

TOO MUCH FOLKS, HIS DIVORCE REPLY

R. J. Richardson Denies That He Used Force to Make Wife Remarry Him.

"SHE'S COERCED," HE SAYS

Divorced Pair Accidentally Meet on Train, ex-Wife Pleads for Reconciliation and Seemed Happy, Is Assertion.

"Too much folks" is the summing up by R. J. Richardson, a well-known young man of Portland, yesterday of his wife's suit for divorce, filed at Baker City last week.

Richardson and his divorced wife, Mrs. Lily Richardson, of North Powder, Baker County, were remarried at Vancouver last Wednesday, while both were in the city attending the Rose Festival.

Mrs. Richardson yesterday also received a letter purporting to have been written by his wife at Baker City, to the effect that she never could and never would live with Richardson again.

It is charged Mrs. Richardson in her purported letter and in her complaint declares she left her home at North Powder to come to Portland to attend the Rose Festival and that her former husband followed her and induced her to remarry him at Vancouver, under threat of death.

"I don't believe my wife ever wrote that letter," declared Mr. Richardson yesterday. "The signature may be hers, but it is in a different handwriting than the rest of the letter."

"I was returned on the train from Caldwell, Idaho," continued Richardson, "when my wife boarded the train at North Powder for Portland, with our little 4-year-old daughter. There were friends of both of us on the train. I was holding my little daughter on the platform when my former wife came out and said that she was very unhappy to live apart from me, and that her life at home was hard and she thought we should make up our difficulties and remarry. She cried and declared that she could never be happy again. We agreed that we would remarry as soon as it could be arranged after we came to Portland. We remained together on the train until we reached Portland."

"She expressed apprehensions at the time, at what her folks might think and do about the matter. I told her it was a very serious matter and that she should consider the matter with great caution, but she insisted that she wanted to remarry me as soon as possible."

"I met her at the Broadway building, with Mrs. L. G. Richardson, Wednesday and we went to Vancouver, where we were married. There was not the slightest threat made to me to force her to remarry me, even if I had wanted to."

"She was anxious to have the ceremony performed and afterward seemed perfectly happy and satisfied and so declared herself. The witnesses and the Baptist minister will bear me out in this. She had a fear of her parents and what they would think about it, however. I told her to be frank with her parents and write them, but she decided to return to their home in North Powder for her clothes. She left Thursday night and I did not see her until I saw in The Sunday Oregonian that she had started divorce proceedings, and today received this very bitter letter, purporting to have been written by her, declaring that I had made her remarry me by threatening to kill her."

"I do not now believe she is willingly doing this, as she has answered the letter, there are plenty of witnesses to prove an absolutely false Mrs. Richardson's charge."

"My son's wife seemed very happy when she came here," said Mrs. J. J. Richardson, mother of R. J. Richardson. "She said she was glad that her troubles were all over; that it was all right now between her and her husband. They would live happily together. She said it seemed to be too good to be true."

CRIMINAL ACTION IS ASKED Baker County Prosecutor Wants Multnomah to Take Cognizance.

BAKER, Or., June 15.—(Special.)—District Attorney Evans, of Multnomah County, was asked today by Frank B. Mitchell, attorney for Lily T. Richardson, to bring criminal proceedings against R. J. Richardson, the Portland contractor, on the basis of her divorce suit for annulment of marriage filed here.

Mrs. Richardson is the daughter of John C. Travillion, one of the wealthy cat ranchers of Baker County, and the Democratic candidate for County Treasurer. She is now in Baker, having fled from Portland subsequent to the marriage.

The complaint is a sensational one. Mrs. Richardson divorced her husband in Baker last October 21, her complaint alleging that the husband had fled from his offices, in the Fenon building, with his stenographer, Alice Greenfield, to Los Angeles, where both were severely injured in an automobile crash.

she was riding, and told her that if she appeared on the streets with her mother-in-law or sister he would kill them all.

Last Wednesday she alleges she visited a dentist, Dr. C. L. Long, in the Broadway building, and on coming out of the office into the corridor was met by her husband, Frances Richardson, her husband's sister-in-law, and Horn. Her husband then, she declares, told her that if she made an outcry he would shoot her and her little girl on the spot and her relatives if he met them on the street. He then, the complaint alleges, ordered her to go with him to Vancouver, in company with Horn and Frances Richardson, and, she alleges, in fear of death for herself and child, and while in a dazed and hysterical condition she went, where she was compelled by fear to submit to a valid marriage.

She recites that she returned to Portland at once and was forced to go to the home of her parents, but that she refused to live with Richardson, and a few hours later fled to North Powder, after promising, under threats of death, to return.

COMPANY TO PAVE STREET Ladd Estate Will Compel Performance of Contract.

Having found that the Barber Asphalt Paving Company has an agreement with the Ladd Estate to maintain and keep in repair the pavement in Ladd Addition for 10 years from 1907, the residents of that district have notified City Commissioner Dieck that the terms of the contract will be enforced in connection with Ladd avenue, which is now under construction. Request is made that proceedings for the repaving of the street at the expense of the property owners be discontinued.

The Ladd avenue paving problem has been the cause of much trouble for several months. The street is practically impassable at present, and property owners objected to paying the cost of repaving.

RAILROAD PLANS CAMPAIGN Would Line Solicitors to Seek Business for Ogden Gateway.

W. C. McBride, general agent for the Denver & Rio Grande and other Gould lines, has returned from Salt Lake City and San Francisco where he conferred with Gould officials on plans for opening a campaign of solicitation in the Willamette Valley and other Southern Pacific points south of Portland for business to move through the Ogden gateway. J. G. Githens, assistant to the president of the Gould lines, will come to Portland next week to travel over the territory.

The Ogden gateway is to be opened to the Denver & Rio Grande a big movement of traffic over that line is expected. The Rio Grande officials are endeavoring to handle it by placing solicitors in the affected Oregon territory.

INDIAN VETERANS TO COME Encampment of Early-Day Fighters Will Commence Tomorrow.

Veterans of the Indian wars which stirred Oregon in the early days will assemble in Portland tomorrow for their 29th annual encampment. While that list of bold and sliverly men who fought the redskins is getting thinner year by year, it is expected there will be a good attendance. Many will be here from other states of the Northwest and from the East.

The sessions will be held in the hall of the Woodmen of the World. A reunion will be held Thursday evening. There is considerable interest in the election of officers for the ensuing year, which will take place Wednesday.

PERSONAL MENTION. C. Hamlin, of Seattle, is at the Washington.

Charles Hall, of Hood River, is at the Imperial.

E. F. Tindolph, of Seattle, is at the Perkins.

Mrs. D. Kattner, of Spokane, is at the Nortonia.

A. J. Cowick, of Denver, is at the Imperial.

J. M. Burgess, of Pendleton, is at the Imperial.

A. W. Stone, of Hood River, is at the Nortonia.

W. H. Dole, of Alpha, Wash., is at the Benson.

MOJADA, WITH 93, WINS HEAT RECORD

Thermometer Goes Tanging Merrily Upward From 'Hottest Sunday's' 89.

'COOLER TODAY' IS PLEDGE

Pendleton, With 94 Hung Out, Takes Championship of State, While Marshfield, at 64, Is Winner of Summer Resort Honors.

Sunday's record as the hottest day of the year in Portland stood for just 24 hours.

The thermometer registered 89 degrees at 4 P. M. Sunday. At 4 o'clock yesterday the temperature was 93. This mark held until after 5 o'clock, but at 6 o'clock the thermometer had dropped to 88. It was 82 at 7 o'clock, and remained warm throughout the early evening.

Acting Forecaster Drake last night gave assurances that temperatures in Oregon and Washington had been "much above normal" during the day, but promised that today would be "fair and cooler" in Portland, with westerly winds. He also said that it would be "fair and generally cooler" in the interior western portions of Oregon and Washington.

But Portland was not the only city in Oregon where soda fountains and other drink enterprises became veritable oases yesterday. At Medford 98 degrees were registered; at Pendleton 84, and at Roseburg 92. The inland Empire came to the front with 90 at Walla Walla, but for real warm weather it is necessary to scan the returns from Phoenix, Ariz., where, with cloudy skies, the mercury reached 105.

With a possibility of 15 hours and 44 minutes of sunshine in Portland yesterday, the city received exactly what we amount, but Mr. Drake reports that we need nearly five inches of rainfall to bring our average precipitation since September 1 up to the average of other years.

The Oregon Coast was cool yesterday, a maximum of 64 at Marshfield being a fair sample of what was experienced down by the sea. The Chicago continued to bid for Summer resort honors, with a maximum temperature of 86. At St. Louis, however, 90 degrees were registered.

STREET HOLDS HORSES FAST Hoofs Sink Into Soft Surface and Water Wagon Hardens Crust.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 15.—(Special.)—Monday was the hottest day of the season, reaching 92 degrees. The pavement became soft and "crawled."

A team of horses on Main street stood on the hot pavement and when the street gutter passed by the cold water hardened the tar around their feet and held them prisoners until the intense heat had a chance to warm up the paving substance again.

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PORTLAND, June 15.—(To the Editor.)—The following letter was submitted to the Portland Journal several days ago but has not been printed.

In an article published in your issue of the 11th inst. you state that the political action of the 25 Democratic county chairmen who resigned from that body, the Journal ascribes too much personal power to them.

When the present committee was organized at the meeting held at the Commercial Club rooms "my followers," as they are misnamed, were in a clear majority and could have elected whatever officers they wished. There were 54 committee members present at that meeting and 47 of them voted in my favor as a unit. They were not dominated by me, I was simply one of the number.

Personally I seconded the nomination of Chairman Watson and proposed the name of Secretary Lee and both of these were chosen. It was evident that the majority could have named a different set of officers, but I proposed that the selection be postponed, and it was agreed that a meeting be convened in two weeks.

On the following night a meeting was held at the Commercial Club rooms, and only a favored few were officially notified in time to be present. Many sent proxies to be voted for. I suggested a life-long worker in the Democratic ranks.

During the interval between the meetings a number of so-called committee members were appointed, and these who did not take enough interest to have themselves regularly elected, were present to vote in a body for a candidate other than Mr. Dargatz.

What use would control of such a committee be? Realizing that we could not personally support all the Democratic candidates; resenting the arbitrary ruling of the chair, and believing that the committee was not an effective body, 24 members resigned and as I write this there are a number of other resignations lying on my desk, voluntarily have no objection to a committee to file with the secretary if I so desire. These will be filed in a few days.

True, I assisted in the organization of the National Club, and was elected and am now serving as temporary president and those resigning members of the Democratic County Committee, with one exception, are members of the club, knowing that it is effective and in a position to accomplish something. It has at least one active political worker and vote-getter in each of the 32 precincts and now has an enrolled membership of nearly 800, each pledged not only to vote for, but actively urge the Democratic candidate chosen by ballot by a majority of the club. There are at least 35,000 voters in Multnomah County who do not vote at all and many of these we expect to interest in the Irquois Club.

Although it is charged in the same article the Journal has no evidence that I am a "turn-coat" because I do not support all the Democratic nominees. Personally I believe a majority of the members are as capable of choosing the best men as any individual or any newspaper.

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Portland Agents Gossard Lace-Front, Bon Ton, Royal Worcester Corsets Ice Cream Parlors and Soda Fountain in Basement—Tea Room, 4th Fl.

Olds, Wortman & King Reliable Merchandise—Reliable Methods Store Hours—9 A. M. to 6 P. M. Every Business Day—Saturday Included

"June White Sale" Now in Progress Every White Article Reduced Except a Few Restricted Lines

1/2 Price Sale of Women's Suits Continues Today



Don't Miss This Opportunity—High-grade tailored and fancy Suits—lines from our regular stock which have sold down to one or two of a style, size or color. The assortment comprises every wanted material—serges, chevrons, striped pongee, checks, novelty mixtures, moire and taffeta silks, etc. Beautiful garments from the best manufacturers in the land. On sale at 1/2 regular prices.

House Dresses, Special \$1.19 "2-in-1" and Other Popular Styles

Center Circle, Main Floor—Women's gingham, chambray and percale House Dresses—plain colors, stripes, checks and dots. Styled with high or low necks and long or short sleeves. Also "2 in 1" styles—worn as apron or house dress, adjustable. Trimmed with tucks, piping and embroidery. Full range of sizes \$1.19 to select from. Priced specially for Tuesday's selling.

Special Sale of Aprons Bargain Circle, 1st Floor

Three special lines of women's Aprons, priced for Tuesday's selling at considerable under regular. An excellent opportunity to supply your needs for Summer months.

At 89c Gingham Aprons in nurses' gray and white stripes, pink, blue, tan and white stripes. Kimono sleeves, button down the front, shirred waist. Extra special 89c

At 73c Large bungalow Aprons of good quality percale, trimmed with bias bands of contrasting material and belt, 73c

At 24c Percale Aprons with large fitted bib and pockets, trimmed with rick-rack braid. These are regular 35c grades, and are 24c extra well made. Priced special at 24c

20c Wash Goods At 9c Yard

Basement Bargain Center Printed lawns, printed foulards, crepes, wash chevrons, rice cloth, gingham, etc., in handsome new patterns and colors. Mill ends in lengths up to 10 yards. Unusually good qualities. Regular 12 1/2c to 20c Wash Goods, special at, yard 9c

June Sale Table Linens \$6.50 Lace Curtains \$4.45

Dept. Main Floor—Our Annual Sale of Table Linens is always an interesting event—this year more so than ever before. We list below few representative pricings for you:

TABLE LINEN SETS \$17.50 Sets, 2 1/2 x 3 1/2 \$13.10 \$25.00 Sets, 2 x 3 \$18.75 \$35.00 Sets, 2 1/2 x 3 1/2 \$26.75 \$35.00 Sets, 2 x 3 \$26.25

Third Floor—Beautiful new point d'Irland Curtains, richest of hangings for any room in the house. Several pretty designs to choose from. Regular \$6 and \$8.50 grades on sale, pair, \$4.45

\$6.50 Curtains, \$3.98—Irish Point Lace in attractive new patterns. Priced, special in the June White Sale, pair \$3.98

Sale of Curtain Nets Third Floor Regular 25c Nets, the yard, 19c Regular 30c Nets, the yard, 24c Regular 35c Nets, the yard, 27c Regular 45c Nets, the yard, 38c Regular 60c Nets, the yard, 48c Regular 75c Nets, the yard, 60c Regular 95c Nets, the yard, 75c Regular \$1.00 Nets, the yard, 79c Regular \$1.25 Nets, the yard, \$1.08

MRS. W. A. BUCHANAN DIES Husband for 55 Years Survives Active Philanthropist.

Mrs. Annie A. Buchanan, aged 72 years, died Sunday at the Malloy Hotel, Yamhill and Lowndes streets. Funeral services will be held at 1 P. M. today at the Portland Crematorium.

Mrs. Buchanan was the wife of W. A. Buchanan, formerly connected with the Honeyman Hardware company. Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan came to Portland in 1847. They were married more than 55 years ago. It was their ambition to live until the 60th anniversary of their wedding.

Mrs. Buchanan nursed the soldiers in the Washington, D. C. hospitals during the Civil War. She was an active member of the Emergency Corps in Portland during the Spanish-American war. She took a great interest in local kindergarten work, and was a member of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society.

She is survived by her husband, a daughter, Mrs. Charles H. Warner, and four grandchildren.

NEW BOULEVARD DESIRED Meeting Called in Peninsula Hall to Organize Campaign.

A mass meeting has been called tonight in Peninsula Hall, on the St. Johns carline, to launch the movement to construct a boulevard, 40 feet wide, along the St. Johns road and Greeley streets along the St. Johns road through Lower Albina. This meeting will be held under the auspices of the Portland Associated Clubs. Petitions have been circulated and several thousand signatures have been procured.

Double Stamps With Cash Purchases in the Grocery Dept. Today

Cut Glass, Silverware and Nickel Goods Reduced Third Floor—June Sale Wm. Rogers' Sectional Plate Silverware. Exposed parts have three times the usual thickness of silver. Shown in fancy designs and in beautiful French gray finish.

Regular \$1.00 set of 6 Tea Spoons, special 75c Regular \$1.75 set of 6 Dessert Spoons for \$1.30 Regular \$2.00 set of 6 Table Spoons for \$1.50 Regular \$1.75 set of 6 Dessert Forks for \$1.30 Regular \$1.88 set of 6 Table Knives for \$1.40 Regular \$2.00 set of 6 individual Salad Forks \$1.50 Regular 35c Sugar Spoons priced special at 25c Regular 95c Berry Spoons, specially priced at 70c

Special Demonstration of "Economy" Fruit Jars, Third Floor—Pints 85c, Quarts, \$1.00 Dozen.

Special Demonstration New "Tricolators"—Grocery Dept., 4th Floor

Rich, sparkling Cut Glass—pieces suitable for gift-giving. The following are in the beautiful floral designs and deep cuttings. Choose now! Regular \$1.00 Round Cut Glass Nappies at 75c Regular \$1.25 Round Cut Glass Nappies at 94c Regular \$1.50 Round Cut Glass Nappies \$1.13 Regular \$3.00 8-inch Cut Glass Vases for \$2.25 Regular \$4.75 10-inch Cut Glass Vases for \$3.56 Regular \$5.00 Cut Glass Water Pitcher \$3.75 Regular \$6.00 large size Water Pitcher at \$4.50 \$1.50 engraved Smelling Bottles with Stops \$1.00

Agents Cruise Timber Federal Forestry Service Men Work in Crater National Forest.

A party of eight special agents of the Federal forestry service is at work in the Crater National forest, east of the Cascade divide, cruising the merchantable timber in that district. The same party has just completed a similar task in the Cascade National forest above Oak Ridge on Salt Creek.

This is a part of the general plan of the forestry bureau to take an inventory of all the merchantable timber in the National forests. Complimentary work done in the Cascade forest has not been completed, but the figures it is predicted, will show hundreds of millions of feet.

T. E. Mungler, forest examiner in the Portland office, has returned from the camps conducted by the men making the cruise.