

STOKES RELATES HOW HIS WIFE SCRATCHED HIM

CHICAGO, March 5.—Asked regarding his marriage yesterday W. E. D. Stokes, who is being sued for defaming his former wife's character, said:

"I drove to the home of a friend in Jersey City and we were married in his parlor. Then we went back to the Ansonia hotel."

"I established a very elegant apartment in the hotel. I had sixteen to eighteen rooms and four or five baths, with picture galleries."

"I had a cook, a maid for Mrs. Stokes, a butler and other servants. I gave her a motor car and an allowance of \$500 a month for spending money and paid all the bills myself. I gave her considerable money when we were married."

"I had another home at North Long Branch, N. J., and a third at Lexington, Ky. I opened the home in Long Branch after our marriage. I think the home had twenty-odd or more rooms, all elegant and spacious."

"I employed three servants and I think an extra one came in when needed. I went down there Saturday afternoons or Friday afternoons."

The state repeatedly objected to voluntary statements by Mr. Stokes. Mr. Stokes answered a question regarding the time his wife spent away from home in 1912, the second year of their marriage, by replying to his attorney:

"If you'd told me that you were going to ask me that, I could have given you an exact record."

The court room sat forward tensely when Mr. Stokes was asked:

"Were any children born to yourself and Mrs. Stokes?" and replied: "Mrs. Stokes had a child born in 1914 and a second in 1915."

The first child was born at Denver, he said, and the second at the Hotel Vanderbilt in New York. He said Mrs. Stokes moved to the Vanderbilt without his knowledge.

"She said she couldn't sleep at the Ansonia," testified Mr. Stokes, "and had to be near the seashore."

Mr. Stokes said, over objection by the prosecution, that he loved the children and always had treated them well.

"Did Mrs. Stokes spend most of the summer of 1917 at home with you?" Attorney Rathbun asked.

"No," replied Mr. Stokes.

"In 1918?"

"Whether she went to Denver then I don't remember. She returned from a trip in September with her father. She came in and said there is a question of whether we're legally married. I can't stay at the Ansonia until its decided. I must consult my father and my lawyer. Then she went to the Biltmore. When I came to her apartment she had locked the door and she said she had engaged an apartment elsewhere at \$25,000. I said I had incurred debts at the Ansonia. You have an elegant apartment. With that she began to scratch my face."

"I have one of the scars today," said Mr. Stokes, pointing to his forehead.

COLORADO'S CRATER LAKE IS SEEPING AWAY THRU LEAK

DENVER, Colo., Mar. 5.—Slowly diminishing through subterranean channels, water of Crater lake, 1300 feet from the Moffatt tunnel on the crest of the continental divide are leaking into the great railroad bore, it has officially and scientifically been determined, according to authorities.

The seepage which began through the rock seams in the eastern portal of the tunnel February 15, at the rate of 1600 gallons a minute, has dwindled to about 251 gallons a minute and the lake today is nearly empty.

This phenomenon has been without detriment to workers building the six mile tunnel through the heart of the Rocky mountains to provide faster trans-continental rail connection despite nature's own barrier in the expansive mountain ranges.

The flow of water into the tunnel was at first believed by workmen to have been caused by striking an underground reservoir. Since February 19 officials employed a scientific analysis with the result that chloride of lime poured into the lake has seeped its way into the tunnel.

Crater lake lies in a region covered with snow from ten to thirty feet deep and steps must be taken, according to officials, to stop the leaks before the spring thaw, lest the onrush of Crater lake's supply should too rapidly engulf the bore where several hundred workmen are engaged on the project.

Work, however, has never been seriously hampered by the water. The slope of the tunnel provides a natural drainage system.

Chairman W. P. Robinson of the state Moffatt tunnel commission, has announced that crevices through which the water pours will be concreted or drains will be constructed to carry the water away. Expense of stopping the leaks would not be huge, according to Mr. Robinson.

France Again Swept By Torrential Rains

PARIS, Mar. 5.—The weather has changed abruptly since Saturday and there has been a succession of gales, followed by snow, sleet and rain. Grain crops have been destroyed in many places by hailstones. Heavy seas, approximating the proportions of a tidal wave, destroyed or sank a large number of fishing boats at St. Tropez, St. Maxime and Capraucanne. A similar tale of disaster comes from the channel and Atlantic coasts.

The Markets

Livestock.
 PORTLAND, Ore., March 5.—Considering quality, she stock steady to the steers, 25 to 50c higher, constring. Receipts 480 (84 through). Steers, good \$8@8.50; medium \$7.50@8; common, \$6.50@7.50; canner and cutter steers, \$5.50@6.50.

Hogs 25 to 50c higher; receipts 800 (242 direct and 100 contract). Heavyweight (250 to 350 lbs.) medium good and choice, \$11.75@12; medium weight (200 to 300 lbs.) medium, good and choice, \$12.25@12.25; light weight (150 to 200 lbs.) common, medium, good and choice, \$12@12.35; light lights (150 to 160 lbs.) common, medium, good and choice, \$11@11.13; packing hogs smooth, \$11@11.25; packing hogs, rough \$10.50@11; slaughter pigs (120 lbs. down) medium, good and choice, \$11@12.65; feeder and stocker pigs (70 to 130 lbs.) common, medium, good and choice, \$10@11.10.

(Soft or oily hogs and roasting pigs excluded in above quotation).
 Sheep nominally steady; receipts 65.

Eggs.
 PORTLAND, Ore., March 5.—Eggs generally steady; firsts cent higher. Current receipts 26 1/2; pullets 24 1/2 @ 25c; firsts 26 1/2 @ 27c; henneries 27 1/2 @ 28c delivered, Portland.

Butter.
 Butter steady. Extra cubes, city 46c; standards 44 1/2c; prime firsts 43 1/2c; firsts 40 1/2c; undergrades nominal; prints 47c; cartons 48c.

Butterfat steady. Best churning cream 46 1/2c net shippers' track in zone zone; 47c delivered Portland.

Poultry steady. Heavy hens, 20@21c; light, 17c; springs 22@23c; old roosters 19c; ducks, white Pekin, 25c; live turkeys 23c; dressed turkeys 33@35c; geese 16c.

Portland Wheat.
 PORTLAND, Ore., March 5.—Wheat bids: Hard white, bluestem, hard, \$1.90; hard white, western white, \$1.83; hard winter, northern spring, \$1.82; winter red \$1.81; BBR hard white \$2.15.

Today's car receipts—Wheat 25; barley 1; flour 4; oats 2; hay 2.

Potatoes.
 Onions quiet \$2.50@2.75.
 Potatoes quiet \$1.50@1.60.

San Francisco Market.
 SAN FRANCISCO, March 5.—(U. S. Bureau of Agricultural Economics)—Eggs steady; undersized pullets, 25 1/2c.
 Butterfat f. o. b., San Francisco, 48 1/2c.
 Large colored hens fancy, 27@28c per lb.

Shrine Stated Session.
 Hillah Temple meets at Masonic Hall, Ashland, Friday evening, March 6. Important routine business and other details to be attended to, hence a full attendance is requested. Refreshments after session.

EMIL BRITTE, Patentee.
 W. H. DAY, Recorder. 294*

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LEAVING Vancouver May 4 the magnificent Canadian Pacific liner Empress of France will make a complete Round America Cruise, including a daylight trip through the Panama Canal and shore excursions at San Francisco, Seba and Havana. The ship arrives in New York May 26 after nineteen wonderful days en route.

Fares for the Cruise are from \$400 upward, including railway ticket back to starting point. Through out the entire trip, Canadian Pacific management assures the finest service, comfort and cuisine. Reservations may now be made.

TO EUROPE
 This sailing of the Empress of France also offers a splendid opportunity for an all-water trip to Europe. Leaving Vancouver May 4 and arriving in Southampton June 3, then to Cherbourg, including a three-day shore visit in New York, the trip may be made for us little as \$495.



HUGHES DEPARTS FOR BERMUDA AS KELLOGG STEPS IN

WASHINGTON, Mar. 5.—Frank B. Kellogg was sworn in today as secretary of state succeeding Charles E. Hughes, who has held the post the last four years.

The oath was administered at the state department at 9:20 a. m. by Associate Justice Pierce Butler of the supreme court, who like Mr. Kellogg is a Minnesotan.

Some two score departmental officers, members of the Minnesota delegation in congress and visitors in

Washington from Minnesota and members of the diplomatic corps were at the state department to witness the inauguration.

An informal reception during which Mr. and Mrs. Kellogg mingled with the little group of invited guests followed, after which the secretary was escorted to the big desk in the office of the secretary of state to begin his duties.

Within fifteen minutes after Mr. Kellogg had taken the helm which had been held by Secretary Hughes through four of the most eventful years in American diplomatic history, Mr. Hughes had left the state department to complete his preparations for sailing Saturday for Bermuda, where he expects to spend several months before resuming his practice of law in New York. He seemed elated at his release from official cares when he left his big building.

Plunging into his new duties, Secretary Kellogg's first appointment was for a conference with President Coolidge with whom he will now

work in guiding the nation's foreign policies.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 5.—William M. Jardine of Kansas today became secretary of agriculture, succeeding Howard M. Gore who retired yesterday to take up his duties as governor of West Virginia.

The new secretary took the oath at the agriculture department before members of the Kansas delegation in congress and bureau chiefs of the department. Then he held an informal reception in the secretary's office.

The oath was administered after the secretary had conferred at length with President Coolidge. It was indicated that a new assistant secretary also would be named soon and the name of C. W. Creel, director of agricultural extension of the University of Nevada was mentioned prominently.

Dr. L. A. Salade of the Central Point district was a Medford visitor Wednesday.

MISSING HUSBAND FOUND, PORTLAND WIFE GETS DECREE

PORTLAND, Ore., March 5.—Dr. Herschel C. Parker, explorer, whose wife, Evelyn Naeble Parker, obtained an "Enoch Arden" divorce in New York yesterday was located in Portland today. He has been living at a hotel here. He declared he had left New York five years ago for the west to engage in research work, following estrangement from his wife. At the time of their marriage in 1911, Dr. Parker was in his forties, and his wife was in her teens.

Dr. Parker said he had established

a residence in Reno, Nev., in order to apply for a divorce and that when he learned his wife had started suit he abandoned his residence there.

The "Enoch Arden" provision of the New York divorce law allows one party to a marriage to obtain an uncontested decree when the other party has been absent from the state for five years.

Dr. Parker, in an interview today telling of his explorations in the west said he had discovered a practical plan for drawing gold from the waters of Lake Mono, Cal., through electro-chemical methods.

Pendleton P. M. Passes Away
 PENDLETON, Ore., Mar. 4.—J. T. Brown, 55, born in Missouri and for 19 years a resident of Umatilla county died here last night of high blood pressure. Mr. Brown held the office of county coroner at the time of his death and was also a member of the city water board. For eight years Mr. Brown served as the Pendleton postmaster.

on Friday Evening

You are cordially invited to attend the opening reception of the new Medford store of the Western Auto Supply Company. Inspect the extensive supply of Accessories, Supplies and Camping Equipment—renew the acquaintance of R. W. Richardson, our store manager.

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Hours: 5 to 9 p. m.

Four hours—come any time—leave when you wish. We hope this gives everyone an opportunity to attend our reception and dedicate with us the opening of this store.

Refreshments

No Merchandise Sold

These hours are set aside to meet and greet our friends of Medford. We hope you will come and share with us the pleasure that is ours.

A Word About Our Company

Built on the foundation of faith and confidence, the Western Auto Supply Company stands as a beacon light, illuminating the reward of honest endeavor, faithful service, irreproachable quality and indisputable value. The company has grown from one small store in 1916 to the largest of its kind, operating more than 100 stores in the west.

Simultaneously with the opening of this new store, we wish to renew our pledge of service to the motoring public. It shall be our duty to endorse Accessories and Supplies that will make motoring safer, more comfortable, more enjoyable and more economical. This has been our policy in the past and it shall continue to be our policy in the future.

Many of you in Medford have visited our old store in this city. You are familiar with our guarantee of satisfaction or money refunded. You know that our "Hundred-Store" buying power enables us to buy for less and we pass that saving on to you. You know we carry only standard quality merchandise; that our stocks are always fresh and clean and that we're ready to serve you with a smile. Visit our new store. Our store manager, R. W. Richardson, will take pleasure in showing you around.

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