

G. A. R. VETERANS EXCUSED FROM DUTY AT SOCIALIST TRIAL

Mrs. Flora I. Foreman Sues Quincy School Board for Wages Alleged Due.

REFUSES TO BE SWORN

"Training School of Revolutionists," Said Letter Introduced in Evidence.

(Special to The Journal.)
Clatskanie, Or., Feb. 8.—Flora I. Foreman, of Quincy school notoriety, is again in the limelight in Columbia county, being plaintiff in a suit now on before Judge Eakin in the circuit court at St. Helens, whereby she is seeking to recover damages in the sum of \$35 from the school board of the Quincy district, which sum she alleges is due her for the last month of the school year, which she was prevented from teaching because of her dismissal by the board, which dismissal she maintains to have been unlawful.

Nearly the entire day was consumed in drawing a jury. Attorney Strief of Portland, who has been Mrs. Foreman's attorney throughout the Quincy affair, covering a period of a little more than a year, is representing her in this case. After examining the jury, Mr. Strief excused John M. Lindsay of Goble from acting in that capacity, saying: "I will excuse that G. A. R. man; we don't want him."

In presenting her claims before the jury, it is incumbent upon Mrs. Foreman to prove that the school board had not just cause for dismissing her. She refused to be sworn, stating that she would affirm, and even refused to raise her right hand in giving her affirmation until assured by Judge Eakin that she could not testify unless she complied with the law in this respect, when she said, "I do so under compulsion."

In her examination on the witness stand she emphatically denied ever having taught socialist or atheistic doctrines in the school, as she had been accused of doing at the time of her hearing before the school board at Quincy.

She also denied that copies of Appeal to Reason, Justice and other socialist literature were admitted to the reading table of the school, stating that they were taken there by the children, as were copies of the various Portland papers and current magazines. She maintained that she taught history exactly as required by law.

Upon cross-examination Mrs. Foreman, however, Attorney Glen R. Metcalf of St. Helens, attorney for the defense, produced a letter which Mrs. Foreman identified as one which she had written to the Quincy school board during the year she was engaged in teaching the Quincy school.

The letter was read before the jury, and from among the usual generalities of a personal letter the following evidence was secured: "I have two socialist teachers under me in the school here, and we are training up a bunch of revolutionists out of the youngsters, who know as well as you or I that this country has outgrown the constitution, and they are not afraid to say so."

Mrs. Foreman also stated in the letter: "I heard Emma Goldman lecture in Portland, and think she is fine."

He Refused Bath; She Wants Divorce

Mrs. Welty Seeks Relief From Husband Who Dislikes Water Externally Applied.

Pittsburg, Feb. 8.—Mrs. Florence Welty, 26 and pretty, wants a divorce from her husband, Harry S. Welty, 41, well-to-do butcher. Here are some of the alleged reasons:

Refusal to take a bath more than once in four months.

Refusal to provide enough kitchen utensils.

Refusal to provide food to cook.

SURRENDERED BY FATHER

Surrendered by his father, who was one of his bondsmen, Ernest H. Carter, companion of John Dillinger, or Mrs. Kota Pierce Helm, and George Hammond in numerous bad check swindles, arrested Saturday night by Deputy Sheriff Joe Dirk.

The arrest followed a quarrel with Carpenter's father. Carpenter has been under \$1000 bonds awaiting the outcome of an appeal from a denial of a motion for a writ of habeas corpus now before the supreme court.

Stock Yards Still Banned.

Chicago, Feb. 8.—The embargo on interstate shipments of cattle from the Chicago stockyards entered its third week this morning. Weather has impeded the clean-up of the yards, with nearly 2,000 men. Dr. A. W. Miller, of the bureau of animal industry here, said the yards could not have opened today, even if Secretary Houston's new order today had not been issued.

GERMAN WHO TRIED TO BLOW UP CANADIAN BRIDGE



Werner von Horn, who said he was a German officer, placed a charge of nitroglycerine near the Canadian end of the Canadian Pacific Railroad bridge over the St. Croix river at Vanceboro, Maine. He said he did it to cut off the procession of grain trains, food trains, troop trains and horse trains forwarded from northern and eastern Canada to St. John, N. B., for shipment to the British armies abroad. Von Horn was given a 30-day jail sentence in the Maine town for smashing windows when he exploded the bomb.

Club Investigates New Gold Reports

Redmond Commercial Body Will Endeavor to Get Correct Information for Benefit of Those Who Inquire.

Redmond, Or., Feb. 8.—William Wilson has returned from a visit to Seattle, where he has assayed a number of gold ore samples taken from the claims recently staked out at Cline Falls, four miles west of here, and at Steelhead Falls, on the Deschutes, and opposite Opal Springs, on the Crooked river.

The results of the samples, he says, was \$2.50 per ton. The assays were taken at the direction of the Redmond Commercial club, which is investigating the gold prospects in this vicinity in order to better advise information seekers in regard to the reports recently floating out of here in regard to the gold fields.

Mining men, who have lately been here, say that the gold can be extracted from the ore at a cost of about \$1 per ton, and the club is now taking steps to verify these statements. If true, the ore can be mined profitably.

Legislature Holds A Joint Session

Colorado and Wyoming Bodies Meet in Cheyenne to Discuss Uniform Workmen's Compensation Measure.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Feb. 8.—For the second time within a month the Colorado and Wyoming legislatures sat in joint session Saturday and heard addresses by the governors of the two states. Headed by Governor Carlson, members of the Colorado legislature and states officials returned the visit recently made to Denver by the Wyoming officials and lawmakers. Governor Carlson and Governor Kendrick held a conference and discussed the uniform workmen's compensation bill which is being prepared for Colorado, Wyoming, New Mexico and Utah. Governor Kendrick approved the plan and joint sessions of legislative committees of the Colorado and Wyoming legislatures will be held probably this week.

Funeral Held Today.

Funeral services for Mrs. Elizabeth Lewis Thomas, who died at her home in Beaver Creek, Or., February 4, was held at 11 o'clock yesterday from the Walsh church at Beaver Creek. Mrs. Thomas was 65 years of age and had been a Beaver Creek resident and a successful farmer for 36 years. She was born at Craigie Forest, South Wales. Six children and four step-children survive her.

Wasco Road Men Meet Tomorrow

Second Annual Gathering of Supervisors Will Be Addressed and Instructed by Prof. Gordon V. Skelton.

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Fighting Man and Preacher Is Dead

Wyatt Alexander Stark, of Hood River, Saw Service During Civil War and Against Indians in Black Hills.

Hood River, Or., Feb. 8.—Wyatt Alexander Stark died Saturday at the home of his son, S. W. Stark, from a complication of Bright's disease and heart trouble. Mr. Stark was a direct descendant of General John Stark, of Revolutionary war fame. He was born May 24, 1845, at Otterville, Cooper county, Missouri.

Mr. Stark joined the Union army at the beginning of the Civil war. He fought Indians with Kit Carson as a guide. At one time the company was lost and for 15 days lived on mule meat, not salted.

He was married to Lottia Matlock at Holden, Mo., August 23, 1887. He was ordained a Baptist minister in 1885, came west in 1892, and settled on a homestead near Mosier, Or., where he resided until about five years ago when he moved to Hood River. For years he preached at the Mosier Baptist church. He was past commander of Canby Post No. 16, G. A. R., of Hood River.

Besides his widow, Mr. Stark leaves three children, Mrs. William N. Akers, of Portland, Or.; Charles R. Stark, of Spokane, and S. W. Stark, of Hood River, and two brothers, S. B. Stark, of Otterville, Mo., and John H. Stark, of Smithton, Mo. The funeral was held this afternoon from Hartness undertaking parlors, Dr. Young, of the Ashbury M. E. church, officiated and was assisted by Rev. Mr. Clark, of the Christian church, and Mr. Burdison, of the Baptist church.

STAMPEDE IS NOW ON IN NEVADA SINCE BIG MINE IS DISCOVERED

Platinum Ore, Running to \$60,000 Per Ton Starts Men Toward Goodsprings.

San Francisco, Feb. 8.—Platinum ore, running as high as \$60,000 to the ton, is reported to have been found in Nevada, in and near the old Boss mine, nine miles from Goodsprings, in Clark county, resulting in a stampede of prospectors from a radius of hundreds of miles to the new diggings.

Within a few days two towns have sprung up and besides having added two new towns, Nevada today claims to be the only place in the world where platinum ore is found in veins.

Prospectors with their burros are trekking in from nearby states as far south as the Mexican line.

The platinum is said to come in chloride slate, and while it can be panned, is smelting ore. John Hays Hammond, who discovered the mine, over the Green Monster mine, belonging to the Hearst estate, which is in the district, for the purpose of working it for the platinum. The two new towns have been christened Platina and Boss, one after the metal and the other after the mine where it was first found. The Boss mine is reported to have been discovered for \$150,000 by the Yount estate, the former owners.

Couple Suffocated By Gas in Room

Draft Extinguishes Light as Young Man and Wife Read, in Their Apartment.

San Francisco, Feb. 8.—Constant Baccarrat and his wife Renna were found dead Saturday in their apartment with the room filled with gas. Both were fully dressed and had evidently been reading. The police believe the double tragedy was accidental, due to small draft putting out the gas after the couple had dozed off. A little lap dog, a pet of the couple, lay dead by the side of its master and mistress.

Baccarrat was connected with the Coastwise Oil company. He was about 30 years old and his wife a few years his junior.

Harkness Left a Million.

New York, Feb. 8.—It was stated that the estate of the late L. V. Harkness of the Standard Oil company, was worth \$1,200,000. He left no will.

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SIDI WIRT, DANCER, DECLARES JOHN D. SPRECKELS IS FIANCE

Poses as Heiress, but Records Show She Is Divorced Wife of Newspaper Man.

IN PORTLAND RECENTLY

Was Engaged for Two Weeks at Arcadian Gardens of Hotel Multnomah; Went to California.

New York, Feb. 8.—Miss Sidi Wirt, who is stopping at the Blitmore hotel, when pressed today to tell whether a rumor to the effect that she was engaged to marry John D. Spreckels Jr. of San Francisco was true, reluctantly confirmed it.

She stated that Mr. Spreckels was now in a position at this time to make a public announcement of the engagement and that consequently nothing could be said as to the date of the marriage.

Miss Wirt is a daughter of the late Edward L. Wirt, formerly a wealthy and prominent cattleman and real estate operator of Kansas City, and one of the founders of Garden City, Kan., where he owned telephone and lighting plants.

The fact that John D. Spreckels Jr. is still awaiting his final divorce is stated by those aware of the facts in New York to be the reason why no public announcement of his engagement to Miss Wirt is now made.

Wedding Was an Elopement.

Hutchinson, Kan., Feb. 8.—Sidi Wirt, who at the time was reputed to be a Garden City, Kan., heiress, is the divorced wife of Harry Williams, a newspaper man of this city. The wedding occurred February 8, 1931, and was the result of an elopement after the loss of a coin had decided her choice between Williams and Count Hugo Leal of Brazil, who had assiduously paid court to the young woman.

Two years ago Williams divorced his wife on the alleged grounds of desertion. He remained on his job and she went west, where she sang in cabarets in Portland, Tacoma, Seattle and Los Angeles.

In November, 1932, a Miss Addie Wirt was employed for two weeks as a dancer at the Arcadian Gardens in the Multnomah hotel. She came here from Seattle with her mother and had as her dancing partner Harry Gray. She left here for Los Angeles, according to Assistant Manager Louis Renolds of the Multnomah hotel, last night. Inquiry among proprietors of restaurants and hotels here and former employers have been employed in Portland showed no record of a Sidi Wirt having been here.

Hundreds of Women Homeless in N. Y.

Unable to Pay for Lodging, Women Wander Streets of New York at Night.

New York, Feb. 8.—Wandering the streets of New York at night are 815 homeless women, unable to pay for a night's lodging, a police census showed today. To this army of wanderers are added 22,449 men who sleep in doorways or over warm gratings.

The census was taken at the request of Mayor Mitchell's committee on unemployment. Six thousand policemen, working all night January 30, compiled the report.

FIRES AROUSE SUSPICION

Fire, which the owner of the home believes to have been of incendiary origin, consumed the house at 407 Willis Boulevard occupied by Frank West and family, Saturday night. The house was completely destroyed. Mr. West and his son were at home, but his wife and daughter were away. The blaze started in a bathroom. The estimated loss, which was total on both furniture and house, is \$1500, with \$700 insurance. When Mrs. A. Stuart of 639 Ravenshaw Drive returned home Saturday evening she found a bed in one of the rooms blazing. A stranger who had been denied the privilege of sleeping in the basement is believed to have started the fire.

PATENT ATTORNEY PASSES AWAY



J. K. Mock.

J. K. Mock, a well known patent attorney, died at his residence, at Schuyler and East Twenty-ninth streets, Saturday afternoon after an illness of about six months. The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock from Finley's parlors.

Mr. Mock was born January 27, 1866, at Abbia, Iowa, and was a graduate of the State university of Iowa, Columbia university of Washington, D. C., and Georgetown university of the same city. He was connected with the United States patent office for 20 years and was also prominently known in athletic circles in that city. Five years ago he came to Portland and is survived by the widow and three children, Gordon, Myrtle and Ruth. He was a member of the official board of trustees of the First Christian church, one of its deacons and director and teacher of the Loyal Sons' class of the Sunday school.

His younger brother is en route from Iowa to attend the funeral.

Wouldn't Tell on Boy Who Burned Him

Eleven-Year-Old New York boy Whispers to His Nurse, While Dying, 'But I'll Get Him When I Get Out.'

New York, Feb. 8.—Probably fatally burned by a playmate who poured kerosene on his clothes and applied a lighted match, 11-year-old Eddie O'Brien today studiously refused to give the boy's name.

"But I'll get him when I get out," he whispered to his nurse.

MASS MEETING PLANNED

At a large enthusiastic meeting Saturday night a committee of 11 was appointed to arrange a monster mass meeting for March 7 at the German house. The object of the meeting is to protest against the "un-neutral stand of the United States in the European war" and to fittingly celebrate Robert Emmett's birthday.

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GERMAN SUCCESS IN POLAND EXPECTED AS KAISER IS THERE NOW

Berlin Believes Great Things Will Follow Closely on His Visit to the East.

VON HINDENBURG GAINING

Kaiser Thanks Germans' God for His Assistance in France as Well as Good Arrangement of Troops.

By Karl Von Wiegand, United Press Staff Correspondent.

Berlin, Feb. 8, via wireless.—Important developments on the eastern front are looked for within the next few days. A success, the nature of which marked the advance of von Kluck's army in front of Solissons, is confidently expected at General staff headquarters. This was indicated tonight following the announcement that the Kaiser has gone to the front via Czenstochova, and will be at the headquarters of General von Hindenburg by the time this dispatch reaches the United States.

The forces of General von Hindenburg, heavily reinforced, continue to gain ground slowly but surely, along the eastern front. The claims made by the Russian general staff of sweeping gains against the German forces, are squarely contradicted at headquarters here. The opposite is declared to be the case. "The so-called Russian outflanking movement from the north is declared to have failed of its purpose which was to force the retirement of General von Hindenburg, and save Warsaw."

Intimations that Warsaw will soon be in difficulties are freely made at staff headquarters although for the present details must be withheld.

The general staff today made public the text of the Kaiser's message sent to the troops which stormed the heights of Croun.

"Accept my warmest congratulations," he said, "for your fine successes which were due in part for the circumspect dispositions of the troops, as well as to the great bravery of our beloved soldiers, whose activity in the trench warfare of the last few months has not in any wise diminished their power of offensive attack. We thank our good God for his assistance."

Duck Hunters Rescued.

Oakland, Cal., Feb. 8.—A small boat rescued Richard Barker, 16, and Claude Raser, 14, after they had been marooned for six hours in a duck blind, two miles from the Oakland shore.

Held for Killing Japanese.

Delta, Utah, Feb. 8.—Three Mexicans were arrested in connection with the murder of K. Khara, a Japanese second foreman, who was shot to death when he was trying to signal an approaching train to avoid a wreck.

Can Wooden Leg Have Tango Knee?

Hetty Green's Son Is Looking for the Answer, and Is Going to Try It, Anyway.

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 8.—Can an artificial leg be steered through the intricate steps of the Tango? Colonel Edward Howland Green, son of Hetty Green, is earnestly asking that question today of the frequenters of the St. Francis hotel lobby.

Professor Stieden of London and Paris has taken the colonel in hand, or rather in arms, to solve this question. He says "Yes."

Green is not sure whether he is tangoing or not. He says that he used to play baseball despite his artificial leg—but tango—well, it remains to be seen.

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