

MY EXPERIENCE
With A Man Condemned To Die In
The
ELECTRIC CHAIR

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March 1946

Soon after this man was arrested in March 1946 and brought back to Murfreesboro, Tenn., he sent word for me to come to the Rutherford County jail. When I arrived I found him and his two companions that helped in the crime. This man shook hands with me and said: "Woodrow, I am glad to see you. The only thing that I am interested in is knowing how to die. Do you think a man like me can be saved?"

And of course, I began to tell him what a wonderful Savior we had in Jesus Christ. That it was his purpose to come into the world to seek and to save the LOST. We discussed the scriptures together for some time and then he asked that I might pray for him and his companions that they all might be saved. His two companions and I gathered about his cell and I had prayer with them.

We then shook hands and he set the date for me to come back to see him in Rutherford County jail, and assured me that he would be spending the time in reading God's Word and in prayer. Only a few days after this I made the second trip to the jail to pay this one another visit but learned that he had been moved to Davidson County jail. So I made the trip to Nashville and the warden at the jail permitted this one to come out of his cell and go into a private room with me and we spent something like an hour together, the entire time being spent in prayer and reading God's

Word and at that time he assured me he had been reading the Word and praying for the first time in his life. He told me that he had repented and was trusting in Christ to save him.

He also told me that he was wanting to be taken off of dope, and that he was not going to call for any more but the doctor was giving him a shot night and morning and was tapering him off of it and that he would be happy when he was entirely off for good. He also told me that he had never been any benefit to his family and society and that he now realized what a failure he had been. But said, "Since I have been in prison and reading my Bible and praying and trusting Christ that for one time I am really enjoying life for the first time in my life."

"Because," he said, "I never got any pleasure out of life when I was in sin, but since I have turned my life over to Jesus I am happy." He said, "I don't know -what the courts will finally decide, but whatever it is I am in the hands of the Lord. If I serve the remainder of my life in prison I will live for the Lord there, or if I go to the chair I will live for Jesus until that time."

The next time I made him a visit he had been moved to the State Prison. This time he told me again that he was still praying and reading the Bible. I asked him did he really believe the Lord had forgiven him. He said, "Sometimes I believe he has and then again I don't know." We again studied the scriptures and explained what Faith was and how it was impossible to please God without faith and here was where faith came in that we had to believe the Word and believe that God would do what he said he would do, whether we understood it or not. We had to accept these truths by faith. He then said, "I am trusting the Lord to see me through, and care for me."

Another time we were talking he said, "I don't mind dying, the only

thing that worries me is, the hurt it will cause my family." He said, "I love my wife and two children. But I am in the Lord's hands, if it isn't the best for me to die I won't die. But if I am to go now I will be satisfied because I know I love the Lord."

Again we were talking and he said, "Yes, I am guilty, I killed that boy I suppose, but it all seems like a dream to me. I hardly remember it. I remember I was drunk. How I wish some one would have locked me up and it might have saved that boy's life and mine. I would not have killed that boy if I had not been drinking." He said, "I would be glad to tell that boy's mother and his relatives that I am sorry for this sin I have committed. Because I have really repented of it."

Again we were talking, and I said, "I guess you thought I was your enemy because of the stand that I took against drink, and bootlegging." He said, "No I know you were right, and I know it more so now than ever before. I know you were my friend and were trying to save me from this suffering that I am now going through with." He said if our law had been tighter on drinking and doping. I might have been locked up and kept locked up long enough to have prevented all of this. He said go on and fight sin, you are right.

April 7, 1947

I made a visit to this man Monday, April 7, 1947. At that time we had prayer together and he told me that he had done all that he could do to be saved. He said he had repented, and was trusting Jesus and Jesus alone to save and believed with all of his heart that the Lord had saved. He also told me that he had been baptized on Easter Sunday in a pool of

water on the prison grounds. He said I feel much better now, after I know I have gone as far as I can -in letting the Lord and the people know that now I love the Lord. He said, "I love everyone. I have no malice in my heart toward anyone. I never was so happy in all of my life."

Before I left him this time I asked him was there anything that I could do for him. He said "Yes, some doctors were out here the other day to give me a sanity test but I didn't know them, and I know that Dr. Linsey at the Davidson County jail understands my condition better than anyone — he was the one that got me off of dope. I would like for you to see him — ask him about my mental condition. Whatever he says I will be satisfied with it." So I left him to go find Dr. Linsey but I was unable to locate him that day.

April 9, 1947

I returned to Nashville on April 9, to look for the doctor and talked with him about the case. He said that he believed the boy was sane now, but would call and find out who did the examining. He called and secured the names of the two doctors from the State Hospital and said the boy was in good hands because it was two good doctors that did the examining. Then I made a visit out to the prison to see the condemned man Wednesday the 9th. E. B. Rucker also, made the visit with me. I told the prisoner what Dr. Linsey had said, he then said, "Well, that is all. I am satisfied and ready to go."

I asked him if there was anything else that he wanted me to do. He said, "Would it be asking too much for you to come and spend the last night with me? I would like for you to be with me to the end. With that we had

prayer together, then Mr. Rucker had a few words with him and assured him that he was his friend and would be praying for him. We then left.

April 10, 1947

Thursday night, April 10, 1947, around 11 o'clock, I arrived at the State Prison house, it was sprinkling rain. The guards searched me and let me pass through the door into the inner-court of the prison. Another guard was coming down the walk to meet me and escorted me to two large steel doors which were opened by the signal of the guard, then they pointed to a little two story building and said, "You know how to go from here on over to the death house." I said yes. I walked praying in the stillness of the night on over to the death house. I was praying that the Lord would help me to use these last few hours in the most profitable way with this man that was to die at dawn. As I neared the death house it was well lighted and I could hear singing. It was the colored quartet of the prison singing. I pushed the door open slowly and stood facing the steps that led to the cell of the condemned man.

The moment I glanced toward the cell I saw the prisoner that I was to talk and pray with until dawn. I saw a broad smile on his face the moment that our eyes met. He turned to his wife and made this statement, "There comes Woodrow. I knew he would come, God bless his heart."

There were four guards that were placed near the cell. The prisoners wife was near him. One of the guards asked me, "Was I now ready to go near the cell?" I said yes, they unlocked a door and let me near the cell to where I could shake hands with the prisoner. This was the first time that I had gotten to shake hands with him since he left the Davidson County jail, up until this time he had been in a solid steel cell.

He assured me that he was happy to see me and said, "Let's talk about the Bible that is one Book that I want to hear more and more about." So we began reading the Bible: Romans 3:23, "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." We discussed this briefly, that God's Word has told us we all had sinned, not just part of us but all, there are no good sinners in the sight of God, all have sinned then we all at one time were in the same boat together.

Isaiah 54:6, "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all." That is the reason that Jesus means so much to us today because when we repent of our sins God takes our sins and lays them on Jesus Christ when we trust him for our souls salvation. There is where the Grace of God comes in there we find the great love of God for us when he gives us salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord.

John 3:18, "He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten son of God."

The Word did not say here he that worketh is not condemned, or lives a perfect life, or he that hath never committed a sin is not condemned, no but it said, "He that believeth on Him (Jesus) is not condemned." This is the trusting faith the Word is talking about. This is not just a historical faith. The prisoner said, "I understand. I have believed all my life that there was a God, and Christ. But I was never saved until I was willing to trust Him with my life." He said, "I am so happy tonight that I have turned my case over to Jesus, and He has saved me."

Prov. 29:1, "He, that being often reprov'd hardeneth his neck, shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy."

John 3:36, "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him."

Rev. 20:15, "And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire."

Romans 6:23, "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

We talked about how that the sin debt must be settled and was paid by Jesus, now left up to us to accept it.

Also we discussed how we were going to have to reap the way we had sown. "Be not deceived God is not mocked, for whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap." He looked at his wife and smiled and said I understand that. As if to say I will reap tonight by giving my life to pay the way I have sown. But I am glad I am saved.

Isaiah 55:7, "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon."

Romans 5:8, "But God commendeth his love toward us in that, while we were yet sinners Christ died for us."

John 3:16, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Acts 3:19, "Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the time of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord."

Luke 18:13, "And the Publican standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner."

John 5:24, "Verily, Verily, I say unto you, he that heareth my words, and believeth on him that sent me hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life."

Ephesians 2:8, "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourself: it is the gift of God."

Romans 10:9-10, "That if thou shall confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shall believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shall be saved." "For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."

Isaiah 55:6, "Seek ye the Lord while he may be found call ye upon him while he is near."

Acts 13:39, "And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which you could not be justified by the law of Moses."

Isaiah 54:5, "But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him, and with his stripes we are healed."

1 Peter 2:24, "Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes we are healed."

Hebrews 2:3, "How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation: which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him."

Luke 13:3, "I tell you nay: but except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."

Jude 1:24, "Now unto him that is able lo keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy."

1 Peter 1:5, "Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time."

John 10:28, "And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand."

John 11:26, "And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believeth thou this."

After the reading and discussion of these scriptures the prisoner said, "Let us now pray." I said, "All right you lead the prayer and I will close it."

There were several prisoners and guards present all the while. The prisoner prayed a well worded prayer. In the prayer he thanked the Lord that He had saved him, he also thanked God that he was going to die in the chair that morning. After the prayer was over he explained to me why he was thankful that he was to die. He said, "No doubt if I had never faced the chair I would never have stopped long enough to consider what a dreadful thing it was to be lost. I had rather die tonight and know I am saved than to be back walking the streets of Murfreesboro and be a lost man. Because I now realize what a horrible thing it is for a soul to be lost. I could have very easily been killed while I was out of prison and if I should have I know my soul would have gone to hell, but I know I now have my faith in Christ and he has saved me. I never was so happy in all of my life." He then shed a few tears for joy. He said, "I had been warned in life many times to stop my sinful way of life but I never did. It took this to cause me to stop. My old

Daddy prayed for me on his death bed that I might be saved, he prayed that something would happen to cause me to be saved. I believe my old Daddy's prayers are being answered tonight, the chair no doubt, was that only something that could happen to cause me to be saved." Again he expressed the joy he was experiencing because of his saved condition.

The colored quartet sang a few songs, he said, "I can't understand all they are saying. I wish they would sing some old hymns that I know." He told me about a quartet that had been there earlier in the evening from the Free Will Baptist Church and school and how much he appreciated their singing. His wife also expressed her appreciation for their singing and mentioned something about the Sullivan family, the prisoner said, "I sure wish I could hear them, for that is something that I have wanted to hear so much since the Lord saved me, is good singing."

April 11, 1947

I then left him about 1 o'clock in the morning and went to a phone and called Bro. Sullivan and told him what the prisoner said and he said, "We will be over there by two o'clock." I made my way back over to the death house by this time it was raining and storming.

I arrived at the death house and told the prisoners that the singers would be there by 2 o'clock. He said, "That's fine. It is nice of them to come."

He said, "Let's talk some more about the scriptures." We started with scripture to prove to us that we would know about our salvation and would not have to guess about it.

Job 19:25, "I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth."

In the darkest hours of Job's trials and tribulations he expressed the certainty that his redeemer lived, and would not fail him.

That is wonderful, I thank God for a "Know so salvation" I am glad we do not have to hope and wish and guess about this matter. But when we come into possession of salvation we know about it. "Anything people can obtain without knowing, they can loose without missing and it does them no good to possess it."

There are four witnesses to redemption.

1. The Word. 2. The witness of the Spirit. 3. The witness of Christian Fellowship. 4. The witness of obedience.

I. Witness of the Word

Matt. 11:28, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." The prisoner said that he had that rest.

Isaiah 57:21. "There is no peace, saith my God to the wicked."

Romans 5:1, 2, "Therefore being justified by faith we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. By whom also we have access by

faith unto this grace wherein we stand and rejoice in hope of the glory of God."

Love to God is a scriptural and also internal evidence of being in Christ. God is love and we cannot have spiritual life without love to God. The prisoner said, "I love everybody, I never had an experience like this until the Lord saved me. I never was so happy in all of my life." That smile was still on his face.

1 Cor. 8:3, "If any man love God the same is known of him."

1 John 4:11, "Beloved let us love one another, for love is of God, and everyone that loveth is born of God and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God, for God is love."

1 John 5:13, "These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life."

Acts 16:32, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shall be saved."

II. The witness of the Spirit.

1 John 4:13, "Hereby know we that we dwell in Him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his spirit."

1 John 3:24, "Hereby we know that he abideth in us by the spirit which he hath given us."

Romans 8:16, "The spirit beareth witness with our spirit that we are the children of God." Yes, here is where the feelings comes in whenever a person realizes he is saved from hell he is sure to feel different.

III. The witness of Christian Fellowship.

1 John 3:14, "We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren."

The prisoner said, "I had rather be talking about the Bible with people and hearing Gospel singing than anything I know of. It is a joy to be with people that love the Lord. I can think of a time that I would run from Christian people but since the Lord has forgiven me they are the ones I enjoy being with."

We find some heartfelt religion in 1 John 3:14. How do we know that we love anyone? By our feelings.

IV. The witness of obedience.

1 John 2: 3, 5, "Hereby we do know that we know Him, if we keep his commandments," also, "Whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him."

The prisoner said, "Since I have been saved I have done all I know to do in keeping his commandments, I was baptized Easter Sunday."

By the time we had finished with this the Sullivan family had arrived. They sang several beautiful selections, such songs as "God will take care of you," "What a friend we have in Jesus," "Glory to His Name," "Amazing Grace," and many other selections. The prisoner would join in and help them sing these old familiar hymns. He also expressed his gratitude to them for the fine singing.

The singers paused for a while and then we started to discuss the scriptures again.

The prisoner asked the question what Heaven would be like and would we recognize each other there?

1 Cor. 13:12, "Then shall I know even as also I am known."

We know each other here, then we are certain to know each other in Heaven. We will not be bigger fools there than we are here. We will have more knowledge in heaven than we have here on the earth. Paul said, "Then shall I know even as also I am known."

The 16th chapter of Luke plainly teaches that Lazarus and the rich man and Abraham, all mutually recognized each other beyond this life.

Take the story of the transfiguration. Peter, James, and John went with Jesus into a high mountain. He was transfigured before them. Moses and Elijah appeared upon that scene and talked with Jesus about his death upon the cross which was soon to take place. Moses had been dead some 1,500 years, and Elijah had been translated some 900 years. Neither Peter, James nor John had ever known them in the flesh upon the earth, yet both Prophet and Law Giver were immediately recognized as the same character they had been upon the earth.

How did Peter recognize them? It was the hour of glory. He tells us in his writings that the transfiguration was the second coming of Christ in miniature. Christ in His glory, the raised dead as represented in Moses and the living changed, or transformed as in Elijah.

Our knowledge today is experienced on a limited scale but after this life it will be on an unlimited scale. Not only will we recognize those we have known in this life but we will recognize those we never met in this life. The Lord will reveal these things to us. There will be no stranger there, we shall all know as also we are known.

Paul presents three arguments for the identity of the resurrected body.

(I Cor. 15:35-41)

(1) The planted grain will bear its identity in the next grain that it produces. So we planted in this earth will bear our identity in the next world.

(2) The second argument is taken from the cellular construction of flesh. The flesh of men, beast, fish and of birds can be recognized because of their distinctive construction and just so each raised body will retain its own individual characteristics.

(3) The third argument concerns the distinctions of the heavenly bodies. The glory of the sun is one. The glory of the moon is another. The glory of the stars is another, and finally no two stars are alike. "As one star differs from another star in glory so also is the resurrection of the dead." Each star has its individual distinction that sets it out from all the other stars. So will every resurrected body have its individual distinction that will set it out from all the rest of the bodies.

"Then shall I know even as also I am known."

Then the question was asked, "Where does the soul go at death?" We read the following: Romans 5:12; Heb. 2:16; Gen. 23:3-4, 19; Gen. 49:31; Gen. 1:25, 26.

Where does the soul of man go at death that has been saved? Eccle. 12:7, "Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was and the spirit shall return to God who gave it."

Paul believed and taught this same doctrine. 1 Cor. 5:8, "We are confident I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord." (Phil. 1:23, 24)

Stephen, when being stoned to death, said, "Lord Jesus receive my spirit." (Acts 7:59)

Take the account of the rich man and Lazarus in the 16th chapter of Luke, they did not remain unconscious until the resurrection but went immediately to their final place of abode.

It was now getting close to four o'clock in the morning and still raining. The prisoner asked me what time it was. I told him and he said, "I have over another hour to live, yet." The prisoner had not shown any sign of nervousness all night. He drank four or five glasses of water and smoked only one cigarette during the night.

The prisoner stayed in good spirit and said he was happy.

The Sullivan family sang several more hymns and prepared to leave. The last hymn they sang was, "If we never meet again this side of Heaven."

The time is now growing close at hand for the execution. The deputy warden has arrived and some additional guards and prisoners.

The Sullivan family tells the prisoner goodbye and urged him to keep his faith in Jesus. The prisoner with a smile on his face assure them that his faith is in the Lord and tells them how much he enjoyed their singing.

The prison chaplain approaches the prisoner's wife and tells her it is time for her to go. At this point it is thundering and lightning and the rain is falling and I saw some of the prisoners run out into the rain because they could not stand to see the prisoner's companion tell her husband goodbye. I saw that wife as she arose slowly and approached the bars and placed her arms through the bars and around her husband's neck. I also saw his arms come through the bars and slip around the neck of that wife that had stood by his side until the end. I saw those lips as they go together and kiss for the last time on the earth. The wife said, "Lord I can't stand it." Then I heard her companion say, "Honey brace up you

know you can stand it if I can," without a tear in his eyes he counseled his wife and said, "You have the children to live for, live for Jesus and teach the children the way of salvation, and meet me in Heaven with them. "The Lord is with me, I will be much better off than you will be, may God bless you, goodbye." The chaplain and guard escorted her on back to the waiting room at the entrance of the State Prison.

The prisoner watched his wife as she slowly left the room, then he turned to me and said, "Will you see that my wife has a way back to Murfreesboro?" I assured him that she could ride back with me and my wife. It was marvelous how the Lord could calm a mind at a time like this and keep him thoughtful, and one gratifying thing about it all, he gave the Lord credit for it all. He said, "I don't see how I could stand it, but the Lord is with me and I love Him and He knows best."

As I witnessed his wife leaving I could not help but thinking back to the time when these two were married and when the question was asked, "Do you take the one whom you hold by the hand to be your lawful and wedded husband, and is it your firm intention to love him and cherish him in sickness and in health, in poverty or in wealth, whether it be for the better or for the worse, absolutely forsaking all others for his sake until death shall part you two?"

This wife kept her vows until death had parted them.

That is one lesson that people of our time should learn that marriage is a lifetime undertaking and the way to settle disputes is not in the divorce courts but by the reading of God's Word and through prayer.

He said he had one or two things that were worrying him. One was, he regretted that he could not do anything for his Lord. I assured him that he was doing something, he was leaving his testimony for the Lord. He said, "I hope and pray that my testimony will lead someone to Jesus." I asked him if he wanted me to use it, he assured me that he did. He said,

"I want you to take this written statement with my name signed to it and read it to the people back in Murfreesboro and warn them of the danger there is in putting off salvation."

The Statement

The statement is as follows:

"I never received any religious training in Sunday School and Church when I was a boy. I never received an education in the public schools. My wife taught me how to read and write. How happy I am that she did because if she had not I could not have read the Bible in the last few months. Tell the people back home to start to Sunday School and Church early in life. Don't read trashy love story magazines and detective stories. Don't start to taking a social drink. Don't hang around the pool rooms, it is a breeding place for crime. I started to playing pool when I was 15 years of age, and that is the place I started to gambling and started planning my life of crime. When I first started I never thought that I would come this far."

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Albert Dubois". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid and somewhat slanted to the right.

"I do hope my testimony will be a help to some one."

May I say this, "At the time of the writing of this I used this prisoner's testimony Sunday night, April 13, 1947 at the Westvue Baptist Church and 11 were converted, 2 united with church by letter and 5 rededicated their lives to the service of the Lord, making 18 moves in all that night."

One of the ministers asked the prisoner if anyone had ever spoken to him about his soul as he walked the streets of Murfreesboro. The prisoner said, "No." Then the minister asked him if anyone ever spoke to him anywhere about his lost condition before he got in prison. Then the prisoner looked at me and smiled and said, "Yes, that man talked to me about my soul as I rode to town with him in his Austin in the year of 1936."

I felt very little that I hadn't done more to try to get his soul saved. I had just about forgotten the occasion but it was very clear in his memory that night. I do not deserve any credit for speaking to this one about his soul, it was the Lord that blessed my testimony. We should never let an opportunity pass by without speaking to some one about their soul because they do not forget it is as quickly as we might think.

The prisoner said, "I don't feel like I am worthy of all the things the Lord has done for me." I said, "Bless your heart you are not. Neither am I or anyone else, but that is where the love of God comes in. He does these things for us because He loves us. We will never be worthy within ourselves, so that isn't anything for you to worry about."

The time is about at hand now for this man to walk to the chair. The men that have the job of getting the chair ready are now preparing the chair. I turn to John 14th chapter and read the first three verses. Then to John, the 17th chapter and read the entire chapter. The prison chaplain came and we had another prayer with the prisoner.

The deputy warden came and spoke to the prisoner and asked him if he was guilty. He said yes, but the Lord has forgiven. Then the prisoner told the deputy and guards how much he appreciated every courtesy they had shown him while he had been there. He also expressed his heartfelt appreciation to them for being so kind to his wife and children. The prisoner held himself together by the help of the Lord and was thoughtful and thankful to the end.

I shook hands with him, he thanked me for coming and for promising to see his wife back home and for everything that I had done. I then told him I would be praying for him until the end came, he thanked me and said the Lord is with me. I walked part of the way down the steps and remained there where I could see him until he went to the chair. As I looked at him he was still smiling. I saw the guard as the cell door was unlocked, the prisoner walked out without the guard having to ask him to come out and walked to the chair. He was buckled in the chair and he said a prayer for his family and told them he was ready.

The black hood was dropped about his face and the switch thrown but no current came through, he had to remain in the chair 10 or 15 minutes until they could find the trouble. During that time the prison chaplain came to me and borrowed my Testament and went into the death cell and read God's Word to the prisoner. When the hood was lifted he told the chaplain with a smile on his face, "The Lord is still with me."

All this time many of the prisoners that were down stairs sat with bowed heads. All were silent waiting for the death current to come. At 5:46 A-M. the switch was pushed again, and the little two story building trembled as if lightning had struck it and a man's life went out into eternity to meet God. The physician was there to pronounce the man dead. I saw this man removed from the chair and brought down stairs and laid out. That smile was still on his face.

So brings to a close a man's life at the age of 38 who wanted so much for others to profit by his mistake, and to know the same Lord that he found so precious to his soul the last few months he spent in prison.



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