

JUDGE PLAIN SPOKEN IN DENYING DECREE

Husband and Wife Advised to Kiss and Make Up.

WEALTH BREAKS UP HOME

Woman, Charged With Being Unfit Person to Have Child, Wins Daughter and Allimony.

She was young, pretty and short-tempered. Her black eyes snapped fire as she answered back under the lash of Presiding Judge Stapleton's tongue.

There were three children, bright-appearing youngsters.

The upshot of the attempt of Helen M. Spitznagle to secure a divorce from E. L. Spitznagle yesterday afternoon was unsatisfactory to the young woman.

Before making that decision the jurist had been somewhat plain-spoken to the young woman.

"You're stubborn and hard-headed," he told her. She glared back. "And he's a boob."

"You said it then," agreed the girl with alacrity.

"Yes, he's a boob. He cares for you, yet he can't stay away from the pool-room with the boys. There are lots like him."

She had testified that her husband would stay away three and four nights a week until 1 and 2 o'clock in the morning.

"My wife would have had a thousand divorces if that was sufficient cause," declared the judge.

"Well, you probably had a good reason for staying away," said the young woman.

"Yes, I did, sometimes. I couldn't always get home."

"She was asked if she would not take him back and try it again if he would promise to be good and treat her right."

"I know he would not keep his promise," she replied.

"Oh, a lot of you old ginks get pretty good after a while," the jurist assured her.

"He's choked me and given me a black eye, lots of times."

"Why don't you choke him eye some-time?" demanded the court.

Divorce Decree Denied.

"What do you think I am, an elephant?" flashed back the girl.

"No, but you look pretty husky. You ought to sweat him every time he swats you. You could lick him with your tongue until he would get down on his knees and beg, as he did in my office," replied the judge, referring to a former attempt at reconciliation. "He's a boob."

"But in all seriousness," continued the judge, "you two ought to try to live together, for the sake of those children. They are lovely children and it is going to be mighty hard on them if you part now. Try it. I'll not grant you a decree today."

Wealth Held Too Much.

When he was making \$125 a month as a moulder in a local foundry everything was lovely, she declared, but when he received a sudden boost to the superintendency of the Liberty Foundry company, a new concern, with a salary of \$300 a month it was too much for him.

Other default decrees awarded by Judge Stapleton were: Emily E. Baker from Jesse A. Baker, Minnie Liscomb from W. B. Liscomb, Lawrence Kamear from C. C. Kamear, Sadie Fricker from George Fricker, Alma A. Cowie from Robert E. Cowie, Maude E. Trimble from H. E. Trimble, M. Morris from Bessie Morris, Ella Norton from Fredrick Norton, Nellie Roy from Alex. Roy, Hazel Wright from Claude Wright, William F. Baxter from Helen Baxter, Maude E. Lansing from Chester L. Lansing, and Lenora Gill from Ernest Gill.

"He said that when our daughter grew up she would make her a gypsy queen," protested Laura C. Butler to Judge Gantenben yesterday against allowing custody of her 19-month-old child to Barney Butler, from whom she sought a divorce. Butler is a gypsy, said his wife.

The husband declared that the mother was not a fit person for the custody of the girl, saying that she

often came home in a drunken condition. There was little testimony to support this, and the judge granted the divorce to Mrs. Butler, awarding her \$15 a month for support money.

On May 15, 1919, while walking with some friends on her way home from a dance, Mrs. Ceila Goldberg was confronted by her husband who struck her and yelled "at the top of his voice," she complains in a suit for divorce filed against Abe Goldberg. This caused her great humiliation, she asserts. On May 23 she was choked by her husband, she charges. She declares he is making \$500 a month and has \$750 in the bank.

Other divorce suits filed yesterday were: Viola Justine Hannon, who said her husband declared he preferred life with a rattlesnake, against Thomas Martin Hannon, and Elizabeth G. Strout against Roy V. Strout, desertion.

BANKERS PICK HIRSCHBERG

INDEPENDENCE MAN CHAIRMAN OF GROUP TWO.

E. G. Crawford, President of Oregon Association, Speaks at Albany on "The Dawn of a New Era."

ALBANY, Or., May 27.—(Special).—H. Hirschberg of Independence was elected chairman of group No. 2 of the Oregon State Bankers' association in its annual convention here this afternoon. Forty-seven bankers attended the convention of this group, which includes the 43 banks of Linn, Marion, Polk, Benton and Lincoln counties.

D. Eyre of Salem was elected vice-chairman and other officers named as follows: Secretary, J. W. Mayo of Station; treasurer, Alexander Power of Lebanon; executive committee, E. D. Cusick of Albany, J. H. Albert of Salem and H. Kyler of Corvallis.

Principal speakers at the convention were E. G. Crawford of Portland, president of the Oregon State Bankers' association, who spoke on "The Dawn of a New Era"; C. E. Sox of Albany, who discussed the effect of the new tax law, and George K. Shaw of the internal revenue office in Portland, who explained troublesome features of the income tax law. E. B. Williamson, vice-president of the Albany State bank, welcomed the visitors to Albany, and George J. Wilhelm of Harrisburg, chairman of the group during the past year and who presided today, responded.

The session opened with a luncheon in the banquet room of the Knights of Pythias building, where the convention was held. Following the programme of addresses many matters of interest to the bankers were discussed informally. Portland bankers who attended the meeting were: Roy H. B. Nelson, cashier of the Northwestern National; E. G. Crawford and E. W. Schmeer, James Ladd and her mechanic. The machine is now being built for her by the Curtis company, she says. She expects the United States navy to give her assistance as she may desire.

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was this young man who found her working in a confectionery store in Seattle and brought her home. They were married in Vancouver yesterday.

HOOD ASKS 1900 PICKERS

WOMEN AND GIRLS PROMISED BEST OF ACCOMMODATIONS.

Each Camp to Be Chaperoned and Good Pay Is Offered to Draw Help Needed by Growers.

Nineteen hundred women and girls will be needed by June 29 in the berry fields of De Walle, alone, and the majority of these pickers will have to be supplied by Portland and vicinity.

This is the message Mrs. Bruce Scott, superintendent of the women's division of the United States Employment bureau, brought back to Portland after spending part of last week in and about Hood River. The latter part of this week Mrs. Scott will leave to interview berry growers of the Willamette valley.

Special inducements will be offered berry pickers by Hood River folk, who, according to Mrs. Scott, fear they will not have enough pickers to harvest this year's crop, which is believed to be unusually good. Every Hood River grower has already made some arrangements to provide suitable shelter in attractive camping places for his pickers. Most of the growers have erected simple but adequate huts, and some are planning to loan tents.

Out of 104 applicants Mrs. Scott chose 7 women who will act as hostesses in camps of 25 or 30 girls. One of these hostesses is Miss Jessie McGregor, former president of the Portland Grade Teachers' association. Miss McGregor will chaperone a group of 50 Portland school teachers who she will recruit for picking. Another Portland school teacher to be chosen by Mrs. Scott is Mrs. Thomas, principal of the Ainsworth grade school.

Each camp of berry pickers recruited through the United States employment bureau will be supplied with a chaperone hired by the growers. The pickers will then unite and hire a cook for each of the camps.

Pickers will be paid 10 to 12 cents a carrier of 12 boxes and 18 to 25 cents for packing, according to Mrs. Scott.

Townley's Trial Date Set.

JACKSON, Minn., May 27.—Trial of A. C. Townley, president of the Non-Partisan league, and Joseph Gilbert, also of that organization, on indict-

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RUTH LAW WANTS FLIGHT

WITHIN SIX WEEKS AVIATRIX HOPES TO START TRIP.

Rinehart Is Ready to Put Final Touches on Plane for Attempt to Fly Over Atlantic.

CHICAGO, May 27.—Ruth Law, aviatrix, announced here today that she plans to attempt a trans-Atlantic flight within six weeks.

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RED CROSS PICKS OFFICIAL

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The executive committee last night voted to employ a trained nurse to have charge of local health conditions. The report of W. A. Ruble, treasurer of the chapter, rendered last night, showed a cash balance of \$244.63 in the treasury on April 30.

MAN ON TRACK IS KILLED

Victim of Accident Thought to Be John Straum of The Dalles.

Oregon-Washington passenger train No. 5 yesterday forenoon struck and killed a man about two miles east of Rowena. According to the statement of men working in a field near by, the man was seen sitting on the track a few minutes before the train came along.

The first engineer and fireman saw of him was when he raised up on his elbow when the train was too near to stop. The man was about 65 years of age and was supposed to be John Straum of The Dalles.

Miss Mullen Released.

Miss Violet Mullen, a manicurist, who was bound over to the grand jury by Police Judge Rossman on a charge of having tried to induce two other manicurists to make an appointment with two men, was released by the grand jury for lack of evidence. The case was disposed of by the return of a not true bill.

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