Murderous Attack Ends Fatally For Aged Head of European Republic

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ate, defeated him for the presidency of the republic. In 1912 Corsica chose him as its senator.

Lost Four Sons

The war years took heavy toll of the Doumer family. Three of his five sons were killed in battle and a fourth died soon after the armistice from wounds. The stricken father was busy through the war with minor government posts, although he held a ministry without portfolio in the Painleve cabinet of 1917, which was overthrown to make way for Clemenceau.

Doumer was in eclipse then until 1921, when Briand, as premier, made him minister of finance. He held the same office in another Briand government in 1925 and in 1927 was made president of the senate.

Born in Small Town

Joseph Athanase Doumer, to give him the baptismal name which soon was discarded for the more convenient Paul, was born in the little town of Aurillac, province of Auvergne, March 22, 1857. His father, who had started as a railway track worker, was boss of a section gang when his son was born and earned 50 cents a day. The furnished room wherein the child first saw the light was rented for $1 a month.

Soon afterwards the family moved to Paris and settled in an old house, now torn down, on the hill of Montmartre.

When Paul's father died his mother became a day household helper, earning two cents an hour by sewing, cleaning and mending. The boy won his school diploma, first of his class, and at 14 went to work as apprentice to an engraver. His job paid him $10 a month, which in those days enabled him to spare his aging parent much worry.

The boy was ambitious. After 10 hours a day in the shop he attended a technical night school. Then he took up chemistry in his few spare hours and studied Latin and Greek, for he wished to acquire a university degree.

The reason for that was, perhaps, not far to seek. A classmate of his, Anthenor Richel, at whose home he used to study, had three sisters, the eldest of whom was particularly attractive. Young Doumer ventured to ask for her hand in marriage. His prospective father-in-law, a retired school teacher, laid great stress on education.

A few months later he won his degree.

The impecunious young wooer used to walk 28 miles to the nearest railway station in order to go to Paris and see his fiancee. As soon as he had passed to a higher grade in the teaching hierarchy they were married. They lived in Mende two years, the young professor using his spare time in studying law. He knew that was the real gateway to a political career in France.

Newspaper Editor

Although named to the college at Remiremont, in the Vosges, in 1879, Doumer, thanks to his father-in-law, obtained an introduction to the historian Henri Martin and was made by him editor-in-chief of a party newspaper in the department of Aisne, which Martin represented in the senate. On the death of his sponsor two other senators from the same region tried to make the young country editor modify his radical views. He refused and was discharged.

Thereupon he founded a rival sheet, the Tribune of the Aisne. He was his own circulation and business manager and principal writer. So hard did he work for his political ideals that the candidates he backed made a clean sweep in the 1885 legislative elections, beating those patronized by his former paper. Doumer came out of the melee an alderman and assistant mayor of Anizy-le-Chateau.

Three years later, at 31, he was elected to the chamber of deputies, where he soon distinguished himself by his grasp of financial questions. One of his earliest successes was engineering a reform in France's treasury system that saved the nation $400,000,000 a year.

He was beaten for re-election to the chamber in 1889 by a supporter of that picturesque figure, General Boulanger. Doumer found a berth as principal secretary to Charles Floquet, then speaker of the lower house, and in it completed his political education.

Doumer was returned to the chamber at a by-election in the Yonne department in 1890, being re-elected in 1893. Two years later, at only 38, he was minister of finance in Leon Bourgeois' all-radical cabinet.

It was in large measure due to the energetic young minister's pushing for the adoption of the income tax, always abhorrent to the French, that the Bourgeois ministry was defeated in 1895.

Jules Meline, "the father of French agriculture," succeeded Bourgeois and, although Doumer was a bitter opponent, offered him the governor-generalship of Indo-China. In that way the new premier thought he would shelve a dangerous adversary.

Ruled Indo-China

Doumer ruled Indo-China for seven years, reorganizing the great colony's administration and finances, quelling local uprisings and introducing labor-saving farm machinery. On his return to France his old department of the Aisne sent him back to the chamber. In a short time he was chairman of the budget committee. Three years later, in 1905, he was elected president—or speaker—of the lower house.

The presidential election of 1906 saw Doumer pitted against Fallieres, then president of the senate. The latter beat him by 449 votes to 371. Thereafter his political star was rather in the descendant. In 1912 he forsook the chamber, being elected senator to represent Corsica.

Already an acknowledged expert on financial questions, Doumer began at that time the serious consideration of military affairs. He did much to fortify France's prewar army, supporting the three years' service bill, the one creating an extra army corps and that providing for new infantry and artillery regiments. The outbreak of the world war found him acting as a sort of unofficial government commissary with General Gallieni, who was, as military governor of Paris, one of the principal artisans of the victory on the Marne.

Doumer proved to be one of the most democratic of French presidents, having an abhorrence of the formalities of the office. He was the first to emancipate himself from red tape and to go and come as he pleased without official escort or outward honors. Despite his reputation as a frugal liver and a rigid economist in state affairs, he entertained amply and well and did all that was required of him as official host of the republic.

INTERIOR MEN STRESS RUPERT AS MARKETING CENTRE FOR DISTRICT.

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Burns Company which had paid a premium over prevailing prices for the beef because of its high quality and to encourage the feeding of cattle for the market. This beef would be offered for sale in Prince Rupert within a week and he hoped the chamber of commerce would boost Bulkley Valley beef. This shipment was in the form of a demonstration and he hoped it would stand the test. He suggested the holding of a Bulkley Valley beef week.

Mr. Bowman went on to say that Prince Rupert was the market town the farmers were looking to. He would be pleased if steps could be taken to create a demand for high quality products.

President J. H. Pillsbury urged that members of the chamber boost the interior product.

Frank Dockrill seconded Mr. Bowman's request for preferential treatment for Bulkley products and especially for this beef. The prosperity of the farmers and Prince Rupert were bound up in each other.

Mr. Moore invited inspection of the abbatoir at Cow Bay.

President Pillsbury, in closing, said he felt sure Prince Rupert would get behind this effort.

Announcements

Legion Band Concert May 13. 87

Eagles Butterfly Dance May 13. Ladies refreshments. Gentlemen 50c.

Spring Sale, St. Peters Church May 19.

Elks' Balloon Dance May 20.

LOCAL ITEMS

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G. A. Woodland, local agent of the Imperial Oil Co., returned to the city on the Princess Adelaide yesterday afternoon from a brief trip to Ocean Falls on company business.

Dale L. Pitt, general manager of the Premier Gold Mining Co., who has been here as a witness in a case at the Supreme Court Assizes, will sail by the Catala tomorrow night on his return to Premier.

F. M. Dockrill, well known rancher and coal mine operator, is paying a brief business visit to the city. He arrived from the interior on last evening's freight and will return to Telkwa on Monday afternoon's train.

Alfred Young arrived in the city a few days ago from Vancouver, where he has been attending the University of British Columbia, and will spend the summer vacation at naval headquarters with his parents, Chief Petty Officer Instructor and Mrs. A. H. Young.

A letter was read last night at the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce from Olof Hanson, M.P., in which he told of the difficulty in securing copies of the Gibb report. He sent copies of those parts in which Prince Rupert might be interested. Appended to the letter was a newspaper article stating that the report would not be dealt with at the present session of parliament.

There was a considerably larger attendance at First Presbyterian Church last night for the second night's presentation of three plays by young people of the church under the auspices of the board of managers. The entertainment went off very smoothly with all participating acquitting themselves well. Miss Molly Lawrence substituted for Mrs. J. S. Black in accompanying Miss Nellie Lawrence's violin pupils in their orchestral selections.

Twenty Years Ago

In Prince Rupert

May 7, 1912

The Baptist Brotherhood here is rounding out a very successful season. A social was held last night in the McIntyre Hall and there was a large attendance.

Fred Clarke, veteran manager of the Pittsburg Pirates, champions of the National League, declares that good athletes should not use cigarettes. If they must smoke, a pipe or cigar is much to be preferred to cigarettes.

Theo Collart is the author of a long and interesting article descriptive of Northern British Columbia, Prince Rupert and Fort George which appears in the Economic Financiere, a Brussels financial publication.

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G. A. Bryant returned to the city on this morning's train from a brief visit to Terrace and Lakelse Lake.

Mrs. C. H. Sawle, who has been visiting for a few days in the city, will return on Monday afternoon's train to her home at New Hazelton.

The Prince Rupert Unemployed Association will hold an important meeting tonight at 8 at 835 Second Avenue, to which all interested are invited.

R. G. Johnston, manager of Inverness cannery, passed through the city on the Cardena last night enroute to Rivers Inlet on cannery business.

M. A. Burbank, divisional engineer for the Canadian National Railways, returned to the city on this morning's train from one of his periodical trips up the line on official duties.

Union steamer Cardena, Capt. Ernest Georgeson, with mails and passengers, arrived in port at 11:30 last night from the south and sailed at 12:45 midnight on her return to Vancouver and waypoints.

At the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce last night, President Pillsbury told what the special committee had done to combat the statements made by Sir Alexander Gibb in regard to a proposed port monoply for Vancouver.

Considerable interest has been evidenced by local fishermen in the article in the Daily News yesterday referring to the possibilities of commercial shark fishing. A number of fishermen intend to make further investigations along this line.

A letter was read last night at the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce from the Marine Department at Ottawa stating that it could not this year undertake the dredging of Metlakatla Bar. The suggestion was made in the letter that the channel would be used only by small boats, that only half-an-hour would be saved on each end and that there would be considerable upkeep cost.

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Moose Cinderella Dance Enjoyable

One Hundred and Fifty at Affair Last Night—Percy Cameron is Winner of Raffle

A very enjoyable Cinderella dance was held by the Moose Lodge in the Moose Hall last night, about 150 persons being in attendance. Splendid music was furnished by Bob Greenfield and his orchestra and B. J. Bacon was a genial master of ceremonies. H. Loakes presided at the door.

Percy Cameron was the winner in the raffle of a spring Ottoman.

Sons of Norway Social Enjoyed

Dancing Indulged in Last Night Following Regular Business Session in Metropole Hall

Members of the Sons of Norway Lodge enjoyed a social following the regular business meeting last night in the Metropole Hall. There was a good attendance and the evening was enjoyably spent in dancing, accordion music being provided by Pete Fossum. Delicious refreshments were served.

F. S. Walton, roadmaster for the Canadian National Railways, returned to the city on this morning's train from a trip up the line as far as Pacific on official duties.

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