

GRIEFS OF FIVE
COURTESIES RELATED

Circuit Courts Spend Busy
Day With Marriage
Controversies.

MRS. DICKERSON IS FREED

Wife of Man Who Shot H. A. Garrett
Given Divorce—Woman Mar-
ried "Count" Also Liber-
ated From Matrimony.

Three judges of the Circuit Court were busy yesterday morning straightening out the tangles of married life. Judge Morrow presided in the first case, Judge Gatens had a like number, and Judge Brouhaugh tried a contested case. One of the default cases was that of Martha E. Dickerson against R. T. Dickerson, who is serving a term in the Penitentiary at Salem for manslaughter because he shot Harry A. Garrett, whom he took to be his wife's paramour.

Besides these cases, a new suit was filed, in which Louis Mary Hooper accuses her husband, Herman Hooper, a fisher, of standing across the street from their home one night last month and throwing stones at his step-daughter. She says she married him at Sausalito, Cal., January 28, 1897. He began to drink to excess, she declares, beating her frequently with his fists. One day, last September, he says he supplemented this with a broom-handle, knocking her down upon the couch, and breaking it, and then following her as she fled into the street to knock her down again. At this time her wrist was so badly injured, she asserts, that she has been unable to use it since. She was under the physician's care for five weeks on account of internal injuries. Last November he was convicted in the Circuit Court on assault and battery and paroled with a six months' sentence, on his promise to refrain from molesting his wife.

Thought Husband "Count."

Grace Leon took Jacques J. Leon for her French count when she married him, but witnesses told Judge Gatens he is no count. Mrs. Leon said he is a merchant, but she was compelled to support him, as well as her two children, until he died in October, 1908, when he deserted her. She lives across the street from the courthouse. She married "Count" Leon April 18, 1909, and the divorce was granted.

Nellie Connor told Judge Gatens how her husband, Matthew Connor, broke the dishes at the supper-table, threw the butter-dish against the wall, besmearing it with butter, threw the butcher-knife at her, cutting her in the side; threw a glass of jelly, striking her in the hand, and threatened to kill her. The judge allowed her a decree, with \$10 a month alimony. She married Connor May 24, 1907. They have one child.

Judge Gatens also granted decrees in the cases of Rose Margulies against Moses Margulies, and Elsie G. Williamson against Edwin G. Williamson. Mrs. Margulies complained that her husband beat one of their two children while she was bathing it, and when she objected, he knocked her down. She was married June 15, 1902. The judge allowed her \$5 a week alimony. Elson was charged in the Williamson case, which was carried at Little Falls, Minn., May 1, 1902.

One is Dismissed.
Judge Brouhaugh dismissed the contested case of Martha Hartford against George Hartford, saying neither party had sufficient proof for a divorce. Mrs. Hartford said her husband drank, and threatened to burn the house unless she gave him more money for liquor. He said she locked him out when he returned from an effort to find a job. They live at Tremont Place.

The other three cases were heard by Judge Morrow, who granted the decrees. Harry Asa Hart said his wife, Ida Lou Hart, told him she married the wrong man. She went back to court to see to live with her relatives. They were married at Long Beach, Wash., August 11, 1908.

Hattie Dornisfe complained that C. H. Dornisfe, whom she married at Dallas, November 6, 1892, let her support him by doing housework, obliging her to beg from the Salvation Army for clothing for their four children.

BIXBYS DENY SIGNING NOTE

Administrator of Estate of William Lemke Would Collect \$2000.

E. T. Bixby and his wife, Carrie Bixby, were placed on the witness stand in Judge Cleaton's courtroom yesterday morning to answer questions of Attorney W. P. La Roche regarding a note for \$3000, said to have been given by them in favor of William Lemke. Lemke has since died, and La Roche appears as the administrator of his estate.

According to Attorney Charles J. Schnabel, Lemke went to his office before he died and showed a number of notes from the Bixbys, which Schnabel advised him to combine in one for \$2000, to be secured by a mortgage. He said he wrote out such a note and gave it to Lemke.

GOODS STOLEN; DAMAGES DUE

Judge Finds Himmelstark Responsible for Jewelry Loss.

Circuit Judge Campbell, of Oregon City, took Judge Gantenbeln's place in the Circuit Court yesterday morning, trying the suit of Isaac Jacobs against M. Himmelstark for \$210 damages on account of stolen jewelry.

Testimony was introduced to the effect that Jacobs pawned a watch, diamond pins and other jewelry in Texas, and after coming to Portland paid Himmelstark \$41 with the understanding that he was to have the articles taken out of pawn and sent to Portland. Himmelstark's house, a burglar named Levine stole it. Levine was captured in the East, and

brought to justice, but some of the stones had been reset so that the jewelry could not all be identified. The watch and fob, however, were returned. Jacobs demanded that Himmelstark reimburse him for what he had lost, and a lawsuit followed. Himmelstark's refusal. Judge Campbell gave judgment for \$180.

Balky Horse Causes Suit.

A balky horse is the cause of a suit brought in the Circuit Court yesterday by Attorney John F. Logan for Mamie Akln against A. C. Wilson. Mr. Logan's client purchased a sorrel horse named Prince last Thursday from Wilson with the guarantee that it was of sound limb and wind and "fit for a lady to drive." She discovered after trying to drive it, however, that it would balk, rear and plunge, and offered to return it to Wilson for the \$400 she paid, but was refused. She now demands this amount in her suit.

COUCH-STREET LOTS SOLD

W. K. Smith Invests—East Side Property Brings \$14,000.

W. K. Smith, who recently sold a large share of his holdings in the southern part of the city to the Oregon Electric Railway Company, has purchased a lot 50x100 feet on the south side of Couch street, 100 feet west of

SNAPSHOT OF PORTLAND MAN ACCUSED OF MURDER, TAKEN AT UNION DEPOT.



CHARLES J. WEZLER AT CAR WINDOW ON TRAIN ON WAY TO TACOMA.

FLAX-GROWING IS URGED

Expert From Belgium Says Fiber Grown Here is Superior.

Flax-growing in Oregon will be encouraged if plans now being evolved materialize. Oregon flax is of a superior quality, according to a merchant and manufacturer of country, Belgium, who recently Eugene Boese, a Belgian, living near Salem, sent samples of flax he had grown to Courtney and since then numerous inquiries have been received by Boese concerning its growth here. It was acknowledged in the communications that the samples sent were superior to the flax grown there.

Secretary Van Heekelen, of the transportation committee of the Chamber of Commerce, who has been ascertaining the rate on flax to European ports, says it is too high to ship the raw product here. The plan now is to build a factory here and ship the hemp fiber. In this way, it is believed, a great industry can be developed.

Heretofore Oregon flax-growers have marketed their product in New England cities.

IT BEGINS AT 9 O'CLOCK

The closing-out sale of the McAllen & McDonnell stock will begin this morning at 9 o'clock.

A Healthful Hint.

A bottle of the Hood Brewing Company's famous Beck Beer to ward off that tired feeling. Phone E. 129, B. 1219.

Ten town lots given away.

See page 5.

WEZLER SENT NOTE

Deputy Says Acknowledgment Made on Train.

NO HOPE, SAYS OFFICIAL

With Unkept Beard and Gloomy, Tear-Stained Face, Man Accused of Brutal Murder Taken to Face Charge Against Him.

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might hurt him, and would not let him be interviewed. "I must protect his interests, just as I must those of the state," he explained. Apparently forgetful of this a little later, Doten inadvertently let slip a re-

WEZLER SENT NOTE

mark about Wezler's refusal to say who wrote the note that called Mrs. Schulz from her home in Tacoma to Gig Harbor. The slip was noticed and the query propounded: "Does Wezler acknowledge having sent the note to Mrs. Schulz?"

"Oh, yes," said Doten, "he acknowledges this, all right."

"Well, isn't that the same as a confession? If he sent the note that lured the woman to her death he must be guilty," it was suggested.

"But a jury might not look at it that way," said Doten, who became more guarded in his statements after this.

"Does Wezler use 'cops'?" was asked. "No; but he smokes cigarettes as fast as he can make them," replied Doten.

Interview Not Allowed.

When the train stopped at the Union Depot, some Portland police officers gathered at the window behind which Wezler and his guard, The Pullman was a compartment car, in which the doors opened into a corridor that ran the length of the car. When the newspaper men and photographers opened the door of the compartment, Doten refused to let his prisoner be interviewed.

"You have a photograph of me, anyhow," said Wezler.

While his guard talked to detectives and newspaper men outside the car, Wezler sat near the window part of the trip, and later further back in the compartment, industriously smoking cigarettes.

Appearance is Very Bad.

Had the prisoner purposely tried to make himself appear unattractive, he could not have looked worse than he did yesterday.

His black beard had been neglected until it resembled that of a tramp. His forehead and cheeks, where the growing whiskers covered the skin, were covered with red blotches. Deep lines about the eyes and unnatural puffs in the cheeks told of disipation, and his large eyes seemed never to be still.

No handcuffs limited Wezler in the use of his hands, but to prevent his jumping from the train through the open window his feet were chained.

ROAD OILING IS ASKED

COUNTY URGED TO PAY COST ON BASE LINE.

Auto Club Officials Encounter Objections to Plan—Matter Under Adjudication.

The Foster road is to be oiled within a short time, half the expense to be borne by the county and half by the property-owners along the road.

Six members of the Portland Automobile Club and the Oregon State Automobile Association waited upon County Judge Cleaton and Commissioner Lightner yesterday morning, asking that the Commissioners order the oiling of the Base Line road, which would cost between \$500 and \$1000, and charge the entire expense up to the county. The County Court was not inclined to do this, saying it would establish a precedent and compel the taxpayers as a whole to bear the entire expense of oiling all county roads in the future.

Mr. Lightner believed that the automobile clubs and the property-owners along the Base Line road should bear the \$500 or \$500, their half of the expense. Mr.

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POLICE WILL COMPETE

PATROLMEN WISH TO SHOW SKILL IN MILITARY TACTICS.

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ADNESS COMES

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills which vanish before proper efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge that so many forms of illness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact that it is the only remedy which promotes internal cleanliness, without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is, therefore, all-important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to purchase and note that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only.

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Announcement to Contestants

The fine \$500 APOLLO Player Piano given as a first prize in our great advertising contest, which closed April 20th, was awarded to Miss Bertha M. Shahan, 1204 Francis avenue, city. The judges were Wm. P. Olds, of Olds, Wortman & King; I. M. Walker, of the Behmke-Walker Business College, and John A. Lee, of the Columbia Trust Co. On account of the large number of fine subjects submitted, it was quite a difficult task to make the awards, and we congratulate Miss Shahan on her success. We also wish to thank the many others who took part in this, the greatest contest, perhaps ever held in this city. While we have not the show-window space to exhibit the large number of fine subjects submitted, they are now on exhibition in our store and we would be pleased to have everybody call and inspect them, as it will surely prove interesting to you.

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