

ENGINEER SHONTS MUST FACE A SUIT IN DIVORCE COURT

Proceedings Started in New York by Wife of Millionaire—She Is Ill at Home of Her Daughter in Paris.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Paris, July 1.—Theodore P. Shonts, New York, friend of J. Pierpont Morgan, former chief engineer of the Panama canal, and now president of the Interborough-Metropolitan Street Railway company of New York, is to face a divorce suit in the New York courts. Mrs. Shonts, attorney, S. G. Archibald, admitted today that she had instituted proceedings for a separation under the New York law. His client, he said, would not seek absolute divorce, "at present." Archibald refused to state the nature of the suit instituted by Mrs. Shonts, who, prostrated by her marital troubles, is at present staying here with her daughter, the Duchess De Chauvane, since her arrival here, Mrs. Shonts has remained in entire seclusion in her daughter's apartments, all callers being informed that she is ill.

After considerable pressing Attorney Archibald finally said: "Mrs. Shonts is reluctant to have the public know of her differences with her husband, but conditions were such that she was eventually compelled to appeal to the courts for relief. As both she and her husband are residents of New York, the suit will be brought there."

Mrs. Shonts' petition is now in the hands of Leventritt, Cook & Nathan, attorneys of New York, and a copy of it was served on Shonts a fortnight ago. I cannot say yet whether a summary of the complaint has been filed, but it has not been it will be within a few days."

New York, July 1.—Neither Theodore Shonts nor the local attorney mentioned today's Paris dispatches as suing for Mrs. Shonts in her suit for separation from her husband would use the marital differences of the couple as the only hint to their trouble. The only hint to their trouble is that in September, 1909, Shonts was served with papers in an action suit on complaint of Frederick Joseph, whisky dealer. At that time Shonts declared the case to be one of taken identity.

In 1907 when Mrs. Shonts returned from Europe she was troubled with customs authorities and five pieces of jewelry she brought to America were seized. Finally she paid the duty and the case was settled. In 1908 she and her daughters again had trouble with the customs officials which was finally settled by intervention of the secretary of the treasury.

BOARD PRESENTS A TOKEN

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Mayor Simon, after having been presented with a massive silver loving cup token of affection on the part of the city, was so overcome by his feelings he cried like a baby for seven minutes.

After adjourning the board for the time the mayor made a brief address in which he thanked the members for their services.

"Gentlemen, I wish to thank you," said the mayor, "for the valuable and efficient aid you have rendered me during the two years of my administration. If I have been able, in any way, to be of service to the people of this city, it has been largely due to your work. You have labored long and arduously and without any pecuniary reward for your labor. Gentlemen of the executive board, I thank you. The board now—"

The mayor here prepared to rap the gavel for adjournment, but his hand stayed when Chairman Platt of the street committee arose and asked the privilege of saying a few words.

"I count the highest honor of my office," said Mr. Platt, "to have been given the privilege of saying a few words pointed on this board. It is not my purpose to recount the achievements of the present administration, but to pay a tribute of affection to a man whom we all regard as a true friend. I will say, however, that we have loyally and zealously labored for the best interests of the city, and that we have never been able to do so in a single instance. B. A. K. by any contrary suggestion or action showing the city harmony and the current feeling that has prevailed among the board members, that during the entire administration, there has never been a dissenting vote cast at any meeting. That in my opinion, the best evidence of your honor's business policies."

Praise for Departing Mayor.
During the past two years the city under the able direction of your son, grown from a mud village to a city, paved, and well lighted metropolis, the growth of the municipality will ever be as a silent tribute to the man, above all others, was prominent in the accomplishment of this progress. "But, as I said in the beginning, my purpose is not to eulogize the administration. Your honor, I speak for every member of this board when I say that we will all carry with us into the future, no matter what may happen to you or to the memory of a friend, the memory of the man who will endure until the end of time. I am now present to you silver loving cup."

The unexpected speech and the equally unexpected gift completely overcame the mayor. He tremblingly arose, attempted to articulate a word of thanks, is up quivered, his throat worked to conquer the lump in it and he broke into tears. It was some minutes before he could say anything intelligible and all he could do was to say "Thank you." The iron man, reputed to be a cold and unfeeling politician and calculating lawyer showed nobly for the first time during his public political career that he was after all, as tender hearted as he was able.

No More Prize Packages.
(United Press Leased Wire.)
Omaha, Neb., July 1.—Giving prizes with packages of merchandise, premium coupons or trading stamps is made illegal in Nebraska by an act which went into effect today. Merchants and manufacturers have prepared to fight the law.

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M. J. Murnane.



Waldemar Seton.



William Fitzgerald.



C. A. Bigelow.



D. Solis Cohen.

BOARD IS REPRESENTATIVE

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ing conducted by property owners of the southeast and southwest sections of the city for a high bridge at Meade and Ellsworth streets.

Business Agent Named.
R. O. Rector has been for years affiliated with the carpenters' union. He is at present business agent of that organization. In the ranks of organized labor he is regarded as a representative of the conservative element among the workers. He is reputed to be possessed of a keen brain and great executive ability.

George Hornby is an old time member of the water front federation and has a wide reputation among laboring men of all classes for sterling honesty and common sense.

M. J. Murnane, though a representative of the working classes, is not affiliated with organized labor. He is a machinist in charge of the pumps in the lower Albin car shops of the O. W. R. & N. company.

In laboring circles no man is held in higher esteem than is William Fitzgerald, who has been selected on numerous occasions to fill high offices in the cigar makers union. Mr. Fitzgerald is an organizer of unusual ability. He has achieved his position in the regard of his fellows by dint of untiring industry.

Successful Business Man.
John B. Coffey has been a successful business man of Portland for 35 years. He was formerly exalted ruler of the local lodge of Elks. He is at the head of a large tailoring establishment at present.

C. A. Bigelow is a business man of recognized ability. He is a prominent member of the East Side Business Men's club and has been president of that organization for the past year. He is manager of the large department store of W. H. Markell & Co., at E. Morrison street and Union avenue.

Waldemar Seton was formerly justice of the peace for the east side district. He is now a practicing attorney. He has been for years the intimate friend of Mayor Rushlight.

D. Solis Cohen is also a widely known attorney and property owner, and was formerly active in city and state politics.

All Interests Represented.
Dr. H. C. Fixott is one of the leading members of the Sellwood Commercial club. He is a dentist.

"I have endeavored," said Mayor Rushlight this morning, "in making appointments on the executive board, to obtain 10 men who will represent as nearly as possible all interests. I believe I have done so. I have every confidence in the integrity and ability of the men I have chosen. I think the best interests of the city will be looked after by the new board."

Mayor Rushlight announced that the personnel of the present water board will be unchanged. The vacancy that has been existing for some time was filled by the appointment today of Frank W. Winn, Superintendent of the water department. Mr. D. C. Clarke of the water department will also remain. The new pipe line from Bull Run and the Mt. Tabor water reservoirs are still unfinished and it is the desire of the new administration that the men who are familiar with these great projects, involving the expenditure of many hundreds of thousands of dollars as they do, should carry out the work they started.

Mayor Simon's Selection.
Mayor Simon announced his selection of Tom Hurlburt as city engineer. Mr. Hurlburt will not, as at first supposed, be simply acting chief. He has been granted eight months' leave of absence, allowing him the right to return to his present position of assistant city engineer at the end of eight months if he so desires.

The chief of police will not be named for some time, but Captain of Police E. A. Slover will be put in charge of the department as acting chief for the present, according to the announcement made by Mayor Rushlight this morning.

Dr. M. G. McCorkle will be appointed city health officer to succeed Dr. C. H. Wheeler, but not for some time. No announcement has been made yet as to whom will be deputy health officer. Superintendent Napier of the city crematory will remain in office for a while, at least. The new administration will investigate the crematory muddle thoroughly and it may be that a new superintendent will be appointed as the result of such investigation.

The new mayor said he would make no changes in the personnel of the public auditorium commission.

There is a vacancy on the city civil service commission and this will be filled by the appointment of John F. Logan, a well known attorney.

Immediately following the announcement of the executive board appointments this morning, Mayor Rushlight directed Chief Deputy City Auditor Grutze to send out notices to each appointee. The board will hold its first meeting next Monday morning at which time the mayor will make his committee appointments.

IN HANDS OF RUSHLIGHT

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that there had been no such deviations of their part. They said that the examination of the contract and specifications would prove this.

Authority Denied.
After President Manley had denied having received "official" notification of any defects in the burner, he was pinned down by Dr. Wheeler, who asked the contractor if he had not received a letter from Dr. Wheeler asking that many changes be made in the plant.



Dr. H. C. Fixott.



John B. Coffey.



H. O. Rector.

Manley admitted that he had received such a letter, but he contended that Dr. Wheeler had no authority to write it.

Later in the meeting Engineer Smith told Mayor Rushlight that the contract stipulated that the city engineer is the official who has charge of the construction of the plant and that the company had never been told of any defects by that official.

Dr. Alan Welch Smith then told the mayor that the health board had at a meeting two months ago delegated Dr. Wheeler to supervise the testing of the crematory. President Manley professed ignorance of this action of the board.

Plant Called Unfit.
"I speak for myself," said Dr. Smith, in commenting on the crematory situation, "when I say that this health board has been in touch with the new plant from the first day on which the contracting company started work. I claim that they have not met the requirements of the contract, though they have been given every opportunity that an honest health board could extend to them to do so."

"The most important thing about the plant is the cost of incineration and the company certainly can not claim that they have met the requirements in this respect. We are not blind and it is no difficult task to determine that the company has not complied with the contract with relation to the smoke nuisance. We could not accept the crematory in its present condition and we have a moral obligation to see that these conditions are remedied before accepting the burner. I am right on the job until every condition of the contract is satisfied."

Resilient to Investigation.
Mayor Rushlight announced just before the board adjourned that he would obtain a copy of the crematory specifications and contract and would call a special meeting of the board as soon as he has familiarized himself with the question. The purpose of this meeting will be to determine if a plan of action, Mayor Rushlight proposes to employ an engineer to go over the specifications with the board and to define the meaning of each provision of these so that there will be no possibility of a further controversy as to what they may mean.

"I want to say that I will insist on the specifications being fully complied with," declared Mayor Rushlight, "before the plant can be accepted. I understand from the health board and from the contractors that all of the defects mentioned in the reports of the city health officer can be remedied and I hope that they will."

WILDE FACES CIVIL SUIT

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ris, who was cashier of the Oregon Trust and is now serving six years in the penitentiary, was convicted of a larceny of \$75,000 of the funds of the bank, probably will be used as a witness in the case against Wilde. He intimates that Morris has furnished part of the information implicating Wilde, but denies that Morris has been given any promise of leniency or immunity.

Morris May Testify.
Omaha Home Telephone company bonds are the medium through which Wilde and Morris are alleged to have pulled \$90,000 out of the bank to line their own pockets. The transaction upon which the indictment is based took place on May 7, 1907, a little more than three months before the bank closed.

On that date Morris, acting for the Oregon Trust, negotiated the purchase of \$90,000 of the Omaha telephone bonds issued by the Omaha Telephone Construction company. The latter company was engaged in building the Home telephone plant in Omaha, later taken over by the Omaha Telephone company. The books of the bank show that \$100,000 in cash was paid for the bonds and at the same time \$400,000 in certificates of deposit were issued to Wilde.

The district attorney says the evidence in his possession shows that Wilde accounted to the construction company for \$10,000 in cash and the \$400,000 in certificates of deposit. This sum, \$410,000, was the amount due the construction company. Wilde was authorized to sell the bonds at 82 cents on the dollar. The "velvet" was the \$90,000 paid out by the bank in purchasing the bonds at par, when Wilde was only required to account for the bonds at 82 cents on the dollar.

Books in Evidence.
On the same day, May 7, 1907, the books of the bank show a deposit by Morris of \$5000 in cash in his individual account. Other entries show the disposition of the remainder of the cash received from the bank, the district attorney asserts. Wilde is alleged to have taken \$45,000 for his share. The remaining \$40,000, it is alleged, was used in the purchase of bonds of the Home Telephone company of Puget sound, which were taken by Morris. Evidence is said to be in possession of the prosecutors showing that Morris afterward sold some of these bonds and pocketed the proceeds. How many of these bonds he converted into cash is not known.

If the proof bears out the theory of



John Perry.

the state, Wilde may be liable in two directions. In the indictment and the civil suit he is accused of receiving \$15,000 of the money of the bank and by the same token he failed to account to the construction company for the \$90,000 difference between the price paid by the bank and the amount realized by the construction company. Wilde was paid a salary of \$500 a month by the construction company for selling the bonds, and this was the only profit he was supposed to be receiving.

May Not Prosecute Morris.
Ordinarily the crime charged against Wilde and Morris would have been outlawed before this date, nearly four years having elapsed. As both Wilde and Morris were out of the state, however, for a long time after the date fixed in the indictment, the statute of limitations will not save them.

A. E. Clark, attorney for the receiver in the Oregon Trust case and special prosecutor in the trial that sent W. Cooper Morris to the penitentiary, is expected to have charge of the prosecution of the new indictment against Wilde. He has given much time to the evidence and joins with District Attorney Cameron in declaring that the state has a strong case ready for Wilde's reception.

While Morris is jointly accused with Wilde, it is not expected that he will be prosecuted. The term he is already serving is considered a sufficient "dose" for him, and it is thought he may assist the state by taking the stand against Wilde, in which case he would stand in better position to ask the governor for a pardon or for commutation of his sentence.

Another interesting feature said to be disclosed by the books of the bank is that the \$90,000 received by Wilde at the result of the sale of the bonds to the bank, though at first deposited in his account, was drawn out within a few days.

Sue for \$90,000.
The civil suit filed this morning by Attorney A. E. Clark for Thomas C. Devlin, receiver of the defunct Oregon Trust & Savings bank, against Louis J. Wilde and W. Cooper Morris is for the recovery of \$90,000 alleged to have been received by the two men out of the sale of the Omaha telephone bonds. It is charged in the complaint that each man took \$45,000 for his share in the deal.

In conjunction with this civil suit, a writ of attachment has been issued against Wilde, in which the receiver is given as his wife. This declaration was filed a few months ago, and is considered one of the moves to cover up anything attachable.

Court Authorizes Suit.
The suit over the \$90,000 was authorized this morning by Presiding Judge Gantenben in an order he allowed. It is claimed in the complaint that the Oregon Trust & Savings bank in May, 1907, purchased the Omaha telephone bonds for \$600,000. The bank apparently paid par for them, but the facts in the case are alleged to disclose that \$2 cents on the dollar was paid, or only \$120,000. The \$90,000 was then divided equally by Wilde and Morris.

Since nothing available can be found belonging to Morris, no attachment proceedings can be had against him. Attorney Clark has been working with this end in view for several weeks, and the civil suit following the indictment is considered only one of the many big features in the wrecking of the bank.

ENTIRE PASSENGER LIST IN
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the most terrible of every passenger's life. I have never heard anything more awful than the sound of the water sucking into the big hole in the ship while we were slowly going down.

"Everyone of us was in the water. More than one third of the passengers had retired for the night and in the excitement did not even get time to dress. But I have never seen a better order. There was not a scream—no sign of a panic. Every woman was as cool head-

ed as the captain himself, who gave his orders in handling the lifeboats."

The bodies of the two victims of the wreck were brought here on the Admiral Sampson and will be prepared for shipment east.

The last passenger to leave the sinking Spokane was Isadore Leventhal, a member of the firm of Leventhal Brothers, wholesale merchants of San Francisco.

Wreck Breaks Up Party.
Thursday night he gave a little party to his friends on board the northbound steamer. They were just enjoying a late lunch when the steamer struck on the rocks.

"I hurried up to the upper deck and saw that it was pretty bad," said Leventhal, in the Hotel Washington this afternoon.

"I heard the captain tell some of the crew to warn the passengers to get dressed but not to make any noise about it. I fled on a life preserver and just then the steamer seemed to pitch over on its side."

"A lifeboat loaded with women was capsized by this and they were struggling in the water. I helped three or four of them back onto the tip of the deck of the steamer, but the water again forced us to climb to the deck above. I saw my stateroom 15 feet away and tried to get into it for some belongings but it was impossible."

"The captain was calm and cool and the crew behaved splendidly and there was no crowding or hysterics at all. The women were taken off first."

Leventhal lost everything. He secured an outfit of clothing as soon as the stores were open here this morning.

The following Portland people were passengers in the wrecked vessel:
Mrs. Philip Buehner, Miss Metta Buehner, Miss Margarita Buehner, Miss Lillian Buehner, Miss Clara Adams, Miss Mayme Adams, Mrs. P. B. Malcolm, Mrs. Lillian Barry, Miss Elizabeth Beno, Mrs. Hamilton Brooke, Mrs. Fred H. Green, Miss Winifred Abbott, Miss Jessie M. Johnson, Miss Josie Sullivan, Miss Rose M. Woodrow, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hogue, George W. Carroll Jr., David Robertson.

WILLAMINA MAN AGAIN A CONVICTED BOOTLEGGER

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

McMinnville, Or., July 1.—J. D. Belt, of McMinnville, was convicted in the justice court yesterday of selling whiskey from his drug store without a prescription and was fined \$100 and given 10 days in jail. This is Mr. Belt's second offense, he having pleaded guilty to a similar charge before Judge Kelley at the last term of the circuit court and been fined \$50. He has given notice of appeal from the justice court to the circuit court.

Bought for Mormon Colony.
(United Press Leased Wire.)
Reno, Nev., July 1.—The purchase of the Ellison ranch of 17,000 acres in Humboldt county is ground for the belief here today that a great colonization scheme of the Mormon church is under way. The sale price was about \$100,000.

Removal sale. Harris Trunk Co., 132 6th st. Prices greatly reduced.

WOMAN IN MURDER CASE DIVORCED BY BANKER HUSBAND

Millionaire Springer Gets Decree on Grounds of Extreme Cruelty, But He Makes Provision for Her Support.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Denver, Colo., July 1.—On grounds of extreme cruelty, Judge Allen today granted to Millionaire John W. Springer a decree of divorce from his wife, whose name figured in the trial here of Frank H. Henwood for the killing of George Copeland and Aeronaut "Tony" Von Phul, both of whom were shot in the Brown Palace hotel here May 21. Henwood declared he shot Von Phul because the latter was trying to wrench Springer's home. Evidence introduced at his trial showed that he and Von Phul were rivals for Mrs. Springer's favors. Copeland was shot by accident during the affray.

Springer has aged greatly since the Henwood shooting and the exposure of his wife's acts which followed. He told the court today about letters Von Phul had written Mrs. Springer. The woman was not represented in court, Springer, it is understood, has made provision for her support.

POSTAL SAVINGS BANKS OPENED IN BIG CITIES

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Washington, July 1.—Uncle Sam was busy today, so far as the postoffice department is concerned. A large number of new postal savings banks were today opened in large cities and the fast freight mail system, which will be used for the transportation of magazines and periodicals which have no current value, was also inaugurated. New York, Washington, Boston, Cleveland, Minneapolis, St. Paul and San Francisco are among the cities in which postal banks will be opened this month.

Railway clerks will be benefited today by the law which went into effect prohibiting the placing of water cans between steel cars or between steel cars and a locomotive.

A Jolly Good Fourth Without Fireworks

Don't take chances with dangerous fireworks. They're a menace to life and property—and are soon over.

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