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BIG TIME BY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

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OSWEGO CEMENT CAN BE USED ALSO

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The Oswego Commercial club held an interesting meeting last night when matters of importance were discussed.

MARION ATWATER MARRIED IN PORTLAND

OSWEGO, April 27.—(Special)—Oswego people are much interested in the marriage of Miss Marion Atwater and Dr. Frank Everett McNett, which occurred in St. David's Episcopal church in Portland last night.

The church was attractive with its Easter garb, lilies and palms predominating. Spring blossoms also were used.

It was a rainbow wedding and most artistic. Miss Marie Sersanous was maid of honor and the bridesmaids, who made up the procession in the following order, were: Miss Marjorie McCollum, Miss Margaret Jeldness, of Spokane; Miss Maurine McAdam, Miss Olga Spliid and Miss Vera McDonald, of Seattle.

As a professional Mrs. Whipp played Lohengrin's wedding march and during the benediction, Mrs. Henry Metzger sang divinely, "A Perfect Love."

The bride, a very pretty girl, wore a beautiful gown of heavy ivory satin, a very full skirt of panner design, having a smart bodice of cloth of silver, ending in irregular points at the waist line, from which peeped a ruffle of tulle.

Following the ceremony a small reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Atwater.

The interior of the Oswego Meat market has been greatly improved and made attractive by a coat of white paint. Oswego is proud of its market for it is always kept clean and sanitary, and besides handles the best and choicest of all meats.

FOUR LEAF CLOVER CLUB ENTERTAINS

OSWEGO, April 27.—(Special)—The children of the Four-Leaf Clover club were delightfully entertained at the home of Miss Julia Wilson Saturday afternoon at an Easter luncheon.

The mothers presented Shannon Pettinger with a beautiful gold ring in a four-leaf clover design for her instructions and interest shown in helping the smaller children in their club work during the past year.

OSWEGO PEOPLE ATTEND WELLS TRIAL

OSWEGO, April 27.—(Special)—This town has been almost deserted, at least the business streets, during the past four days, inasmuch as the trial of Mrs. Mary C. Wells, a former resident, charged with arson in having hired Wm. Newman to set fire to three cottages in Oswego about a year ago.

CEMENT PLANT WILL BE READY MAY 15

OSWEGO, April 27.—(Special)—As the time draws near for the starting of work of manufacturing cement, the buildings of the Oregon Portland Cement company begin to loom up in all their largeness, the frame work having been removed from practically all of them.

PLEASING EASTER SERVICE AT CHURCH

OSWEGO, April 27.—(Special)—All those who failed to attend Easter services conducted by Rev. Mr. Coleman at the Methodist Episcopal church last Sunday missed a treat.

CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEES.

OSWEGO, April 27.—(Special)—The Record has been asked to print the city council committees of Oswego, and they are as follows: Health: T. Clinefelter, Phillips and Pollard.

Oswego News Notes

OSWEGO, April 27.—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gates will leave soon on a trip east stopping off at the hot spring, near Pocatello, Idaho, for a few days.

Woodmen Team Beats Oswego. The Woodmen of the World baseball team beat the Oswego baseball team 5 to 3 last Sunday on the local grounds before a crowd of 300 spectators.

Mrs. Wirt, of Orsterville, Wash., was visiting her sister, Mrs. Stavelly Saturday.

Silver Tea for Church. Mrs. Finley, Mrs. Stinson and Mrs. McIntyre are to be hostesses at a silver tea, for the benefit of the Congregational church at the home of Mrs. McIntyre Friday afternoon.

Insomnia. Indigestion nearly always disturbs the sleep more or less, and is often the cause of insomnia. Eat a light supper with little if any meat, and no milk; also take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper, and see if you do not rest much better. Obtainable everywhere. (Adv.)

WOMAN, 64, WHO IS CHARGED WITH ARSON ON TRIAL

WILLIAM NEWMAN, NOW SERVING TIME IN STATE PRISON, IS STAR WITNESS.

MRS. MARY C. WELLS' ATTORNEYS ATTEMPT TO DISCREDIT CONFESSION

Convict on Stand Tells How He Placed Lighted Candles in Prisoner's Oswego Houses—\$50 of \$250 Pay Received, He Says.

The trial of Mrs. Mary C. Wells, who faces a charge of attempting to defraud an insurance company, began yesterday in Circuit Judge Campbell's court. She is 64 years old and with her in the court room were her daughter, Mrs. Bruce Zumwalt, her granddaughter, Mrs. Roy Armstrong, and Mrs. Armstrong's child, Mrs. Wells' great-grandchild.

Mrs. Wells is alleged to have employed William H. Newman, now serving a seven-year term for arson in the state penitentiary, to burn down her three houses in Oswego.

The jury, which was selected without difficulty, is composed of Solor Kinzer, George J. Hall, A. G. Phelps, A. W. Albright, John J. Hatton, Seth Young, Tom P. Randall, F. P. Nelson, J. M. Hollowell, Orley Plimpton, W. H. Graale and John A. Ridings.

The testimony of Newman was clearly the feature of the case. He recounted in detail the events of the morning of August 18, 1915, when he says he placed a lighted candle on the floor of each of Mrs. Wells' houses and poured oil and three paper on the floor so that when the candle burned down, the fire from the candle would catch easily. He said he was offered \$250 by Mrs. Wells, but received only \$50 from her for the work.

H. W. Kohler and Ella Johnson, neighbors, were awakened by the blaze. They found one house burning, and then the other two suddenly burst out in flames, apparently from the inside. J. C. Haines Sr., testified that in 1888 the property of Mrs. Wells' in Oswego was burned. Other witnesses put on the stand by the state were H. Johnson, county surveyor, who testified as to the correctness of plats introduced as evidence; Julius Alder, Ira Reynolds and W. G. Loyd, connected with the Hartman-Thompson company, who handled the insurance policies, and John Bickner, George Miller and Thomas Fox, all of Oswego.

It was evident from questions asked Newman by Judge Dimick that the prosecution will attempt to prove that Newman confessed in order to receive a reward. At the time of his arrest last fall by Sheriff Wilson, Newman was employed selling nursery stock through Clackamas and Washington counties.

Mrs. Wells, with her daughter, Mrs. Zumwalt, sat beside her attorneys, Judge Grant B. Dimick and Walter A. Dimick, and kept a close watch on the case. District Attorney G. L. Hedges and Deputy District Attorney Thomas A. Burke represented the state.

Mrs. Mary C. Wells, the aged Oswego woman charged with attempting to defraud an insurance company, yesterday went on the stand in her own defense. The day was filled with sensations, charges, denials and cross charges. Wednesday was the third day devoted to the trial of Mrs. Wells, and it is now expected that the jury will not go out until Friday.

Mrs. Wells spent the greater part of the time Wednesday morning giving in detail the value of the contents of the three houses in Oswego, which she is alleged to have employed William H. Newman, confessed firebug who is now serving time in the state penitentiary, to burn. The defense aims to show that the value of the property destroyed greatly exceeded the total of the two insurance policies. The three houses were crowded

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with valuable furniture, she said. Among the articles she lost, she said, were an \$55 watch and keepsakes formerly owned by her dead son. She said that included in the furniture of the burned houses were several wagon loads of personal belongings brought out from Portland.

Mrs. Wells broke down at one point in the trial when asked concerning her husband. On cross examination she said he had died in 1879.

District Attorney Hedges used every method in his power in an effort to shake Mrs. Wells' testimony, and one time forced her to ask the court to instruct the prosecuting official not to ask questions so fast. She admitted that she had known Newman for 20 years and that he had often worked for her. She acknowledged that with her attorney, Walter A. Dimick, she had gone to Mrs. Newman after he had been taken to the state penitentiary and urged to have her husband taken before a court to be examined for his sanity. Mrs. Newman refused.

Testimony is conflicting. Jonathan Tice, Portland expressman, who is one of the principal witnesses for the defense, went on the stand again Wednesday morning. Tuesday afternoon he testified he hauled 10 wagon loads of furniture from Mrs. Wells' former home, Seventeenth and Morrison streets, Portland, to the Oswego houses. On the stand Wednesday Mrs. Wells testified that he had hauled only a small amount and named the articles and that he had taken them to a different house in Oswego.

Mrs. Bruce Zumwalt, daughter of Mrs. Wells, and Mrs. Roy Armstrong, the prisoner's granddaughter, went on the stand to testify as to the value of the furniture destroyed in the fire. Johanna Pollock, of Oswego, who had sold Mrs. Wells milk and buttermilk, was put on the stand in an attempt to refute testimony of Mrs. Carrie Bickner, who Tuesday testified that she overheard Mrs. Wells offer Newman \$225 for burning the houses. Mrs. Bickner said she went up on the porch of Mrs. Wells' house and heard them talking within, and then tipped out the porch and across the street to her own home. According to her story there was no gate around the Wells' house, while Mrs. Pollock testified there was one.

Often Suffered Fire Loss. On cross examination, Mrs. Wells admitted she had suffered six fires during her residence in Oswego, one in Yoncalla, two in Portland, two in Oswego and one in Perrydale.

The defense attempted to show that detectives employed by the insurance companies in the case offered to compromise the matter if they were given 25 per cent of one policy. Benjamin Fried, a Portland tailor, testified as to the value of Mrs. Wells' clothing he made and which is said to have been destroyed by the fire, and A. Wilkins, who was at Newport when Mrs. Wells heard of the loss of the houses, said that the woman fainted away and cried when the news was received.

Each day has seen a larger crowd in the circuit court room, and Wednesday afternoon practically every seat was taken.

Contractor Clinefelter is making satisfactory progress upon the erection of the new school playshed, and it is thought that within another week the building will be practically finished.

G. MacDonald, secretary of the Oregon Portland Cement company, couldn't withstand the call back to the home place any longer, and so last week he bled himself to Victoria, B. C., where there is reported to be an attraction of considerable moment. He was gone almost a week.

Miss Westergard, stenographer of the Oregon Portland Cement company, returned this week from a several days visit to a sister in Seattle.

Oswego Locals

HAZELIA. April 27.—(Special)—Harley Whitten made a flying trip to Oswego Saturday morning. Miss Nina Wanker and Fritz Henningsen from Riverdale, visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Wanker Wednesday afternoon. D. E. Long was in Portland Friday. Mrs. Stella Shipley from Oswego, was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Fred Lehman, Saturday and Sunday. Mrs. H. T. Duncan made a business trip to Portland Friday.

Mrs. A. E. Helms and Mrs. F. W. Childs were pleasantly entertained by Mrs. J. H. Scott, Monday afternoon.

Miss Lucille Duncan closed a successful term of school at Devil's Lake, Oregon, Friday, April 14th, and returned to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Duncan, of Hazelia, Tuesday.

Fred Lehman was a visitor in the Rose City Friday.

Miss Gladys Wanker and Miss Opal McKay, of Portland, visited Miss Wanker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wanker Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Ethel Thompson and Miss Maron Thompson, from Oswego, spent Sunday with Miss Ethel Baker.

Miss Edna, Blaker, from Portland, was the guest of her cousin, Miss Ha Scott, a few days last week.

W. B. Cook and Miss Hattie Wanker, were in Oswego Friday evening.

Hazelia school closed Saturday with a neighborhood picnic. A large crowd attended and everyone reported a fine time.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Duncan were in the county seat on business Saturday morning.

Mrs. C. C. Wanker, from Portland, visited friends and relatives here during the week.

Harriet Duncan, Lucille Duncan, Blanche Duncan, Hattie Wanker, Edith Wanker, Herbert Duncan, Ver-

non Davidson and David Long were very pleasantly entertained by Miss Marion Eastman Sunday evening.

Miss Iva Whitten spent a few days in Portland last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Cook were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. I. Austin, of Oswego, Saturday evening.

Fritz and Arthur Henningsen, from Riverdale, spent Friday at the F. Wanker home.

Little Miss Nora Hughes, from Portland, was the guest of her cousin, Miss Imogene Jewell, last week.

Herbert Duncan spent Saturday evening in Oswego.

W. B. Cook was in Portland on business Monday afternoon.

STARK FILES SUIT, IS SUED IN RETURN

When Benjamin Stark filed his \$15,000 suit against P. E. Goodman, alleging the alienation of his wife's affections, he started something that to him was totally unexpected.

L. A. Tate, Portland grocer, read an account of the suit in the Portland newspaper, came to Oregon City and filed a suit against Stark in the court of Justice Sievers to collect an alleged unpaid grocery bill of \$17.

Tate claims that Stark suddenly disappeared from Portland one day, leaving the unpaid bill, and that he had not heard of his former customer until he read the newspaper story of the suit in the Clackamas county circuit court.

A MERCILESS JUDGE. One Who Shows No Favor.

A merciless judge is Father Time, before him the weak and the wanting go to the wall. Only the truth can stand. For years the following statement from an Oregon City resident has withstood this sternest of all tests. Joseph McDermott, Washington St., Oregon City, says: "I was almost flat on my back with kidney and bladder trouble. I was so lame and stiff that I could hardly hobble around and it was all I could do to get up in the morning. My kidneys were irregular in action and the secretions were scanty. I used several boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills and I soon got well." (Statement given March 29th 1916.)

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The Rock Creek school closes in May after a successful term with Miss Ethel Woodcock as principal and Miss Ruth Snigo as primary teacher.

Bankers Will Meet In O. C. On May 13

INVITATION OF OREGON CITY COMMERCIAL CLUB ACCEPTED—VISIT TO MILLS OF THAT CITY PLANNED.

The invitation of the bankers of Oregon City to group one of the Oregon State Bankers' association to hold the spring meeting here Saturday, May 13, has been accepted.

The forenoon will be devoted to business, and after luncheon the visitors will be shown through the paper mills and the woolen factory. A committee, composed of E. C. Sammons, of Portland; LeRoy D. Walker, of Oregon City, and S. L. Parrett, of Newberg, will prepare the program for the business session.

The banks of the eight counties in northwestern Oregon compose groups one of the state association.

BROWN AND DOUTHIT MAY BE TRIED BEFORE THE CIRCUIT COURT

STATE INTENDS TO TAKE NO CHANCES WITH ALLEGED FISH LAW VIOLATIONS.

Following the refusal of a jury in the justice court to convict George Brown early in the year on a fishing charge, although the prosecution held almost conclusive evidence, the state will probably try Jack Douthit and George Brown, caught again Monday night in the circuit court.

District Attorney Hedges believes that a jury in the circuit court would be less influenced by prejudice or sentiment, as the circuit court jury list is composed for the most part of men from outside of Oregon City.

Brown and Douthit were arrested by Deputy Game Warden Bert Jewell and Herman Baker, following 24 hours spent by the deputies in hiding in the brush near Magone's park. During their watch they did not sleep, and had only a few sandwiches each for food. Nine salmon, bearing the marks of a net, are held as evidence against Brown and Douthit.

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