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## THE COURTS

### Says Husband is Bad Actor.

In the Circuit Court this afternoon Lydia Shaw filed a suit for a divorce from Frank W. Shaw, alleging cruel and inhuman treatment. They were married only 42 days ago, the ceremony being performed in Portland, on August 12, and Mrs. Shaw says they went to Tacoma to live two days after their marriage. While they were staying at the St. Paul hotel her husband became abusive toward her in the presence of guests. She avers he struck her with his clenched fist on the chest and threatened to kill her. She left him and returned to her home in Portland last Saturday. She desires to resume her maiden name of Hubbard.

### Tried to Scare His Wife.

Jessie Courtright has filed a suit in the Circuit Court against B. E. Courtright for a decree of divorce. They were married February 1, 1894, and Mrs. Courtright says she was compelled to perform labor and cultivate and harvest crops of grain and garden stuffs. Hubby is charged with threatening suicide, whipping children cruelly, refusing plaintiff medical attendance, and various other bad acts. Plaintiff wants \$40 a month alimony and a restraining order.

### Another Man Charged with Desertion

Mary Dickenson has instituted suit for divorce against John Dickenson, to whom she was married September 2, 1897, at Colville, Wash., and she alleges that her husband deserted her at Trail, B. C., in May, 1904, which forced her to go to work to support herself and her child until one year ago, when she sent the child, a boy four years old, to his father.

### Notes.

Leroy Carden, a deaf mute aged 16, was arrested Wednesday charged with a serious crime against the person of Elsie Henke, aged 12. The charge is that the offense was committed in Oswego. The lad's parents deposited \$100 for his appearance in court Thursday. After a hearing at that time he was bound over to court in the sum of \$400.

Attorney Richard McCann Friday filed a suit against George Oldright for \$200 and levied an attachment on Oldright's homestead claim. The amount is alleged to have been due Municipal Judge Cameron, who transferred the account to McCann.

In the Circuit Court P. J. Henneman and Elizabeth Henneman have

instituted suit against Mary Jane Torrance et al. to quiet the title to a piece of land.

C. D. Latourette has filed a suit against William Mortenson of Marquam to secure the conveyance of the west half of the northwest quarter of section 4, town 7 south, range 2 east. Mr. Latourette alleges that October 18, 1901, Mortenson gave him an option on the property, agreeing to transfer it for \$200 whenever it should pass to patent.

Jack Barnes, who created a disturbance on an electric car at Oak Grove Monday afternoon, was taken to Milwaukie Tuesday and arraigned by Deputy District Attorney Eby. He is charged with malicious destruction of personal property, and entered a plea of not guilty. In default of \$200 bail he was committed to the county jail to appear at Milwaukie Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

## POLLARD-RANDALL

One of the events of the social season was the marriage Wednesday afternoon, at the home of the bride in this city, of Dr. Wm. H. Pollard of Marcola and Miss Gustena Randall, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Randall. Rev. Blackwell performed the ceremony in the presence of a group of friends in the prettily decorated parlors at the family home on Fifth street.

The bride was prettily attired in a wedding gown of creme lansdowne, with trimming of creme lace, and carried a shower bouquet of white carnations. Little Mildred Brown, of Mount Vernon, Wash., acted as ring-bearer. After the marriage ceremony the bridal party and invited guests partook of a wedding supper. Dr. and Mrs. Pollard left on the 8:30 train for their home at Marcola, where the groom is a practicing physician. Dr. and Mrs. Pollard were the recipients of many beautiful pieces of cut glass, silverware and linen.

The guests present were Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Philips, Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Blanchard, of New Era; Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Randall of Oregon City; Mr. and Mrs. George Randall, of Oregon City; Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Randall, of Central Point; George Randall of Oregon City; Mrs. Johanna Woods, of Tigardville; Mrs. Nellie Godwin, of Oregon City; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Powers, of Oregon City; Mrs. J. W. Groat, of Oregon City; Mrs. Arthur Brown, of Mount Vernon; Mrs. John Vale, of Salem; Miss Mattie Pollard, of Portland; Miss Anna Pollard, of Tigardville; Miss Dollie Dunlap, of Portland; Miss Grace Pollard, of Tigardville; Miss Lottie Randall, of Oregon City; Miss Bartha Koerner and Miss Sylvia Jones, of Gervais; Messrs. Allie Micklejohn and Frank Dutcher, of Central Point; Richard Thomas, of Spokane; P. L. Crawford, of Portland, and Mrs. Dr. Vincent, of Tigardville.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Wm. H. Pollard and Gustena Anna Randall.

## MARRIAGES.

SIMONTON-HALLIMAN—At home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Halliman, Sept. 18, 1907, Fred W. Simonton and Miss Ethel Halliman, Rev. W. B. Moore officiating.

POLLARD RANDALL—At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Randall, Oregon City, Sept. 26, 1907, Dr. Wm. H. Pollard of Marcola and Miss Gustena A. Randall, Rev. R. C. Blackwell officiating.

## DEATHS.

LEHMAN—Wednesday, Sept. 18, 1907, accidentally killed, Ernest Lehman, aged about 45 years.

## BIRTHS.

BOY—Born Sept. 11, 1907, to Mr. and Mrs. Joel B. Bowman, Estacada, a son.

BOY—Thursday, Sept. 19, 1907, to Mr. and Mrs. Alex Baker, of Eagle Creek, a son.

GIRL—To Mr. and Mrs. A. E. King of Mount Pleasant, a daughter, born Monday, Sept. 23, 1907.

BOY—Tuesday, Sept. 24, 1907, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Weindle, of Twilight, a son.

## STATE NEWS.

The Hillsboro Carnival committee is getting things in shape for the street fair which will be held there October 3, 4 and 5.

Here's the way the Salem Journal sees it: Congressman Burton wants to break up ring rule in Cleveland, Ohio, by ousting Tom Johnson and being the ring himself.

The carrier of rural route No. 1, out of Medford, has been using an automobile off and on for the past four months in making his rounds, with good success.

The assessment for Tillamook county will be over \$8,000,000 this year. The assessment on acreage property amounts to \$7,327,550 and town lots \$335,151.

A Portland minister says if the Devil was to preach a sermon his material would be taken from the daily newspapers, principally from the comic sections, and then he proceeded to use that same topic himself.

The special election held in La Grande Monday upon the adoption of rejection of the proposed new charter resulted in the proposed charter being defeated by a vote of 180 votes for and 190 votes against.

Recently some men at Kings Valley, Benton county, burned some slashings. It spread and burned eight or ten miles of fences, three cows, five or six sheep, and \$1000 worth of sawlogs altogether about \$2000 worth of property.

Mrs. Alice Cruzan, keeper of a questionable resort at Marcola, the saw mill town on the Eugene-Wendling branch of the Southern Pacific Railway, was fined \$250 and costs in the Eugene justice court Saturday for selling liquor in violation of the local option law.

F. H. Hopkins, proprietor of the Showy Butte orchard near Central Point, has closed a deal for his crop of Winter Nellis pears at a price that probably breaks the record for that variety of pears. Mr. Hopkins has 16 acres of Nellis, and the present crop brought him \$19,000, or about \$1600 an acre.

A. Fisk, who came to Oregon from Colorado a few years ago, and settled on a farm near Wilhoit Spring, was the first man to start the production of Ginseng on a large scale in this State, so far as is known, and the returns he is promised for his crop this year are such as to make even the most favored of the Hood River apple growers envious.

The way to kill off the salmon industry is to stock up the rivers with trout. It is a well known fact to those who have taken the trouble to investigate that it is the trout which are destroying the salmon industry, for they follow the salmon into the spawning grounds and devour the eggs directly they are laid. But this is not all. The trout devour the young salmon fry by the millions.—Tillamook Headlight.

Proprietors of Portland liquor stores that are doing both a retail and wholesale business were Monday cited to appear at the next meeting of the license committee of the Council to show cause why they should not pay both wholesale and retail licenses. At present such firms are paying only a single license to the city, and if they are compelled to pay two it will mean a considerable increase in the revenue of the city.

The Lane County Woman's Christian Temperance Union met in annual convention in the Eugene Baptist church last Friday, with Mrs. Eva Wheeler, the county president, in the chair. All the unions in the county were represented except two. Nine county officers answered to the roll call. The reports were exceptionally good, financially, numerically and as to work done. About forty members were in attendance.

A sturgeon weighing 510 pounds was caught near Astoria the first of the week.

The University of Oregon opened its doors Tuesday, Sept. 24. The first and second days' registration shows an increase over last year. Almost every high school and academy in the State is represented.

The Oregonian says: Twelve dollars a box for apples sounds very appetizing. To be sure, Mr. Vanderbilt, of Hood River, had only forty boxes of the delectable Winter Bananas, which seem to be almost literally worth their weight in gold; but forty boxes at \$12 a box came to \$480. This is more than some farmers can show for a year's work on a quarter section of land.

F. E. Dunn, A. C. Woodcock, C. S. Williams and George A. Dorris, all of Eugene, have bought a 200-acre tract in the river bottom, seven miles north of that city, and will set the entire tract to Royal Anne cherries this winter. The farm is known as the old "Dickie" Robinson place and is one of the richest in the county. Royal Annes flourish in that vicinity better than any other fruit crop, and small fortunes have been made here during the last few years.

The Gresham public and high school opened last week Monday with the best attendance for the first day in the history of the school. One hundred and fifty answered to the roll call.

## MOLALLA.

Grange Fair Saturday—bring out your babies—haven't any? Well, you are out of luck, and another frown appears on Teddy's brow.

Everybody seems very busy getting things in shape for winter while this excellent weather prevails.

M. Trullinger contemplates making visit to California by water next week, having disposed of his blacksmith business here to Mr. Young.

C. H. B. Thomas and wife returned from Waukegan, Wash., last Friday, where they have been spending the summer working in the broad wheat fields of the Inland Empire, reporting a very pleasant and profitable time.

Sixteen more cases of young Eastern trout were brought up Monday and planted in the tributaries of the Molalla river. Vernon and Robbins took the little speckled beauties in charge and saw them well placed.

Frank Watts is hauling sawlogs to the Prairie sawmill and by the way, some of the "biggest that ever went through these 'Confederate crossroads,'" as Nasby would have it.

Frank Schitzman is building an addition to his dwelling house.

Aunt Margaret Engle and Clara are moving into town on Oregon City avenue, having had their residence remodeled recently.

E. K. Durt, wife and Elsie, made a visit to Stone last week.

Several of our folks took in the State Fair.

Kayler & Hermann have gone to Marquam to wind up the clover-hulling.

E. A. Shaver has his new house well under way, Frank Adams being the boss-carpenter.

C. W. Herman and J. W. Thomas have each purchased new seeders, having grown tired of the old Armstrong method of casting seed.

One year ago Molalla was considerably worked up over an electric line, but now nine-tenths of our people do not believe its coming. Cheer up, friends, get awake, for Oregon City is winding the alarm to awaken herself up to a sense of duty and action one of these bright mornings.

The last dance will take place in the school here on the evening of Saturday the 28th of September, after the Fair, the school house hall is to be taken for school purposes hereafter which will be of more everlasting benefit to the rising generation than all the "graceful actions" and moral (?) tendencies ever gleaned from our average kid dances, where the dads lost sight of their urchins for the night.

## NEW CITY CHARTER

### READY TO SUBMIT

SPECIAL SESSION OF COUNCIL MONDAY NIGHT TO ACT UPON IT.

The Charter Committee, composed of Mayor, Recorder, members Council and ten citizens, met last evening at the Council chamber to hear a report from the subcommittee, which has had the principal work of preparing a new charter in hand. The committee of the whole, after hearing the report, accepted the new charter in practically the shape it was reported by the committee. A special meeting of Council will be held Monday evening to hear the new charter read and ratify it, if it is acceptable, and pass the proper legislation placing it before the people for acceptance or rejection at the next election.

The principal changes recommended in the charter are these:

1. Election of Councilmen every two years instead of three, as at present. By the new plan each ward will choose two, to serve two years each, and there will be then three Councilmen in the city to elect at large, these men to serve one year each. Instead of electing three Councilmen each year, to serve three years each, we will then elect three to serve two years and three to serve one year, a majority coming before the people for election each year.

2. Dividing of the city into street improvement districts. Improvements within these districts will be charged against all the property in the district, and not against abutting property. Many improvements are of as much value to all the people of a given section of the city as to the property in front of which they are made. At present abutting property holders must bear one-third the cost even if the improvement is detrimental to their property. By this new plan one will be taxed only his proportionate share.

3. City may build or acquire public utilities, such as public wharves, halls, railroads, gas plants, etc., so as to have them under municipal control.

4. City required to bond its present floating debt at low rate of interest and then it may not contract debts in excess of its appropriations, and such debts shall not be legal; first of year funds assessed must be appropriated into several funds for several forms of work, and then Council must make improvements to only such amounts.

As Council is a part of the general committee, and had its hand in the work of formulating the new charter, it is believed that the new charter will be ordered presented to the public for acceptance with very few changes from those that the committee will recommend at the meeting Monday evening.

## HIGHLAND.

It is said "All beginnings are hard" so the new school district, recently cut from the old is encountering a tempestuous sea on its new voyage.

There is talk of returning to the smooth and calm sea of the old district; also of an injunction on the school funds, etc. The County School Superintendent will make a personal examination of the condition and affairs of both new and old districts, and after careful consideration arrive at a conclusion, probably.

The new district has elected its officers, (and good ones, too) has levied a tax, has leased the M. E. church for the present and will start on its instructing career in the near future.

We must state in this connection that selfishness on the part of some individuals is at the bottom of this difficulty; if some people can't have a school house right under the nose they won't have any at all.

Highland School District No. 33 commenced school this week with Miss Elma Blumh at the helm.

These school operations bring us to the subject of changing text-books again. It beats all how the people, like dumb-driven cattle, will bow and submit to the galling yoke of the book trust. And it beats all how our legislators, the people's protectors and champions, allow honest, helpless and confiding people to be duped.

In our humble judgment nearly every time a change in text-books is made, it is for the worse and useless. The writer remembers very distinctly how he used the school books that other and older members of the same family had used previously and learned to read a common newspaper, too, while with these wonderful new books—space forbids to say very much.

In this matter of changing text-books, humoring a text-book commission, and feeding an insatiable book trust, we feel like Patrick Henry of Revolutionary fame, "We care not what others do," but we are decidedly in favor of retaining our old text-books, and letting the trust retain its new ones. This process of bleeding the people has been in operation long enough.

## TICKLISHNESS.

"There exists a distinct appetite for tickling."—Dr. Louis Robinson in North American Review.

There is no doubt that this is true, for since this world began, "You tickle me, I tickle you," has been the human plan. The babes of not a year in age will laugh, as also will the sage, when poked between the ribs.

In letters what a joy it is When critics do abate Their quips and quorks and quillish quib Our work to titillate! In politics how blissful when, Mid scenes of nervous wrack, Some scripper with his fountain pen Doth scratch us on the back.

We find it everywhere we go, In every walk in life, Among the high placed and the low, In peace and e'en in strife, The beggar meekly seeking alms, Laughs softly 'neath his breath When coppers scratch his itching palms; It tickles him to death.

The millionaire with all his gold On tickling dotes likewise, For all that he seems stern and cold To sundry watching eyes, When some one speaks good words of him.

His spirit greatly cheers, And, while his smile is often grim, It tickles much his ears.

And even in the White House, where Such strenuousness dwells, We surely find it casting there Its most bewitching spells, What man is he who dares deny The wondrous smiling thro' That flashes in our Teddy's eye? When on some ticklish job?—John Kendrick Bangs in Harper's Weekly.

## A Cheerful Hint.

Among the presents lately showered upon a Maryland bride was one that was the gift of an elderly lady of the neighborhood, with whom both bride and groom were prime favorites. Some years ago the dear old soul accumulated a supply of cardboard mottoes, which she worked and had framed and on which she never failed to draw with the greatest freedom as occasion arose.

In cheerful reds and blues, suspended by a cord of the same colors over the table on which the other presents were grouped, hung the motto: "Fight on; fight ever."—Austin Carlton in Woman's Home Companion.

## After Twenty Years.

Mrs. Hardapple (at play)—That thar leading lady looks the same as she did in the last act.

Mr. Hardapple—Yes, and twenty years are supposed to elapse between the last and this one.

Mrs. Hardapple—Do tell! And to think she didn't wash her face once in all that time!—Chicago News.

## Not a Dead Game Sport.



The Parrot—I'm going to move if that kid doesn't stop using my cage for a baseball mask.—New York World.

## Too True.

"I believe it to be a fact," remarked the spindle shanked young man, "that persons become to some extent that which they habitually feed upon."

"Then why don't you eat freely of veni?" asked his elder sister. "You haven't nearly as much calf about you as you ought to have."—Chicago Tribune.

## Misunderstood.

"Them lawyers do say awful funny things to you."

"What kind of things?"

"The one what came to see me yesterday about that there accident said he wanted a paregorical answer to his questions."—Baltimore American.

## Still Lingered.

Eva—Bertie John is singing that operatic song, "I Am Only a Bird." Edna—Evidently he is not a swan. Eva—Why not?

Edna—Because when a swan sings it always goes.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

## Not a Diplomat.

"You never tell me that I look young and sweet any more," pouted Mrs. Lovelace.

"No," her brute of a husband replied. "I seem of late to have lost my powers of imagination."—Cleveland Leader.

## Circumstantial Evidence.

Mrs. Coburger—It isn't right to charge Freddie with taking that money out of your pocket. Why don't you accuse me?

Coburger—Because it wasn't all taken.—Harper's Weekly.

## Not Even Jonah.

Bacon—Whether whales and dolphins ever sleep observation so far has been unable to discover.

Egbert—Do you mean to say that even Jonah had no inside information?—Yonkers Statesman.

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