

COUPLE, PARTED, FIGHT FOR CHILD

Mother Wins Out However and W. H. Hopper Will Have Nothing to Say Regarding His 18-Months-Old Baby Hereafter.

Custody of a little 18-months-old baby was at issue in Judge Calkins' court Thursday when the father, W. H. Hopper, brought habeas corpus proceedings to get the child away from his wife's mother, with whom Mrs. Hopper had left the baby after she separated from her husband.

A tale of marital infelicity was related to the judge by both husband and wife before the case was decided. Mrs. Hopper said that she and her husband had been living on a small ranch, but that he was a religious fanatic and refused to have meat in the house, besides insisting that she, as well as he, should subsist on the simplest food with all seasoning left out. She said that she could not nurse the baby on such a diet and that rather than forfeit its life she left her husband and went to Portland to learn stenography, leaving the baby temporarily with her mother, Mrs. Mary DeSpain, of Ashland.

A few days ago Mr. Hopper heard that his wife was in Portland and the child in Ashland. He secured legal advice to the effect that his right to the baby would have precedence over that of his mother-in-law and he instituted habeas corpus proceedings.

The trial of the case was set and it is probable that the law would have taken its course and the father would have been given the custody of the child had not the mother made an opportune appearance in Judge Calkins' private chambers, where the hearing was held, and her claims to the child, when she offered to care for it personally, could not be disputed. The case was settled by stipulation between the parties and Mrs. Hopper signified her intention of returning to Portland at once with her mother and baby.

NO MORE POST-SERIES IN COAST LEAGUE

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 3.—There will be no post league series in the Pacific Coast league, according to the stand taken today by Allen T. Baum, newly elected president of the league, who characterized the last series, that between Portland and Oakland, as "an awful joke."

REINFORCEMENTS ARE TO BE SENT TO TRIPOLI

NAPLES, Nov. 3.—Further reinforcements of the Italian troops in Tripoli, comprising four regiments of infantry besides supplementary troops, artillery, cavalry and engineers are being secretly assembled today. The reinforcements will form another army division, totaling 15,000 men.

NO REFEREE YET FOR BIG CALIFORNIA GAME

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 3.—With the annual intercollegiate Rugby game between Stanford and the University of California only ten days away, representatives of the two colleges are in a quandary and students are becoming impatient over the fact that no referee has been selected.

Several meetings have been held in order to find a man for the position, the last one, held here last night, being as barren of results as previous sessions. Another meeting will be held tonight.

THOUSANDS OF WILD GESE ON COLUMBIA

UMATILLA, Ore., Nov. 3.—Within the last four days hundreds of thousands of wild geese have arrived at the Columbia river from the north, according to messages received here from hunters who have departed for bluffs and wheat fields along the stream. The hunters are bagging large numbers of them.

MANY RESIDENTS STAR-GAZING

Theories by the Score, Ranging From Comet to Airship, Advanced When Venus Stays Out Late and Fails to Disappear From View.

Star-gazers this morning lined Main street from the new hotel to Bear Creek bridge and before noon in every section of the city field glasses and opera glasses were being pointed at the heavens. It all happened because at 8:30 this morning a pedestrian sighted a star in the heavens almost directly overhead.

"A star, by gum, and with my naked eyes," he ejaculated and soon a crowd collected to find out why he was so intently studying the sky. It wasn't long before the whole street was looking in the air and then it was that speculations became rife.

"It's Brook's comet," one man informed all within hearing and the theory was so logical that it was immediately accepted by all save one elderly man who flatfootedly maintained it was an airship.

"Comet, nothing!" he exploded. "Why, son, I have been watching it for an hour and I tell you it's an airship. It's headed south and fighting a strong wind. I can tell he's having trouble because every once in a while you can't see it and that means he's tipping."

In vain the crowd tried to convince him it was the comet and then information came that upset all the theories. Prof. O'Gara here the tidings that the cause of the excitement was a woman and Venus at that. In the words of the professor, Venus is now at its period of greatest elongation and is more plainly visible than at any other time.

Earlier in the morning Venus appeared very bright and it was still plainly visible to the naked eye at 11 o'clock this morning. After that it was harder to find in the bright sky.

UNION RANKS ARE STILL HOLDING FIRM

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 3.—Although one month has elapsed since the shopmen of the Harriman lines declared a strike, the employees who went out in the northwest today are still out and the union ranks are holding firm. No disorders beyond an occasional fist fight has been reported. Union leaders declare that they will win ultimately.

The various shops are being operated by small forces of strikebreakers and railroad officials declare the work is being effectively performed, something which their unionists vehemently deny.

Mt. Adams Numbered

HUSSUM, Wn., Nov. 3.—By a freakish turn of nature, Mount Adams has been tagged with the number of "167."

NEELEY POINTS VALLEY PROGRESS

Vice-President of Spokane Apple Show Marvels at Progress Made During the Past Year Locally in Way of Development.

"The Rogue river valley has made marvelous progress during the past year," states Harry J. Neely, vice president of the Spokane Apple Show, who spent Thursday in Medford. "I scarcely recognized the country, it has improved so. New hangarows have come up in all parts of the country, new groves have been planted, and orchards have made a phenomenal growth."

"You Medford people are so accustomed to rapid development that you do not begin to realize your own progress. There isn't a district in the country that will compare with yours, either in beauty of scenery, delightful climate, cleanliness of orchards or extensiveness of orchard area or in material progress. Your development is simply phenomenal—and I know what I am talking about for I have visited all section of the northwest. Your fruit trees are healthier and in better shape than anywhere else."

"Next year should be your banner year. It all lies with yourselves. If you have confidence in yourself, the world will also. It is up to Medford and the valley to wake up and go at things with the old-time vim. If you look doubtful and talk hard

AUSTRIA GETS READY FOR WAR

Increases Its Forces Along the Italian Frontier—New Developments in Tripoli Affair Are Hourly Expected by Europe.

VIENNA, Nov. 3.—Austria today is quietly increasing its forces along the Italian frontier in preparation, it is unofficially said, "for possible eventualities."

It is expected that if the Italians carry out their threat to seize other Turkish possessions, Austria may strike.

While officialdom here is silent on the situation, it is freely admitted that new and startling developments in the Tripoli affair are hourly expected.

MILAN, (via frontier)—The Duchess D'Aosta smiled Tuesday last from Naples to nurse the wounded Italian soldiers at Tripoli.

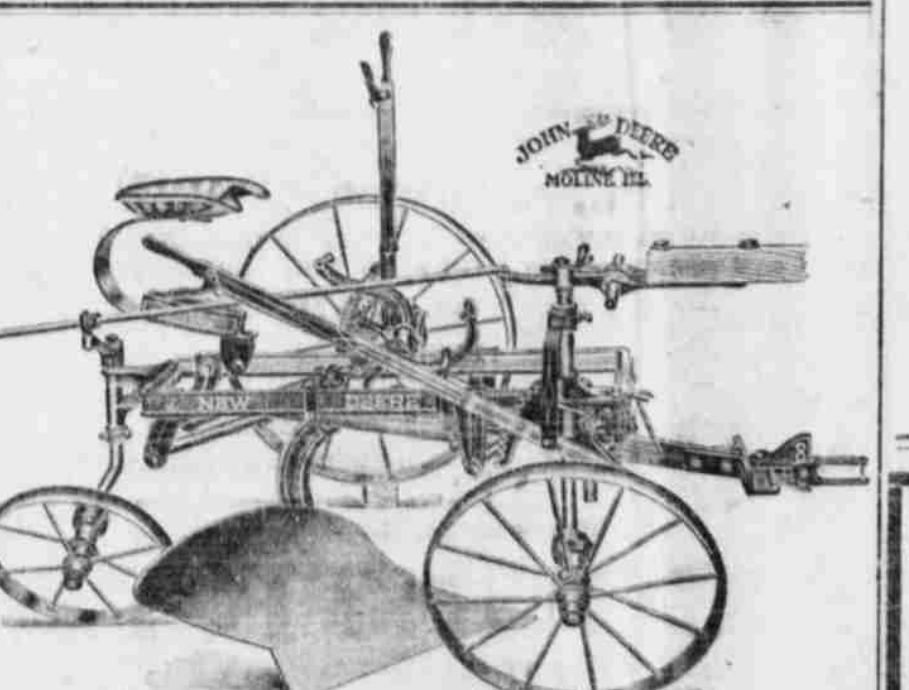
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