

WIFE COMPELLED TOWED, SHE SAYS

After 12 Years, Mrs. Ward No Longer Can Tolerate Enforced Bondage.

COURT ENJOINS HUSBAND

Woman Fears She Will Be Killed When News of Her Suit Is Known - Policeman's Wife Says She Is Left Destitute.

Charging that she was forced into marriage at the point of a revolver and later abused and degraded by the man who had obtained her against her will, Lottie E. Ward filed suit for divorce yesterday against Victor T. Ward. Mrs. Ward has asked the court to protect her by a restraining order, issued against her husband, who, she fears, will kill her when he finds that she has begun divorce proceedings. The restraining order has been issued.

Notwithstanding her determination to possess her as his wife, Ward is accused by the plaintiff of employing a man named Alfred Reynolds to commit an assault on her, that he might degrade her and then procure a divorce from her. The wards were married at Vancouver, Wash., January 25, 1900, and they have no children. By a former marriage, Mrs. Ward has a son, 18 years old, employed in a Portland bank. She contributed her suit this year. She has contributed nothing toward her support for some time, and has directed dealers not to give her credit. Soon after the wedding Mrs. Ward says she husband took her to a place where he refused to talk to her for weeks at a time. She says her husband owns real estate in Wasco County valued at \$25,000, and has since loaned her \$1,000. She asks the court to grant her a lump sum of \$500, in addition to an absolute divorce.

Edith L. Manning sued Edgar Manning for divorce yesterday at the ground of cruelty. She charges her husband with spending all his salary of \$100 a month away from home and leaving her destitute. They were married at Clifton, Wash., November 25, 1908. Manning is on the Portland police force.

Seth N. Robinson applied for a divorce yesterday from Narcie Blagel Robinson, charging that she had been cruel to his three children by a former wife. He gives his age as 39 years and that of his wife as 28. They were married at Oregon City, February 21, 1909.

Leona A. Boylan is suing Charles W. Boylan for divorce on the ground of cruelty. Among other things she alleges to her husband in the whipping of her daughter by a former marriage. They were married in Portland, July 24, 1909.

Courthouse Nages. Copies of Lord's new edition of the Codes of Oregon were received from Salem yesterday by the Judges of the Circuit Court.

The Alveolar Dental Company brought suit for \$10,000 damages yesterday against R. T. Brennan, manager of the Modern Painless Dentist Company, for an alleged infringement of the plaintiff's trademark.

Complaining that he was seriously injured when run down by an automobile driven by E. G. Ruedy, March 12, at Burnside and Broadway, Eugene, Hagans sued Ruedy yesterday for \$2500. Sheriff Stevens, by order of the court, has placed a death watch upon Jane William M. Hassing, convicted of the murder of his wife. Hassing is to be sentenced Monday.

FREIGHT SERVICE BEGUN Yakima Valley to Profit by Connection With Portland. Through freight service from Portland to North Yakima and to points on the newly opened line of the O-W-R & N. Railway from Atlatia, Wash., and North Yakima was announced by the freight department in Portland yesterday.

Balmon, Wash., registered yesterday at the Imperial. G. W. Hodge, of North Yakima, is at the Bowlers. H. L. Andrews, of Grants Pass, is at the Oregon. L. H. Huggins, of Hood River, is at the Perkins.

Mrs. F. Mendelhall, of Salem, is at the Perkins. I. Blumauer, of Tenino, Wash., is at the Cornwell. Mrs. C. H. Briggs, of St. Helena, Or., is at the Lenox.

W. H. Kenoyer, a merchant of Molalla, Or., is at the Oregon. T. M. Baldwin, a banker of Prineville, is at the Imperial.

Frank B. Alley, of Roseburg, is registered at the Cornwell. Mrs. C. H. Briggs, of St. Helena, Or., is at the Lenox. Mrs. C. H. Briggs, of St. Helena, Or., is at the Lenox.

NEW YORK, March 29.—(Special)—People from the Pacific Northwest registered at New York hotels Monday as follows: From Portland—At the Martinique, G. P. Stanley; at the Waldorf, C. P. Swigert; at the Westminster, C. T. Gering; at the Spokane—At the Grand Union, S. S. Morre.

From Tacoma—At the Imperial, S. B. Raffin. From Seattle—At the Martinique, J. M. Joslin; at the Herald Square, A. Griffin.

CHICAGO, March 29.—(Special)—Oregon people registered at Chicago hotels today as follows: From Portland—At the Congress, R. A. Raymond, E. A. Lundberg; at the La Salle, W. F. Hyatt.

From Baker City—At the Great Northern, J. W. Messner.

PRINEVILLE ROAD SURE

CENTRAL OREGON METROPOLIS FINANCING LINE. Citizens Expect to Have Railway Under Way by May and Done by 1912—Cost \$1,000,000.

Construction work on the proposed railroad from Prineville to Metolius, with finances provided entirely by the people of Prineville and other parts of Central Oregon, will be started before the end of May, predicted R. F. Heckman, a prominent Metolius citizen, who was in Portland on business yesterday.

Although several routes have been surveyed, it is believed that the one which will be chosen, that of the Metolius valley, is the best. The road will be a first-class road and place it in operation.

While plans have not yet been perfected, the people back of this enterprise propose to take over the map of the Metolius valley, and the Metolius & Prineville Railway Company, organized by Harrison Allen and other Portland people a few weeks ago, and to succeed that concern in the Metolius valley.

If work is started next month, which seems probable, the road can be completed before the end of the present year or early in 1912, according to the opinion of Heckman and others who are interested in the enterprise.

Metolius is rapidly assuming metropolitan proportions, declares Heckman. A large hotel is being built, and the town, which two months ago was but a vacant field, already boasts a drug store, a furniture store, a hardware store, two or three general merchandise stores, and numerous smaller business concerns.

A newspaper has been started, and the owners are preparing to put in a movie plant, and a skating rink, including a daily at the earliest opportunity.

"SLAVE PLOT" SUSPECTED

Unused Marriage License Plays Part in Plan of Foreigners. Use of a marriage license, pursuant to what no marriage ceremony had been performed, to forward the "white slave traffic," was unearthed by Police Sergeant Wanless and Patrolman Robson, in the arrest early yesterday morning of John Blaffas, and Winnie Gardner, a chorus girl, in a room at Seventh and Gilliam streets. Upon being disturbed the pair produced a license, issued on March 22 at Vancouver, Wash., but they admitted that no ceremony had followed its issuance. The officers have a theory that this method is used by foreigners to get girls in their power, preparatory to sending them into the market.

Winnie Gardner is the child of respectable parents, living at Beave Creek, near Portland. For nearly two years she has shown wayward tendencies. She was arrested early one morning last June when riding in a taxicab with two Chinese. This fact, combined with the knowledge of Judge Taswell, caused him to change her sentence from a fine to imprisonment for 90 days. Option was given her of remaining in the City Jail, or going to the House of the Good Shepherd, and she went to jail.

HILL MEN HELPED

Railway Will Develop Land Held by Officials.

COMPLETION IS IN SIGHT

Real Backers of Line From Canby South Still Subject of Discussion—Profit Is Expected From Beginning.

Every railroad corporation having offices in Portland desires its identity with the new electric line that is building south from Canby toward Molalla, in Clackamas County, and several of the big lines have had scouts in the field for the past few months endeavoring to trace the origin of the money that is financing the enterprise.

Thus far the Canby Canal Company, which maintains an extensive irrigation system in that vicinity, has stood sponsor for the railroad, but officers of the concern declare that men higher up in the financial world really are back of it.

While some Portland railroad men are inclined to believe that the project never will be completed, even declaring that the intention of the promoters is not to build a railroad, but to construct an irrigation canal, developments of the past few weeks indicate that tracks will be laid and cars in operation before the end of the present year.

Railway Officials Interested. The announced intention of the promoters is only to develop the land adjacent to the main line and the branches of feeders that are to connect with it through some of the nearby valleys, but in carrying out this plan it appears that persons high up in the official ranks of the Hill system will be benefited most.

Although much of this land is held by private owners, at least 5000 acres, it is understood, is made up largely of men who are prominent in the affairs of the Burlington Railway. It is not likely that James J. Hill himself has any financial interest in this concern, but many of his Burlington friends, it is said, have.

This, it is pointed out, gives the Hill interests a direct motive for constructing the line.

The enterprise is considered a good financial risk from the start, as the construction will not be as expensive as that for many other roads that have been built in Oregon recently. That it will pay interest on the investment is admitted. With the additional motive of making the land in which the Burlington directors are interested more valuable good reason for Mr. Hill's activity is presented.

Although the line as proposed will establish connection with the Southern Pacific at Canby, a branch road, already projected to Meadowbrook, will leave the intervening distance between the new system and the Oregon Electric.

These facts have been considered by those who are trying to connect the Hill system with the new road. The Hill system has been forward to show that the Southern Pacific is back of it.

At the same time the active charges of those who have active charges of the Canby Canal Company, but who are trying to finance this road nearly a year, but has been halted in its purpose several times by lack of funds. Inasmuch as sufficient money now seems to be on hand to carry it to completion, the assertions that Mr. Hill is the real builder are being renewed.

MILWAUKEE PLANS SERVICE

Portland Officials Want Through Train When Line Is Opened. J. R. Veltch, district freight agent of the Milwaukee road, left yesterday for St. Paul and Chicago, where he will remain several weeks in conference with Eastern officials. Mr. Veltch is expected to return to Seattle to Mr. Bridge, S. D., of course, as he admits it to be the best road ever built.

While he is East he expects to take up with the Milwaukee officials the question of through passenger service between Portland and the East. Some preliminary arrangements for the operation of this class of business already have been made, but the details have not been attended to. The Milwaukee will inaugurate its through service from Puget Sound about May 25 and the Portland officers hope that a train from Portland may be placed in commission at the same time.

In the event that this service is arranged, it is likely that the traffic will be handled over the O-W-R & N. system in the same manner that the freight business is handled now, with the main line being operated by Puget Sound or via Plummer, Idaho, has not yet been determined.

Picture Framing One-Fourth Off—Fourth Floor—Take Advantage of Low Prices Goods Purchased on Credit Rest of Month Will Be Charged on April Account Manicuring and Hair Dressing, 2d Floor—Visit Our Tea Room on Fourth Floor Remington Pictures \$2 Vals. 98c Sale Serving Trays Reg. \$7.50 Values for \$4.85 Reg. \$5.00 Values for \$3.85

The Greater Olds, Wortman & King Store. 35c Dust Pans 20c Sale of Tea Kettles \$2.50 Values \$1.65 Fishing Season Opens Saturday \$1.25 Bamboo Poles 90c Cushion Slips 1/2 Price

Easter Sale Fabric Gloves Regular \$2.50 Values Sp'1 \$1.29 50c Gloves Spec'1 25c 75c Gloves Spec'1 29c

\$2.50 Fish Poles, at \$1.98 \$5.00 Fish Poles, at \$4.10 \$2.50 Fish Basket, at \$1.98 75c Nickel Reels, Now 48c Fish Lines at 10c to \$1.50 Fish Hooks of All Sorts

Sale of Groceries Honest Foods, Low Prices. \$12 Lace Curtains, Pair \$5 \$2.25 Bed Pillows at \$1.65 \$8.00 Down Pillows \$6.50 \$12.00 Mattress for \$8.25 \$5.50 Bed Springs \$4.65 \$7.00 Iron Beds for \$4.65 \$22.50 Brass Beds \$17.50

Medford Club Will Move. Medford, Or., March 29.—(Special.)—The Medford Club will move from its present quarters to the building at Ridgefield tomorrow and Friday night. Fifty of the delegates will be held by different officers and teams, and at night a big banquet will be served. E. A. Blackmore of Ridgefield will deliver the address of welcome, to which J. H. Elwell, of Vancouver, will respond.

PAVING AMENDMENTS UP

Measures for Open Bids and Municipal Plant to Be Voted. Voters probably will be called on to vote at the June election on two initiative measures—the Ellis amendment to provide for open bids and competition in street and sewer work and the measure proposed by the East Side Business Club to establish a municipal paving plant. Petitions for the Ellis amendment are being circulated and signed rapidly. One canvasser for signatures reported yesterday that he had secured 750 names on the Ellis amendment in one day, which probably means that the measure will be placed on the ballot in June.

PERSONAL MENTION.

W. J. Roberts, of Medford, is at the Oregon. W. J. Stevens, of Hillsboro, is at the Lenox. N. A. Ingram and G. S. Smith, of White

200 to Attend Lodge Convention. VANCOUVER, Wash., March 29.—(Special.)—Two hundred members of the Knights of Pythias lodge of Vancouver, Castle Rock, Kamela, Kelso, Camas and Ridgefield will be present at the Eleventh District convention at Ridgefield tomorrow and Friday night.

Medford's exhibit building, close to the Southern Pacific Railroad tracks, which has for the past few years been occupied by the real estate firm of John D. O'Neil Company, has been vacated and on April 1 the Medford Commercial Club will move from its present quarters to this building.

"Beautiful La Grande" Is Topic. LA GRANDE, March 29.—(Special.)—Howard Evert Reed, landscape gardener, addressed a large audience here last night on "More Beautiful La Grande."

Train Drags Man by Coat. CENTRALIA, Wash., March 29.—J. A. Rockwell, a Seattle railroad man, experienced a miraculous escape from death on the track at an early hour this morning. While waiting for the northbound train at the Centralia depot his overcoat caught in the steps of the incoming train. He fell, feet first, beneath the wheels. One of his feet struck the rail, but the wheel only crushed his heel. Dr. Livingston dressed the wound as the helpless man lay on the track, the train stopping until the accident victim was removed. Rockwell came to Chelalis to pay his taxes.