

THE PROPOSED TEACHER DECISION

Board Should Have No Scruples Against Furloughs for Maternity Is Opinion.

AID FOR CUPID PROMISED

Leaders in Mothers' Congress Declare Women With Children Add Softening Touch to Austere of Schoolroom.

PORTLAND WOMEN'S VIEWS ON MARRIED TEACHERS.

It is a good thing to have a few married teachers in the ranks of the teaching staff of our schools. Teachers who are mothers know best how to handle children.

"Motherhood leaves of absence" should not cause faltering in action by the Board of Education. So far as public opinion is concerned teachers need not "shoo" Cupid away.

To have a few more mothers sprinkled through the ranks of the school teachers of Portland would be a very good thing—to offset the disciplinary rigors of some possible few "splendidly regular, icily null" sisters of the spinstership, who through long arduous application to the rod and rule, have become, perchance, a wee bit "hardened" or "bitter."

This, in substance, represents the opinion of some of the leaders in women's circles after viewing the decision of Judge Morrow Saturday in reinstating Mrs. Richards (Mrs. Oren R. Richards), who was dismissed several months ago because she married.

Furthermore, should the School Board find itself to face with the problem of granting leaves of absence to any of its married women teachers, it need not falter in its action. These representative leaders, reflecting public sentiment, will stand firmly on the side of motherhood.

Efficiency Given Cupid.

Furthermore, if Cupid is lurking around some of the younger school-maams of Portland, he needn't be shy of public opinion. There are a great many mothers in the ranks of teachers willing to have their offspring taught by married teachers. In fact, if Cupid needs a little encouragement there are plenty of leaders in the Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teacher circles who will lend a hand and "tip" off the School Board that the public hasn't any objections.

"The ruling of the court, I think, is right in the case of Mrs. Richards," said Mrs. Aristene Felts, president of the Oregon Council of Mothers. "We have no question that a married woman has just as clear vision and good influence in handling children as an unmarried one. In the case where teachers are married the advantage often on their side. So far as the public is concerned, I am sure it is on the side of the teacher's right to marry and continue her work if she is efficient."

Efficiency Placed First.

Mrs. W. J. Hawkins, who is past president of the Council of Mothers Association and who for 15 years taught school herself, has decided views on the subject.

"Efficiency is the first thing to be considered," said Mrs. Hawkins. "All other things being equal there is no justice in barring a teacher just because she married. Suppose she marries in mid-term? When is a teacher going to have her courtship or choose her time for marrying, with eight or nine months of school work? Doesn't she have the privilege of marrying in mid-term? Must we restrict marriage to vacation periods? We have numerous men teachers who are married and provide for their families in that work. Except for certain exigencies a woman teacher should be allowed to continue her teaching as men are. Furthermore, it is to be expected married teachers will become mothers in some instances. In these I most certainly believe the School Board would be performing a public duty and performing the public's bidding in granting a necessary leave of absence. When the time comes that she can return to school work and retain her efficiency without sacrificing the duties of her home, there is no just reason for debarring her."

Mother Held Natural Teacher.

In the case of mother-teachers I favor them heartily, when other conditions are met. A woman who knows motherhood undoubtedly knows how to handle and teach children. The natural and original teacher. Certainly mother-teachers can understand what, perhaps, unmarried teachers cannot in children. I do not say all teachers should be married, but when the mother instinct makes itself manifest in the teacher, it is as good as certain that the position of justice or a School Board could understand the beauties of motherhood there would be no question on this. There are some teachers who have devoted their lives faithfully to teaching and have excluded all else.

"Some of these have gone through it without becoming bitter or hardened or unresponsive to children's appeals and their needs. But on the other hand, some few become rigorous, so to speak. Surely to have married teachers in the ranks is a blessing to offset this other influence. The married teachers whom I know discharge their duties most admirably, especially those who are mothers."

Mrs. Isaac Swett, president of the Portland Council of Jewish Women, says:

"I can see no reason for disqualifying a teacher because she marries. I believe the court action will be upheld by everyone. I believe, furthermore, there should be no argument or hickering over 'policy' in granting leaves of absence to married teachers when good and sufficient cause is shown. I believe that the position should be held open for her until the time comes when she can resume her school work, if she has devised a proper way of attending to her home duties."

DIFFERENT TYPES OF PLAY TO BE PRESENTED

Mrs. Patrick Campbell Will Appear in Bernard Shaw's "Pygmalion" and "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray," Playing Entire Week.



MRS. PATRICK CAMPBELL, WHO WILL BE AT HELIOL THEATER THIS WEEK.

MAN DIES IN FIRE

Frank Bilyer's Body Found in Ruins of His Home.

THREE OF FAMILY ESCAPE

Firemen Do Not Know Owner Is in Lake-Street House Destroyed in Early Morning—Smoking in Bed Possible Cause.

When the fire which stripped a story and a half dwelling at 578 Lake street shortly after 3 o'clock yesterday morning was extinguished the charred body of Frank Bilyer, 60 years old, was discovered in the skeleton of twisted iron and springs that had been his bed. The ashes were taken charge of by Deputy Coroner Smith, and funeral arrangements will be made today.

Mr. Bilyer, who was a retired laborer and owned his home, and the property where he lived, slept alone in a small room, fashioned in the attic of his modest residence. His wife and two children slept below. Mr. Bilyer received no warning of the fire, the exact origin of which is not known, but had they been aware of the flames which surrounded his bed.

Firemen Do Not Know.

The firemen of Engine Company No. 6 did not know when they arrived that there was anyone in the burning building; but had they been aware of the presence of Mr. Bilyer, they could not have saved him, for the upper part of the dwelling was a mass of swirling flames.

The fire was first seen by a watchman at the nearby crematory. He telephoned in the alarm. The blaze was then creeping around the chimney, covering an area about four feet square.

There are two assumptions as to the origin of the fire. One is that the chimney, which was of terra cotta, was defective, and that sparks in a crevice had smoldered until the shingles caught fire. The other is that Mr. Bilyer may have been responsible for the fire, because a habit he is known to have had of smoking in bed.

Clear Held Possible Cause.

A carelessly thrown match or smoldering cigar stub might have been the cause, according to Fire Captain Slaugherback.

Mr. Bilyer is said to have been a former employe of the Western Clay Manufacturing Company, but to have been retired for some time. His widow was hysterical and could only moan, "My man, my man," while neighbors tried to comfort her.

The house, which was only partially insured, was a total loss.

Patrolman H. S. Van Valkenburgh was one of the first to enter the structure after the fire had been quenched and found the body of Mr. Bilyer.

Attorney Loses Fee Suit.

OREGON CITY, Or., July 11.—(Special)—The suit of John Ditchburn, a Portland attorney, for attorney's fees against Julius and Willie Wilbur, pro-

RUSSIANNURSE BACK

Miss Helen Northwood in Portland En Route to Home.

NO THRILLS EXPERIENCED

New York Girl Declares Red Cross Work Is Open Sesame Everywhere and Gratitude of Wounded Is Extraordinary.

Miss Helen Northwood, 24 years old and striking in appearance, is in Portland, fresh from the Russian battle fields. Her eight months' service at the Red Cross corps stationed at the Russian hospital in Kiev, Miss Northwood returned from New York City in Portland Friday on the American bark John Ena from Kobe, Japan, and today she will go before the United States immigration officials, make her peace with them, and proceed on the way to her home, stopping first at San Francisco.

All the way from Kiev Miss Northwood has traveled without passport or protection other than her Red Cross nurse's commission, and her long and difficult journey through Siberia and China to Japan accompanied by two companion nurses.

Miss Northwood says she has had "experiences," but these experiences do not enter the category of "thrills." War was too somber for her to provide "thrills."

"When we left Kiev about three months ago we anticipated trouble in making our journey owing to the strict surveillance of the Russian government in Siberia," said Miss Northwood yesterday, "but we found that our costume like a duchess and so seeks him out the fiercest-looking Cossack, and insured us the most generous and kindest treatment from all we met. The result was that our journey which we had anticipated would be full of exciting experiences, proved no more eventful than that of an ordinary tourist in times of peace."

Absence Lasts Year.

Miss Northwood left New York City nearly a year ago on the Red Cross ship for Europe.

"The 120 nurses and 50 physicians on our ship," she said, "were divided into five different parties to take up the Red Cross work in belligerent countries. With a party of 24 other nurses and six physicians I happened to be sent to Russia for some of the simple soldiers of the Little White Father."

Miss Northwood enlisted for six months' service in Europe, but she was discharged and returned home leaving on the return trip for America.

She said that the Russians were particularly appreciative of the work of the Red Cross. "The Russian Red Cross in general was doing for them. The nurse, she said, was a privileged character and an object almost for admiration of the simple soldiers of the Little White Father."

Miss Northwood was in Russia during the period of ascendency of Russian Bolshevism, and she had intimate knowledge of the war or of battle conditions, however, since, as she said, she was only a nurse, not a soldier, and through the wounded which she was called upon to nurse back to life.

Thrills Are Lacking.

Replying to the suggestion that she must have had a great many experiences she said ingeniously:

"No, I gained a great deal of experience in handling my patients, but no narrow escapes."

Miss Northwood and her two companion nurses made the trip through Siberia, China and Japan in a leisurely manner, taking time to visit the points of interest on the way. They also did not mind the opportunity to ride in a carriage pulled by a Russian peasant on a real chop suey in a real Chinese restaurant in Peking and to take a number of side trips in a Japanese motor car.

It was but a few days before the three girls had planned to sail for America on a Japanese steamer that the opportunity to ride in a cab pulled by a Russian peasant in a real Chinese restaurant in Peking and to take a number of side trips in a Japanese motor car.

"It was an interesting trip, as I had never before been on a sailing vessel," she said. "I had a sail on a pretty good sailor, too, for I didn't get seasick."

Miss Northwood's two companions left her at Kashiwanabe, a port on the coast of San Francisco. Miss Northwood plans to go to San Francisco from Portland, where she will visit the fair before returning to her home at New York City.

POWER PROBLEM TOPIC

C. E. COCHRAN ADDRESSES WESTMINSTER CHURCH CLASS.

Solution of Question Complicated, Railroad Attorney Says—Only Dozen States Interested, He Avers.

HIGHWAY TO BE INSPECTED

S. Benson Will Visit Various Sections of State to See Roads.

PERSONAL MENTION.

W. F. Arnold, of Tacoma, is at the Oregon.

G. J. Shrader, of Albany, is at the Oregon.

C. M. Wendover, of St. Louis, is at the Oregon.

D. Sunnyside, of Tacoma, is at the Oregon.

E. C. McDougall, of Seattle, is at the Oregon.

R. D. Byrne, of Seattle, is at the Oregon.

A. Ramsey, of Bay City, is at the Oregon.

O. W. Stevens, of Salem, is at the Oregon.

H. J. Perkins, of Eugene, is at the Oregon.

J. M. Crowell, of Salem, is at the Oregon.

F. F. Crowley, of Seattle, is at the Oregon.

James Black, of Seattle, is at the Oregon.

H. J. Mutschler, of Stayton, is at the Oregon.

B. W. White, of San Francisco, is at the Oregon.

J. M. Wilson, of Burns, is registered at the Imperial.

J. R. Tapscott, of Yreka, Cal., is at the Oregon.

Mitchell Stewart, of Sandpoint, Idaho, is at the Oregon.

H. P. Wiltman, of Camden, N. J., is at the Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Baer, of Chicago, are at the Multnomah.

J. E. McAlpine, of Pocatello, Idaho, is at the Multnomah.

D. E. C. Gipe, of Albany, is registered at the Seward.

F. P. Lawson, of San Francisco, is at the Multnomah.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Foster, of Eugene, are at the Perkins.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fair, of Camas, Wash., are at the Imperial.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Davis, of Oakland, are at the Cornwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Stapleton, of Seattle, are at the Nortonia.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Hunt, of Medford, are at the Imperial.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Avery, of Red Cloud, Neb., are at the Nortonia.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Tammer, of Red Cloud, Neb., are at the Nortonia.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Bird, of Winfield, Kan., are at the Multnomah.

CHICAGO, July 11.—(Special)—John L. Burke, of Portland, Or., is at the Congress Hotel.

SOCIETY

SOCIETY will give its attention tonight to the E. C. Shevlin dance at the Waverley Country Club, Freeland.

The party will be the most important of which will be that at which Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Mears will preside for their daughter, Miss Annetta Mears.

Mrs. J. Andre Foulhoux and a committee of society matrons of Portland are preparing for the sale for July 17, when the most delicious confections imaginable will be on sale at the home of Mrs. David Taylor Honeyman, Gearhart, for the benefit of the French Red Cross.

Mrs. A. W. Straborn was hostess on Thursday for two charming visitors, Mrs. W. H. Chatten, of Riverwood, and Mrs. Ralph Frebie Jacobs, of Spokane. The rooms were attractively decorated and a dainty repast was served. Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs are visiting here for the month of July and Mrs. Chatten is planning a three months' trip to California.

Mrs. Roy Armstrong presided at a delightful party, at which she honored Miss Monica Montgomery, a charming bride-elect. The festivity was a shower for Miss Monica, and was held on Friday last. The guest list included several of the intimate friends of Miss Montgomery.

Mrs. H. M. Haller and daughters, the Misses Marie and Helen, are spending the month at the beach in their cottages near Seaside. They have as house guests Mrs. Haller's sister, Mrs. Charles G. Graham, of Colorado Springs, and Miss Laura B. Haller, and Miss Lavette Young, of Portland.

Dr. and Mrs. Alvin W. Baird are re-organizing congratulations upon the birth of a son, born July 5.

Miss Anna M. Dugan, teacher in the Kennedy School, is attending the Summer school at the University of California, Berkeley, and Miss Agnes Dugan, a member of the June 15, class, will be in Seaside.

Mrs. Edna M. Burns, Murray and Miss Helen Burns, left recently for

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 - DOZEN VICTOR BRAND, CANS FRUIT 10c
 - VANILLA EXTRACT, PURE, FULL STRENGTH 25c
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 - BOTTLES, PRICED, 85c
 - COFFEE, CABINET, 30c
 - FRESHLY ROASTED BLEND, THE FOUND 30c
 - PURE PEPPER, FRESHLY GROUND, PUL 19c
 - STRENGTH, THE FOUND AT
 - CHIPPED BEEF, GOLD COIN BRAND, IN GLASS CANS, 12 1/2c
 - THE JAR AT 12 1/2c
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CATHLAMET BOY IS DROWNED.

CATHLAMET, Wash., July 11.—(Special)—Percy Houschen, the 19-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Houschen of this place was drowned yesterday while swimming in the Columbia at Wahluke's point, a short distance from town. The little fellow was just learning to swim and dived into a deep hole where there was a swift current. He came to the surface two or three times but his companions were unable to save him. The body was recovered.

An Italian has discovered a way to detect minerals in fluvial and drag.

SPECIAL SALE ART FURNITURE

- \$60.00 Davenport. \$45.00
- \$70.00 Davenport. \$52.50
- \$80.00 Davenport. \$60.00
- \$40.00 Gate Leg
- Tables \$25.00
- \$30.00 Chairs. \$22.50
- \$20.00 Chairs. \$15.00
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- Martha Washington Sewing Table . . . \$16.00
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THOUSANDS SEE FLOWERS

Thousands of people visited the exhibition of the Oregon Sweet Pea Society on the fourth floor of the newly E. Frank building yesterday. The show was declared to have been one of the most successful ever put on by the organization. While some of the flowers wilted and had to be removed, fresh flowers were substituted and the exhibit was a beautiful one.

It is estimated that about 75 varieties of the sweet pea were shown this year, the show surpassing that of last year in every way. The decorations and the manner of display were particularly pleasing and showed careful planning and artistic work on the part of the exhibitors and officials in charge.

Two additional prizes were awarded by the judges yesterday. S. Pennington, of Ashland, Or., was awarded the Butlett trophy as the second prize for the best display grown by an amateur member of Multnomah County. Mrs. W. S. De Witt was given first prize for a vase of white Spencer, receiving a trophy a ruby ring donated by Readling's Jewel Shop.

George M. Cornwall, M. L. Pratt and others discussed the matter.

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