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TRAIL AND DEATH FOLLOW BALLOON TRIAL

PRETTY JAP WIFE GETS A DIVORCE

Marriage by Correspondence Proves Unhappy to Demure Little Woman Who Travels From Orient Only to Be Disappointed.

District Attorney's Office Takes Interest in Case and Developments May Implicate Local Subjects of Mikado in Bad Practices.

An unusual story of marriage by correspondence, ending in separation after two weeks because a pretty little Japanese wife would not obey the wishes of a greedy and brutal husband, may result in giving the authorities information on which to proceed against Japanese violators of the law, forbidding the importing of women for immoral purposes.

The story was hesitatingly told on the witness stand before Judge Morrow in the district court this morning when Mrs. Takako Ishihara was called to testify in the divorce case brought against her husband on the ground of desertion. Deputy District Attorney Fitzgerald appeared for the state, and his suggestions were answered by the woman's lawyer as to the manner in which she met her husband. She said that while she was in Japan she was "introduced" to her future husband by the correspondence method. She met him in Victoria B. C. in May, 1907. They were married at once and came to Portland the next day.

Mrs. Ishihara, of demure but smiling appearance, said that she was a Christian and she wanted her husband's suggestion as to her conduct. She said she then told him that if she did not obey she would not be his wife. She refused and he left her. She is working in a Portland home as a domestic. The pastor of the Japanese Methodist Episcopal church testified that she is a faithful member of his church and he never heard any criticism of her conduct.

The little woman said that the man who introduced her to her husband is a cook named Ben Nomi, who works on North Twelfth street. Deputy District Attorney Fitzgerald and Judge Morrow asked numerous questions to bring out all the information possible, and Mr. Fitzgerald will make an investigation. It is possible that Ben Nomi is an innocent middleman, but the circumstances are such that important developments may follow.

The woman's story was told through an interpreter. Her husband is an attorney and cross-complaint were filed, but Ishihara's attorney withdrew and offered no objection to the granting of the divorce. The woman said that her husband assaulted her with an umbrella on the street last November, six months after they separated.

FINISHING PLANS OF TWO NEW WARSHIPS

ONE-LEGGED MEN TO HOLD UNION

President of Association Suggests Parade of Cripples.

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Keeps Close Tab on Rebate Cases



Attorney-General Bonaparte, Who is Pressing the Rate Cases.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal) Washington, Aug. 14.—The attorney-general's office has been constantly in touch with the interstate commerce commission's representatives at San Francisco where the railroad rebate cases are soon to be heard. It is reported that Attorney-General Bonaparte has given orders that the agents of his office be in constant attendance at the hearings as the reports are expected to have important bearing on rate and rebate litigation that is soon to be begun through the department.

CHINESE REBELS DANGEROUS

Uprising Not Crushed, as the French Reported—Pirates Off Coast.

(United Press Leased Wire) Saigon, French Indo-China, Aug. 14.—The Chinese uprising, which was reported by the French authorities to have been crushed a few weeks ago, is assuming dangerous proportions again. The British consul at Canton has asked the authorities at Canton to send gunboats to protect European interests in the coast waters. The British consul at Hongkong is gaining ground and reports of new disturbances are being received continually. At the same time piracy is becoming more and more prevalent. Small mercantile ships have at great loss. Six ships were reported to have been captured and captured by pirates in the last week. It is estimated that the pirates have lost 1,000 men in the fighting during the last month and the pirates have lost 200. The pirates possess and are selling the outlaws.

Rainy Day at Fairview. Littleton, Neb. Aug. 14.—A heavy rain fell over Littleton and the surrounding country today and kept the water away from Fairview. Her husband huddled himself in his stables preparing speeches.

YOUTH SHOT WITH "UNLOADED" REVOLVER

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AUTO THIEF LEAPS FROM CAR WINDOW

Stole Bubble in Chicago. Traced to Portland. Arrested in Chehalis After Two Weeks' Exciting Escapades.

Eastern Detectives Were Taking the Prisoner Back When He Eluded Them and Jumped From Coach While in Montana.

(United Press Leased Wire) Portland, Aug. 14.—A young man who stole an automobile in Chicago and had a number of adventures with it around Portland, ending with his arrest at Chehalis, Wash., had escaped from the officers by leaping through a car window while in Montana, was the news received at the police station today.

DeBlier was being brought back to Portland from Seattle by C. A. Dunn, a Portland man, when the constable of Tenno, Wash., who had wired the Chicago manufacturer from whom the motor was taken, overtook them and demanded the incarceration of DeBlier. The reward of \$100 offered by the owners, the Hayden Automobile company, was the cause of the prompt arrest.

Dunn was bringing DeBlier to Portland to face charges of obtaining money under false pretenses. DeBlier's brother came from Chicago to try to square the case against the young man, who was kept in Chehalis for two weeks.

Ernest DeBlier was considered partially insane, but his actions throughout his long trip for him showed he stopped at nothing, even sleeping in a hotel room next to the Chicago detective who was hunting him and whom he met the next day.

Following DeBlier's escape from custody, the Chicago police telegraphed Chief Gettember to arrest DeBlier should he return to Portland. This, however, is not thought probable.

NOTHING FROM TAFT ON BRYAN'S SPEECH

RIVER CLAIMS YOUNG VICTIM

Nine-Year-Old Samuel Fine Is Drowned While Fishing From Jetty.

Vancouver, Wash., Aug. 14.—Nine-year-old Samuel Fine was claimed as a Columbia river victim this morning. He was fishing from Hayden's jetty at Fair landing, and it is presumed slipped from the rocks into the water about 10:15, and the resident search revealed the body lying at the base of the rocks in comparatively shallow water. The boy's father, H. F. Fine, and a brother, pulled the corpse ashore. Dr. R. J. Black, Vancouver, worked over it for 20 minutes without avail. It is supposed that the boy's body lay in the water about 20 minutes before being found. There were no witnesses to the drowning.

LOVELACE'S AIR CRAFT EXPLODES

Two Killed and Three Fatally Hurt at Franco Grounds When Great Balloon Blows Up With Terrible Force.

Bystander Lights Match in Defiance of Rules—Panic Follows Explosion and Many Were Slightly Injured in Stampede.

(United Press Leased Wire) London, Aug. 14.—Two were killed outright, three fatally hurt, at least a dozen frightfully burned and scores almost suffocated, by the flames that engulfed a great crowd at the Franco-British exhibition grounds when the huge balloon of Captain Lovelace, the American aeronaut, exploded today with a terrific detonation. The body of Miss Blanche Hill, an American woman, Captain Lovelace's secretary, was taken from the ruins.

The grounds and the entire vicinity rocked as if shaken by an earthquake. Hundreds of windows of the beautiful buildings about the same were shattered, furniture was upset and countless valuable exhibits shaken from their places and ruined.

A tremendous crowd had gathered to witness the ascension, as Lovelace has been giving mortal performances at the exhibition with great success. The monster balloon was being inflated and the crowd gathered close about it to see the work of preparation.

Spectator Struck a Match. A bystander lighted a match in violation of conspicuous placards warning spectators against smoking and explaining the danger of fire. Instantly the gas was ignited and the terrific explosion sent the spectators tumbling back ward over each other in a confused jumble of humanity. The scaffolding and structures used in the inflation of the balloon were shattered and the top rings of the monster inflated were scattered over the whole exhibition grounds.

Most of the persons in the crowd were blinded by the gas and smoke of the explosion. Many were injured and the police followed the explosion. The explosion and the panic that followed it were so great that the crowd was stampeded. In the excitement many were trampled on and scores were badly injured in the riot.

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Distinguished Aeronaut and His Beautiful Young Wife



Henri Farman, the distinguished French aeronaut and his beautiful young wife, are just now the center of interest in the aeronautic world. M. Farman is the most optimistic of all believers in aeroplanes and prophesies that flying will be as common as autoing in 10 years. The Farman have been in the public eye considerably of late in a social way. The pair has been extensively entertained. The pictures were taken recently for The Journal.

GOVERNOR AND PARTY WILL LEAVE TODAY FOR PELICAN LODGE

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STEVENS IS BACK, DENIES EVERYTHING

Missing Exporter Returns From Honeymoon With Bride—Refuses to Make Statement Regarding Sensational Marriage.

"My Answer to All Calumnies Uttered Against Me Will Be Made Through the Courts at Proper Time and Place," He Declares.

(United Press Leased Wire) Portland, Aug. 14.—The missing head of the Portland Rice Milling company, and his bride, Lillian Stevens, nee Monk, returned to the Madison Park apartments last night, and Mr. Stevens was at his office in the Commonwealth building this morning. Excepting to enter a general denial of the charges of bigamy and cruelty made against him, and to characterize the charges as calumnies, Mr. Stevens said he did not wish to make any statement to the newspapers.

At least until the return of Judge O'Day tomorrow afternoon, no criminal charges will be brought against Mr. Stevens. Judge O'Day, who is Mr. Stevens' attorney, is at Seaside. What Mr. Stevens wanted said is this: "My answer to all the calumnies that have been uttered against me will be made through the courts at the proper time and the proper place."

The return of the Stevens this morning probably saved their apartment from a raid by the sheriff. It is reported that the Stevens flat in the Madison Park apartments this morning and see if they could find the bride and groom in hiding there. Hearing of this plan the manager of the apartments hurried around to a nearby hotel and afternoon the Stevens' attorney, Mr. Stevens, were not in their flat, and had not been seen in the apartment house since the trouble began. Mr. Stevens said that his assertions of the past week had been correct.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Stevens appeared to be cheerful and happy this morning in the face of the sensation their marriage has caused. Mrs. Stevens said that her lawyers would speak for her later on and referred everybody to her husband.

Mr. Stevens was also in good spirits. He was dressed in a new blue suit, had had a shave and wore a big diamond pin in his white tie. He looked considerably better than he did 10 days ago, prior to the announcement of his marriage to Lillian Stevens.

I don't wish to fight my case out in the newspapers," said Mr. Stevens. "The other side has done enough of that. All I wish to say is that my answer to all these calumnies will be made through the courts, and at the proper time and place."

He said he did not wish to discuss his future plans, nor where he and Mrs. Stevens had been, nor where they intended living. "I want the matter dropped," said he, "until it comes up in the courts."

Private reports of Mr. Stevens' marriage to Mrs. Stevens, who lives at 728 Kearney street, and who was at this house until the time of the marriage. Mrs. Taylor stated this morning that if the Stevens were married at her home she didn't know if she could say that they had been away and who knew nothing concerning the movements of Mr. and Mrs. Stevens excepting that they had returned to Portland last night from their honeymoon.

Found Dead of Heart Disease. (United Press Leased Wire) Anneton, Wash., Aug. 14.—A man of heart disease living on her kitchen floor this morning.

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