



MISS COLUMBIA IS MR. SNAKE'S BRIDE

Celilo Canal Is Ring at Wedding.

ALLEGORY IS NICELY STAGED

All Pasco and Kennewick See Mighty Rivers Joined.

CEREMONY DIVORCE-PROOF

Regular Bridgroom Late for Mock Nuptials and Friends Say He Believed That Union Might Be Legally Binding.

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KENNEWICK, Wash., May 4.—(Special.)—Miss Columbia and Mr. Snake were united in an allegorical marriage here today.

The Celilo Canal served as the wedding ring and United States Senator Jones, of Washington, as the minister.

It was a divorce-proof wedding. "What the Celilo Canal has joined together no man can tear asunder," paraphrased Admiral W. P. Gray, who gave the bride away.

Yes, there was a bride, and an attractive one at that. In real life she is Miss Kate Williams, of Kennewick, but for the purposes of this wedding she was Miss Columbia. In the absence of Wallace B. Stanton, of Lewiston, the regularly appointed bridegroom, F. A. Jones, of Pasco, acted in that happy capacity.

Friends Tell Joke on Mr. Stanton.

Mr. Stanton traveled to Kennewick on the steamer "The Seal," which arrived just after the ceremony was over. He will be present at the more formal wedding at Big Eddy tomorrow. Mr. Stanton's friends are telling a good joke at his expense. They say that last night they jollied him into the belief that a mock nuptial performed in the State of Washington is legally binding on the principals and that he purposefully avoided today's wedding for that reason. Tomorrow's ceremony will be performed in the State of Oregon.

The bridal couple was attended today by a score of bridesmaids representing the various cities and towns on tributary streams of the Columbia and the Snake. Each young woman was attired in a flowing gown of light material. Some wore blue and others were pink. Their shoes matched their respective dresses. Some Alice Hayes, of Walla Walla; Miss May Dolan, of Pasco; Miss Bertha Leveick, of Pomeroy; Miss Martha Johnson, of Prosser; Miss Zella Lewette, of Kennewick; Miss Dorothy Davis, of Ritzville; Miss Gladys Sheffield, of Seattle; Miss Martha Fancher, of Spokane; Miss Alice Hogan, of Dalles; Miss Wilma Donnell, of The Dalles; Miss Eulalie Johnson, of Vancouver; Miss Frances Walsh, of Wallburg; Miss Margaret Foxworth, of Walla Walla; and Miss Esther Hogan, of Wenatchee.

The ceremony was performed on a platform under a grove of trees on the banks of the Columbia. Across the river is Pasco. The people of those twin cities joined together in presenting their tableaux, which was one of the prettiest events of the celebration week.

Tiny Girls Flower Bearers.

The bride and her sponsor, Miss Josephine Kouba, of Pasco, marched to the decorated stage, leaning upon the arm of Admiral W. P. Gray, commander of the festival. At the end of the platform the bridegroom, attended by Cushing B. Baker, of Walla Walla, walked his bride. Men in uniform were Representative Sinnott, of The Dalles, and L. E. Thomas, of Prosser. Maids of honor were Miss Peg Cunningham, Miss Olga Fyles, Miss Mayme Jorgensen and Miss Ruby Slaughter, all of Kennewick. Misses Lucia Collins and Esther Moulton, of Kennewick, a pair of tiny girls, nearly like twins, were the proud flower bearers.

The crowd packed the beach and some men and small boys even climbed the trees so that they might see the better. No one took the event seriously and no one intended that anyone should. Everyone laughed and cheered by turns as the attractive bridal party made its appearance. Senator Jones was waiting for them.

"For countless centuries," he began, "Mr. Snake has been wooing Miss Columbia.

Union Is Perpetual.

"Now, after all these years, I, with the assistance of the United States Government, have secured consent to form a perpetual union and it pleases me that it is my privilege to assist in forming the union which they so long sought.

He then proceeded to administer the usual marriage vows and to the conventional questions each answered with a firm "I will."

"Now kiss her," challenged the crowd, and for a moment Mr. Jones looked over at Miss Williams as if he intended to do so, but the bride blushed like the proverbial red rose and he hesitated. The moving picture operators urged them to make the wedding complete by exchanging the customary kiss, but they didn't and the crowd applauded.

On Barbecue Delights.

While all this was going on the Kennewick people had two or three big oxen roasting in a pit. As soon as the wedding ceremony was over, everyone rushed for the pit and hot roast beef sandwiches were handed out as long as they lasted. It was more than an hour after noon and nearly everyone was hungry. That poor old ox didn't last any longer than it took to slice him into thin pieces. My, but it was good. Pasco and Kennewick united at their ceremonies today. The first big

GERMANS KILL 4 OF FISHING CREW

SUBMARINE SHELLS TRAWLER AND MAN IN LIFEBOAT.

Attack Is Made Off Aberdeen and Another Craft Is Torpedoed and Sunk Nearby.

ABERDEEN, Scotland, May 4.—Seven members of the crew of the trawler Cruiser, of whom four were wounded by the shell fire of a German submarine, have been landed here by a collier. They say that the Cruiser was approaching Aberdeen harbor, laden with fish, when the submarine appeared and opened fire.

One shell struck the trawler's bridge, instantly killing four members of the crew. The survivors assert that the remaining seven hands took to their boat and were rowing away when the submarine fired again, wounding four of the men and causing the boat to capsize. The men thrown into the water were rescued from drowning by the collier.

The British trawler Scottish Queen has been torpedoed and sunk by a submarine 50 miles off Aberdeen. The crew was landed here. The rescued men say 15 minutes was given them to leave their vessel, but subsequently they were permitted to return to her and procure provisions.

The British steamship Minterne, from Cardiff for the River Plate, with 600 tons of coal, was torpedoed off the Selly Islands Monday. Two firemen were killed and the second engineer was injured. The force of the explosion hurled the engine through the aperture made in the ship's deck and saved his life.

FOREST FIRE IS SPREADING

Blaze Near Montesano, Reported as Checked, Breaks Out Again.

ABERDEEN, Wash., May 4.—(Special.)—The fires which started yesterday in the Lester camp, two miles from Montesano, and at the Schafer Brothers' camp, four miles from that city, today were reported to have been checked, but this afternoon word was received from Montesano that the fire at the Schafer Brothers' camp had started up again and was spreading.

The flames have extended into the present scene of operations and there some of the timber is being destroyed. Extra men have been called upon to fight the blaze. A brisk brush fire at Carlisle, in the west end of the county, was checked yesterday before it had reached green timber. A donkey engine near one of the camps was damaged badly.

C. W. BRYAN FAR IN LEAD

Secretary's Brother Probably Elected Mayor of Lincoln, Neb.

LINCOLN, Neb., May 4.—Early returns on today's municipal election indicate the return of three of the present five Commissioners—Dayton, Schroeder and Hensley.

Charles W. Bryan, brother of W. J. Bryan, is far in the lead of present Mayor Zehring and probably will be Lincoln's next Mayor.

The fifth Commissioner is in doubt.

FIVE ARE KILLED IN AUTO ON CROSSING

Mrs. Gwin Hicks and 2 Children Victims.

TWO WOMEN FRIENDS DEAD

Machine Skids Into Electric Car on Slippery Pavement.

OCCUPANTS ARE RUN OVER

Mr. Hicks, ex-Commissioner From Washington to San Diego Exposition, May Die as Result of Los Angeles Accident.

LOS ANGELES, May 4.—(Special.)—Five met instant death and one probably was fatally injured when an automobile driven by Gwin Hicks, ex-commissioner from the State of Washington to the San Diego Exposition, skidded into a rapidly moving Santa Ana car on the Pacific Electric tracks at Linwood Station, just south of this city, today. The dead are: Mrs. Hicks, wife of the Commissioner, and her two small children, Mrs. James A. Atkinson, of Lucy, Wash., and Mrs. Luther Brown, of Pomona.

Mr. Hicks was badly hurt and may die.

Auto Skids Onto Track.

The automobile was driven by Mr. Hicks, who said after the accident that he saw the car approaching as he neared the crossing. He applied the brakes on his machine, but the heavy rain had made the pavement slippery, and instead of slackening the speed of the car this action caused it to skid directly across the tracks.

The heavy electric car struck the auto squarely in the center, throwing the occupants out on the track ahead, and then crashed over them again. Five were dead before the carmen and rescuers could get them from under the car.

Dwopour of Sala Begins.

Mr. Hicks was rushed to a Los Angeles hospital, where he was barely able to give his version of the accident. With his family and two women friends, he was on his way to Long Beach to have dinner tonight with friends. It was not raining when the party left the city, but a short time afterward a downpour started and Mr. Hicks put on the curtains. He said that all went well until the Linwood crossing was reached. The electric car was seen approaching and Mr. Hicks applied the brakes.

"CRAB KING" IS ARRESTED

Coos Bay Man Accused of Breaking Law He Thought Repealed.

MARSHFIELD, Or., May 4.—(Special.)—Thomas H. Barry, the crab king of Coos Bay, was arrested today on instructions from Fish Warden R. E. Clankor for canning crabs in violation of the Oregon laws.

Mr. Barry, it is said, thought the new law enacted by the last Legislature had gone into effect with the signature of Governor Withycombe, but the law does not take effect until May 22. The hearing was set for May 14.

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DEATH PAY CASE IS BEGUN

Women Sue for Compensation for Men Murdered at Work.

ABERDEEN, Wash., May 4.—(Special.)—Is murder an accident? A case to settle that question has been started by two widows of men killed at the Simpson logging camp April 2 by George Steele, a discharged employe. The widows' insurance claims were refused by the State Industrial Insurance Commission. The case will be appealed. The widows are Mrs. Louis F. Sterts, whose husband was foreman of the Simpson camp, and Mrs. Fannie E. Johnson, whose husband was a logging train conductor.

NOTABLE PARTICIPANTS IN CELILO CANAL CELEBRATION AT LE WISTON AND UNIQUE PARADE FEATURE.



1—See Perce Indian in Parade. 2—Governor Lister, Washington, on Left, and Governor Withycombe, Oregon. 3—Senator Borah and His Wife. 4—Left to Right—Senators Poinsette and Jones and Governor Lister. 5, Left to Right—Senator Lane, Representative Sinnott and Senator Brady.

BILLION BALANCE OF TRADE LOOMING

Redfield Says Figures Are Gladdening.

ECONOMIES ADD TO WEIGHT

Tourist Drain Stops, Foreign Investments Are Absorbed.

OFFSETS ARE UNUSUAL

Need of American Merchant Marine Illustrated by Cry for Shipping From Far East as Well as From Atlantic Countries.

EXTRACT FROM SECRETARY REDFIELD'S LETTER ON FOREIGN TRADE.

The favorable balance in our foreign trade is so great that it already reaches a sum sufficient to purchase the largest of our great railway systems and that if it continued for the rest of the fiscal year at the current rate it would be sufficient to extinguish the entire interest-bearing debt of the National Government.

It would several times pay the cost of the Panama Canal, would more than discharge the debts of all of our states or more than pay the entire net debt of the City of New York, plus that of the City of Philadelphia.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Secretary of Commerce Redfield today gave out for publication a letter which he wrote to Senator Stone on the foreign trade of the United States and its reaction on the domestic commercial and financial situation, in which he said: "Our exports for the nine months of the fiscal year ending with March 31 have reached the unparalleled total of \$1,933,475,580, indicating an approximate total for the full fiscal year of \$2,750,000,000. The apparent balance in our favor on merchandise transactions in this foreign trade up to April 7 (the date for half of April being estimated) is \$761,000,000. Unless some unforeseen change in the export movement occurs, this favorable balance will reach, if not exceed a thousand millions during the current fiscal year.

Tourists' Money Stays at Home.

"This is of itself sufficient to make American hearts glad, but certain factors add greatly to its weight. It includes the month of August, in which

Tuesday's War Moves

THE Russians have had at least partial revenge for the defeat inflicted on them in Western Galicia by the Austrians and Germans by badly beating the Turks who had invaded Persia. The defeat took place in a three days' battle near the frontier, and Petrograd reports that the Russians inflicted heavy losses on the Ottomans. If the narrow of the Muscovites has been cleared up, military observers say that Persia now should be a library of her uninvited guests.

This battle, however, was a small affair when compared with what Germany and Austria assert they have done to the Russians in Galicia. Their reports say that some 30,000 Russians were captured and that a large number of guns were taken. There was no mention, however, of the capture of any towns such as Gorlice and Tarnow, which were close to the front, which leads the British military critics to the conclusion that, while the German allies have won important local successes, they have not driven the Russians far back.

Should they succeed in doing this, however, it is asserted that a general retreat of the Russians would be imperative, and that the whole Carpathian offensive on which the Muscovites have spent so much time and so many lives would be completely nullified.

It is asserted in high quarters that 100,000 troops have been concentrated in the environs of Peking, but with sufficient ammunition for only a brief resistance.

Military Precautions Taken.

Special police and military precautions have been taken throughout the city, especially around the Winter palace, where President Yuan Shi Kai resides. The officials declare that they are suspicious that the Japanese may attempt a repetition of the Korean coup d'etat.

The Japanese legation, it is said, notified the Japanese yesterday to prepare to leave Peking, and many women and children are getting ready to depart. Many of the Japanese men probably will take refuge in the legation quarter if hostilities break out. The situation is considered awkward for some of the foreign legations, especially those whose countries sympathize with the Chinese, but none of them could oppose the entry of Japanese into Peking.

Japanese Reservists Called.

Telegrams received here from Mukden say that the Japanese bank and postoffice there have suspended business, that the Japanese reservists have been called to the colors and that other civilians are concentrating in the railway zone.

82,000 ARMED MEN QUIT

Geneva Papers Tabulate Austrians Who Have Surrendered.

GENEVA, Switzerland, via Paris, May 4.—The Tribune de Geneve publishes statistics to the effect that a total of 82,000 officers and men of the Austro-Hungarian army have surrendered to the Russians and to the Siberians since the beginning of hostilities without firing a single shot. The newspaper declares that all of these men were fully equipped.

Chinese Concessions Numerous.

It is contended that the Chinese had conceded virtually all of the articles contained in the 11 demands made on them and enumerated to the powers, and a high official said yesterday that it was not believed that Japan would dare enforce those contained in Group V, which he said Japan had informed Great Britain as well as the other powers were merely regarded as desirable.

Yuan in Quandary.

On the other hand it is considered here that Yuan Shi-Kai faces calamitous consequences in China, if he yields to the Japanese. High members of his own government are said already to have voiced the suspicion that he may accept an alleged offer from Japan of military support and protection for himself against foreign nations and his own people, in return for conceding control of the country in fact, although not nominally to Japan.

BRITAIN PRAISES MORGAN

Service of American Banking-House Highly Valued.

LONDON, May 4.—Premier Asquith paid the banking house of Morgan & Co. a compliment in the House of Commons today by saying that the British government "has no reason to doubt the value of the services" of this firm.

The appointment of Morgan & Co. as sole agents in the United States for British Admiralty and War Office requirements, the Premier said, was made January 15, after full consideration.

Timothy Healy, Irish Nationalist member, suggested that Great Britain owed an "unspeakable obligation" to the firm, and the Prime Minister sealed the suggestion with the complimentary sign.