

COURTSHIP BY MAIL ENDS IN MARRIAGE

Curious Romance of Portland Couple Revealed.

EACH HAS SIX CHILDREN

Lives of Emil Lowenburg and Mrs. Alice Skoog Have Parallels. Wedding at Vancouver.

Announcement of the marriage of Emil Lowenburg, 44, and Alice Skoog, 45, at Vancouver, Wash., on July 11 brings to light an interesting romance of the couple through the medium of a correspondence club and how they did their courting through the mails and how the man proposed and was accepted without ever having seen his bride-to-be.

Three months ago Emil Lowenburg, millwright of 1559 East Sixth street, inserted an advertisement in a matrimonial paper published in the east, for a wife. Lowenburg, according to his own statement, had grown lonely in the three years since his first wife had died and the care of his six children was more than he could attend to.

Back in Excelsior, Minn., lived Mrs. Alice Skoog, a widow who supported her six children by practical nursing since the death of her husband three years ago.

Thus ran the parallel lives.

Advertisement is answered. A friend of Mrs. Skoog's mailed her a copy of the matrimonial paper and more out of a sense of curiosity than anything else, Mrs. Skoog answered the advertisement of the "lonesome widower" of Oregon. Although she read many of the descriptions the paper contained, she says, she never wrote to any of the men.

When Lowenburg received the letter from Mrs. Skoog, he was more than pleased and while he had gotten many answers he immediately answered the one from Minnesota.

Letter followed letter and finally Lowenburg confessed his love for the widow and asked her to meet him in Portland and be married.

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Husband Proud of Wife.

"I tell you she is a fine woman," said Lowenburg, "she is so good and she has had such a hard time. We were both lonely and now we are going to be very, very happy."

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Mrs. Lowenburg was the mother of seven children, but one of her sons was killed by a train last year. One daughter lives in Montana and another in Minnesota.

With the exception of two, all of Lowenburg's children are at home.

COOLIDGE IS ON FARM

VICE-PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE PREFERS WORK TO GOLF.

Footwear Built in 1856 of Old-Fashioned Cowhide Still Does Yeoman Service in Field.

PLYMOUTH, Vt., July 25.—Governor Calvin Coolidge of Massachusetts, republican nominee for vice-president is "on a rest."

With Mrs. Coolidge and their two sons, John and Calvin, he is on his father's farm in the hills of Vermont. He finds the best way to rest is to rise early and help his father do the farm work.

The farm, a hilly one situated at the top of Plymouth notch, consists of over 200 acres, partly wooded and partly cultivated. Long meadows of hay and oats are bordered with fruit trees, heavily laden with sweet Vermont apples and juicy plums.

The farmhouse, situated between the Plymouth cheese factory and the home of Governor Coolidge's aunt, Mrs. Wilder, is a cozy New England home, white, with swinging green blinds.

The governor has risen at 6 o'clock every morning since he returned to his 48th birthday, July 4. He usually puts on his grandfather's togs, consisting of an old flannel shirt, denim trousers and old-fashioned cowhide boots, made at the Plymouth tannery in 1856.

He recites with interest the history of the boots. They were made for his grandfather when he was elected to the legislature at Montpelier in 1852 and he wore them continuously throughout the session. Governor Coolidge wears them now when he "inkers" around the farm.

A frock which the governor wears when he works in the fields is a relic of his grandfather's days. It is of denim and slides over the head like an army shirt and is not unlike the frocks worn by artists. In it the governor portrays an entirely different man: from the one who sits in the Boston capitol, immaculately attired.

By way of adding to his hearty appetite for the splendid country cooking prepared by his father's housekeeper, the governor frequently goes into the meadows before the mist has cleared and mows a good-sized corner of the field before the breakfast bell rings. He says it is much more interesting than golf and fully as remunerative, although he humorously adds that "some chaps make more at golf than they would at farming."

J. C. Coolidge has a large woodpile in front of the house. Most of it was originally chopped for stove wood, but several chunks were left for the open fireplace. When the elderly farmer, who is 75 years old, returned from a fishing trip recently he found all the larger pieces silted to kindling and learned that "Cal" had spent a part of the forenoon busy swinging the axe. The old gentleman said nothing about the wood being intended for the fire, but smiled, went in the house and prepared an appetizing "mess" of brook trout from the Ottaquechee.

The governor's father has been town constable for 40 years and a member of the legislature for nearly as long. His aunt, Mrs. J. J. Wilder, who is

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MELBOURNE, Australia, July 25.—Premier Morris Hughes at Bendigo today vigorously denounced the utterances in America of Archbishop Mannix of Melbourne.

"I want to tell the American people," he said, "that Australia repudiates any coincidences with ours in the Pacific. I intend to appoint a high commissioner in America who will be able to speak authoritatively when a man like Mannix is responsible for utterances repugnant to Australians."

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LIBRARY SERVES VACATION READERS IN MANY WAYS

Information on Almost Every Possible Subject Sought—Adventure and Travel Books Most Popular.

Books of adventure and romance, books of travel in distant lands, sad books, gay books, light books, serious books, books for young and old, all are in demand during the summer months at the Central library. No request for vacation reading, however unusual, can surprise Miss Jennette Kennady, who meets the public daily in the circulation room, answers questions and always knows just where to find the "right" book.

In addition to the usual summer reading of the fiction type, Miss Kennady has found that there is great demand for books of information on all sorts of subjects.

"Books on all kinds of out-of-door sports, particularly swimming, canoeing and tennis, are asked for often," she said. "The books contain illustrations, teach strokes and give the rules of the game in such a sport as tennis. Playground information is in great demand. Instructors at the playgrounds come here for general works on play, folk dancing, group games and contests. Curtis' "Play" and Crampton's "Folk Dancing" are used a great deal."

Camp information wanted. The Campfire girls and the Boy Scouts also depend on the library for instructions about their summer camps, and for tales of adventure which they may read to themselves; their leaders come to the same source for short stories to read aloud to them.

"One girl who is in charge of a Y. W. C. A. camp came in for assistance in planning her work," explained Miss Kennady. She took with her volumes on simple cookery, games of all kinds and romances by Tarkenton, Joseph Lincoln and others.

Many vacationists come to the library seeking information on camping and canoeing. Working the mountain, stories of climbing in the Andes, the Alps and the "conquest of Mt. McKinley" as well as vacation tramps over the hills are popular. We have many calls for Harry Franck's "Vagabond Journey Around the World," "Vagabonding," "Down the Andes," "Tramp Through Mexico and Honduras," and other volumes.

"At this season of the year women ask for information on canning, preserving, sugar-saving recipes, and put knowledge they receive here into daily use. Needlework of various kinds is also a favorite subject with them, one of the most popular being patchwork quilts. Books on this subject are in almost constant use."

Amateur Farmers Assisted. The amateur farmer and fruit grower also seek aid at the library on how to make things grow the backward way, as little expenditure of money as possible. How to raise poultry is another frequent question. Miss Kennady said that she found great assistance in answering these queries in the pamphlets published at the Oregon Agricultural college.

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