

MRS. McCAIN WILL STAND BY HUSBAND

Letters From Rev. C. T. Wilson Suggested Divorce, Salem Woman Says.

FULL VINDICATION SOUGHT

Accuser of Former Portland Pastor Says Statements Have Been Retracted in Part—Husband and Wife Live Happily.

SALEM, Or., July 4.—(Special).—Mrs. Harry McCain, whose husband has filed charges of lying, defamation of character and violation of law with the ecclesiastical tribunal of the Methodist Church at Portland, against the Rev. Clarence True Wilson, today declared that the Rev. Mr. Wilson had done all that was in his power to do to cause her to secure a divorce from Mr. McCain.

Through letters from the Rev. Mr. Wilson to Mrs. McCain, she stated, allegations had come which almost shattered her faith in her husband and nearly disrupted their home.

"I have no hesitancy in saying that the Rev. Mr. Wilson wrote letters to me against Mr. McCain, and these letters were written to cause me to secure a divorce from my husband.

"What these charges were I will not say. But they almost caused us to be estranged. I wish to state, however, that I have never made any charges against my husband myself. As Mrs. McCain has stated, I am 'with him heart and soul'.

"Whatever charges have been made against Mr. McCain's character were made by the Rev. Mr. Wilson and not by me."

No Reasons Are Asked. Mrs. McCain did not state what reasons actuated the Rev. Mr. Wilson to launch his alleged attacks against her husband.

As to the specific nature of the charges included in the letters, and as to the contents of the letters themselves, both Mr. and Mrs. McCain maintained silence today.

"It had been my intention not to bring these letters into the matter," said Mrs. McCain, when further questioned today as to the trouble which has been brewing in Methodist Church circles.

"They are not my letters, and I have no desire to have my wife's name brought into this controversy, but I see it has been. It was my purpose not to even bring the letters up at the hearing which will start tomorrow the ecclesiastical tribunal in Portland. At least I had no intention of doing so unless they were retracted in rebuttal, and what charges Mr. Wilson has made against me I intend to keep to myself, until the time of the hearing."

Mr. McCain Files Charges. "If Mr. Wilson made the statement, which he is quoted as making, that the charges filed in the church were filed at his request, I am stating an untruth. He had nothing to do with filing these charges. I am filing them myself, to vindicate my husband's name and myself, and first knowledge of them got abroad in Portland must have come through Mr. Wilson, directly or indirectly."

Vindication Is Sought. "As to the statements which the Rev. Mr. Wilson has made to members of the Oregon Conference about me, I wish further to say that he has retracted them in part, but not fully, and it is to gain a complete vindication, before the conference and the church, that I am bringing these charges."

Mr. and Mrs. McCain apparently are living happily together in a pretty home on North Fourteenth street, in this city, and if there ever was an estrangement between them they appear to be completely reconciled. Mrs. McCain today staunchly vouched for her husband's character and declared that she "intended to sink or swim with him."

"I want it distinctly understood," she said, "that I never have used terms of reproach against my husband or made charges against him which would tend to blacken his character or injure his reputation."

CHURCH HEARING IS TODAY. Dr. C. T. Wilson Declines to Comment on Charges.

A special committee of Methodist Episcopal ministers will sit in the Masonic Temple in Portland today to give a formal hearing to the charges preferred by Harry McCain, temperance worker and active Methodist, of Salem, against the Rev. Clarence True Wilson, of Portland, former pastor of the Grace and Centenary Methodist churches, and for the past several years National executive secretary of the Methodist Temperance Society.

Mr. McCain has charged Dr. Wilson with lying, defamation of character and violation of law.

Dr. Wilson has declined to make any statement in reply, declaring that he is under strict orders from his superiors not to discuss the case. His friends intimate, however, that some lively counter charges in his behalf will make today's hearing an especially interesting one.

The hearing will be presided over by Rev. William Wallace Youngson, district superintendent of the Methodist Episcopal Church. This hearing will not be a trial. It will correspond more nearly to a grand jury hearing.

After all the evidence on both sides has been presented to the tribunal they may use their judgment in either dismissing the case or remanding it to the Methodist Conference of Oregon for trial.

The conference meets in Springfield

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next September. The ecclesiastical tribunal sitting today has the power if it considers the evidence sufficient, to suspend one or both of the parties pending this trial.

Dr. Youngson was in La Grand yesterday on church matters, but he returned on a late train so as to be in Portland for the hearing.

One of the counter charges that may be brought against Mr. McCain, it is said, is that Mr. McCain was virtually dismissed from the Intercollegiate Temperance Society a year ago, and that he holds this fact against Dr. Wilson. However, Dr. Wilson absolutely declined to discuss this allegation.

IRA C. UNDERWOOD DIES

Funeral Will Be Held in Home at Maple Lane.

OREGON CITY, Or., July 4.—(Special).—Ira C. Underwood, one of the well-known residents of Maple Lane, about two miles from this city, died at



Harry McCain, Methodist Temperance Worker, Who Has Preferred Charges Against Rev. Clarence True Wilson.

the family home on Tuesday evening, July 3.

Mr. Underwood was born at Middlesex, New York, September 21, 1840. Two years ago he moved to Maple Lane, where he has since resided.

Mr. Underwood was a member of the Masonic order, also Modern Woodmen of America lodge, being a member of these two lodges of the East.

Deceased is survived by his daughter, Miss Ella Underwood, of Maple Lane, and a son, Vernon Underwood, a well-known business man of Seattle, Wash.

The funeral services will be conducted Thursday by the Rev. J. R. Landaburo, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, with interment in the Mountain View Cemetery.

PERSONAL MENTION.

W. A. Mann, of Boston, is at the Portland.

H. Katz is at the Portland from Spokane.

A. Palmer, of Astoria, is at the Multnomah.

Lee Wheelon, of Salem, is at the Oregon.

L. E. Prickey is at the Washington from Seattle.

M. Duvall, of Tillamook, is registered at the Oregon.

F. B. Carney, of Rainier, is registered at the Nortonia.

Judge R. R. Butler is at the Imperial from The Dalles.

R. J. Ellison, of Junction City, Or., is at the Perkins.

K. M. Mundell, of Sastakoon, Alaska, is at the Portland.

Alex. Brough and wife, of Rainier, are at the Nortonia.

W. E. Wayman is at the Portland from New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bengten, of Olympia, are at the Oregon.

R. V. Lucas and wife, of Eugene, are registered at the Perkins.

Mrs. A. Creason is in town at the Washington from Estacada.

H. W. Stoner, of La Grande, was a recent arrival at the Perkins.

Mrs. A. B. Ford, of Seattle, registered at the Multnomah last evening.

J. F. Gilpin, prominent shipbuilding contractor, of Astoria, is at the Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Shelling, of Oakland, Cal., are at the Washington.

B. A. McBride arrived last night from Muskogee, Okla., and registered at the Imperial.

P. Gallagher, of Denver, and George Upton, of Buffalo, are stopping at the Nortonia.

A. G. Bitterly and wife and A. W. Peterson and daughter arrived in town at a late hour last night, after an enjoyable motor trip from Denver. They registered at the Perkins.

PANTAGES STAR PROVES STRENGTH IN ORDINARY STREET ATTIRE.

Mattie De Long.

From Chicago to Portland on five hours' notice and then have to make the first appearance in street clothes was the fortune of Mattie De Long, the vivacious young comedienne at Pantages this week.

To strengthen the programme, Alexander Pantages telegraphed Miss De Long to rush to Portland. She just made train connections in time to appear at the Monday matinee. But when the time came to dress for the act the wardrobe trunk had not appeared. Miss De Long gamely met the situation by going on in her street clothes and demonstrated the adage that clothes do not make the man—or woman—by scoring heavily.

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Women's and Misses' Middy Suits \$2.19 Styled Like This Cut Second Floor—These attractive suits are very popular for afternoon wear, as they are not only serviceable but neat and stylish as well. Shown in several styles, one of which is herewith illustrated. Made up in pink or blue chambrays, trimmed with fancy plaid poplin—percale in blue, pink and lavender, trimmed with checked gingham—plain madras with striped trimmings—also stripes with plain trimmings. Some have large sport collars and suit ties. Many are belted at waistline. Price \$2.19

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MUSIC IDEALS HIGH

Louis Graveure, Belgian Baritone, Lauds America.

DEMAND MADE FOR BEST

Noted Musician Says After War America Will Assert Her Nationality and Insist on Compositions in English.

Why? America is the greatest musical Nation on earth."

Louis Graveure, the eminent Belgian baritone, who is to participate in Portland's musical festival at the Auditorium this week, protested against the common impression that America has no taste for music.

"America," he proceeded, by way of emphasizing his contention, "makes a more constant and more consistent demand for good music than any European Nation. It has more cities that support good music.

"The American public likes the best. The tradition that Americans prefer light, flighty compositions is false."

Effect of War Expected. Mr. Graveure, who is staying at the Benson Hotel, declared that the war doubtless will cause America to assert her nationality in the future rendition of opera. America will insist on hearing the works of foreign composers in the English tongue.

"France doesn't tolerate an opera in anything but French," he explained. "Germany doesn't permit anything but the German. In Spain they demand the Spanish and in Italy the Italian."

"While some of the spirit of the piece may be lost in the translation it is more than made up by giving the people something they can understand. Only America and England continue to stand for the silly business of listening to operas or other vocal music in a tongue that they can't understand."

One immediate effect of the war, he said, will be the probable elimination of the German language from the operatic and concert stage. They are doing it already in many American musical centers.

German Music Upheld. "But it is absurd to eliminate the works of German composers from the musical repertoire. To do that would be to cut out the body and trunk of music. Why, what would we have left were we to take away Schubert, Schumann, Wagner and the rest?"

Mr. Graveure brings the glad news that "the great American composer" of last has been discovered. He is Bryceson Trehanne, a young man of Welsh extraction, who was interned in Germany at the beginning of the war. He was recently exchanged with other prisoners and brought with him from his prison camp about 80 compositions which soon are to be published in New York.

The young man never had attempted any serious compositions before his internment, but while suffering in the German prisons his soul was stirred to music. Verses of Lord Byron, Thomas Moore and other English authors form the words of what Mr.

VETS TO BE GUARD

Commander of Boys of '98 Suggests Plan.

250,000 ARE AVAILABLE

"Flying Squadrons" to Be Supplied With Automobiles, Rifles and Machine Guns, Ready to Respond to Riot Calls.

Spanish war veterans, almost 250,000 have formulated nation-wide plans for home protection, in every city and state, while national guard organizations are at the front.

Details were made public in Portland yesterday by D. V. Chisholm, of Washington, D. C., Commander-in-Chief of the United Spanish War Veterans, who, on a tour of the country, is visiting the local camp.

"We propose to organize 'Flying Squadrons' among the Spanish war veterans in every city of the country," said Mr. Chisholm yesterday. "These squadrons will use automobiles exclusively, each machine to be manned by four men, carrying rifles, riot guns and sufficient rations for 24-hour service."

"These machines will be donated to the work by patriotic people who are willing to assist their country during

the period of the war. In case of trouble of any kind which in time of peace might necessitate calling out the National Guard, these 'flying squadrons' will be ready for duty at a moment's notice. The men will be in uniform and hold drills twice weekly.

250,000 Veterans Available. "In a few short months our 'flying squadrons' will become so well organized that they can easily take the place of National Guards. I believe that within a short time 250,000 veterans of the Spanish War can be mobilized for emergency militia service."

Mr. Chisholm laid his "flying squadron" plans before Scout Young Camp, and members eagerly asked that it be started at once. Official sanction of Governor Withycombe, as well as the city officials, will be asked at once.

In Portland it is planned to have a squadron of 75 automobiles, making a company of 300 seasoned veterans ready for any emergency. Local veterans told Mr. Chisholm there would be no trouble in securing 75 machines for this work.

Machine Guns to Be Supplied. In addition to rifles and riot guns, each squadron will be equipped with at least one machine gun and ambulance outfit. It is proposed to have 25 machine guns to each 100,000 population in the more thickly populated cities.

Spanish War veterans have come forward in a splendid manner during the present crisis, Mr. Chisholm said. Records show that 25,000 veterans of that war have already enlisted.

In private life Mr. Chisholm is Assistant Public Printer at Washington, D. C. That office of the Government printed 787,000 Army drill books during the month of May alone.

"I find people along the Coast and in the Middle West apparently are not as alive to the seriousness of the war as are the people farther East," said Mr. Chisholm. "I do not believe, however, it is lack of patriotism, for I have

FARRIN FACES CHARGES

Arrest Due to Persecution, Says Attorney.

Strongly reiterating that he is the unfortunate victim of a "relentless persecution" and declaring that he will quickly prove his innocence of any charge which has been filed against him, George N. Farrin, former well-known Portland attorney and at one time a candidate for Attorney-General, was brought back to Portland yesterday from Montana in charge of Deputy United States Marshal Ford, of Helena. He is held to answer a Federal indictment charging him with forging the name of Ralph Tatro to a United States Treasury Department certificate for \$10.

Farrin was apprehended several weeks ago at Lewistown, Mont., after he had been arrested on a charge of defrauding an innkeeper. Both state and Federal indictments are hanging over him in Portland and his return to this state was under the Federal indictment. A state indictment charges him with obtaining money under false pretenses.

Farrin admits signing his name to the American public lists of the department of interior when timber claim applications in Linn county, made for four men, were rejected.

"But I had a legal right to endorse those certificates," said Farrin yesterday as he drummed nervously at the gray-coated bar of his County Jail. "I went over further and returned this money to these men, including Tatro, and still have their receipts showing that I paid them this money."

Farrin avers that his arrest in Montana was caused through the failure in business of the book concern for which he was traveling. They were to pay his hotel bill, but refused to do so, he alleges.

During his residence here he was defending in sensational divorce proceedings started by his former wife. He says that he paid his former wife the lump sum of \$15,000 in alimony and then married the woman who is said to have caused his marital troubles. The present Mrs. Farrin is in San Francisco.

U-BOAT CHASERS SUCCESS

Government Has Hundreds Building and Will Construct More.

WASHINGTON, July 4.—Steps greatly to increase the output of submarine chasers have been taken by the navy department and in the near future some of the small, light "seals of that type may be added to the American fleet in European waters.

Now that the first of the standardized chasers has successfully undergone her trial runs, officials are more than ever convinced that a type of great value in the fight against submarines has been produced. Hundreds already are under construction, and orders just issued are expected to almost double the number which will be turned out within the next few months.

To secure a sufficient number of suitable engines has been the greatest problem.

WHY?

Firecrackers Cause Small Fire.

A small fire, caused by the shooting of fireworks, was the only damage reported to the police yesterday as a result of the Fourth of July celebration. The fire was in a house owned by J. Connel, 1513 East Ninth street North. The loss was about \$150.

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