

OBITUARY

Major-General Mom Dvivoᅇs Thwalyasakdi

By birth an aristocrat, having been born the eldest son of His Serene Highness Prince Udom Direklabh Dvivoᅇs, the deceased has kept up his father's traditions of an aristocrat and a sportsman. Prince Udom, in fact, was an enthusiastic promoter of pony-racing while serving in Ayudhyā as head of the circle's revenue service under the Lord Lieutenant; the deceased too has retained a similar interest in horse-racing where he often represented His Majesty the King at the more important race-meetings at both clubs of Bangkok. As a colleague in the staff of the Lord Lieutenant of Ayudhyā circle I learnt to respect the cousin who was both my senior in age and in duration of service at the circular centre, though protocol ordained that as the Circle's Mahādāi officer I was obliged to take precedence over him. This gave me ample opportunities to appreciate his fairmindedness and sportsmanship in dealing with his colleagues. I have found the son also somewhat similar though being my junior he had not much opportunity of showing the sportsmanship of his father.

With the deceased, again, I had considerable opportunities to observe his ability in the performance of his duties. His conduct of the work of the Lord Chamberlain which was coupled with those of the chief executive of the monarch's financial office showed undoubted ability and integrity.

The deceased was not blind to the promotion and the national culture as may be evidenced by his membership of the Siam Society. He was ever ready to help in any way he could. His death is mourned by the Society.

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