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## WED IN STYLE? SURE-STEAL IF YOU HAVE TO

—Edna Armstrong.

Such is Philosophy of Young Jacksonville Girl Who Carried Her Ideals Out—Is Now in Trouble and All Over an Old White Dress—Husband May Lose Bride Soon.

The course of true love struck a hard snag in the person of Justice Dox at Jacksonville Monday.

A week ago George Schumpf led Edna Armstrong to the altar. Edna was dressed in the "conventional bridal white" and the groom was proud of her appearance. Sunday Mrs. Wilcox, whose residence is vacated all day while she is out at work, began looking for a certain white dress and other articles of feminine apparel which should have been there. They were not to be found. Investigation brought to light the fact that young Mrs. Schumpf had been seen wearing a similar costume. Mrs. Wilcox swore out a warrant for Edna's arrest, and a search revealed the goods concealed under the young couple's bed. Schumpf professed and proved his innocence of any connivance.

Mary Johnson, another young girl, was accused by Mrs. Schumpf of having gone into the house and taken the things while the Schumpf woman stayed outside. Mary was released, as the charge could not be substantiated.

## CHARLTON IS ARRAIGNED IN JERSEY COURT

Chief Counsel for Young Man States That He Does Not Believe Client Will Be Returned to Italy to Face Charge of Murdering His Wife.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., June 28.—Porter Charlton, confessed wife-murderer, was arraigned before Judge Blair in the court here today. He was remanded in the custody of the sheriff until July 8. His attorneys stated that no attempt would be made to secure his release on habeas corpus or a puny writ.

Charlton did not appear interested in the proceedings. On the way to court he objected to having handcuffs on his wrists and they were removed.

Attorneys for Charlton asked a delay of the court order following the arraignment, in order to gain an opportunity to learn the attitude of the federal government concerning Charlton's extradition to Italy. Delay was also asked pending the report of the alienists in the case.

## CONGRESSMEN HAVE TO USE UPPER BERTHS

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 28.—Many senators and congressmen who are riding westward today in Pullmans are occupying upper berths because of the rush to Reno. The lower were reserved in advance by eastern fight fans and the statesmen were forced to accept upper berths, in spite of strenuous objection.

On one westbound train Congressman Needham was the only statesman far-sighted enough to reserve a lower berth several days ahead of the time for his departure.

GIO STONE GAP, Va., June 28.—Dow Tracker, a Lee county farmer, lost his third wife today, when injuries sustained from a fall proved fatal. His first wife was gored to death by a bull and his second was drowned.

## TRIES THREE TIMES TO GET ACROSS STYX

Man Attempts Three Times, by Different Methods, to Take His Own Life—Fails Utterly on Every Attempt—Will Be Sent to Insane Asylum in Salem.

If J. M. Rollins ever succeeds in taking his own life he must use some other method beside leaping from a fast train, laying his head on a rail in front of an engine or tackling an electric light wire.

All three of these methods he has tried within the past two days, and none proved effective.

Sunday afternoon Rollins was a passenger from Weed, Cal., on the second section of No. 16. About two miles from Ashland he suddenly dove headforemost through an open window while the train was running at a high rate of speed. The train ran on into Ashland and a party was sent out to look for him. Naturally supposing that his body would be found along the track, the searchers confined their operations to the right of way. Meanwhile Rollins, who had not been seriously hurt, had crawled into the bushes. That night he made his way to Ashland, and the next seen of him was when the engineer of a freight almost had a spasm when he saw a man's head lying across the rail in front of the locomotive so close that he couldn't stop. The engine hit him, but simply knocked him off the track. He was then taken to the poor farm for treatment. Monday afternoon he escaped, grabbed a ladder, set it against one of the electric light poles, climbed the ladder and the pole and seized one of the wires. Luckily for Rollins it wasn't the high tension one, but it had enough juice to knock Rollins off the pole to the ground. That settled the poor farm authorities, so Rollins was sent to Jacksonville.

"I don't know why I did those things," said Rollins, "but I know that I did do them. Something seemed to force me. I have been in ill-health for some time, and the thing started while I was working on a farm near Weed. One night I imagined I heard voices outside my tent and became convinced that somebody was after me. I knew it could not be true, but could not get rid of the impression. I thought I would go away. The impulse came upon me to jump through the car window and I did it. Also the other things I did came on suddenly. I was insane, and may be so again. A few months' treatment in the hospital may bring me out all right."

A peculiar feature of the case was that Rollins seemed perfectly rational in his conversation and remembered every incident of his adventures.

He will be taken to the insane asylum as soon as an attendant arrives.

## BALL PLAYER RESENTS LAUGH WITH GUN

PORTLAND, Ore., June 28.—Portland's freak dinner record today is held by the Eastern Hospital club, composed of physicians and surgeons. The dinner was given last night at the Commercial club. No knives, forks or spoons were used. Instead the diners employed surgical instruments of various kinds.

Glasses were replaced with graduated glass measures, while the finger bowls contained antiseptic waters. Wherever possible medical or surgical instruments replaced the usual table articles.

Plans for the dinner were arranged by Dr. George S. Whiteside, president of the club, and was gotten up as a surprise to the members, who did not know until they were ushered into the banquet hall that there was anything unique about the affair. Covers were laid for fourteen.

## The Abernathy Boys and Their Father, "Catch 'Em Alive Jack."



To a boy six years old who can ride horseback from Oklahoma to New York the job of dressing each morning should not be much of a task. But that is a point that Temple Abernathy, six years old, found fault with. "Son," said United States Marshal Jack Abernathy, "I'm going to dress you each morning for the next year. You're a baby, boy and man all in one, and I'm going to keep you a baby for a little longer by helping you dress." If ever two boys created a sensation in New York it was Temple and Louis Abernathy. Not only did the two boys perform a wonderful feat by riding horseback from their home in Oklahoma to New York city, but they went through the entire publicity without being "spoiled." The reunion in New York between the motherless boys and their father was a happy one, and the father is giving them a chance to see New York under his guiding hand. The trio will start homeward the last of June, but will make the journey by train.

## MRS. REDDY AGAIN ELECTED TO HEAD MEDFORD CLUB

Close Balloting Gives Her Place Over Mrs. Merrick by Three Votes—Both Ladies Have Taken Active Part in the Affairs of the Club.

Mrs. J. F. Reddy was re-elected president of the Greater Medford club at its annual business meeting held Monday afternoon in Smith's hall, defeating Mrs. F. E. Merrick by a small margin of three votes, the vote being 26 to 23. Both of the ladies have taken an active part in the affairs of the club during the past year and have each directed much of the good work accomplished. Neither sought the place, and, as the vote shows, sentiment was about evenly divided.

Other officers elected were: Mrs. H. C. Kentner, first vice-president; Mrs. E. B. Pickel, second vice-president; Mrs. W. C. Reagan, recording secretary; Mrs. A. H. Miller, corresponding secretary. No one was chosen as treasurer and Mrs. F. W. Hollis continues to serve.

The only other business considered was the instructions given a committee to advertise for bids for the building of the new grandstand in the park.

## MEDICOS MEET ANNUAL SESSION IN THIS CITY

State Board of Health Attend in a Body—Program Includes Auto Ride Through Valley and Banquet This Evening at Nash Grill.

The nineteenth annual session of the Southern Oregon Medical association is being held today in the Odd Fellows' hall, and there is a very fair attendance of the medical men of the state present.

The gathering is favored with the presence of the state board of health, all of the doctors arriving this morning. All of the members are here and are: W. B. Morse, A. C. Smith, E. A. Pierce, C. S. White, C. P. Smith, W. H. Lytle and E. B. Pickel. The session opened this morning and several addresses on timely topics were made. At 6 o'clock this afternoon an auto ride throughout the valley will be tendered the visitors and the day's events will conclude with a banquet this evening at the Nash grill.

Some women save only a dollar or so now and then through reading the ads. Others save something on practically every purchase they make—besides acquiring a buyer's education.

## \$500,000 FIRE IN HEART OF PATTERSON N.J.

Controlled After Difficult Fight in Which Four Firemen Are Injured—Entire Business District of City Was Endangered for a Time.

PATERSON, N. J., June 28.—Fire which threatened destruction of the business district of this city was controlled here today after four firemen had been injured. The firemen were struck by a falling wall, but none was fatally hurt. Loss, \$500,000.

## COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY TO INVESTIGATE WEST

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 28.—The western sub-committee of Judiciary, consisting of Senators O'Brien, Bowen and Stone, will go west in July to investigate several federal matters and it is possible they will take up the allegation of Dr. E. B. Perring that he was unjustly indicted and accorded improper treatment by United States District Attorney Devlin and Special Agent Burns at San Francisco. The committee will also investigate the charges of Governor Haskell of Oklahoma that "third degree" methods were used against him and his witnesses during the administration of President Roosevelt.

## BUYS SITE FOR NEW GAS PLANT NEAR VOORHIES

J. R. Anderson Prepares to Erect a Large Plant Half Way Between Ashland and Medford, From Which to Supply Valley With Gas.

J. R. Anderson has purchased a tract of land about a quarter of a mile south of the Voorhies spur on which to erect his gas plant, which is to supply Ashland and Medford other valley towns.

The spur will be situated close to the railroad, so that a side track can be constructed in order to facilitate the shipping in of material from which to make gas. The plant will be modern in every respect. Mr. Anderson plans to be ready to furnish gas in September.

## DEATH RATE IS LOW IN PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 28.—In a statement just issued by the bureau of insular affairs, it is shown that the death rate among the 8000 government employes in the Philippines is only 6.9 per 1000 per annum. Of the number of employes, 3700 are Americans, and the conclusion is drawn that the Philippines are not unhealthy for Americans.

## Sod House Roof Kills

ATWOOD, Kan., June 28.—J. J. Campbell, 75 years old, and his son, J. J. Campbell Jr., were killed when the roof of the old sod house on their ranch in Thomas County collapsed.

## Kill Big Bear in City Street

MACON, Ga., June 28.—A black bear weighing 250 pounds, was killed on Houston avenue, this city, early this morning after having been chased from a nearby swamp by a pack of fox hounds.

## Deluge of Snails Ensue.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., June 28.—Today completed the sixth week of almost continuous rain in this section, which is declared by the local weather bureau to be "the wettest spot on the face of the map." All through the agricultural districts, and even in Pottsville, thousands of snails were noticed in numbers never seen before.

## Kansas Needs 40,000 Hands.

TOPEKA, Kan., June 28.—Basing his estimates on recent reports from the wheat belt of the State, Charles Harris, director of the State Free Employment bureau, states that Kansas will need about 40,000 hands this year. His earlier estimates were 20,000.

## Mrs. Sherman Ill.

BALTIMORE, Md., June 28.—The condition of Mrs. James Sherman, wife of the vice-president, who is ill here, is grave today, and Mr. Sherman is remaining at her bedside constantly. The nature of her illness has not been made public.

## PORTLAND HAS A FREAK DINNER

MEMPHIS, Tenn., June 28.—Ollie Hollis, 20 years of age, is a prisoner in the county jail today, charged with the murder of Leslie Pratten, following a baseball game near Knoxville. Pratten laughed at Hollis when he struck out during the game. Two hours later, it is alleged, Hollis met Pratten outside the grounds and shot him through the breast. Pratten died instantly. He was married and had two small children.

## Auto Kills Man.

HAMMOND, Ind., June 28.—Peter Ripley of Hammond, was drowned today when his automobile leaped from the road, turned turtle and pinioned him beneath it in the waters of a creek. Six companions were injured.

## FLOODS DRIVE SCORES FROM THEIR HOMES

Heavy Rains in Kentucky Cause High Water—Crops Damaged to Great Extent—Rail Communication Demoralized—Many Wires Are Down

WHITESBORO, Ky., June 28.—Scores of families living in the valley of the middle fork of Beaver creek, along the border between Floyd and Knott counties, are homeless today, following abnormally heavy rains in this section during the last 48 hours.

Hundreds of farmers with their families have fled to higher ground to escape the rising waters. Crops have been already damaged to the extent of many thousands of dollars and hundreds of head of livestock destroyed.

The cloudbursts occurred last night in the Beaver creek district. A bridge of the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad near here and a cattle bridge over John creek were washed away.

Rail communication throughout this section is demoralized and the telephone and telegraph wires are prostrated.

Reports from the mountain districts state that several persons lost their lives in a terrific wind storm that preceded the rains. These reports, however, could not be verified.

## DIRECTORY IS CRITERION OF CITY'S GROWTH

Increase of 300 Phones Shown Since January Reflecting Increase in the Population of City and Valley—Is Forty-Page Book.

The Pacific Telephone company has published a new directory for Medford, Central Point, Gold Hill and Jacksonville. It contains 1310 telephone numbers, a gain of 300 names over the last directory published on January 20, reflecting the rapid growth in the population as well as in telephones.

The new directory contains 40 pages, as against 28 in the one previous, and carries a good display of advertising.

In September a combined directory of Ashland, Grants Pass, Medford and other towns of the Rogue River valley will be issued.

## Senator McEnery Dies.

NEW ORLEANS, La., June 28.—United States Senator Samuel Douglas McEnery died here today. The cause of his death has not yet been made known.

## TEDDY SHAKES HANDS WITH HIS TRAINMEN

NEW YORK, June 28.—Theodore Roosevelt was driven from his home at Oyster Bay to the Grand Central station in New York in 40 minutes today, in spite of the bad roads. He then boarded a train for Cambridge.

On the train Roosevelt shook hands with the porters, engineers, firemen and other members of the train crew. In greeting a veteran postman at Oyster Bay, before leaving, he said:

"Well, Jerry, my old friend, you elected me to the assembly 23 years ago. I shall never forget the day." Before leaving New York Roosevelt greeted a group of reporters. "I wonder who started that outrageous story that an operation was to be performed on my throat," he inquired. "The author must surely have an elastic mind."