Died. James Norman Hall, 64, author. best known for his collaborations with Charles Nordhoff on romantic adventure stories of the South Seas (Mutiny on the Bounty, Botany Bay, The Hurricane); of a heart attack; in Papeete, Tahiti. After flying in World War I's famed Lafayette Escadrille, Hall and his partner traveled to the South Seas to write, settled permanently on Tahiti, where Hall felt that he had "a grandstand seat to view the workings of a mad machine age." Time