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R. F. IRVING Editor and Proprietor

Summons.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Benton County,
E. W. Durkee, Plaintiff,
vs.
Annie E. Durkee, Defendant.
To Annie E. Durkee the above named defendant: In the name of the State of Oregon you are required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled cause on or before the 25th day of March, 1907, and if you fail so to answer, for want thereof the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in his complaint, to-wit: for a decree of the court dissolving the contract of matrimony now existing between the plaintiff and defendant and for the care and custody of Frank B. Durkee, W. P. Durkee, and S. F. L. Durkee, children of plaintiff and defendant, and for such other and further decree as to said court may seem equitable.
This summons is served on you by publication pursuant to an order of the Hon. E. Woodward, county judge for Benton county, Oregon, made on the 5th day of February, 1907.
The date of the first publication hereof is February 8, 1907 and the last publication thereof will be on March 22, 1907.
Dated February 8, 1907.
McFADDEN & BRYSON,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

Notice to Creditors.

George Beamis, Estate.
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed the executrix of the last will and testament and the estate of George Beamis, deceased by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Benton county. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to said executrix at the office of McFadden & Bryson, at Corvallis, Oregon duly verified within six months from the date hereof.
Dated February 8, 1907.
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A VANCOUVER MERCHANT SHOOTS HIS FORMER WIFE.

After Firing Four Shots at Woman Commits Suicide—Crime Follows a Gala Time in Portland—Other News.

Vancouver, Wash., Feb. 18.—A long continued series of family quarrels ended in a double tragedy in this city shortly after 2 o'clock yesterday morning. As a result Louis Mazoretzky died instantly by his own act, while his former wife, Beesie Mazoretzky, from whom he was divorced about three weeks ago, is at St. Joseph Hospital suffering from four wounds, which will probably prove fatal. Four children, three of whom are real young, are apparently without any one to care for them.

The tragedy occurred at the home of the family, corner of Sixth and East B streets. A few minutes after 2 o'clock yesterday morning Policeman Cresap heard pistol shots fired, and at the same time cries for help. Entering the house, Cresap saw a ghastly sight. Lying upon the floor was Mazoretzky, dead, while near him on a lounge was Mrs. Mazoretzky, moaning. In the room were the four children of the family, the eldest, a daughter about 17 years of age, almost in hysterics while the younger children appeared dazed.

Mrs. Mazoretzky's most serious wound was in the right side, where a bullet is supposed to have passed in the immediate neighborhood of the kidneys and to have lodged near the spinal column. There are four other wounds, two of which were evidently made by one bullet. One of these wounds is in the upper portion of the right arm. A second entered the neck, just below the lobe of the ear. Apparently the third shot was fired while she had raised her arm to protect her head; the bullet entered the right hand, passed through and struck the head a short distance above the ear, grazing the flesh and emerging at the back of the head, practically at the same spot at which the bullet entered the neck and made its exit. The last shot fired was the one which entered the right side, near the back.

There is much speculation as to the immediate cause of the tragedy although it was largely due to family trouble. About three weeks ago a divorce was granted the couple by Superior Judge M. Credie. This followed a long series of family troubles, largely the result of charges of infidelity made against the wife by Mazoretzky.

From statements made by the eldest daughter, it appears the Mazoretzky had been occupying a room at home since the divorce, and had on most occasions been on friendly terms with his former wife. Saturday afternoon he took the entire family to Portland, and with them started on a round-up of enjoyment, which consisted of a dinner, during all of which time the entire party were in the best of spirits. Following this they attended a dance, returning to Vancouver on the last car. Arriving there, they went first to a saloon and had a glass of beer, and then separated, the daughter and a young man who had been in their company going home, while Mazoretzky and his former wife went to a restaurant. Later they telephoned to the house and requested the daughter and her companion to return downtown and join them at dinner. With the company was a young man, a former employer of Mazoretzky, and whom he accused of having been one of Mrs. Mazoretzky's lovers.

Miss Mazoretzky states that after the party returned to the house, some one made the remark that the fire was hot, when Mazoretzky replied that "they had made it hot for him, but that he might make it cold for some of them soon." Shortly after the children retired, and Freizelheimer, their friend, also went to bed, occupying a room with the two boys. About half an hour after Miss Mazoretzky retired she heard her father pass her room and enter his own, which adjoins. She then heard him fumbling about the drawers of the bureau. She suspected nothing until a few moments after, when she heard him descend

the stairs, and this was followed almost immediately by the sound of shooting and the screams of her mother.

At the commencement of the shooting young Freizelheimer jumped out of the window of his room, clad only in his underclothing, and did not return until after the police had arrived.

Miss Mazoretzky descended to the lower floor, where the crime occurred. As soon as the nature of the tragedy was apparent to her she ran out of the house, screaming for assistance. Officer Cresap was in the vicinity, and having heard the shots, was at the house almost as soon as she emerged.

Among many who are familiar with the affairs of the family, it is believed that the tragedy was coolly contemplated, and that the trip to Portland was planned by Mazoretzky as a sort of farewell to his family. For a long time he had been worried over the alleged actions of his spouse, and had frequently quarrelled with her.

While Mrs. Mazoretzky was alive this morning, and reports from the hospital indicate that she is resting easily, physicians have grave fears for her life. The wound in the side is a serious one, and there is danger of blood poisoning.

Mazoretzky is generally supposed to be possessed of property amounting to at least \$20,000. In addition to this, he is said to have been a member of the Woodmen of the World, at Portland, in which he carried an insurance of \$3000.

The Albany Herald says, if not a revenue producer, the present legislature will take its place in history as a money spender. And herein lies a source of criticism from which the 24th legislature assembly cannot escape. It has gone ahead raising salaries, creating commissions and offices, piling up appropriations for higher education, exposition, etc. A ready ear has been given to the demands for appropriations. Diligence has not been shown in seeking new sources of revenue. Nor has remedial legislation been championed with the enthusiasm the people might reasonably expect. Beginning with this year the state officers have been put on a flat salary. By comparison of these salaries, which are considered reasonable, with what the same officers have been receiving or appropriating to themselves, it is plain that some of the officers have been receiving emoluments entirely out of proportion to the services rendered. This paper has pointed out that the secretary of state has been appropriating to himself all fees coming into the secretary of state's office; that neither the statute nor constitution awards these fees specifically to the secretary and that during the incumbency of the outgoing secretary there has accumulated in his hands \$100,000 to \$120,000 in fees that properly belong to the state. The outgoing secretary of state has in his hands this amount in addition to the salary received equal to the present flat salary. But the present legislature has neither made demands on the outgoing secretary of state nor his predecessors, nor has it even asked for an accounting. It has been too busy spending money. Relief asked by people of the Willamette valley from the embargo at Oregon City has received very indifferent support. In fact the recognition the Jones bill received was forced on the house by people who are paying the tolls. All resources of the people, however, are not exhausted. There remains the court to which appeal may be made to force the payment into the treasury of fees that have been collected and are now withheld by individuals. There is the initiative through which the people may vote relief from lockage extortion and there is the referendum by which unjustifiable appropriations may be nullified.

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GOV. CHAMBERLAIN

VETOES NORMAL SCHEME, AND SAYS COURTS WOULD NOT SUSTAIN IT.

The Power of Making the Selection Is Delegated by the Constitution to the Legislature—Appointed Railroad Commissioners—Other News.

Salem, Or., Feb. 18.—Governor Chamberlain has vetoed S. B. 134, Smith, providing for selection of two of the present normal schools by a board of regents. His action throws the normal school situation in chaos. This veto may be sustained in the senate by a combination of normal school senators, for sustaining the veto would make it too late to introduce another two-school measure, and would save all four schools until next session.

The veto says that the bill would not be sustained in the courts if it should become a law and the board should attempt to designate which two normals be left. The power of making the selection is delegated by the Constitution to the legislature, and that body cannot, under a well established principle of law, delegate its power to any man or set of men.

"There is no reason," says the message, "why the legislature should not itself eliminate two of the normals, instead of trying to shirk its duty and so avoid the responsibility."

This Smith bill slipped through the senate despite the opposition of the normal school combination. The combine, however, is strong enough, standing together, to sustain the veto, thus killing the bill and giving all four normals a chance.

Equally ardent to defeat the veto are the political enemies of Governor Chamberlain, who contend that if they can succeed they will be making political capital out of it.

Salem, Or., Feb. 22.—Oregon's three railroad commissioners will be Oswald West, of Salem, now state land agent; Clyde B. Aitchison of Portland, now attorney for the Title Guarantee & Trust Company, and Thomas K. Campbell, of Cottage Grove, a lumberman of the firm of Campbell & Alexander.

These selections were decided upon today by the state board, which is given the appointment under the Chapin law.

West is a Democrat, and the choice of Gov. Chamberlain. He will hold office until after a state election in 1910. Aitchison is a republican and is the choice of State Treasurer Steel. Campbell is a republican and is the choice of Secretary of State Benson. Aitchison represents the Second Congressional district and Campbell represents the First District. The present tenure of each will last until after the state election of 1908.

The commission law went into effect Thursday, unless sooner approved by Governor Chamberlain, that day being the fifth, excepting Sunday, since it was presented to him. Within 20 days thereafter the law is to become operative.

West will be succeeded as state land agent by Charles V. Galloway, of McMinnville, a young democrat who was a member of the House of representatives in 1903, and was the democratic nominee for congress last year, and made a gallant race against W. C. Hawley the republican nominee, and was only defeated by a very narrow margin, considering the immense republican majorities he had to contend against. The new appointee will assume his new duties as soon as Mr. West, the retiring official, takes up his new duties as a member of the railroad commission.

West is 33 years of age, Aitchison is 32 and Campbell is 50. West's vocation is that of banking, Aitchison is a lawyer and Campbell is a lumberman, of Cottage Grove, but has been put out of business practically by lack of cars on the Southern Pacific.

Each commissioner must give bond in the sum of \$10,000. By the terms of the law he shall not hold any other office, or position of profit, or pursue any other business or vocation, or serve on or under

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