

# Man marries woman convicted of plotting to kill him

LONGVIEW, Wash. (AP) — James Jeffers, following his heart rather than the findings of a jury, has married the prison inmate convicted of trying to have him killed.

Jeffers, 34, and Shelley Sue Smith, 23, who continues to maintain her innocence, said their vows Tuesday afternoon before a judge in a 15-minute ceremony at the state women's prison in Purdy.

Music for the ceremony consisted of a tape of the Linda Ronstadt-Aaron Neville version of "Don't Know Much" — which includes the lyrics, "I don't know much, but I know I love you" — on a cassette player.

"It was great. I wore some nice blue jeans and stuff like that. It was really nice," Smith said. "I wanted to be in a nice dress and have a nice wedding, but our love is more important than that."

Jeffers does not have a listed telephone number and couldn't be reached for comment.

Witnesses included Smith's cousin and the cousin's boyfriend. Smith's mother, Marjorie Mae Franklin, was unable to attend because she's serving a 17-and-a-half-year prison term for trying to kill her daughter's first husband in a child-custody battle.

Smith was sentenced to 32-and-a-half

years in prison this year after being convicted of plotting to kill Jeffers and her former husband, David Glenn Smith of Longview.

Jeffers survived three shotgun blasts fired by a lovesick Randy Dills in November. Dills, who testified that Shelley Sue Smith put him up to it, pleaded guilty to second-degree attempted murder and was sentenced to 10 years.

Jeffers faces trial Nov. 1 on charges of first-degree perjury and third-degree attempted assault. He is accused of lying at Franklin's murder conspiracy trial in May and of trying to assault a Cowlitz County sheriff's detective who was inves-

tigating the tangled case.

Jeffers now says he lied at Smith's trial, when he testified that she set him up to be killed.

As a married couple, they are entitled to conjugal visits in which they can spend the night together in a trailer at the prison every three months.

Other than that, they must content themselves with two-hour visits in which they can hold hands and kiss a few times a week in the general visiting area at the prison.

Smith said the marriage is "going to be difficult, but we know what we're looking at."

## Hatfield quorum call interrupted

WASHINGTON (AP) — A spectator sitting in the Senate visitors' gallery was arrested Wednesday after shouting at lawmakers.

U.S. Capitol police spokesman Sgt. John DeLucca said Glen Christopher Kozubal, 23, of Pennsylvania, was charged with disruption of Congress, a misdemeanor.

Debate on a spending bill had ground to a halt Wednesday because no senators had come to the chamber's floor to offer expected amendments.

The measure's sponsors, Sens. Bennett Johnston, D-La., and Mark Hatfield, R-Ore., repeatedly pleaded to television cameras beaming the debate to Senate offices, asking their colleagues to come to the chamber.

When none appeared, they put the nearly empty Senate into a quorum call, a period when the Senate reverts to neutral with no debate or formal activity.

At that point, a witness said a man in the front row of the visitors' gallery shouted something like, "Are you guys just going to hang around all afternoon?"

A police officer quickly approached the man and escorted him out of the chamber. The witness said the man was heard to ask, "I can't talk to them?"

DeLucca said he had heard a similar account of the man's comments.

"He stood up and began to opine, aloud," DeLucca said.

DeLucca said Kozubal was likely to spend the night at a District of Columbia jail and could face arraignment Thursday.

DeLucca said Kozubal gave his Pennsylvania hometown as Whitehall, but police were not sure if he meant Whitehall or White Hall. Pennsylvania has both.

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