

23 DECREES OF DIVORCE

Many Mis-mated Couples are Granted Separation By Judge McBride

SECOND TIME FOR TWO

One Couple Divorced, Re-married and Complaint Filed Again, All Within Five Months and Ten Days.

Twenty-two decrees of divorce were the record the first day, Monday, of the April term of the Clackamas county circuit court, Judge T. A. McBride, presiding.

Reta Yohann's divorce from Wm. Yohann was the second for that couple also. They have a record in being divorced, re-marrying and seeking another separation — all within five months and ten days.

Following is the list of decrees granted, and other business so far this term:

Birgette Christensen from Christian Christensen.

Reta Yohann from W. M. Yohann. This couple was divorced in this court once before, March 5, 1906, were re-married on June 5, 1906, and on Sept. 13, she filed complaint for second divorce.

W. O. McKown from Marguerette McKown.

Ada M. Manship from Albert A. Manship, and given custody of minor son.

Amelia M. Fletcher from Percy T. Fletcher, and allowed to resume her maiden name, Amelia M. Kuch.

Charles Evans from Angeline Evans.

Stella Risor from Michael Risor, and given custody of their two minor children, he to pay her \$10 a month for support of each of said children until they arrive at age of majority.

E. Matteson from A. P. Matteson.

F. W. Hewes from Minnie Hewes.

Charles Welever from Rose Welever, and given custody of three minor daughters.

Elizabeth T. Middlebrook from Jesse L. Middlebrook.

G. W. Evans from Rose P. Evans.

H. R. Koen from Anna R. Koen.

Mary J. McCauley from Charles M. McCauley, and care of minor son. Defendant given care of minor daughter. Plaintiff paid costs of suit.

Frank McAdam from Dora McAdam. Maggie Hall from Henry Hall and allowed to resume her maiden name, Maggie Biggs.

Minnie Houghtlin from Eugene Houghtlin, and decreed sole owner of a half of lot 12 in Lancaster subdivision of the sw of nw of sec. 10, t 4s, r 21 e, Gilliam county.

Archle C. Wright from Mabel M. Wright, and given custody of minor son.

Bessie Gell from Calvin D. Gell, and allowed to resume maiden name,

Bessie Wheeler, also given custody of minor child, Thelma B., the defendant to pay \$15 monthly for maintenance of said child.

Assunta Marasco from Garpare Marasco, and given her maiden name, Assunta Spanarello.

Evelyn Pellant from Joseph Pellant, and given custody of two minor daughters, defendant to pay \$10 a month toward their support.

J. E. Doyle from Mattie Doyle.

George J. Moody from Myra L. Moody. This decree was made Tuesday afternoon and is the second divorce of this couple.

Defaults and References. Orders of default and reference were made in the following cases:

George Nilson vs. Julia Rosalind Nilson.

J. F. Robnett vs. Minnie Robnett, Ethel Rutherford vs. R. Lowell Rutherford.

Edwin L. Hendee vs. Nettie Isham Hendee.

Jennie Jamison vs. Wm. B. Jamison.

Mary Kramien vs. Gustave Kramien.

Barbara Taggart vs. Wm. Taggart.

Other Business. Supplemental decree issued in case of Oregon Mortgage company vs. Wm. R. Davis, confirming possession of plaintiff to property.

In R. R. Reid, Jr. vs. Charles N. Wait, sale was confirmed.

S. D. Barney vs. Pettit & Co., dismissed.

George Redaway vs. George and Kate Gadke. Judgment for \$133.40 and interest.

Louisa Dickie vs. Gordon Dickie, dismissed.

Bank of Oregon City vs. I. G. Rambo, et al, dismissed.

Seven more divorce decrees have been granted in addition to the 23 published yesterday, making 30 in all, or 31 if still another is counted that has not been formally entered on the clerk's journal because of non-payment of fees.

The trial of Dillon on charge of burglary of Wilson & Cooke's hardware store has been set for May 8. Dates of other trials are given below.

The court has spent most of Wednesday hearing motions. There will not be any jury trials until next week.

Following are the additional seven divorce decrees:

Ethel Wiseman granted decree of divorce from Albert Wiseman and permitted to resume her maiden name, Ethel Elliott.

George Nilson given divorce from Julia Rosalind Nilson.

Ethel Rutherford given divorce from R. Lowell Rutherford and authorized to resume her maiden name, Ethel Osborn.

W. R. Drake granted divorce from Jennie Drake.

Barbara Taggart given divorce from Wm. J. Taggart, and maiden name, Barbara Stager, is restored to her.

George A. Rall given decree divorcing him from Hattie Rall and giving him custody of their minor child.

Elinor V. Markle given divorce from James C. Markle and permitted to resume her maiden name, Elinor V. Dayton.

Dates of Trials. The following cases have been set for trial:

Cogswell vs. Hyde, April 18.

Mrs. Lizzie Roppell vs. George C. Brownell, April 22.

State vs. Woodcock, April 23.

Linn vs. Bigelow, April 24.

J. E. Simon vs. Matsus and Nil, April 25.

Thun vs. O. W. P. & Ry. company, (Continued on page 4.)

NET COUNTY DEBT REDUCED BY \$21000

FINANCIAL STATUS OF CLACKAMAS SHOWN BY SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS.

The semi-annual statements, prepared by County Clerk Greenman, Treasurer Paddock and Sheriff Beatie, for the six months ending March 31, show Clackamas county to be in a healthy financial condition.

Mr. Greenman's report gives the total disbursements during that period. The largest sum, larger nearly by half than all other expenses combined, was for county roads, and it could not go for a better purpose as long as it is spent wisely and economically.

The amount spent on roads was \$30,194.61 and for bridges \$4,190.37. Following are the amounts disbursed for the various purposes for the six months ending March 31, 1907:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes County Court and Commissioners (\$1,018.85), Circuit Court (\$56.00), Justice of the Peace (\$67.25), Sheriff (\$1,424.48), County Clerk (\$1,143.65), Recorder (\$1,370.45), Treasurer (\$629.98), Coroner (\$232.30), Supt. of Schools (\$644.61), Assessor (\$1,305.87), Tax Department (\$1,165.88), Tax Rebate (\$384.50), Current Expense (\$258.28), Court House Expense (\$1,338.22), Jail (\$104.69), County Poor (\$2,247.17), Indigent Soldier (\$30.00), Insane Commitment (\$129.52), Bridge Account (\$1,190.37), Election Expense (\$60.90), Printing and Advertising (\$1,119.67), Damages (\$75.00), Surveyor and Road Surveys (\$340.60), Fruit Inspector (\$159.00), Stock Inspector (\$18.40), Board of Health (\$362.70).

Total General Fund... \$21,348.34

The total for corresponding period a year ago was \$26,419.98, the difference in amounts spent for bridges and roads accounting for all the increase.

The net indebtedness of the county has been reduced as last year at the close of business, March 31, the debt was \$41,572.12. This year the net indebtedness is \$20,571.80. The recapitulation follows:

Table with 2 columns: Category and Amount. Includes Liabilities (Amount of warrants outstanding March 31, 1907, General Fund \$64,512.43; Amount of warrants outstanding March 31, 1907, Road Fund \$31,311.85; Estimated amount of interest accrued \$3,500.00; Total \$99,324.28) and Resources (Fund in treasury applicable to payment of county warrants \$51,956.56; Fund in treasury applicable to payment of road warrants \$26,795.92; Balance net indebtedness \$20,571.80; Total \$99,324.28).

FIRST CITIZENSHIP UNDER NEW LAW

William Davis of Beaver Creek precinct was granted full citizenship papers Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Davis is the first in this county to be granted citizenship under the new Federal law governing naturalization that went into effect last September. The new law makes uniform the steps necessary for citizenship and restricts the right of granting the papers to certain courts of record.

Mr. Davis is a native of Wales. Hugh Matheson, a native of Scotland, Tuesday morning declared his intentions of becoming a citizen of the United States.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS.

Letters remaining unclaimed for in the Oregon City postoffice for week ending April 16: Woman's List—Benson, Mrs. Dollie; Doughton, Miss Della; Lynn, Miss Winnie; Miller Mrs. Lucy; Palmer, Mrs. J.; Thomas, Mrs. M. L.; Walker, Mrs. W. H.; Walker, Mrs. Josephine. Parrott, Mrs. Rowe. Men's List—Branton, Roy; Smith Luther.

W. H. Bottemiller of Clarks was in Oregon City on business, Tuesday.

NOTES OF SCHOOLS TOWN AND COUNTRY

TEACHER OF SEVENTH GRADE, BARCLAY, RESIGNS TO ACCEPT PORTLAND POSITION.

Miss Alice Shannon, teacher of the Seventh grade of the Barclay school, has resigned to accept a position in the Failing school at Portland. She will leave as soon as her successor arrives from Lebanon.

The Laureen society meets tonight. The program includes a debate, recitations, etc.

The veteran janitor of the Barclay school, Samuel Roake, has bought a place in Gladstone and will move his greenhouse there. His son, Samuel Roake, Jr., is performing the janitor's duties at the Barclay.

The Sixth and Seventh grades, Barclay, will play the Eighth grade, Eastham, a game of basketball Friday afternoon.

Pitcher Shank of the Barclay baseball team is on the sick list. The remainder of the team are practicing hard for the game with Allen Preparatory club two weeks from next Friday.

COUNTY SCHOOL NOTES.

Miss Bertha Oberst has just closed a successful term of school at Glad Tidings and commenced another at Russellville.

John Hall, clerk of the Union Hall school district, was in Oregon City, Tuesday, for the purpose of consulting with Superintendent Zinser in relation to school matters.

Miss Florence Blechinger has closed a seven months' term at the Cherryville school. She will begin a spring term at Aims in a short time.

The residents of the Cherryville district are feeling justly proud of the handsome new school house erected by them at a cost of \$600.

C. W. Harris, chairman of the Cherryville school board, spent Tuesday in Oregon City, working for the interests of his district.

PERSONAL NOTES OF BEAVER CREEK

Beaver Creek, April 17.—Potato planting and fishing divide the time of the men folk.

Miss Jennie Williams of Oregon City was a guest of Miss Maud Daniels last week.

Miss Barbara Hermonn is visiting her parents for a few days.

Miss Esther Martin called on Miss Helena Stendinger, Sunday.

Mrs. D. W. Thomas, was called to Black Diamond by the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. David Gibbon, who died a short time before Mrs. Thomas arrived.

The affirmative side in the debate at Shubel, Saturday night, sprung poetry on the poor judges. The question was, "Resolved that men gossip more than women." The women should be cleared of the charge of monopolizing gossip, but convicted on the more serious charge of dallying with the poetic muse during this busy season.

MOUNTAIN VIEW

The members of the Sunday school here will give a pie social at Mays hall next Saturday evening to complete the fund for a sidewalk in front of the church. Everybody come and help a worthy cause.

Fred Sherrad has returned from Eastern Oregon and will perhaps remain here.

Henry Brandt has been quite ill for several days, but is improving.

Pearl Selby came home Sunday and found the family gone to the logging camp in Washington. He will go there in a few days.

Frank Albright has gone to the Portland Lumber company's camp near Rainier, Washington, and if he likes it there will take his family.

Wily May is recovering from the effects of a bad fall he had a few days ago.

George Everhart came in from the logging camp Saturday and remained over Sunday.

Everhart & Co., have closed their meat market and are closing out their stock of goods.

The fruit growers are busy cleaning up their berry fields. It is very quiet on our streets just at present; 12 children fewer; moved into other parts of the city.

Mrs. E. Osmond and little daughter visited friends here last week. They

expect to move here in June.

The sawmill of Moran, Burley & Co. is in operation and kept busy.

The cows that usually are pastured on the public thoroughfares are out again and it is not very pleasant to have to drive them off the sidewalks in order to pass by.

A visit to the greenhouses of Mr. Darling found them in first-class order. All hope he will make a success of the enterprise for it is quite an undertaking.

The stringers are out tying the hop vines in the yards here, and doing other work.

Mrs. John Lewellen will go to Springwater to visit her daughter.

Mrs. Charles Ely entertained the embroidery club Wednesday afternoon. Light refreshments were served and a very pleasant time enjoyed by all.

ACTIVE FOR PHONES AROUND ESTACADA

FARMERS FORMING MUTUAL COMPANIES — EXCELLENT ENTERTAINMENT.

Estacada, April 15.—Born to the wife of N. M. Tracy, in the Tracy school district, April 13, an eight pound boy.

N. M. Tracy is suffering from an injury to his back. He had the lines around his body while he was plowing. The plow struck an obstruction in the soil, a singletree was broken and the team jerked him against the plow.

J. H. Palmateer, a former resident of Garfield, now of Silverton, is suffering with blood poisoning. The last report from him says he is improving. Mrs. Sarah Palmateer, his mother, left Estacada Saturday to visit and care for him.

Joel B. Bowman, who lives in the Porter school district, is ill and confined to the house.

The Estacada public school and especially the eighth and ninth grades of the school gave an excellent entertainment at the pavilion in Estacada, April 12. The proceeds of the entertainment are to be used in buying a flag. The chief part of the entertainment was a comedy entitled, "Too Much of a Good Thing." All the actors distinguished themselves. The gross income of the entertainment was about \$75. The program was under the able management of J. E. Stubbs, principal of the school.

There is a strong movement on foot in the country lying about Estacada to organize farmers' mutual telephone companies and install telephones in the farm homes. Lovell and Himmam of Currinsville, W. H. Holder, L. J. Palmateer, H. Epperson and W. W. Davis of Garfield, are leaders of the movement.

Rev. Hiram Vrooman of Portland will deliver a lecture on Government ownership of railroads as a part of the lecturer's program of Garfield grange at its meeting April 27. All grangers are especially invited to attend.

There will be a meeting at the Garfield grange hall, Friday evening, April 19, to talk over telephone matters. All interested are invited.

DROPS DEAD ON STREET

K. H. Gabbert, Well Known Newspaper Man, Dies Suddenly In Portland

DUE TO HEART TROUBLE

Hustling News Gatherer and Brilliant Writer Who Worked Many Years on Oregon City Papers.

Keeler H. Gabbert, a newspaper man well known in Oregon City and over the state, was stricken with heart disease while standing at the corner of First and Washington streets, Portland, Wednesday forenoon about 11 o'clock. He dropped unconscious to the pavement, and died before an ambulance could arrive. The body was taken to an undertaking establishment.

The deceased left Oregon City a few days ago to go to Portland and seek employment. He was about 50 years of age and is survived by his wife, two sisters and a brother. The remains will probably be taken to Eugene, where his wife resides, and be buried by the side of their little girl who was burned to death in St. Helens a few years ago.

Mr. Gabbert first came to Oregon City about fifteen years ago and worked on the Enterprise for Mr. Meserve. Afterward he worked for the Courier while it was owned by A. W. Cheney, and for a while on the Herald. He was the most talented local writer probably ever in this city and had an easy yet forcible style that gave strength and clarity to his more serious writing. He would have been a power in the newspaper ranks in Oregon had he "stuck to his knitting."

He left here to buy the St. Helens Mist, which paper he conducted in a lively manner. Of late years he had been working on Puget Sound papers, at Seattle and Bellingham. He returned to Oregon City last February and was employed as local man on the Daily Star and Enterprise for several weeks.

While connected with the Courier about 10 years ago he was married to an estimable lady in Eugene and they resided on the hill here until the removal to St. Helens. She has always loved him in spite of their enforced separation and her heart will truly mourn for him. Mrs. Gabbert visited in Oregon City last summer. Mr. Gabbert leaves also one married and one single sister both residing in Portland, and a brother in Salem. The only estate is \$2000 life insurance that will be received by the widow, Mrs. Stella Gabbert.

The deceased probably knew personally or by sight more Clackamas county people than any other man, and numbered among them are many friends who are truly sorry to hear of his death, and will remember his good qualities and forget his weaknesses.

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