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WERE MARRIED AT MIDNIGHT

After An Attempt to Elope She Marries The Other Fellow in the Quiet of Night.

The Strong Man Tickle His Girl on The Nose With Horse Whip, But With No Avail.

One of the most sensational weddings that has ever been recorded in the history of Independence occurred five minutes before 12 o'clock on Thursday night of last week when Judge Wilson joined in the holy bond of matrimony, Miss Francis Shafe and Mr. K. B. Scafford, both well known residents of this vicinity.

The sensation is found in the incidents leading up to the nuptial affair, and not in the mere fact that this couple was made one at that hour when hen roosts are frequented by the "black hand," and the peaceful citizen is in sweet repose.

According to reports of Al Strong, a well known Monmouth boy, was in love with Miss Shaffer—at least he thought he was in love and supposed the girl loved him, but it might have been a palpitation of the knee pads that caused him so much trouble. At any rate, on Wednesday night preceding the girl's marriage he persuaded her to elope. He had obtained a team from Dickinson's livery barn and drove as near the house of his intended spouse as he dared to. Here he tied the animals which were to provide conveyance for his hasty wedding tour and proceeded to the house wherein was resting the one and only one who could make his future life happy.

He secured the girl and started for the buggy, and it was their plan to go to Dallas and be married. The attempted elopement was discovered however, by an angry father and brother, who pursued them, and the long anticipated wedding was indefinitely postponed. Strong in determination, as well as name, he is said to have made another attempt to secrete the girl away. This time, it is said, he found the young lady's mother occupying the front side of the bed as he entered the room, and for a moment he was puzzled to know just how to pursue.

Necessity is frequently the mother of invention, and this, according to the story, proved true in this case. Strong is supposed to have returned to the buggy where he got a whip. With this he tickled the nose of the daughter which caused her to awaken, but her attempt at getting away also awoke the mother and the young man made a hasty exit.

From all accounts it seems that the Shaffer family wanted her to marry Scafford, a grass-widower, who lives on the Luckiamute. They did not propose to take any more chances on letting her become the helpmate of the Strong man, and they forthwith arranged for a wedding. A few moments before 12 o'clock Thursday night Judge Wilson was aroused from peaceful slumber by a rap on his door. Upon inquiring "who's there?" he was informed that a couple wanted to get married at once. The ever accommodating justice arose, put on his church coat, pants and collar, and after looking over the second license that had been issued by as many men to marry the Shaffer girl, he made her the wife of K. B. Scafford.

The reason that some of Strong's clothing was in possession of the Shaffers is because the latter paid for the livery hire and took the clothing of both Strong and the girl, which was held by the liveryman until the bill was paid.

Miss Shaffer now asserts that she did not want to marry Strong at all but was afraid of him. According to her statement before the justice she has got the man she long has sought.

INJURED BY CABLE

Falls City Boy Struck by Cable While Working in the Woods.

Clarence O'Brien, a Falls City boy was seriously injured one day last week while working in the loggin camp near that city. He was struck by a cable and sustained a laceration of the kidneys, necessitating an operation. He is improving and will recover.

CAN'T DROWN IN WATER

Frank Krebs Has Exciting Time, But Says He Can't Drown in Water.

Considerable excitement prevailed in the city last Friday evening when a telephone message was received from the Krebs hop, gard stating that a man was going down the river in a half drowned condition clinging to a boat. Captain Claude Skinner, in company with other men, started the launch Independence up the river in pursuit of the drowning man and for nearly an hour the tank of the Willamette near the ferry was lined with people anxiously awaiting the arrival of the boat, which was supposed to have the unfortunate individual clinging thereto.

Homer Mills discovered his hat and went after it in a boat and another party found the oar which had been lost by Krebs and his party when the boat in which they were crossing the river capsized.

Krebs and a party of Italians were attempting to cross the river a few miles above the city in a small boat when it turned over and the company went into the deep water. The foreigners managed to reach shore on Tice Island, but Frank did not want to take any chances of drowning in water and clung to the boat.

Child from his prolonged bath in the Willamette river and considerably excited. Krebs was rescued by the Independence crew who went on up to take the band of Italians off the island.

Frank was down town the next day and said he would never drown in water.

COMMITTED TO JAIL

Two Men Sent Up from This City for Petty Larceny.

Two men from Independence are now languishing in the county jail at Dallas, convicted in Judge Wilson's court recently of the crime of larceny. Ed Smith—not the County Clerk—led guilty to the charge of stealing clothing from the home of Fred Sloan near here and received a sentence of thirty days in the county jail and Joe Margert admitted having taken tools from C. Peck's blacksmith shop in this city and was given fifteen days.

Both of the miscreants are of the Weary Willy Class and the city is fortunate to be rid of them.

A BLACK LILY

J. T. Fryer has lived for 35 years in one home and the beautiful floral features of his old home place on the corner of Sixth and C. streets go to show that it has been well kept. An object of great curiosity is a black lily, or snake lily, which he has been nursing for several years. So far as we know it is the only one in Independence and we believe there are very few in the state.

It is a pleasure to look upon Mr. Fryer's premises, and others in this city would do well to follow his example.

CELEBRATE TWO DAYS

Falls City will celebrate July 3 and 4, this year, the 3rd in honor of the completion of the water system, and the 4th in honor of Independence Day. Among other attractions on the 3rd there will be a ball game between Dallas and Falls City teams. On the 4th there will also be a ball game and the Independence team has been invited to participate.

A GREAT FARM BARGAIN

Think of it! 67 acres nearly all in cultivation. All fine land only two miles from Independence. 60 acre in crop; 4 fine cows, team, wagon and harness and lots of other stuff thrown in for only \$7000.00. Splendid terms.—Polk County Real Estate Co. Independence, Oregon.

DEPARTURE OF BOAT

Launch Independence leaves the Independence dock for Salem at 8:30 a. m. daily.

RETURNING

Leaves Salem dock at 4:00 p. m. Fare 50 cents each way.

MANY HORSES ENTER RACES

More Horses Entered for the 1911 Races Than Has Ever Been Known.

Magnificent Stock Exhibition is Said to Have Surpassed all Previous Undertakings.

A large crowd, ideal weather and many entries marked the opening day of the race meet in this city. For two months past keen interest has been felt in the annual meeting of the Driving Park Association and when the gates were opened Wednesday morning there were more entries recorded than at any previous meeting. Horse owners commenced to arrive last week from different far away points and long before the first race was called every feature of the program was completed.

Among the racers entered are Rolla Boy, owned by Homer Rutherford; The Mate, by Clark Bellknapp; Clara Patch, by Alf White; Hop Raven, by R. D. Cooper; and Silver, a pretty little animal owned by C. Peck. These horses were entered for the first race Wednesday in the two-year-old trot.

In the running race—the second race—were Zelina, property of Mrs. A. T. Boynton; Sir Ashton, owned by G. Barber; Carl P. and Ella Harf, owned by W. W. Percival of this city. The third race, in the 2:15 class, were Kit Crawford, owned by J. A. Wear; Mark N. by Earl Tidd; Baron Lovelace by G. C. Pendleton; Sally Younger, by Peter Cook; Zoe W. by G. J. Rohse; Cap Apperson, by D. C. Boyles; and Bonnie Antrim, by C. W. Todd. This proved to be the most interesting race of the day and was won by

In the match race, a three fourth mile dash, Wm. Percival entered St. Salvia and G. F. Brown entered Harka.

Result of Wednesday's Races.
Two-year-old Trot. Time 1:26
Horse Finish
Hop Raven..... 1-1
The Mate..... 2-2
Rolla Boy..... 3-3

Four and one-half furlongs. Time 55 seconds.
Carl P. 1
Zelina 2
Wade Hampton..... 3
Sir Ashton..... 4

Two-fifteen Pace.
Baron Lovelace..... 1-2-1-1
Cap Apperson..... 2-1-5-3
Zoe W. 3-6-2-4
Mack N. 6-3-4-2
Sally Younger..... 5-4-3-3
Kit Crawford..... 4-5-6-6

Time: 1st heat, 1:11½; 2nd, 1:10½; 3rd, 1:10; 4th, 1:09 ½.
Match Running Race. Time 1:17
St. Salvia..... 1
Harka..... 2

The program of the second day was even more fascinating than the first in the 2:20 class, G. L. Brown entered Lady Malcom; Henry Tillman, Pad Ishah; R. D. Cooper, Hops; C. W. Flanders, Guy Light; C. F. Wilson, St. Michael; D. C. Boyles, Zoe Cameron.

The second race, five-eighths mile dash was truly a fast one. The horses entered were Zelina, Carrie Thatcher, Carl P., LeClare, and Ella Harf owned respectively by Mrs. Boynton, G. Barber, Wm. Percival, Mrs. Boynton and Wm. Percival.

The third race on Thursday, the 2:25 class, was perhaps lacking in interest in some respects, as compared to the others during the first part of the meet, and yet it was quite a sensational race and was entered by some very fine horses, among which were McClusky Winright, entered by Ezra Tilden; Lightfoot, by J. W. Merrill; Toy Lace by W. Schultz; Sally Younger by P. Cook; Admiral Tog by Perry Munze; Sis Bender, by A. R. Cooke; Holly Brand by E. C. Key and Georgia Rose, by O. J. Brown.

The fourth race, 7-8 mile dash, was entered by Little Mack, Confederate Sepulveda, Carrie Thatcher and St. Lavada.

Result of Thursday's Races.
Two-twenty Trot.
Horse. Finish
Lady Malcom..... 1-1-1
Padisha..... 2-2-2
St. Michael..... 3-3-3
Joe Cameron..... 4-5-5

Guy Light..... 5-4
Time: 1st heat, 1:11; 2nd, 1:10½; 3rd, 1:11.
Five-eighth Mile Dash.
Time: 1:04½.

Zelina..... 1
Carl P. 2
Carry Thatcher..... 3
LeClare..... 4

Two-twenty-five Pace.
Lightfoot..... 6-1-1
Holly Brand..... 1-2-3
Sally Younger..... 9-3-2

Admiral Togo..... 2-7-7
Time: 1st heat, 1:09; 2nd, 1:09½; 3rd, 1:09½; 3rd, 1:10.

Seven-eighths Mile Dash.
Time: 1:31.
Sepulveda..... 1
Confederate..... 3

St. Salvia..... 3
We go to press to early to give a correct account of the third day's program, but from present indication it promises to be a lively day.

Among the outside attractions during the week were the Rose Fair by the ladies of the Presbyterian church society and a drama entitled "The Model Wife," on Tuesday evening. The play, "East Yenne," given in the opera house Wednesday evening, and two dances Wednesday and Thursday evenings, besides the Star theater in almost constant operation during the race meet, afforded plenty of attraction.

OBITUARY

John H. Burton, who died at his home in Independence on Wednesday June 14th, 1911, was born near Cornwall, Quebec, Canada, November 11, 1847. He was buried in the Odd Fellows cemetery, Friday, June 16, 1911.

The services were held at the residence and conducted by the Rev. H. C. Clark. The services at the cemetery were conducted by the lodge of Pythias of which he was also a member. Many friends followed him remains to the last resting place, and the floral offerings were many and very beautiful.

Mr. Burton's early life was spent on the old home farm, but later he was engaged in lumbering in Canada and Michigan. He was married to Miss Elizabeth Kenedy March 2, 1881. After spending their first year of married life in Barrie, Canada, they joined the throng of emigrants to the Quopelle valley in the northwest territory where he was engaged in farming for four years. They endured many hardships on their way to the Quopelle valley.

In 1886 he came to Rickreall, Oregon where he engaged in farming and two years later to Independence where he has since lived. During the last twenty years he was actively engaged in hop raising and has been successful in that industry. Mr. Burton was a typical frontiersman, bold free, open hearted, generous to a fault; was always ready to lend a helping hand to one in need.

In the death of Mr. Burton this community loses an honorable, upright citizen. The widow and two grown daughters, Ivy and Florence, mourn the loss of a loving husband and father.

A Friend

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

(Street Pavements.)
Independence, Oregon, June 14th 1911.—Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the City Recorder Independence, Oregon, until 8 o'clock p. m. July 1st, 1911, for furnishing materials and constructing cement concrete street pavements. That the plan and specifications thereof may be seen and examined at the office of the City Recorder of said city. That no proposals will be considered unless accompanied by a check payable to the order of the Mayor of said city, certified by a responsible bank, for an amount equal to 5 per cent of the aggregate proposal, and this check is to be forfeited as fixed and liquidated damages in case the bidder neglects or refuses to enter into a contract and to furnish sufficient bond for the faithful performance of said work, in the event the contract is awarded him or them. Each bid must be accompanied by a separate bid for the maintenance in good condition of the concrete pavement for a period of five years. The right is hereby expressly reserved to reject any and all bids received.

By order of the city council.
W. T. Hoffman, Mayor,
B. F. Swope, Recorder.

UNWELCOME PASSENGER

Mail Carrier at Monmouth is Forced to Drive Thirty Miles at Point of Gun.

Uncle Sam's Assistant Holds Team While Bandit Holds Up His Neighbor and Friend.

A few minutes before five o'clock Wednesday evening Fred Huber, a rural mail carrier from Monmouth, overtook a lone pedestrian who demanded a ride. Mr. Huber took him and they conversed along the road until they reached the postoffice, where the carrier stopped to leave his mail. The stranger went on foot in the direction of Falls City. He had been on his way only a short time when the city marshal received a phone message from the sheriff of Benton county, requesting him to be on the lookout for a thug who had pulled off two holdups at Corvallis the night before, and to take him dead or alive.

Mr. Nott remembered the strange man seen riding into town with Mr. Huber, and in company with the postmaster and the mail carrier went in pursuit of him. He was soon overtaken and when called upon to halt turned quickly and covered the party with a gun. He then commanded the marshal and postmaster to retreat and at the point of a gun forced the mail carrier to take him speedily on his way.

After traveling for thirty miles or more, and having been shot at by his pursuers while in the buggy with Huber, he took to the brush and escaped. They met a stock buyer from Monmouth some distance out, and he held him up and took a watch and \$18.00 in money, although Huber and the stock buyer were well acquainted.

The sheriff of Benton county and his deputies went through this city a few hours after the hold up at Monmouth, in pursuit of the bad man.

They were armed with guns and traveling rapidly in an automobile, but up to this writing the thug has not been apprehended.

It is believed to be one of the escaped convicts from the penitentiary. Just before going to press we learn that Hall was captured and taken back to prison.

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HONOR AT HOME

The Following Good Record Speaks Well for Our Schools.

County School Superintendent H. C. Seymour of Polk county has reported to the state department of education the total results of the eighth grade examinations held in Polk county.

During the year there were 211 pupils who have written on the examinations and 176 who have passed, making a percentage of 83.4 who were successful.

Mary Howard of the Independence school won the honor of making the best average grade, the average being 98 per cent. Frank Durrell of same school won second place with an average of 95.2 per cent.

Miss Howard's report is as follows: This is to certify that Mary Howard of School District No. 29, Polk county, Oregon, in the final examination in the common school studies, received the annexed results: Orthography, 98; Reading, 96; Writing, 96; Geography, 96; Written Arithmetic, 100; English Grammar, 96; U. S. History, 100; Physiology and Hygiene, 100; Civil Government, 100; General Average, 98. Dated at Dallas, Oregon, 16th day of June, 1911.—H. C. Seymour, School Superintendent, Polk County, Oregon.

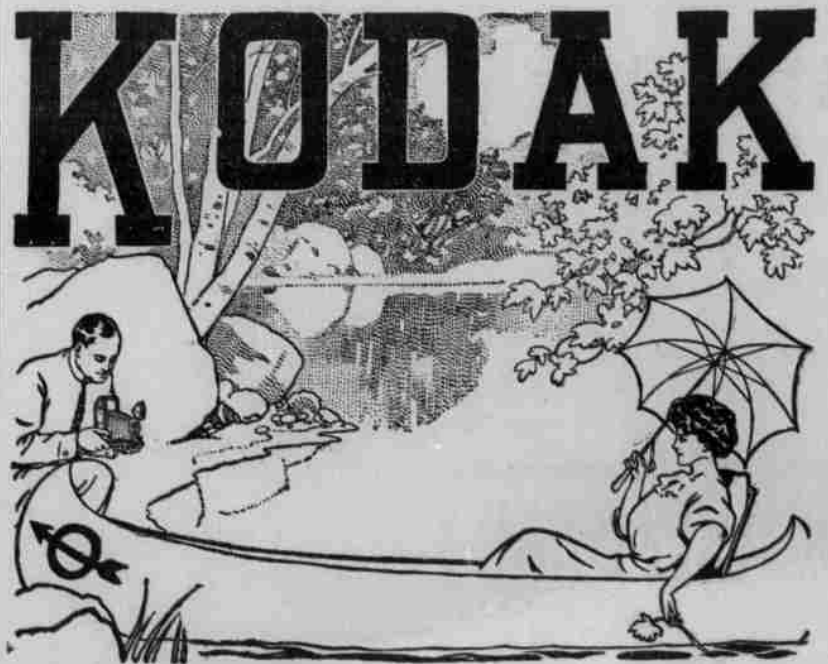
PLAY WELL RENDERED

Ladies of the Presbyterian Church Present Good Entertainment.

The play given Tuesday evening by the Presbyterian Ladies was well attended, and a neat sum was realized. The entertainment was well worth the price of admission and the program was fine. The comedy was rendered in a pleasing manner, and those who took part were very much at home behind the foot-lights. Mr. Macey as the artist, Claude Johnson as Bobby, Clara Johnson as Willie, Miss Tice as Eleanor, Mrs. Moore as Aunt Agness, did splendidly and little Francis Eaton took the cake as the girl who collected the wash bill; in fact the characters were all exceptionally good. Jeane Ketchum impersonating Bella and Mrs. Patton as the maid were exceptionally good, and Mrs. Merwin, the society matron, was very much at home in the character she represented. The play was presented under the direction of Arthur Moore, who was presented with a pair of gold cuff links for his kind assistance in making the entertainment a success.

A Leading California Druggist

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