

DEATH TAKES J. P. COTTON, STIMSON'S AID

New York Lawyer Gave Up Practice Two Years Ago to Become Diplomat.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, March 11.—Official Washington today mourned "Uncle Joe" Cotton, undersecretary of state, who died late Tuesday in Baltimore, after a protracted illness.

The New York lawyer who abandoned a lucrative practice to enter President Hoover's official family two years ago had earned an unique reputation as a plain-spoken, jovial diplomat of the "shirt sleeve" school, and eminently popular with all who knew him.

President Hoover, apprised of Cotton's death, made the following statement:

"Mr. Cotton's passing is a great loss to the government and to our country. He was my friend for more than twenty years. He has given much of his life to public service, and never has refused a demand of the public interest. His abilities, his character, his devotion to the highest purposes made him a great citizen."

Praised by Stimson

Secretary of State Henry L. Stimson, Cotton's chief, praised him for winning a position in the state department which was "entirely unique." He said:

"In the two years in which he has been undersecretary of state, Joseph P. Cotton has rendered service of literally inestimable value to the government.

His wide acquaintance among men; his familiarity with large affairs, both of business and government; his industry and faculty of dispatch; his keen analysis and wide vision have all served a spirit of high public purpose and a character of unfailing courage."

Castle May Get Post

Cotton's death gave rise to speculation as to his successor. The name of William R. Castle, assistant secretary of state, was most prominently mentioned.

He was considered for the post of undersecretary at the beginning of the Hoover administration, and is a personal friend of the President.

Cotton's death generally was attributed to overwork. While Stimson went to the London naval conference, he took over all the work of the secretary, and always has been extremely active in the discharge of his duties.

JOHN W. DU VAL, CITY SUGAR BROKER, DEAD

Asphyxiated in St. Louis Apartment; Widow, Daughters, Survive.

Body of John W. Du Val, 55, of 621 East Forty-eighth street, who died of asphyxiation in St. Louis (Mo.) apartment late Tuesday, is expected to arrive in Indianapolis today. Following funeral services at the home at 2 p. m. Thursday the body will be cremated.

Mr. Du Val, a sugar broker, was in St. Louis preparing a residence. He was prominent in Masonic lodge circles, a member of the Traffic Club, and the Third Church of Christ, Scientist.

Survivors are the widow and two daughters, Miss Verda Du Val of Indianapolis and Mrs. H. M. Turner of Chicago.

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DINNER WILL HONOR VETERAN MEMBERS

Columbia Club to Give Annual Beefsteak Banquet.

Veteran members of the Columbia Club, 223 men, who have held membership twenty-five years or more, will be guests of honor at the forty-first annual beefsteak dinner to be held Thursday night in the club ballroom.

Edwin P. Morrow, former Governor of Kentucky, will give the principal address. Governor Harry G. Leslie is to be toastmaster.

Six boxing bouts and musical acts are features of the program, follows the dinner.

RELIEF FUND GROWING

New contributions to the Red Cross fund for relief in drought stricken areas today boosted the fund to \$60,026.75. William Fortune, Indianapolis chapter drive chairman, announced. The fund is nearly \$12,000 short of the Indianapolis goal. Contributions are being received at Red Cross office, at 777 North Meridian street.

MINERS' BOARD MEETS

Two weeks' session of the international executive board of the United Mine Workers of America is underway today at headquarters in the Merchants Bank building, Phillip Murray, vice-president, presides in the absence of John L. Lewis, international president, who is at the bedside of his brother, critically ill in Washington.

BACK HOME AGAIN

Stolen automobile recovered by police belongs to Mr. and Mrs. G. VanWinkle, 2611 North Illinois street. Chevrolet coach, from rear of 1121 North Illinois street.

Buell Williamson, 738 Lexington avenue, Willys-Knight sedan, 733-726, from 736 Hazel Suddith, 212 Parkview avenue, Ford sedan, 743-595, from Pratt street and Park avenue.

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PLANES TO FLY OVER NEW CITY BEACON TONIGHT

Governor Leslie to Press Button Turning on Giant Air Light.

Indianapolis will advance another step in aviation tonight when, at 8:15, Governor Harry G. Leslie presses a button turning on the third largest Neon airplane beacon in the country.

Thirty-six airplanes from city airports will fly over the beacon, located on top of the Merchants Bank building, in dedication ceremonies, which will open at 3:15 when planes, in formation, will fly above the downtown section.

Other planes will join them at 5:15, several of which will remain to circle in the rays of the beacon after it is lighted. The beacon, erected by the Lincoln Oil Refining Company, cost \$50,000.

Citizens will be in contact with the ceremonies by radio. The broadcast of a description of the beacon and attendant thrills of night flying will be relayed to stations WPBM from a national guard plane, joined by Lieutenant Mario G. Carpenter.

Army fliers from Schoen field, St. Louis, Bellaville Ill., Shelfridge field, Mt. Clemens, Mich., and Wright field, Dayton, O., will participate in the ceremonies, following which Leslie, Mayor Reginald H. Sullivan and Lincoln Company officials will be guests at a dinner at the Claypool.

At 9 the dedication will close with

Here Thursday



Nikolai Sokoloff
When the Cleveland Symphony appears at Caleb Mills hall Thursday night, Nikolai Sokoloff will be on the conductor's stand.

a dinner for pilots at the Claypool. Lieutenant Paul A. Zartman, Indiana national guard, is program chairman, assisted by leading city aviators.

Firemen at Funeral

MARION, Ind., March 11.—More than seventy-five firemen from Indiana cities attended the funeral of Harry Poling, a member of the Marion department for almost thirty years. Pneumonia caused his death.

Struck by an automobile driven by a hit-and-run motorist at New Jersey street and Ft. Wayne avenue Tuesday night, Mrs. Ruth Sturgell,

WOMAN HURRIES INTO PATH OF CAR; IS KILLED

Negro Is Thirty-Second Traffic Victim Since Jan. 1.

Hurrying to board a street car, Mrs. Minnie Dowell, 33, Negro, 2345 Martindale avenue, stepped in front of an outbound interurban and was hit by Fifty-second street and College avenue Tuesday night.

She was the thirty-second victim of traffic accidents in Marion county since Jan. 1. The impact hurled the body fifty feet.

George W. Hayes, Negro, 912 Muskingum street, and Mrs. Hayes were injured slightly in an automobile collision at Meridian and Ohio streets, and Hayes was arrested on charges of drunken driving and failure to obey a traffic signal Tuesday night.

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