

LAFFERTY STILL ANNOYING WOMEN

PICKS SCHOOL GIRLS
AS INTENDED VICTIMS

Falls in Love With Young Ladies'
Photographs and Begs for Meetings
in Letters—Latest Is Daughter of
Washington Widow.

Portland's congressman, A. W. Lafferty, is again in range of the spotlight as the result of new charges that he is guilty of annoying women with whom he has no acquaintance, says the Journal. The latest episode comes in a story from Washington which indicates that the congressman has not been giving undivided attention to his official duties.

The substance of the story printed in an afternoon newspaper yesterday has been known to a number of persons in Portland for some time, and has been common knowledge to the newspaper correspondents in Washington. It was also given publicly by The Spectator about two weeks ago.

Wrote to School Girl.
The Washington dispatch, telling of the congressman's writing to a Washington high school girl after seeing her portrait in a newspaper, seeking to arrange a meeting with her, has almost exact parallel in the case of a Portland girl to whom his attention was attracted before he went to Washington.

In this case, as the story runs, the girl's picture appeared among those graduating at a local high school. She received a letter from Lafferty, enclosing the picture, in which he passed her a compliment and said he would like to meet her. His letter remained unanswered, and he then had the temerity to call the girl over the telephone. The girl called her mother and Lafferty dropped out. The mother of the girl talked over the matter with some of her friends, but decided to do nothing to expose her daughter to publicity. The girl's mother is a widow.

Admits Authorship.
According to the story from Washington, Lafferty's attention was drawn to a high school girl, Miss Florence Kubel, 19 years of age, in the same way. He is said to have cut her picture from the paper, pasted it on a piece of his official stationery, and scrawled under it, "This looks good to me." He sent this delicate compliment in a letter to the girl. In the letter he expressed the hope that a meeting might be arranged and the further hope that she would use tickets for the family gallery in the house of representatives, which he also enclosed. He added the information that he is a bachelor, 36 years of age, with no family.

Miss Kubel's father, S. J. Kubel, is chief clerk of the bureau of geological survey. In a rage he went to Lafferty's office to square the account. It is narrated that when confronted with the letter, Lafferty at first denied all knowledge of it, and sought to throw blame upon one of his clerks.

Begs for Leniency.
Later he admitted the authorship and begged for leniency, saying it was his first offense and he held the highest respect for womanhood. He wrote letters of apology to both father and daughter, and promised he would never molest her. Immediately afterward he left Washington for a month's vacation in Canada.

The story became public through Mr. Kubel showing the letters. While he admitted the truth of the story to the correspondents, he would not talk for publication until recently. The story reached the Washington newspapers, and one of them secured Lafferty's admission of its correctness, just as Kubel had done. The congressman again succeeded in avoiding immediate exposure by pleading it was his first offense and protesting his high regard for women.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY SKETCH.

Congressman John C. Smith, Republican, of Michigan, is fifty-eight and was born in Ireland in 1853. He came to the United States when he was two years of age; was educated in the Charlotte high school and University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, learned the painter's trade; moved to Michigan at the age of 13 and lived on a farm until he was 21. He learned the mason's trade then took up the study of law, being admitted to the bar in 1882 at Detroit. Since that time he has been engaged in the active practice of his profession. Since 1898 Mr. Smith has been president of the First National Bank of Charlotte. He was a manufacturer for twelve years before he entered the banking business, and is now largely engaged in farming and stock raising. He has served as prosecuting attorney, alderman, and member of the Michigan constitutional convention of 1908. He is now serving his first term in Congress.

MILLION TO HOTEL CLERK

Investment in Mines Finally Brings Great Fortune.

Paola, Kan.—From hotel clerk to millionaire is the experience of E. E. Hite, who for the last year has been welcoming the daylight visitors at the Commercial hotel here, and it is all the result of a little investment in a Mexican copper mine twenty years ago.

At that time Mr. Hite was one of a company of promoters of Mexican copper mines near Ameca, Mexico. Upon his return from St. Louis, where the sale was made last week, Mr. Hite announced that their holdings were sold for twenty million dollars to a Mexican syndicate. Mr. Hite figures that his share is \$1,110,000.

Mr. Hite is 71 years old, but would easily pass for a man of 50. He came to Paola more than a year ago in reply to an advertisement in the Star asking for a position in a quiet place where he could rest for a year. It is said his wife is in Washington and a son lives in Kansas City, Mo., but other than that little is known of Mr. Hite's family connections, as he made few acquaintances.

HELP PATIENTS KEEP WELL.

Convalescent Committee Looks After Those Who Leave Hospital.

Kansas City, Mo.—Many patients leave the general hospital and other hospitals before they are sufficiently strong to resume work or else they go to insanitary homes where their recovery is retarded. A "convalescent committee" of women—volunteer social workers—which meets every Monday at the general hospital has issued a report for June which shows how an attempt is being made to prevent that. With the aid of the board of health and the Provident association the conditions at the homes to which the patients return are improved and many are sent away to friends or to institutions giving them permanent homes. Mrs. Kate E. Pierson is chairman of the committee, Mrs. Fred H. Ream, vice chairman and Miss Sadie C. Church secretary.

DITCH COMPANY PLANS IMPROVEMENTS

(Special Correspondence.)

Stanfield, Ore., Aug. 7.—At the close of summer irrigation, the Purditch Ditch Co., with Asa B. Thompson as superintendent will commence extensive improvements on the ditch. All the weaker places will be strengthened and lined with concrete. The bottom of the ditch in other places will be made 19 feet wide. Some flumes will be replaced with concrete lined ditch and the entire system placed in readiness for carrying the larger amount of water that will be needed next year as more land is put into cultivation, so that there will be an abundant supply for every one.

The principal social event of the season was the "at home" given on last Thursday from 3 to 5 p. m. by Mrs. E. N. Wheeler and Mrs. F. B. Stuart in honor of Mrs. Stuart's daughter, Mrs. H. C. Kerr of St. Paul, Minn., at the home of Mrs. Wheeler. The house was decorated with masses of wild flowers and sweet peas. The hostesses were assisted by Mrs. Alex Reid, Mrs. J. E. Faucett and Mrs. G. L. Hurd. Dainty refreshments were served in the dining room, Mrs. Lundwall presiding over the punch bowl. She was assisted by Misses Helen Sefta, Myrtle Anderson, Marjorie Dunning and Helen Wheeler. About forty guests called during the afternoon. Mrs. Kerr left for Portland on Saturday accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Stuart, where she will spend a few days visiting relatives and friends before departing for her home.

Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Ling have returned from a month's visit among relatives and friends in North Dakota and Iowa.

Miss Helen Sefta invited in a few of her girl friends on last Wednesday afternoon to help her celebrate her 16th birthday. A most delicious dinner was served and those in attendance report a very happy time. Among others celebrating birthdays during the week were Lester Anderson, Lloyd Wilby and Argalus Gray, Jr.

Miss E. Unthank arrived in Stanfield last evening to spend a few weeks enjoying our delightful summer climate. Miss Unthank is principal of one of the Tacoma schools and is fortunate enough to own a fine alfalfa ranch in this vicinity.

Dr. Coe is spending a few days in the city.

Miss Alpha Holte is a guest in the home of her brother R. A. Holte. Miss Holte is an accomplished vocalist and has been employed in a Colorado university for the past year as a teacher.

Carl Hudson, proprietor of the Pastime Parlor, has sold out to J. L. Parker and left yesterday for his old home in Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Meyers former residents of Stanfield, but later of Seattle, spent several days here looking after the improvement of their ranch.

Mary Connolly is spending a few days visiting Helen Wheeler. M. C. Barager returned Friday from North Yakima, bringing word that Mrs. Barager had successfully passed through an operation for cancer and is on a fair way to recovery for which her many friends are thankful.

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GUARD KILLED BY CONVICT.

Georgia Chain Gang Mutinies and Officer Is Shot in Melee.

Waynesboro, Ga.—Convicts working on the county roads near here killed George Deck, one of the guards, and during the excitement several of them escaped. Deck had gone to the aid of a guard who was having trouble with a prisoner. A mutiny followed and during the fight which followed one of the convicts got a guard's pistol and killed Deck. Later the convicts were overpowered. Search is being made for those who escaped.

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OLD-TIME REMEDY DARKENS THE HAIR

Gives Color, Lustre to Faded and Gray Hair—Dandruff Quickly Removed.

From time immemorial, sage and sulphur have been used for the hair and scalp. Almost everyone knows of the value of such a combination for darkening the hair, for curing dandruff and falling hair, and for making the hair grow.

In olden times the only way to get a hair tonic of this sort was to brew it in the home fireplace, a method which was troublesome and not always successful. Wyeth Chemical Company of New York put up an ideal remedy of this sort, called Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy, and authorized druggists to sell it under guarantee that the money will be refunded if it fails to do exactly as represented.

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MADE RAILROAD HAUL THEM.

Tired of Repeated Changes, Three Passengers Win Their Rights.

Monticello, N. Y.—When a train on the Ontario & Western railroad left Newburgh it contained more than a dozen cars filled with passengers. Seated in the last car were three innocent-looking New Yorkers. As the train advanced on its journey and passengers alighted at the different resorts the remaining passengers would be moved forward and the rear car left on a siding. When Livingston Manor was reached the three New Yorkers had been hustled forward no less than a half dozen times, and their patience and good humor were exhausted.

"Change cars here and take the train on the siding for all points further west," announced the conductor. The trio refused to move. "We have walked more than two-thirds the distance to this point and we are going to hold our seats until this company delivers us at our destination," they said. "When we wish to go out after Weston's record we won't buy a railroad ticket for the privilege."

An engine was attached to the car in which the three New Yorkers sat and a special trip made to Roscoe.

MAN WHO REJOICED AT FUNERAL KILLED

Carlo Besagno Took Novel Revenge for Theft of Wife by Friend.

Stockton, Cal.—The tragic death of Carlo Besagno, whose team ran away throwing him out on the Linden road and breaking his neck, calls to mind the spectacular appearance he made at the funeral of C. Casselino in this city about ten years ago.

Besagno awoke one fine day to learn that his wife had eloped with Casselino. If Besagno grieved he did not give any outward sign of it, and took no steps to get back his erring spouse or revenge the desecration of his home. He just waited until circumstances should furnish the psychological moment when he could square accounts. It came with the death of Casselino two years later.

Besagno engaged an open hack and four white horses and appeared in the funeral procession with a number of his friends. He wore a plug hat jauntily tipping his smiling features and bright flowers appeared in his button hole. Besagno and his friends made the occasion a gay one, and while the woman mourned the death of the man she loved, Besagno found cause for merriment.

To add to the gaiety of the novel revenge, Besagno played an accordion. The instrument gave forth no funeral dirge, but under the fingers of the celebrating Besagno merry airs came from its interior. The accordion was bent enough without playing it at all.

After the obsequies at the grave, where Besagno and his friends continued their manifestations of delight they returned to the city and indulged in a banquet at a local restaurant, their celebration continuing far into the night.

BIG BASS FLIPS INTO BOAT.

Escaping From Larger Fish, This One Confronts a Boy.

Allentown, Pa.—While members of the Liberty Camp club, composed of Liberty firemen of this city, were fishing in the Perkiomen at Salford, a twelve-inch bass jumped into the boat occupied by James F. Smith and his 12-year-old son. It is supposed the bass broke water on being chased by a monster old fish that is a denizen of the pool in which Smith and his son were fishing. The bass floundered to get out of the boat, but was secured when the boy flopped on the fish.

NEARLY DROWNED IN GOLD.

Bank Clerk Just Misses Stream of Yellow Dollars.

New York.—A load of gold indirectly caused the injuring of James Heeman, 75 years old, of 168 Sixth avenue, Brooklyn. He is a shipping clerk for the American Exchange bank, Broadway and Cedar street.

A freight hoist on the outside of the building was loaded with several boxes containing gold coin shortly after noon and was started on its way to the basement. Heeman stood looking up the shaft from the cellar. When the hoist was six or seven feet from the bottom the chain controlling it snapped and the bags of gold crashed to the bottom.

Heeman jumped back just in time to dodge the golden shower, but he struck a partition and was bruised. He was taken home.

The gold wasn't damaged the least bit.

LAUGHS HER SHOULDER OUT.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Hearty and continued laughter sent Mrs. Martha Krisk, of 622 Vanhook street, Camden, to Cooper hospital with a dislocated shoulder. The bones became dislocated while she was in a paroxysm of mirth and it was necessary for the hospital surgeons to administer ether before the bones could be put back in the right places.

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