

WIFE OF NEPTUNE
HUSKY AND CURSESTobacco Chewed and Pillow
Made of Tresses.

BEARS TREAT 'EM ROUGH

Davey Jones, Imps and Mermaids
Aid in Preserving Traditions on
Trip of Secretary of State.

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came swirling up from below to group themselves around the forward turret, through which the two 12-inch guns protruded. Davey took up his line, as the theatrical folk say, and demanded:

"What ship is this?"

"The good ship Florida, bound from her home port of America for a port on the other side of your majesty's domain," replied the executive officer.

"What is your business and where are your credentials?" demanded Davey.

"Our gallant captain, who is in his cabin, will tell you," replied Mr. Dillon.

Searchlights play on pair.

A lane was formed by the gods, and while the Florida let loose all her searchlights to sweep the amethyst and silver seas below and the starry canopy above, Davey and his clerk repaired to the captain's quarters, where Captain Olmsted, Secretary of State, Major-General Cronkite, Rear Admiral Hasset and the writer were awaiting him.

Davey and his clerk appeared to be a trifle embarrassed in the captain's cabin, but with gracious hospitality Captain Olmsted gave them each a cigar and bade them welcome. He invited them to sit down, and while the landlubbers stood about and studied their faces, made unrecognizable by the smudges of grease paint and lampblack, they performed the business in hand.

"King Neptune, the ruler of the deep, has sent me to ask by what right you enter his domain," piped up Davey.

"By the right of all true Americans engaged in the performance of their duty," replied Captain Olmsted.

"Where are your credentials?" demanded Davey.

"We have none," replied the captain, "but throw ourselves upon the mercy of the glorious monarch who controls all the seas. We ask permission to enter his domain, and will comply with all his edicts if he will permit us safe passage."

Davey Jones issues summons.

Thereupon Davey and his clerk arose. "I will communicate to His Majesty your request and he will come in person to announce his decision at 7:45 o'clock on Wednesday morning, and then either turn you back or welcome you and give you safe conduct through his domain. I bring along summonses for every man in your ship's company to appear in person before His Majesty when he comes aboard to get what's coming to him."

Davey then handed over a stack of summonses very much like those issued by the courts when you've been exceeding the speed limit or taking something that doesn't belong to you.

Domain of Neptune Rex, at Sea, Dec. 14, 1920.

To: U. S. S. Florida, Capt. P. N. Olmsted, Commanding.

Whereas, it is the duty of the U. S. S. Florida to be in my domain on the 15th day of December, 1920, and in violation of my High Royal Resolves that it is high time that the Florida appear before the High Tribunal of Neptune.

Therefore, I order and command you to appear before me and court on the aforesaid date, to be initiated into the mysteries of my sacred throne, and to be given as witness to the members of the deep as a warning to all landlubbers concerning my domain.

(Signed) NEPTUNE REX, DAVEY JONES, Secretary of State.

All the next day was taken up in preparing for the ceremonies that were to mark the crossing of the line. On the starboard side of the forecastle, adjoining the captain's cabin, a wooden platform, 12x15 feet, was constructed by the ship's carpenters. At one end of it a canvas tank of the same dimensions and 5 feet deep was rigged.

Throne Is Provided.

The paraphernalia on the platform included a throne for King Neptune and his queen and their retinue. Jutting out from the platform over the tank were two planks of the sort that the pirates of old used to get rid of undesirable. At the extreme end of these planks were two seats, the planks were worked on hinges controlled by a rope's end. There were also a few tubs and barrels, a stove and a desk for Davey Jones, whose job it was to check off the victims as they appeared.

King Neptune keeps his dates. Precisely at 7:45 o'clock "he" came aboard.

Band Blares Royal Salute.

As Neptune's courier led the way up the forward hatch, the ship's band played a royal salute. The band was given to the President of the United States or the executives of other world governments. Then King Neptune (otherwise known as Charley White, who was the mate in No. 4 turret) appeared from the depths of the ship. None of his old cronies on the east side of New York would have recognized him. He had a lot of low hair and a beard made of rope ends. On his head was a gilt crown.

In his right hand he clutched a gilt trident, such as is always coupled with King Neptune. His muscular figure was enveloped in a robe that made the garment worn by Joseph, celebrated of Scriptures, look like a Quaker uniform. The material of which it was made was dyed black, yellow, pink, coral, scarlet, green, brown, red, saffron, blue and blending of all of those colors.

Gown Reveals "Piano Legs."

This robe came down to Charley's knees. He wore neither shoes nor stockings on legs that are colloquially described as "piano legs." Beside him was his favorite wife and queen of all the mermaids, who came to the late Mr. Tennyson, "play in the purple mosses under the sea," and if the same authority is to be believed, are flattered and wooed by "the bold merry mermen under the sea."

The sea queen that came lumbering up the forward hatch of the Florida probably weighed 150 pounds, mostly bone and muscle. One of the gods was perfectly justified in declaring her to be "a peach." Her hair was all that of a mermaid's hair could be. It was of flaxen rope-ends finely combed out.

Her garment was of the one-piece variety and quite as bewildering in the matter of color as that worn by Charley White Neptune. It was of the prevailing knee-length mode and disclosed a sturdy pair of legs clad in white socks. Her corsage was not

OPTOMETRIST SUGGESTS CURE
FOR CERTAIN DIVORCE CASESAmber Glasses for Eyes of Golden-haired Matron Given to Temperament
Will Help Keep Domestic Tranquillity.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU
Washington, D. C., Jan. 17.—Amber glasses are prescribed by those scientists calling themselves optometrists as the cure for a certain class of divorce cases. It is not exactly a cure which they propose but a measure of mitigation.

It has been discovered that in low altitudes, particularly those sections of the country sloping off to the sea-shore, the blue-eyed, golden-haired maidens who, during courtship, appear to be as sweet and gentle as an angel, are likely to show up soon after marriage as vixen, subject to uncontrollable fits of temper.

The husbands of such girls are urged by the scientific experts not to rush off at once to the divorce courts, because there is an easier remedy which will restore happiness and preserve the fireside.

"It is a well-known fact that blondes are subject in certain climates to a far greater degree of eyestrain than brunettes," said a well-known optometrist of Washington and Baltimore. "There is far less coloring matter in their eyes, and who are decided blondes, are almost always unable to see in a very strong light."

"Blue glasses, which have been tried frequently without success, will not solve the problem, but a glass tinted to the proper degree of amber will turn the crank every time. The blue glasses accentuate the effect of the ultra-violet ray which is the cause of all the trouble. They are frowned upon by optometrists, who say that the application of amber glass corrects the predisposition to 'nerves' and an excess of nervous energy."

It is a superabundance of nervous energy which is the cause of so many divorce cases, the optometrists say. Contrary to the general belief, they say it is not the girl of the raven locks, who is the most apt to try the Theda Bara stuff in the blue-eyed stare. She is the girl whom every wife instinctively distrusts, optometrists insist, and is the one who figures most illegitimately in the divorce courts either as wife or co-respondent.

"How many girls do you find who wish to help nature along with their hair dyed black?" asked a specialist was asked, to which he replied:

"Many a girl in her secret soul longs to be a dizzy blonde, because she knows that the blonde who attracts the lion's share of attention when she walks abroad. There ought to be a law requiring all of them to wear amber glasses, but as long as a man is a man and a girl is a blonde, real or potential, that is one law that will never rest on the statute books."

Mrs. A. Morris Carey of Baltimore, who represented Quaker women before the house committee on military affairs a few days ago, believed the bested Representative Caldwell of New York in a scripture-quoting contest. Mrs. Carey was one of the first to leave the house of representatives to appear before the house military committee.

She and others, speaking for the Women's Peace league, the national women's trade union league and other organizations in which femininity rule, the United States to lead in a campaign of world-wide disarmament.

in the V shape and disclosed a bulging chest.

On her arms the queen wore three-inch bracelets. Her ankles were made from sardine cans.

Behind King Neptune came attendants holding up the trains of their majestic, and garbed in tight-fitting costumes of blue, yellow and pink. Behind these were half a dozen as ferocious pirates as ever cut a throat or scuttled a ship, but dressed in a defenseless manner—in the movies.

They acted as a sort of bodyguard to the queen, and were armed with mermaid's tails, which they used to strike husky enough to lick twice as many pirates in or out of the movies, and wearing hula-hula rope skirts, which concealed only a few inches of their stockinged legs in the region of the thighs.

Bears Follow the Imps.

These were followed by four mischievous imps of the deep, incased in black jerseys, their faces hideously marked with white and colored paint. The tail of the procession was brought up by ten "bears," who turned out to be most important strong armed functionaries in King Neptune's retinue. They were clad in blue jerseys and swimming trunks.

With the band leading the way the King of the Sea and his queen made for the ship, while the while the garbed gods shouted a lusty welcome. Neptune made his first stop at the captain's cabin. Before going in his queen spat out a cud of tobacco and demanded that he wait until she had "fixed this damn thing right," meaning her luxurious tresses with which the trade wind was playing havoc.

When she had adjusted her hair the procession moved up and the formalities were speedily accomplished.

"Davey Jones reported to me this morning that you wanted to enter and cross my realm (meaning realm)," said Neptune to Captain Olmsted out of one side of his mouth.

"Yes," replied the captain of the Florida, with a humble smile. "I did send word to you that I'd like to cross the line that divides the world, and I implore your majesty to give my good ship and its crew safe conduct through your royal domain. I wish to inform you that we are on a peaceful mission for the president of the United States, who has ever been a friend of your court."

"All right," said Neptune, replied Neptune, "and I bring you this little present from my treasures."

Cigars Exchanged for Salmon.

"This" was a can of Alaska salmon. In return Captain Olmsted set up the cigars. The first one to be lit was that of the queen. With the weed cocked up in the corner of her mouth she lit alongside her spouse in perfect contentment.

On reaching the platform the ceremonies of initiating the landlubbers began. Neptune and his queen ascended their thrones. The "bears" dived into the canvas tank the imps produced wooden canoes and tubs and the imps made out of many things of disagreeable taste.

"Doctor Killumquik" produced a stethoscope made out of rubber hose and the hula-hula mermaids stood by to lend a hand if opposition to the dictates of Neptune was made. At the bottom of the stairs leading to the platform were two "bears," armed with clubs stuffed with beans that received applicants for initiation.

Officer First to Get "Hit."

The first victim was an engineer officer in uniform. He was "shot through" quickly. "Dr. Killumquik" went over him thoroughly, shoved a nautical mile into his mouth and turned him over to the two ferocious pirates who manned the planks.

The officer was seated at the end of it. One of the imps pulled a rope and he turned an almost complete somersault into the water, where the "bears" likely hit him with open

WORLD TRADE HELD
PERILED BY BRITAIN

Congress Advised of Anti-American Campaign.

U. S. COMMISSION BLAMED

Body in Reporting Probe Said to
Have Taken Action Hostile
to Home Interests.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Attention of members of congress was called today by the Institute of American Meat Packers to proposals submitted to the British parliament regarding the meat industry and said to be designed to restrain American packers from extending further their world trade.

The institute, in an open letter to senators and representatives transmitting a report to parliament by a sub-committee of the standing committee on trusts, says the proposals were a "consequence of the deliberate action of the foreign countries by the federal trade commission" of the commission's report on its investigation of the "big five" packers conducted by direction of President Wilson.

It is charged by the institute that the trade commission not only furnished copies of its report to representatives of foreign governments but also asked the diplomats of the state department to transmit copies direct to those governments. The commission is charged, sent to the diplomatic bureau a form letter to be used in transmitting the report, saying:

"There is enclosed a copy of the summary of the report of the federal trade commission on the meat industry which was recently released for publication by President Wilson and which may be of interest to your government."

By this form letter," says the institute, "President Wilson was made to extend the invitation to foreign governments to take the 'fundamental action' which the commission said was necessary to prevent international control of meat products by the American packers."

The institute says that members of congress in addition to endorsing the committee's report which quoted from the trade commission report, will appreciate the serious disaster which threatens the livestock industry in this country as a consequence of the deliberate circulation in foreign countries of "false and unjust charges against American packers."

Tax and Subsidy Urged.

The British committee's report says "no complaint was made at hearings held by it of unfair trading by the American companies beyond severe cutting of prices for the purpose of developing trade or clearing surplus stock, but it charges that there is at least a tacit understanding between the American meat companies to respect each other's position, which would be an active combination."

The committee recommends that "it should be the declared policy of the British government to prevent the percentage of the beef trade which is at present in foreign hands from increasing to the loss of producers at home and in the dominions and of British importing companies," and that expansion of foreign interests in the United Kingdom should be restrained by taxation and by subsidizing refrigerated shipping companies.

HARDING BREAKS RULES
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visit was sufficient compensation exacted. Senators and others from here who have made the visit to Marion say they are surprised at the mental attitude of the president-elect toward everybody, and especially toward the fellows looking for the jobs. Instead of becoming exasperated, as is usually the case, they say, he appears to get amusement and recreation out of the most interesting persons who come there on the one mission of telling him about themselves.

Exceptional Tact Is Used.

In discussing the manner in which candidates present their cases, returning visitors say that "there is nothing 'raw' about it. The candidates, or the most of them, it is said, display remarkable tact. In fact, they exhibit diplomacy that would qualify any one of them for the job of ambassador at the court of St. Patrick, if such a court existed."

Every one of them aims in opening the discussion of the needs of the nation, finally winding on and on to the point of describing the sort of personality that would fit into this or that lofty position, preferably a place in the gift of the incoming president. After all this, there is an unveiling which reveals in the last analysis the manner in which the visitor fits into every detail of the requirements of the post desired.

All Jobs Are Listed.

But what interests and amuses Mr. Harding and some of his senatorial visitors is the surprising knowledge of place hunters of all of the various jobs that are loose. Mr. Harding has confided that he is amused, and the senators declare that they had never imagined that they had so much received from their disposal.

It has developed that almost every one desiring a job has invested about \$250 in the government blue book, which it costs \$11 to print, and in this way all of the places at the disposal of the next president have been listed and are indexed.

The president-elect confesses frankly that some of his guests have a better inventory of the federal pie stock than he himself, and that he has six years as a United States senator.

Idle Married Parade
FATHERS DEMAND WORK TO
PROVIDE FOR CHILDREN.

CITY COMMISSION CALLED ON TO ASSIST DISTRICT OF SPOKANE WHO ARE OUT OF JOBS.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—We must have work to feed the mouths of our hungry children."

"We would rather work than steal and do not want charity."

Carrying these signs, more than 200 married men of Spokane, many of whom say they are destitute and unable to furnish food for their children, paraded the downtown district here this morning in protest of the present lack of work, ending their line of march at the city hall for the purpose of demanding of the city commissioners relief from present conditions here.

Commissioner Smith met the commission named by the unemployed men at the entrance to the city hall and told the representatives of the unemployed that he could not open city work for them because of the lack of money for such improvements.

The commissioner declared that the city council cannot produce work at will; that the people must say when fewer and other city work be carried out.

"You men must appreciate the position we are in," declared Commissioner Smith. "The city officials cannot create jobs whenever they wish. The taxpayers pay the money. We will open new work just as soon as we can."

Scores Leap to Safety.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 17.—Scores of men and women, their escape out off by flames and smoke, leaped from second-story windows when fire threatened the lives of 500 people attending services in the Cory Methodist Episcopal church Sunday. Due to the coyness of the pastor, Rev. J. B. Redmond, and the prompt action of firemen, the injured was confined to four, none seriously.

According to Le Matin of Paris it is estimated that the deficit of the U. S. raised in the last year will exceed 2,600,000,000 francs.

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MURDER SUSPECT HELD

Negro Naval Deserter Accused of
Killing Nurse at Annapolis.

BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 17.—Henry A. Brown, negro, a deserter from the navy, was arrested here tonight in connection with the murder Friday night of Harriet Kavanaugh, a nurse, at the navy hospital, Annapolis.

Brown had been absent without leave from the training ship Cumberland at Annapolis for 30 days.

Government agents declared Brown was seen skulking near the scene of the murder a short time before the crime. The prisoner maintained that he had not been out of Baltimore for nearly a month.

LAND DISTRICT CHANGED

Columbia River Offices Transferred to Seattle From Vancouver.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The Vancouver or Columbia river land district of the state of Washington, with offices at Vancouver, is discontinued and the lands, business and archives of that district, together with the office, are transferred to Olympia land district, with headquarters at Seattle, under an executive order made public today.

The order was signed by President Wilson January 4.

Harvard Tuition Increase Likely.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 17.—An increase in tuition fees at Harvard university, necessitated by a deficit of \$150,000 for the year 1920-1921, "which will be more than doubled during the current year," was forecast by President Lowell in his annual report tonight. A 30 per cent increase in faculty salaries has been made possible by the Harvard endowment fund, the report said.

Jewish Delegations Adjourn.

PARIS, Jan. 17.—(Jewish Telegraph Agency.)—The committee of Jewish delegations concluded its meetings Sunday with a decision to create one central representative body for all Jews. The committee decided to take all possible steps to protect pogrom victims stranded in foreign countries.

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