

WANT CHILDREN OF COMMON LAW UNIONS AIDED

Large Number of Desertions May Occasion Request on Legislature to Legalize All Such Marriages.

Because of recurring instances of the desertion of so-called common law wives and the children of such unions, the matter of legalizing remedial measures is being discussed by persons who have taken a special interest in the matter, and it is possible that some definite action may be taken at the legislative session.

In some eastern states the law recognizes the common law marriage as legal under certain circumstances and conditions. In effect such a law protects the wife and the children of such a marriage union in the matter of property rights and name. Under the Oregon law the so-called common law wife is absolutely no come-back for herself or children if the husband deserts the wife without making some special provision for the distribution of his property. The wife is left destitute and scourged in the eyes of society, and the children are without name.

It is to prevent such conditions that certain Portland citizens have taken the matter up in the hope of interesting legislators to an extent that they will have some definite plan to work along at the forthcoming session.

Discourages Such Unions.
In states where common law marriages are in force it is understood that the effect of the law is to lessen the number of such marriages instead of increasing them. It is argued that loose and immoral cohabitation is not so quickly nor so frequently entered into when it is understood by those concerned that if they hold themselves out to the public as man and wife they will be so recognized by the law.

Careful study and consideration of the question as it applies locally would be required by those who might draft the original bill, and subsequent changes could be made as suggested by experience in the matter in other states.

Portland lawyers questioned admit more or less ignorance of the subject, because of no occasion to make special study of it. They agree, however, that if legislation touching the matter could be enacted to the benefit of women and children, it would be acceptable. It would be quite necessary, they say, that the law be drawn to preclude the possibility of a condition that would in any wise tend to deprecate the sacredness of lawful wedlock.

Present Law Unfair.
John F. Logan, attorney, says he believes in the legalization of common law marriages, providing there are children born to the union.

"Though, generally speaking, I do not believe in legal recognition of common law marriages," said Mr. Logan, "there are circumstances under which it might be proper. If a man and a woman have been living together as man and wife, and have children, then I believe that the law should recognize the union as lawful, to the extent necessary to protect the children. Under the Oregon law, as it stands, a child can inherit only the property of his mother. This is manifestly unfair. I think, and its unfairness would be emphasized in the case of a child born of parents not legally wedded. The child would have absolutely no come-back against his father."

"Probably also there would be occasion for the law to recognize a common law marriage of several years' duration, even though there were no children. If a man and a woman lived together openly for ten years, then to say anything, there would probably be an affection between them that would continue for the rest of their natural lives. Then it might be well to legally recognize them as being married. The danger of the so-called legalization of common law marriages is that it would result from the circumstances which might influence a young woman to live with an old man for a while just in the belief that he would soon die, and she would fall heir to his property. The old-fashioned marriage license doesn't cost much anyway, and it is to be hoped it will always be in demand."

Sees Danger in Move.
Dan J. Malarkey, attorney, believes in any legislation that will help unfortunate children, but sees a grave danger in the promiscuous social or legal recognition of so-called common law marriages.

"The common law marriage, so called, is so indefinite," said Mr. Malarkey, "that it is difficult to determine just what the term implies. First of all there seems to be nothing at hand by which a common law marriage can be defined. However, if it is intended by the so-called legalization of common law marriages to invite loose and lewd cohabitation, I am naturally decidedly against it. I feel that what is really needed is something that will demand a more rigid observance of our marriage rite, rather than something that might tend to work the other way. About the marriage relation and the home ties of the nation is woven the real fabric of our government and it is certainly our duty to protect them to the greatest possible extent."

"We can offer no improvement on the old fashioned way of getting married. It doesn't cost much, and if persons are to be married at all they should certainly observe the rites and traditions of law and society. There are too many bachelors already; too many men who are too self to take into themselves wives and play their part in the game of the universe. Give us laws to make the rich old bachelors marry, rather than laws that might in effect make light of the sacred marriage relation."

McArthur Is Opposed.
C. N. McArthur, attorney and state representative-elect to the next legislature, said:

"Without going into the matter very thoroughly, it seems to me that the proposition is all wrong on the face of it. So called common law marriage amounts to the same thing as loose cohabitation, and there is certainly no good end to be accomplished by legalizing such a practice as that. If people want to live together as man and wife let them go before a minister or a properly authorized person and be married in the good old fashioned way."

Mr. McArthur says that so far as he knows there will be no effort made at the forthcoming legislative session to enact legislation for the purpose of legalizing common law marriages.

Oldest Newsboy Dead.
(United Press Leased Wire.)
Joliet, Ill., Jan. 3.—Oldest newsboy in the world is dead at his home here today, aged 105 years. He sold papers up to a few days ago, when he was suddenly taken ill.

Youth Loses Last Cent Dallying With Chance

Pay Check "Takes Wings" in Local Poolroom

"Kelly Pool" is a very delightful little game and one that is played indiscriminately in the various poolrooms about the city. The pleasure of the game is generally measured by the size of the "pots" and the ability of the player to capture them.

Wednesday night there was an interesting little game in progress in one of the brilliantly lighted, well appointed poolrooms in the heart of the city.

The game was progressing nicely when a youth scarcely 18 years of age entered, cashed his monthly pay check, and upon the earnest solicitation of the players entered the game. The game was for a dollar a man and there was quite a crowd of hangers-on about the table, for the stakes were higher than usual.

At first the novice played with fair success, but to an outsider it looked as if he were being led on, for about

an hour of playing he began to lose steadily.

In another hour he had lost nearly half of his wages, but he played on with the eternal hope that he would win back part of that which he had lost; but his was a losing game, for his hands shook as he held the cue. He smoked innumerable cigarettes in an effort to steady his nerves.

An elderly gentleman tried to persuade the lad to quit the game, well knowing he could ill afford to lose, for his clothes were threadbare and of summer make, while his hat and shoes bespoke long usage. The kindly efforts were answered with a snarl. In another hour the game was over, so far as this youth was concerned. He had lost his all, and with a muttered curse he put his cue in the rack. With his last nickel he bought a package of cheap cigarettes and, turning up the collar of his worn-out coat, he passed out into the night.

WANT FRANCHISE IN FOREST GROVE

Electric Company Would Take Over and Operate Municipal Power Plant.

(Special to The Journal.)
Forest Grove, Or., Jan. 3.—A mass meeting will be held in this city tonight for the purpose of naming a ticket for the city election which will occur January 13. There will be placed in nomination a candidate for mayor to serve one year; three councilmen to serve two years; a recorder to serve one year, and a treasurer to serve one year.

It is possible that there will be two tickets placed in the field. The agent of an electric power corporation has been in the city for several months, trying to persuade the citizens to turn over the municipal lighting system to his company and grant it a franchise.

While the majority of the citizens are opposed to the proposition, a number of them favor it, and the agent of the company is working night and day to get enough people won over to support him. A lively contest will probably result.

FOUR ARE WOUNDED IN BARBARY COAST BAR

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, Jan. 3.—"You gave me the worst of it once, Ellis, and I'm going to get even now."

With this remark, Edward Bellingham, private detective, opened fire in the barroom of Ernest Buck, here, aiming at the bartender, Robert Ellis. In a few minutes bullets were whizzing in every direction from two revolvers, according to Ellis' story, and Frank Becker, owner's clerk; Robert Ellis, Edward Bellingham and William Gilmore, policeman, are suffering today from bullet wounds.

Social Fair at Lebanon, Or.

(Special to The Journal.)
Lebanon, Or., Jan. 3.—A fair and social were held in the new Christian church Tuesday evening. A long program was rendered, after which the prizes were awarded in the fair department. Mrs. James Kennerly took the grand prize for best general entry by adults, and Miss Hazel Hickson in the junior class. All entries were sold for the benefit of the organ and bell fund.

Love to Be Alaska Marshal.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Washington, Jan. 3.—President Taft today sent to the senate the nomination of Henry K. Love to be United States marshal of the Fourth division, district of Alaska.

MISS A BIT OF GOSSIP? NO SIRREE! SHE TIED RECEIVER TO HER EAR

(Special to The Journal.)
Hood River, Or., Jan. 3.—"We'll have the news, let the world roll on," was the silent symphony flowing from the soul of an ardent patron of the Home Telephone company residing in the upper Hood River valley, as interpreted by one of Hood River's leading physicians when called to visit the home the fore part of the week. As the physician stepped from his carriage and knocked at the door, no response came. He waited a moment and knocked again. No stir was heard, which caused some alarm and induced the physician to break the general rules of decorum and walk right in. Upon entering the sitting room the woman of the house was discovered comfortably perched on some soft, downy pillows in a large rocking chair, busy at some fancy work with the telephone receiver tied to her left ear. Upon inquiry at the local telephone office today it was learned the lines in the upper valley are 8 and 10 party lines.

FOREST GROVE MASONS INSTALL NEW OFFICERS

(Special to The Journal.)
Forest Grove, Or., Jan. 3.—Holtbrook lodge No. 30, of the Masons, of this city, have installed the following officers to serve during the ensuing year: J. W. Hughes, worshipful master; W. H. Hollis, senior warden; Edward Wirtz, junior warden; J. A. Thornburgh, treasurer; H. C. Parker, secretary; P. C. Starrett, senior deacon; L. M. Graham, junior deacon; M. E. Dilley, Tyler; D. T. Thomas, chaplain; C. O. Roe, marshal. M. E. Dilley has been Tyler of the Masonic lodge of this city continuously for over 35 years.

Forest chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, of this city, has installed the following officers: Mrs. A. Benkorf, worthy matron; A. E. Scott, worthy patron; Mrs. A. Hinman, associate matron; Mrs. J. A. Thornburgh, conductress; Mrs. P. C. Starrett, associate conductress; Mrs. Dorothy Seymour, treasurer; Miss Mauche Langley, secretary; M. E. Dilley, sentinel; Mrs. A. Rice, warden; Miss Violet Galsayer, Adah; Mrs. Ed Ahlgren, Ruth; Miss Colla Graham, Esther; Miss Christine Mackrodt, Martha; and Mrs. S. B. Lawrence, Electa.

General Murray Is Dead.

Baltimore, Jan. 3.—General Robert Murray, aged 91, is dead here today. He was surgeon general of the United States army from 1882 to 1886.

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\$2.00 Gloves are now only...\$1.45
\$2.50 Gloves are now only...\$1.95

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\$1.50 Garments are now...\$1.15
\$2.00 Garments are now...\$1.65

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\$1.50 Umbrellas for...\$1.15
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