

FIGHT FOR MILLIONS HAS ONLY BEGUN

Boise Woman Denies Suits Are Dropped; Says Sons Status Is Real Issue.

CASES BUT CONTINUED

Mrs. George Washington Adams Says Letter From Late Capitalist Admitted Marriage She Is Now Trying to Prove.

BOISE, Idaho, May 14.—Mrs. George Washington Adams, of this city, denied here today that she had abandoned efforts to recover alleged dower rights on New York City property valued at \$1,810,000, and once owned by the late Edward Tracy, millionaire brewer, whose legal wife Mrs. Adams claims to have been.

Not one of the 137 suits has been given up. "My suits over, my cases lost? They certainly are not." "These cases," she began, "though they mean millions to me, are only the opening wedge in my big fight. The dower rights I am claiming are worth to me more than \$4,000,000, to be sure, but the reason I want to establish them is to prove the legitimacy of my son, Charles Nelson, and to win for him his rightful half interest in the \$30,000,000 estate left by his father, the late Edward Tracy."

Sister Adopted Son. "Charles lives at Payette Lakes now, and though he is legally named Charles Nelson, that is because my married sister adopted him and give him her name. I consented to that procedure at a time when I was in doubt as to the legality of my marriage to Tracy, the millionaire brewer."

When I was only a girl of 14 Tracy married me. He was then about 50. The marriage was not exactly secret, but we had difficulties to contend with. His family opposed me. "After 10 years, in 1882 it was Tracy told me that our marriage was not legal. My son Charles had been born meanwhile."

N. C. Stoughton, who had married us at Athens, N. Y., was not a regularly ordained minister. At first I threatened to go to law to establish my position as his wife, but he only jeered at me—told me that he made and unmade senators, and that he "owned" every judge in New York state.

Tracy Acknowledged Her, She Says. "Several years later I was married to George Washington Adams in Idaho. Then Tracy made his mistake. For some reason he wrote to me that I was really his legal wife. That letter reached me when I had been Mr. Adams' bride only six weeks. "I left Mr. Adams that day and later obtained a divorce."

"Tracy died in 1894. In his will he left only \$25,000 of his immense estate to one of his sisters and the rest to the sister whom he cared most for. The latter soon died without a will, and the \$20,000,000 all went to the sister to whom he had bequeathed only \$25,000. "When I establish my right to the dower interest in the New York real estate (Charles will be the acknowledged legitimate son of Tracy, and will get half of the \$20,000,000 his father left."

Case Declared Merely Continued. "In New York state," she said, "you cannot adjourn or postpone a suit as you can in Idaho. There the procedure is known as 'discontinuing without prejudice,' and that is what has been done by my attorneys, because we were not ready for trial, and wanted to avoid judgment against us by default. Property involved includes the sites of such well-known buildings in New York as Andrew Carnegie's home at Fifth avenue and Ninety-first street, the land on which the New Theater stands, part of the site of the Hotel Majestic, the site of the building of the Society for Ethical Culture, the land on which stands the home of Mrs. Henry C. Phipps and the sites of many of the most costly mansions on Fifth avenue."

OIL STORAGE PLANT RISES

Standard Company Spending \$20,000 at Tillamook.

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New \$20,000 plant for the Standard Oil Company. Steel tanks with aggregate capacity of 20,000 gallons are being erected for the storage of gasoline, oil and distillate. A fireproof warehouse, 20x40 feet, is designed for handling five carloads of case goods, and a stable and wagon shed are being constructed to care for the distributing service. The wagons of the company will call on the nearby farms, and a service station is planned for the convenience of the motor-boat enthusiasts. Oil will be sent to this point by rail from Portland. This is the first oil distributive agency to be erected on Tillamook Bay, and a vast territory will be accommodated by the new service, which will probably commence the latter part of this month.

BANKERS HOLD SESSION

GROUP FIVE, OF WASHINGTON, GATHERS AT PROSSER.

L. J. Goodrich, of Toppensia, Chosen President and Several Addresses Are Delivered.

PROSSER, Wash., May 13.—(Special.)—The third annual meeting of the fifth group of the Washington Bankers' Association, composed of Kittitas, Yakima, Benton and Klickitat counties, was the best attended and was attended by 41 members, as well as several outside guests. The meeting was called to order by President Harry Jones, vice-president of the First National Bank of Wapato, and President B. P. Lawrence, of the Prosser Club, delivered the address of welcome which was responded to by President Jones.

The programme included an address by H. C. Lucas, president of the Title Company, and president of the state association, on the proposed clearinghouse operations of the Federal Reserve banks. O. M. Green, vice-president of the Exchange National Bank, Spokane, delivered an address on every-day affairs of the banker. H. C. Hansen spoke on bankers' aid for agricultural development. The officers elected were: president, L. J. Goodrich, Toppensia; vice-president, S. S. Newell, Odessa; secretary, E. Donovan, North Yakima; W. J. Kincaid, White Bluffs; and C. Kaldera, of Cascadeville, general treasurer. Charles Healy, North Yakima, presided.

HOQUIAM PAYROLL BIG

WAGES OF MILLS FOR THIS MONTH AMOUNT TO \$95,000.

Total Does Not Include Logging Camps Operated in Vicinity Nor Nearby Plants.

HOQUIAM, Wash., May 14.—(Special.)—This city this month has had its largest industrial payroll in four years, according to data obtained from the various mills and other concerns today. The total is placed at \$95,000 for all mills and industrial plants of the city. This total does not include the logging camps operated by Hestram concerns in the vicinity of the city, nor the mills in the territory between here and the beach, which would bring the total, it is stated, to a quarter of a million dollars.

For the first time in four years, every mill and factory in the city is in operation full time, and are running extra time. All are employing full forces. A big force is employed at the Matthews shipyard, where three vessels are on the ways. Considerable number of employes in factories in the city is placed at 1500, the largest since the lumber boom in 1912.

FRUIT LOSS \$3,000,000

CROP REPORTED ENTIRE LOSS IN SOUTHERN PART OF IDAHO.

Hard Frost Lasts Four Nights and Temperature Goes as Low as 15, Cold Wave Unprecedented.

BOISE, Idaho, May 14.—(Special.)—The fruit industry of Southern Idaho received a hard financial shock last week when \$2,000,000 worth was ruined by heavy frosts for four successive nights.

State Horticultural Inspector Guy Graham and State Farm Insurance Director W. H. Scholtz, who made a close study of the situation, have announced that the loss is 100 per cent. The 1915 fruit crop netted the growers \$2,000,000. The total value of the crop was \$3,000,000, of which amount \$1,000,000 was spent for handling it. The crop this year promised to be larger than in 1915.

Growers were unprepared for the extremely cool weather. The thermometer registered as low as 15 degrees.

FROST WITHERS BLOSSOMS

Three-Fourths of Crop Believed Lost in Grant County.

CANYON CITY, Or., May 14.—(Special.)—Varying unusual weather was experienced throughout Grant County last week. Two inches of snow fell, and rain, hail and wind, accompanied by a cold northern gale, prevailed. The fruit trees were in full bloom. Wednesday night, after several days of preparation for an attack, Jack Odell proceeded to turn the white clusters of blossoms into a black, withering mass. On some of the trees, not protected by buildings, not a blossom escaped, but where the trees had some protection a few blossoms were not killed. About a fourth of the normal crop was expected.

BOY BURGLAR COMMITTED

Gold Beach Lad Is Sent to State Training School.

GOLD BEACH, Or., May 14.—(Special.)—Gardner Oliphant, 15 years old, has been committed to the state school at Salem by Judge Stafford. He was arrested in a store at D. M. Moore a few nights ago and stole a revolver. A day or so later Ernie Williamson, a schoolmate, purposely planned a hunt with the Oliphant boy, and while hunting gained possession of the gun. Young Oliphant had entered the store of D. M. Moore a number of times before and took quantities of canned goods, cigarettes and various other articles, all of which he admitted to Sheriff Bally and Judge Stafford.

Logging Camp Will Reopen.

KELSO, Wash., May 14.—(Special.)—After having been closed down for some time while camp was being moved, the Maltcomb Box & Lumber Company's camp, 15 miles up the Coosman from Kelso, will resume logging at an early date. The camp has

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All this is only part of a great wave of prosperity that has come to the United States. Prices in many lines have risen at an almost fabulous rate. A list is given in an adjoining column. Nor does this rise seem temporary. We seem entering upon an era of still higher prices and of rapidly expanding trade. The basic industry of the country, farming, is receiving high prices for all its products. A heavy congestion of freight rules all over the country. There is a shortage of cars, and of locomotives to haul them.

Industry is humming. Two-thirds of the factories of the nation are working overtime. Not in twenty years has the like been seen.

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CONVENTION DATE SET

Hood River Sunday School Will Gather at Odell May 31.

HOOD RIVER, Or., May 14.—(Special.)—Mrs. J. E. Ferguson, president of the Hood River County Sunday School Association, announces that the annual convention will be held on May 31 and June 1 at Odell. Members of the Sunday schools of the Odell Federated Church, the Odell Methodist Church and the Pine Grove Methodist Church will be hosts. Mrs. H. K. Davinport and Miss Eva Boyed, of the Odell district, will have charge of the musical programme.

INDIAN FEAST IS FAILURE

Not Enough Salmon Caught to Provide Food for Celebration.

PROSSER, Wash., May 12.—What was supposed to be the last great salmon feast along the Yakima River here today of the Yakima Indian tribe, was only partly successful because of the high water. Few salmon were running and the Indians were not able to catch enough fish to supply their guests and themselves.

The guests were deputy game warden of the state and county, and because the Indians were not able to obtain as many fish as they have done before for such feasts, it is probable that they will be permitted to have another fish day.

The Indians agreed some time ago to abide by the State Supreme Court's ruling that they have no right to fish at Prosser dam if the state game warden permitted them to have one great feast. The subject of the Indians' rights is now in Federal Court.

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