# POLITICIAN'S WIFE

Mrs. Elmer L. Amidon Asks for Absolute Divorce and Her Maiden Name.

SUIT FILED IN YAMHILL

Cruel and Inhuman Treatment, Personal Indignities and Newspaper Notoriety Are Some of the Causes Alleged.

McMINNVILLE, Or., June 8.— (Special.) — Anna Ruth Amidon, of Portland, desiring freedom from a bond that irks, by her attorney, John C. Schroeder, has filed suit in the Circuit Court for Yamhili County for a divorce from E. L. Amidon, to whom she was married November 18, 1914.

The complaint, filed May 24, alleges cruel and inhuman treatment and personal indignities toward plaintiff from the defendant, commencing shortly the defendant, commencing shortly after their marriage and continuing up to the present time, rendering her life burdensome and no longer to be endured with him as his wife.

Many Causes Alleged.

Further allegations are that defend-Further allegations are that defend-ant has stayed away from home much of the time without giving plaintiff any satisfactory explanation for his absence; that he has been unduly at-tentive to other women and used abus-ive and indecent language toward plaintiff; that over protest and against the wishes of plaintiff he has contin-ued political activities which have sub-tected him to newspaper notoriety of ued political activities which have sub-jected him to newspaper notoriety of a kind and character which has caused the plaintiff much mental anguish and suffering; that he has an ungovern-able temper and in fits of rage has in-flicted personal violence upon plaintiff; that the child of defendant by a former marriage, who has resided with the parties, has been permitted by defend-ant to abuse and mistreat plaintiff; that defendant has contributed very that defendant has contributed very little to the support of plaintiff, ren-dering it necessary for her to secure employment as waitress, salesiady, and stenographer, in order to support her-

Maiden Name Desired.

No children have resulted from the marriage of the couple and no property rights are involved in the suit for divorce. Plaintiff asks in her complaint that her maiden name, Ruth Gilbert, be restored to her. It is understood that it is the intention of Mrs. Amidon, upon securing her divorce to engage in upon securing her divorce, to engage in work of the Salvation Army in France.

Elmer L. Amidon is known in Portland as a professional politician, associated with the group that is organized as the Radiators. He was secretary of the Republican county central committee up to the time of its recent election. He is widely known to the public as a street speaker. Before moving to Priland several years and he made his Prtland several years ago he made his home in Tacoma.

## SPEEDERS ARE WARNED

TRAFFIC OFFICERS MUST REPORT

Dangerous Crossings Will Be Watched ering various phases of war service. and Violators Will Be Prosecuted

In order to expedite the work of the Carleton McFadden, Once Hotel Emmotorcycle squad and to bring about still more efficiency, Chief of Police Johnson yesterday issued an order to

their present capacity as motorcycle officers covering speed and traffic work exclusively and will be under Captain Harms. Eight other traffic officers who also are doing patrol work will be under the captains of the day and first night reliefs.

"With this arrangement there will be no misunderstanding on the part of the traffic men as to whom they are to report," said Captain Harms. "Each man will know just what his duties are and the result will be for greater efficiency, we believe.

"It is our plan to prosecute traffic more of the claim that it is also within the range of possibilities."

Albany Holds Discharged Soldier.

ALBANY, Or., June 3.—(Special.)—
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"It is our plan to prosecute traffic violations more vigorously than ever. Dangerous crossings will be given our special attention and some of the boulevards which are tempting to speeders will be more closely watched. Special efforts also will be made to curb the reckless driving of motor-trucks. There is a strict state law governing the operation of motor-trucks. One of the chief troubles we have had to deal with has been the unsafe condition of brakes on trucks. We are going to see that the state law, as well as the city ordinance, is enforced."

ALBANY, Or., June 8.—(Special.)—With no registration card or papers to support his claim that he was discharged at Camp Lewis because of disability, Otto Miller is being held in the City Jail here. He will be detained while his military status is investigated. He asserts that after his discharge from Camp Lewis his registration card or papers to support his claim that he was discharged at Camp Lewis because of disability, Otto Miller is being held in the City Jail here. He will be detained while his military status is investigated. He asserts that after his discharge from Camp Lewis his registration card and claim that he was discharged at Camp Lewis because of disability, Otto Miller is being held in the City Jail here. He will be detained while his military status is investigated. He asserts that after his discharge from Camp Lewis because of disability, Otto Miller is being held in the City Jail here. He will be detained while his military status is investigated. He asserts that after his discharge from Camp Lewis his registration card or papers to support his claim that he was discharged at Camp Lewis because of disability, Otto Miller is being held in the City Jail here. He will be detained while his military status is investigated. He asserts that after his discharge from Camp Lewis because of disability. Otto Miller is being held in the City Jail here. He will be detained while he will be detained to card and claim that he was disability. Otto Miller is b as well as the city ordinance, is

### RANCHER GETS 10 YEARS JOHN M. WILSON PLEADS GUILTY

TO KILLING NEIGHBOR,

Prisoner Asks That He Be Sent to Fighting Front In France Instead of Penitentiary.

WENATCHEE, Wash., June 8.—(Special.)—John M. Wilson, of Brewster, who, on May 16, shot and killed his neighbor, Walter Adams, pleaded gullty to manslaughter in the Okanagan Superior Court today, and was sentenced to the Walla Walla penitentiary for a term of 10 to 20 years.

The murder and subsequent events created a great deal of feeling in the Upper Country. Wilson surrendered himself to the authorities immediately after the shooting, with the declaration that he had found Adam beating one of his cows and that when he had ordered Adams to desist, the latter had made a movement as if to draw a gun. He said he then shot in self-defense. In a long talk to the prisoner, the Judge showed him the error of his ways. "Don't put me in the pen, for God's sake, send me to the trenches, put me in the front line where they can kill me, but let me die fighting." the old man sobbed. He then begged for permission to spend a day on the ranch with his family before going to pass the remainder of his days within the penitentiary. This request the Judge had no authority to grant.

Some time ago Wilson attempted to

enlist in the Army. He has ever been a crack shot, and to show his ability he placed a target four inches square at a distance of 100 yards, and lying on the ground with a revolver placed eight shots in the target one after the other. He then sent the target to the military authorities at Camp Lewis and applied for enlistment as a sharpshooter.

He would have been accepted without further ado had they not learned that he was 62 years old.

BOYS AID FARMERS

HOOD RIVER Crops Saved From Possible Loss.

#### CONSUMER NOT AFFECTED

Lumber Price-Fixing to Concern Only Government and Dealer.

ngton, June S .- Senator Poindexter, calling on the War Industries Board calling on the War Industries Board today, was told that the price-fixing committee, while planning to fix the price of lumber at the mill for both the Government and the dealen, does not expect to undertake to fix the price to be charged the consum.

The expectation is that the retailer, buying at a Government-regulated price, will add a reasonable profit and no more. If it develops later that dealers are undertaking to exact an undue profit, steps may be taken by the War Industries Board to restrain them.

For the present, however, the Gov-

LABOR SHORTAGE RELIEVED

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash- First Camp of Working Reserve Corps of Portland Established in

WORKING RESERVE BOYS READY TO GO AT IT.



GROUP OF BERRYPICKERS FROM PORTLAND, TAKEN AT HOOD RIVER.

ernment does not purpose to fix the price at which retailers may sell. The public will have the Government-fixed price at the mill and in this way a check to be kept on retailers.

TEACHERS TO AID FARMERS Lane Educators Advertise for Work

in Rural Districts.

EUGENE, Or., June 8.—(Special.)— Teachers in the elementary schools of Eugene are advertising for work on the farms of Lane County. A group of 12 teachers, headed by Miss Margaret

#### LANE YOUTH SHOWS THRIFT

ploye, Goes to West Point.

Johnson yesterday issued an order to all traffic men and motorcycle men doing speed duty or exclusive traffic work to report to Captain Harms, of the traffic bureau. Motorcycle officers who now are doing patrol or police work are to report to their respective captains on reliefs on which they work.

Sergeant Ervin and Officers O'Halloran and Schad will be retained in their present capacity as motorcycle officers covering speed and traffic.

EUGENE, Or., June 3.—(Special.)—From an employe in the dining-room of the Osburn Hotel in Eugene, where the Carned his expenses while attending the University of Oregon, to West Point, is the record of Carleton McFadden, aged 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McFadden will leave Eugene to enter the military academy, June 20.

The young man was graduated from



A. J. Palmer.

DUNDEE, Or., June 8.—(Special.)—A. J. Paimer, Civil Warveteran and member of the Grand Army of the Republic, died suddenly yesterday at the age of 74 years.

Besides his widow, he is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Mary P. Johnson, of Newberg; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Dundee Methodist Episcopal Church, interment in the Newberg Cemetery.

where the youths, who are supervised by officials of the Portland Y. M. C. A., without loss of a moment's time, pitched their camp in a beautiful

A., without loss of a moment's time, pitched their camp in a beautiful wooded grove.

On the following day the volunteer workers were engaged in saving one of the fruit district's chief crops. With a labor shortage prevailing, the arrival of the Boys' Reserve has prevented growers from suffering possible heavy financial loss.

While a semi-military discipline is enforced at the camps of the boy workers, all rules, with the exception of a few general laws pertainting to conduct and safety as established by the Y. M. C. A., are made by the youths themselves.

Camps Self-Governing.

Tiffany, principal of the Lincoln grade school, announce they are ready to undertake any kind of farm work which it is physically possible for them to perform.

Miss Charlotte Ballard, physical training teacher for girls, and Miss Anne McMicken, teacher of science, members of the high school faculty, will go to Reed College, in Portland, this Summer, preparing to take part

this Summer, preparing to take part in reconstruction work for wounded soldiers. Other teachers are considering various phases of war service.

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Leand Chapin, Newton Langerman and Robert Boggs, council.

The camp was established under supervision of H. D. Huggins, of the Portland Y. M. C. A. Raymond Cox has come from Portland and taken charge, and Mr. Huggins has left for Dee, where he will establish the second camp. Mr. Cox is assisted by Charles Holmstedt and E. Bummert in his supervision of the boys.

While the larger part of the time of while the larger part of the time of the volunteer workers will be devoted to harvest work they will have suf-ficient leisure to take trips of ex-ploration into the mountains and to fish in the streams near camps. The young men of the camp already established have aroused the commendation of the Oak Grove orchardists because of the eager attention to the

KALAMA RESIDENT BURIED

harvest work.

M. H. Royer Is Survived by Widow and Three Children.

KALAMA, Wash., June 8,-(Special.) The funeral services of M. H. Royer, whose death occurred recently from paralysis, were held Thursday from the paralysis, were held Thursday from the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which Mr Royer was a member. Mr. Royer was prominent in the affairs of the town and held the offices of Justice of the Peace for the South Kalama precinct and of Clerk of the Kalama School Board. He was a member of the local branch of the United Order of Artisans, and was secretary of the Masonic order here.

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Mr. Royer was born in Clay City, Ind., in 1861, and in 1882 married Miss Martha Moyer, of that place, In 1883 they moved West. They came to Kalama in 1893, Mr. Royer was engineer of the cold storage plant of the Doty Fish Company, of Kalama. He



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WHITMAN COLLEGE, Walla Walla, Wash., June 8.—(Special.)—Alan R. the B. T. Garage, West Park and Couch streets, is being held in the City Jail mencement marshal by the faculty. This is the highest honor which a tempting to commit assault with a

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Five Camps Planned.

It is now planned to establish a total of five camps of Boys' Reserve workers in the local fruit district, three of them to be in the Upper Valley. The numbers at the camps will average 25, it is stated.

While the larger part of the time of Walley and three children—Mr. Otis Royer, of Silver Lake, Wash.; Mrs. Francis Doane, of Magrom, Wash., and Mrs. Pearl Woolford, of Kalama.

Station and gave himself up. He will marshalship is given to the man who has maintained the highest scholastic record. Alan Thompson is from Sunnysige, Wash.

While the larger part of the time of Walley and three children—Mr. Otis Royer, of Silver marshalship is given to the man who has attacked by other employes at the garage and that he hurled a stick of wood at one of them in self-defense, of wood at one of them in self-defense, and been issued for his arrest and yester-day afternoon walked into the Police of the time of time of time of time of the time of time

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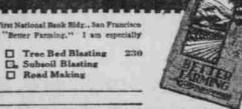
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