

DAVIDOR SLAPS BACK AT FORMER ASSOCIATES

Deposed Agent of Telephone Company Files Damage Suit for \$100,000.

Suit for the recovery of \$100,000 damages from Louis J. Wilde, the Portland Home Telephone company, H. J. Meagher, C. R. Wagner and A. L. Hayes was filed in the circuit court this morning by Samuel Y. Davidor.

It is claimed by Davidor in his suit that he is the victim of a conspiracy to ruin his business and to secure valuable telephone franchises controlled by him and his company in various Washington offices, including Chehalis, Vancouver and Centralia.

He claims that the Northwestern Long Distance Telephone company and the Washington Home Telephone & Telegraph company conspired and that it was in order to wrest the control of the latter company from him and to secure its franchises that the defendants brought about the publication of newspaper articles reflecting upon his management of the Washington company and his business integrity.

The suit characterizes the articles as "false, malicious and scandalous" and asserts that the same men who secured their publication induced Gregory E. Matson to file suit against the plaintiff Davidor in the circuit court and also caused his arrest on a charge of larceny.

He claims that when the district attorney later looked into the charges he found them to be utterly false. Besides all that he claims that the defendants forced him to relinquish valuable contracts with the Washington Home Telephone & Telegraph company and sundry other enterprises. All in all he wants \$100,000 from his alleged defectors.

The suit was filed this morning by Samuel Y. Davidor, 1215 Commercial street, and is supported by Lewis C. Garrison, who, however, asserts that he has not succeeded in his efforts to secure the return of the suit.

I don't know any of the parties hereto—never met this man Davidor in my life—never had any kind of business with him, directly or indirectly, or with the so-called Washington never-told-me Telephone Co.

Am not interested for or against him, they or them. That crowd haven't anything I would touch, handle or take with a pair of tongs; and I would not take as a gift their franchises.

I am NOT NOW in the telephone business; AM NOT an officer or director, or hold any official capacity whatsoever of any Telephone, Construction or Underwriting Company.

Am not out knocking anybody—too busy attending to my own business. Therefore, I can only repeat that these periodical attacks, slamming away with lawsuits promiscuously, only draw forth headlines in the papers, which can never be corrected, and interrupts the progress of legitimate capital in legitimate channels of trade.

There should be a stop put to it and a way provided that men who sue another without cause should provide a bond or be made to shut up; for there is no redress for the busy man who is responsible. It's always a case, if a responsible person tries to get even in a civil suit against any irresponsible person, it resolves itself into suing a beggar to catch a louse.

Whenever anybody gets real hard up, and your attorney ain't working

SUE ME

Because you need the money—a sufficient reason and a legal cause of action.

FACTS ARE

L. J. WILDE

(Oregonian Editorial, April 14th.)

DESPROYING A GOOD NAME.

Julia Marlowe, one of the finest actresses on the American stage, an ornament to her profession and a woman against whom the breath of scandal has never before been directed, has been promptly cleared of a criminal charge placed against her by an insanely jealous woman. There was never the slightest ground for such a charge as was laid at the door of this charming actress and pure woman; but the apparent inability of our laws to protect the reputation of innocent people from such attacks has caused her an endless amount of trouble, sorrow and expense.

By reason of this unwarranted charge, Julia Marlowe has been obliged to abandon her tour, disband her company and place herself under the care of a physician for the remainder of the season. After all this suffering, the jealous, irresponsible woman who brought the charges finds that a mistake has been made.

So far as Miss Marlowe's legion of friends before and behind the footlights are concerned, the baseless charges were never regarded as anything other than unwarranted gossip which so often besmirches clean reputations on the stage as well as elsewhere. But, aside from the personality and the pure life of Miss Marlowe, there were other reasons why the public was inclined to give her something more than the benefit of the doubt.

There has been in recent years an ever-increasing tendency on the part of a certain class of people to blacken the reputation of others without first exercising caution in their charges. It was cruel rumor, magnified, distorted and incorporated in the complaint in another divorce case, which drove poor George Cayvan to a madhouse and thence to an untimely grave.

The investigation which followed the charges, as in the case of Miss Marlowe, of course cleared the unfortunate victim of the dreadful charge made against her, but the law's delay and the offensive publicity proved too much for as noble and high minded a woman as ever graced the American stage.

The ease with which a good name, especially that of a woman holding so public a position as that of an actress, can be destroyed without redress is a sad commentary on our laws. There seems to be no limit on the right of a jealous woman, or even a man, to compromise the name of another person who is dragged into vile divorce proceedings without the shadow of a pretext for the use of their names. These actions are very poor reparation for any wrongdoing, and whose names are paraded before the public as correspondents in some dirty divorce case, who are of course the defamers for slander or libel, but this, even when their detractors have a degree of financial responsibility, is very poor reparation for the wrong that has been caused. It is a humiliating and distasteful to an innocent person.

The promptness with which Miss Marlowe's name was cleared will be extremely gratifying to all decent people, but it is unfortunate that there is no law that can prevent some other equally prominent and innocent person from being subjected to similar humiliation and expense by the whim of some other jealous woman, with a "hair trigger" temper, who is ready to blacken the name of any man, even though it becomes necessary to blacken the reputation of an innocent woman to accomplish that end.

BY LOUIS J. WILDE TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, CONDEMN OR CONDOLE

Blackmail, Holdup, Grafters, Rotten Politics, Feeble Legislation, Walking Delegates of Discontent, Injunctions and Lawsuits

ARE AMONG THE MANY INDUCEMENTS OFFERED OUTSIDE CAPITAL to help build up your city and be subject to the periodical attacks of Blackmailers, Grafters and such persons whose whole pathway in life has been strewn with wrecks and are but parasites in a community; tearing down and destroying day by day, and kept alive by the encouragement they receive. Personally, I refer the people of Portland to any desirable citizen, merchant or banking house in San Diego, Los Angeles, San Francisco or Portland as to my credit or business standing; and not a man, woman or child, who is a desirable citizen, will say I owe them a fair dollar or ever was presented with a bill the second time, or that I ever put a pebble in an honest person's way to make an honest dollar. But I am dead against thieves and fakers and feel some man of the hour, like Francis J. Heney, should rise in this community to wipe out that undesirable and corrupt element, which is a menace to good government, good citizenship and good law, and thus protect its people and all newcomers from constant attacks, holdups and graft. No life or purse is safe where this bunch dwells. Any whelp with distemper can hack up charges, claims or imaginary wrongs; and he will find enough hangers-on to the GRAFTER'S FENCE to furnish sufficient corroborative evidence for an audience with a hungry law office to ding-dong and annoy any busy business man, thus clogging the wheels of progress, city improvements and legitimate court matters.

Now, then, will the desirable citizen, the taxpayer and property owner, real estate man, commercial bodies, the press, the financial interests, the honest laborer and mechanic, the grateful bank depositor, the law-abiding people and the church stand back DEAF, DUMB, BLIND and UNCONSCIOUS to all this procedure and persecution?

It's the ungratefulness of man, the disloyalty of friends, the yellow streak in humanity and the red tape that makes a man an applicant to anarchy. God knows, I have many good friends here; and the greater part of Portland is made up of a Christian and law-abiding people, but they stand at rest in Zion and sit still trembling, while the undesirable never quit; but, like maggots, rot the morals of any community. If there is no protection afforded citizenship or captains of industry in this city, I will fight my own way and your town will be full of trouble, for I am no quitter, and ASK YOU all for a square deal. If I don't get it, it's up to me to disturb a condition, the like of which never existed in San Francisco or rotten Denver, Colorado. So, I say to the grafter and the suing-circle, the holdup and the blackmailing gang and the lazy, discontented whelps and breeders of all trouble on earth and to all incubators of crime, you can go to h—; for it's only a question of time before you go there anyway, whether you want to or not. Any one man armed with justice can whip you all in the open. The Savior was nailed to the cross for helping humanity and trying to save sinners; and, today, Francis J. Heney is dogged by dynamiters for trying to save a principle. . . . and no plain, ordinary fellow was ever treated so badly as the STRANGER who saved two million dollars for fifteen thousand depositors, and kept open the only bank in the city of Portland through the Baby Holidays.

Now, I don't care whether anybody likes this or not, but it's just the way I feel about it.

MISCHE'S PARK SCHEME BUNDLE OF NEW IDEAS

Holladay Park to Be Transformed Into a Beauty Spot—First Improvements Will Be Finished at Once—Rounding Out Plan to Take Five Years.

Members of the city park board visited Holladay park yesterday afternoon with Parkkeeper, Mische, to acquaint themselves with the new parkkeeper's ideas in regard to transforming the pretty little breathing spot into a playground and neighborhood center along the lines of similar institutions which have proved so popular in eastern cities.

The new plan will not be a part of the park scheme but is a distinctive feature in beautifying the city. The scheme is one well calculated to win the approval of the entire community, and it is backed up by the other members of the board who made the trip yesterday afternoon. An effort will be made by the members to secure public sentiment in the project before it is elaborated to the full extent of the scheme.

Mr. Lane stated today that the work of laying out the park and erecting the buildings will cover a period of about five years, but that the playground and the concert grounds, together with other parts of the project will be completed in a short time, in order to give the people an idea of what the entire project will be when completed.

TESTIMONIAL

Mr. S. E. Colvin of Florence, Oregon, came to Portland with the intention of having an operation performed to relieve himself of kidney trouble. The steward of the hotel at which he was stopping told him to try Van Damme's Kidney Tea, which he did. After taking two bottles he felt so much relieved that he returned to his home without having the operation, but with a supply of Van Damme's Kidney Tea. He had intended to stay a month, but stayed only three days.

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CHARITY BALL TO AID LITTLE ONES

Helpless Tots in Babies' Home Beneficiaries of Knights Templar.

Much interest centers in the Knights Templar ball to be given Thursday night for the Baby Home. There are now about 38 children cared for by the home, little helpless dependent ones, who are deprived of the natural home rights of childhood.

During the 18 years of the home's existence nearly 700 children have passed under its sheltering care. For many of these homes have been found where as the light of the foster parents hearts they have grown to happy young womanhood and manhood. Mrs. Sitton, the president, is continually receiving letters telling of the comfort and pleasure that the children give to those who have adopted them.

The greater number of the babies received at the home come from homes where for some reason such as sickness or poverty the parents are for the time unable to care properly for them. Some are brought by mothers deserted by worthless husbands, some by fathers, who by the wife's death, are left unable to care properly for the little ones. Some are left at the home who have been brought into the world without a birthright—but these are a small proportion of the whole number. Of these

helpless abandoned infants, not all are from degenerate parents.

Reveal Stories of Suffering. Often the mother has been cruelly deceived and is left to bear alone the terrible burden of the world's scorn. Usually these girl mothers work hard to pay for their babies' support and when they are able reclaim them.

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Of course none of the officers of the home receive any remuneration for their services, although much time and money too are required to keep the institution going. Our secretary, for instance, takes much time from his own business to keep our accounts in order and receives no compensation whatever.

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"Neither do the visiting physicians receive any compensation for their services, although they give their time and their professional attention willingly. The home is receptive of the services of any age up to 8 years but after that age they are either adopted into homes, returned to the parents or if still in need of institutional aid, are sent to the Children's Home or some other institution that cares for older children.

Expenses Heavy. It is more expensive to care for babies than older children, for a nurse is required for every five children. Beside the nurse a matron, a housekeeper, a cook, a laundryman, and a gardener, who takes care of the cows, are employed. "When a couple wish to adopt a child we first make the most careful investigation as to their responsibility, and

this is satisfactory the child is taken on probation for six months, during which time it is watched and the home is kept informed as to conditions. If at the end of that time both sides are satisfied, the adoption is made legal.

"The home is non-sectarian, and is managed with the strictest economy consistent with good care. It is hoped that the charity ball given by the Knights Templar will be a good sum for carrying on this very vital work, and that the institution, which is unique in its mission, and entirely dependent as to its resources on the public good will, may be brought more prominently before those who may be able to make some definite provision for carrying it on.

INTERESTING PROGRAM TODAY AT Y. M. C. A.

Men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. today will be addressed by Rev. W. T. Jordan, on the subject "The Old and New Man." Mr. Jordan is one of the strong Baptist preachers on the Pacific coast. He is well known from San Francisco to the sound. He has been in the great fights of righteousness that have taken place on the coast in the last 20 years, and has a stirring message for all men.

Charles E. Gray of Chicago, one of the best baritone singers that has been in Portland this winter, will sing. He has met with a splendid reception every place he has appeared in the city. All men are welcome to spend their afternoon in the Y. M. C. A.

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MUSIC WILL BE FEATURE OF BALL

Special Vocal and Instrumental Programs for Knights Templar.

An innovation in musical entertainment at a ball will be introduced by the executive committee having in charge the charity ball to be given by the Knights Templar next Thursday evening in the new Masonic temple building at West Park and Yamhill streets in aid of the Portland Baby Home.

It is proposed to have a male chorus of 25 voices sing in the ball-room at 10 o'clock, in the card room at 10:30 and again in the ball room at 11 o'clock. The dances are not to be given to the accompaniment of vocal music however—the chorus is merely to sing in the intermissions for the entertainment of those who attend the ball.

Excellent Musical Program.

But the male chorus is to be simply an adjunct of the orchestra—Professor Prasp's—which has been preparing several of the latest song hits in the east, notably the popular "Harrigan," while Wilder's harp and string quartet has prepared a special program for the edification of those who do not dance. This program is as follows: Adagio Cantabile (Sonata Pathétique) (Beethoven); Meditatione Sul I. Preludio di Bach; Il Solitario (Kocchet); Fantasia (Carman) (Briet); Melodie in F (Rubenstein); Memento de Opera (Rossini); Appassionata Eligia. (Grasiani);

Chimes of Normandy (Piaquette); Sing, Smile, Slumber (Gounod); Intermezzo (Cavalleria Rusticana) (Mascaioni); Les Complantes (Bohonnier); Nutt Etolies (Messacapo); Le Reve (Anacran); Serenata d'In Angles Brags.

Street Frontiers Success.

Two committees are in charge of the dance—one composed exclusively of Knights Templar and the other of women connected with the Baby Home, and the ball promises to be a success not only from the very necessary financial standpoint, but the equally important social and pleasurable sides. The reception committee is composed of the eminent commander and the officers and members of Oregon commandery No. 1, all of whom will use their utmost endeavors to add to the pleasures of those who attend the ball. Tickets are on sale by C. B. Cooper, secretary, 314 Chamber of Commerce; W. S. Macrum, recorder, Merchants National bank, and Woodard & Clarke's drugstore, Fourth and Washington streets. Those intending to attend the ball are asked to aid the work of the committee by purchasing tickets as early as possible.

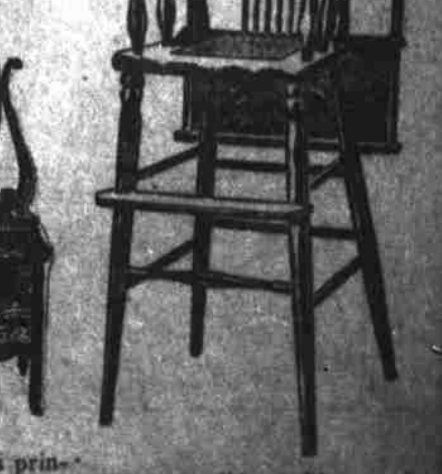
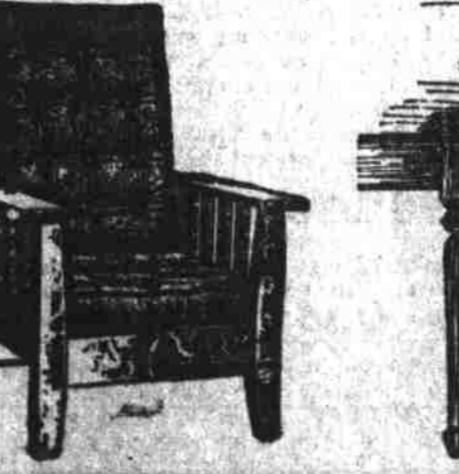
AFFINITY BROKER TO SERVE TIME IN JAIL

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago, Ill., April 25.—The conviction of a second affinity broker and sentencing of Mrs. Jennie Scott, otherwise Mrs. E. E. Glynn, has encouraged the federal authorities in their prosecution of Mrs. J. Burkes. Evidence against six other brokers in love was today prepared for presentation to the grand jury. Mrs. Scott, who is said to have assumed responsibility for the "Glynn agency," is prevented an inquiry into the business, had an attack of nervous prostration as a result of her sentence. She has been ordered to be confined to one year in the Bridewell penitentiary by Judge Bethes.

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