek Kin of Man Who Died in Hotel

An effort is being made Tuesday by the coroner to locate relatives of M. Brown, 45, longshoreman, who dropped dead Monday in the hallway of the Puget Sound hotel, Sixth ave. S. and Dearborn st.

TO ORGANIZE HOOVER CLUB

Herman W. Ross Calls Meeting for Wednesday

At the call of Herman W. Ross, vice president of the Thorndyke-Trenholme company and a member of the state board of control under the late Gov. Ernest Lister, organization of a Hoover-for-President club will be effected at a meeting to be held at 4:30 p. m. Wednesday in room 720, L. C. Smith building.

Ross, who recently returned from California, said Monday that the movement for Hoover was spreading all over the Southern state and organization of Hoover-for-President clubs in this state will follow the California plan.

Creation of Hoover sentiment will be the sole aim of the local organization, according to Ross. Influential men and women of both national parties already have signified their eagerness to support Hoover, who will go into the campaign for the presidency strictly as a nonpartisan candidate, Ross asserts.

"The meeting Wednesday will be open to all persons who have the welfare of the nation at heart and are interested in the nomination and election of Hoover," Ross said.

Following the Wednesday meeting another gathering of Hooverites will be held later to take up detailed plans for booming the former food administrator.

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HOOVER DENIES HE'S CANDIDATE

Declares He Has No Party or Organization to Aid Him

BALTIMORE, Feb. 24.—Herbert Hoover has answered inquiries about the status of his presidential boom as follows:

"I am not a candidate. I have made that statement to the newspapers of the country every week from the time my name was first mentioned, but they won't believe it. I am not a party man and I have no organization working for me. Now, how can a man without a party and a man without an organization be a candidate for president?"

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MIAMI, Fla., Feb. 24.—William Jennings Bryan says there is no ground for the rumor that he will favor Senator Hitchcock's nomination for president.

ADMIRAL PEARY LAID TO REST

Discoverer of North Pole Is Buried at Arlington Heights

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Under a gray sky, on the heights of Arlington, overlooking the Potomac, the body of Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary, discoverer of the North Pole, was deposited yesterday among the graves of the nation's heroes.

The casket, draped in the faded flag which he "nailed to the pole," was borne to the burial place on a black gun carriage by six gray horses.

A company of bluejackets snapped to attention when the coffin, the flag which canopied it billowing and flapping in the raw wind, was lifted from the gun carriage.

Then, as the casket slowly sank from sight, three volleys cracked from the sailors' rifles, reverberating back from the opposite shore of the river.

The bugler sounded taps.

Russian Governor Arrives in Tokyo

TOKYO, Feb. 20.—(Delayed.)—Gen. Rosanov and his staff have arrived here on a Japanese transport. He expects to remain here for the present.

Gen. Rosanov (or Rosanoff) is Russian governor general of Maritime province, Siberia.

Woman Is Injured as Autos Collide

Mrs. F. J. Clark, 8612 12th ave. S. W., was suffering Tuesday from painful tho not serious injuries sustained while motoring with her husband Monday afternoon when another auto driven by a woman collided with the Clark car at 11th ave. and Madison st.

Boosts Americanism

JEROME A. MYERS

The Constitutional league plans to put a copy of the United States constitution in every one of the 20,000,000 homes of America. Jerome A. Myers, of New York, is director of the league. It is also planned to thorly explain the constitution to everybody in the country to promote Americanship and better citizenship.