

Is Marriage a Success? What Homer Said. Faithful Wild Goose. The Faithless Monkey.

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Is marriage a success? The question is discussed in the New York American, and its editors report that if they had room ten thousand letters from women would appear every day.

Women, more than men, are interested in the success of marriage, and well may be, for thus far marriage has been practically women's only business.

No question is raised as to the beauty, sanctity, permanency or necessity of marriage. The New York American invites its readers to discuss the question, "Is marriage as great a success as it ever can be, as complete a success as it could possibly be made?"

The flying machine is fairly successful, but by inventing, planning, discussing, men are making it more successful every day. The automobile at first broke down every few minutes, now it will run twenty thousand miles without "lifting the hood."

That is because automobile makers were not content as long as they had breakdowns.

In marriage, men have been content to run along with models two thousand years old. Frequent blowouts and breakdowns have been taken for granted in the marriage machine.

Now, with revelations following the war, with woman suffrage making the wife the political-equal as well as the moral superior of her husband, it is time to consider marriage improvement. The New York American has started a useful discussion.

The beauty and value of marriage were well expressed by Homer, almost three thousand years ago. The wise Ulysses, having "escaped the sables seas," meets "Nausicaa, with the wrists of ivory. This beautiful virgin and her maidens, after going in swimming and playing ball on the shore, all of them except Nausicaa are terrified when Ulysses, cast up all naked, "by waves and stern storms," crawls out of the bushes.

Nausicaa, like the sensible girl she is, sympathizes with the poor man, gives him oil to rub on his body, clothes to wear. Ulysses, in the sixth book of Homer's Odyssey, says to the young lady: "God give you in requital all the amends."

Your heart can wish, a husband, family, and good agreement. Naught beneath the sky. Ner so sweet, more worthy is, than firm consent of man and wife in household government.

It joys their wishers-well, their enemies wounds. But to themselves, the special good redounds."

There the right kind of marriage was well described almost thirty centuries ago.

Marriage was old among men when Homer wrote, it was hundreds of thousands of years old in a primitive form among animals when men first appeared on the earth. The wild goose mates for life, and only once. If goose or gander dies the survivor mourns in loneliness until death.

The ostrich has but one mate, and the same is true of other birds and many animals.

Strange and sad to relate, among monkeys and men, of all animals in creation, you find most rarely fidelity and moral power, content to spend a lifetime in partnership, with only one being of opposite sex.

You would say, the wild gander can spend a lifetime satisfied with one wild goose, whose emotions and conversations must be limited. This will ostrich, what time he lifteth himself up on high, can spend a lifetime with the same unimaginative, small-brained female ostrich. Surely man should be content all his life with one woman, whose moods and possibilities are infinite, whose plumage changes spring and fall, whose mind you cannot know thoroughly even after fifty years of study.

Man ought to be content with marriage and monogamy, but often unfortunately he is not.

And often, like the fool that he is, he imagines that his dissatisfaction and unfaithfulness indicate superior qualities within himself. He easily persuades himself that his wife is "not quite my equal," or "does not understand my highly strung nature."

It is amazing how easily he finds, plastered with rouge, gilded with peroxide, some dull creature, unable to speak any language correctly, incapable of any serious thought, yet perfectly able to understand his "my highly strung temperament," and extract jewelry from it.

Men with simian conceit, mistaking lack of character and moral integrity for "temperament," ought to read a recent scientist's statement concerning the lower monkeys. In captivity the only way to keep them gay, active and healthy is "to change their mates very often."

That applies only, however, to second-class monkeys. High-grade anthropoids, the chimpanzees and the gorillas, do not require this change. Therefore, the faithless husband, if he only knew it, ranks with the second-class monkeys. He

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TROOPS SENT TO W. VA. TO END MINE WAR

Expect Cork's Mayor to Die by Night

NEW RED DRIVE BELIEVED NEAR

Russ Regroup Forces At Brest-Titovsk—Fortify for Stand at Grodno.

POLES STILL VICTORIOUS. Advised by Military Experts to Come to Terms, in Face of Counter Attack.

LONDON, Aug. 29.—With a Bolshevik counter-attack at Grodno and another at Brest Litovsk reported imminent, military authorities here today expressed the belief it would be to the interest of the Poles to make the best possible terms with the Soviet at Minsk and conclude an armistice.

MAKE STAND AT GRODNO. Red forces were reported building fortifications near Grodno in an effort to make a stand at that city. A heavy movement of soldiers near Brest Litovsk also was taken to indicate that a new Red drive would begin shortly. These expectations were further borne out by receipt of an official wireless dispatch from Moscow saying, "Our army is pulling itself together."

Advices regarding the Minsk peace negotiations received here today indicated the parleys would continue at that city, despite reports they would move to a neutral country.

The negotiations were understood to have been resumed on the basis of the modified peace terms submitted by the Bolshevik foreign minister, M. Chicherin. Soviet sources charged the Poles were purposely dragging out the conference at Minsk in an effort to consolidate their military victory before agreeing on terms. A Moscow wireless said, "The Poles have rejected our conditions, but have offered no alternatives."

Later dispatches from the fighting front indicated the Poles continued victorious. The principal fighting appeared to be near Grodno and the east Prussian frontier, where the Reds made a desperate stand. Scattered bands of Russians were still north of Warsaw.

A Polish official statement declared Bolshevik losses in killed and wounded to date total 187,000.

TULSA MOB LYNCHES NEGRO AFTER FIGHT

Man Accused of Slaying Taxi Driver Taken From Sheriff and Hanged.

TULSA, Okla., Aug. 29.—Authorities today accused of a mob which took Tom Owens, alleged slayer of Homer Nida, taxi cab driver, from the jail here and hung him to a bill board on the state highway, three miles west of here, early today. There were 200 persons in the mob.

More than thirty shots were fired when the mob stormed the jail. Three armed guards, yesterday placed on duty by the sheriff following spreading of rumors that an attempt would be made to lynch Owens, opened fire upon the mob, but exhausted their ammunition and were compelled to surrender the prisoner.

The mob placed Owens in an automobile and he was driven rapidly out of town. Police in another car pursued, but were unable to catch up with the first automobile.

NEFF WINS OVER BAILEY IN TEXAS STATE PRIMARY

Former U. S. Senator, On "Open Shop" Stand, Beaten in Governor's Race By 100,000 Votes.

DALLAS, Tex., Aug. 29.—Pat M. Neff, of Waco, yesterday was elected governor of Texas by a majority of probably more than 100,000 votes over former United States Senator Joseph Weldon Bailey, in a run-off primary, according to returns compiled from 207 counties early today by the Texas election bureau.

The latest tabulation obtainable early this morning gives Bailey 156,941; Neff, 229,880. The "open shop" was fostered by Senator Bailey in his campaign.

AN OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE FOR District Commissioners

Washington Will Register Its Opinion in This Poll. Residents of the Nation's Capital, Interested in Their City, Vote for Heads of Municipal Government.

And now for the vote. Are you interested in the choice of a District Commissioner to succeed Louis Brownlow?

The Times presents to the citizens of Washington the opportunity to register their preference for the most important post in the District government. The complete list of nominees is herewith printed. No new nominations will be accepted.

Anybody above the age of twenty-one who is a resident of the District is entitled to vote. Equal suffrage is in effect in the country at large, and will be recognized in this contest. It is a good opportunity for women of Washington to show their appreciation of the ballot.

Balloting will begin immediately after this issue of The Times, and will continue until 10 o'clock Friday, September 3. The result will be announced in The Times Sunday, September 5.

The tabulation will be immediately certified and presented to President Wilson for his consideration.

The full list of nominees follows: R. H. ALCOBN, GEORGE A. BENTLEY, J. A. COHN, EDWARD E. COLLADAY, DANIEL A. EDWARDS, LOUIS J. FOSSE, THOMAS GRANT, EARL V. HIGGINS, CHARLES E. HOLT, F. W. HOOVER, COL. E. LESTER JONES, MRS. MARY WRIGHT JOHNSON, W. P. E. KING, CHARLES F. KNOCKEY, J. LEWIS, JR., JOHN R. LOVE, HENRY B. F. MACFARLAND, JAMES EASBY-SMITH, WILTON J. LAMBERT, INA C. EMERY, PHILIP KING, WILLIAM B. WESTLAKE, CLARA SEARS TAYLOR, FREDERIC J. HASKIN, CUNO H. RUDOLPH, WALTER BROWNLEY, DR. LEWIS BLISS, CHARLES A. BAKER, JOHN HUGH DAVIS, MARVIN H. WESLEY, JAMES A. OSHEA, J. CLINTON HIATT, WILLIAM T. GALLIHER, EDWARD W. LIBBY, JOHN F. COSTELLO, J. MILLER KENTON, D. A. EDWARDS, FULTON LEWIS, JOHN J. NOONAN, WILLIAM AETHERTON DUPUY, JOHN LEWIS SMITH, DANIEL T. WRIGHT, H. O. SMITH, WILLIAM JETT LAUCK, DR. ABRAHAM SIMON, J. HARRY CUNNINGHAM, T. P. HICKMAN, JOHN HADLEY DOYLE, JUDGE R. E. MATTINGLY, WILLIAM M. CLAGGETT, FRANK J. LINTON, MRS. S. KIGGINS TERRY, SAMUEL HART.

Millions of dollars of public money are spent each year, and matters of importance, not only to the generation of today, but to the entire future, are adjusted by a body of three commissioners, one of whom is to be appointed by the President before September 15.

The President, while during his term of office he is a resident of the District, doesn't have the opportunity to know men and public needs which is possessed by the public who spend their lives here.

The Times is assured that an advisory vote by the people of the District will receive careful consideration at the White House.

Therefore, it is incumbent on residents of the District to record their choice through the referendum arranged by The Times.

Herewith is printed a ballot. A similar ballot will be printed in The Times for five days. If you are a resident of the District, fill in the name of some person named in the nominating list in The Times today. Sign your name and mail it to Vote Editor, The Times, Washington, D. C. The signature is merely required as a matter of good faith. It will be seen by nobody except the Vote Editor and those who assist him in tabulation. It will be kept a sacred secret.

Only one vote is permitted. (Continued on Page 10, Column 5.)

BALLOT For Commissioner of the District of Columbia: Name: My own name and address are:

Clip this ballot and mail to Vote Editor, The Washington Times.

LOSES SPEECH AS END NEARS

McSwiney Too Weak to Indicate That He Desires to Cease Hunger Strike.

DUBLIN, Aug. 29.—Four Sinn Fein hunger strikers in the jail at Cork, Ireland, began their twentieth day without food today. They are reported to be dying. They have refused water for fear it might contain secret nourishment.

LONDON, Aug. 29.—Terence McSwiney, Lord Mayor of Cork, hunger striking at Brixton prison, began the seventeenth day of his fast today, unable to utter a word or to indicate to the relatives at his bedside whether he desired to continue his ghastly protest against British domination of Ireland.

FOOD PUT BEFORE HIM. McSwiney was conscious, but was growing steadily weaker, and the prison physician declared there was little hope he would live beyond tonight. All varieties of food were placed before the Lord Mayor in an effort to make him eat and save his own life, but McSwiney made no move to eat.

The Mayor was at her husband's bedside throughout the night, and presented a wan and tired, but still hopeful appearance as she walked, supported by her sister, to church.

His sister, Mary, yesterday offered him some pastilles containing water from the famous spring at Lourdes, France. He rejected them with the whispered, almost inaudible, explanation that they might contain nourishment. She cooled his forehead, hot with fever, with holy water.

APPEALS TO QUEEN. Redmond Howard, nephew of the late John Redmond, yesterday appealed to Queen Mary, begging her cooperation in the effort to save McSwiney's life. His telegram to her said that one of the lord mayor's lungs had become affected.

Howard also sent a telegram to Sir Edward Carson, the Ulster leader, appealing for his aid in the struggle to save the prisoner's life.

U. S. PROBES ACTIONS OF PRO-IRISH WOMEN

Officials of three Government departments today were giving attention to the activities of women Irish sympathizers, headed by Miss Gertrude Corless, who yesterday persuaded 2,000 longshoremen and sailors to strike in New York as a protest against the refusal of the British government to release from prison Lord Mayor McSwiney of Cork, who is near death from a hunger strike.

At the Department of Justice it was said Miss Corless' plans to foment more strikes might be a violation of the Lever act.

Immigration Bureau officials may be asked to investigate the status of the Corless group members, to determine if they can be deported.

The State Department fears that the activities of the Corless group may lead to a misunderstanding between the country and Great Britain.

ENDS LIFE BECAUSE OF HER ILL HEALTH

Mrs. Anna Schroeder Commits Suicide in Room by Inhaling Gas.

Attaching a rubber tube from a gas stove to her mouth, Mrs. Anna Schroeder, fifty years old, ends her life this morning in her room at 20 Third street northeast.

Friends of the woman, who is a native of Germany and who has no relatives in this country, said that she had been despondent because of the inability of physicians to cure a malignant disease from which she suffered.

When the woman failed to appear for breakfast this morning, Mrs. Anna M. Perry, with whom she lived, went to Mrs. Schroeder's room and found her dead. She had lived at the house for seven years, and formerly worked as a seamstress. She is survived by a son, Mase Pennig, of Germany.

After an investigation by Detective J. G. Delamater, of the Ninth precinct, Coroner J. Ramsey Nevitt gave a certificate of suicide.

2,500 British Agents Spreading Propaganda In U. S., Says Britten

\$87,000 Sent for Embassy Entertainment Spent to Promote League, He Asserts.

CHICAGO, Aug. 29.—Governor James M. Cox, Democratic nominee for the Presidency, probably will be summoned to appear personally before the Senate committee which is investigating election funds, and tell what he knows of the large sum which it is said the British government is providing to help elect him to the White House.

BRITTEN MAKES CHARGE. Congressman Fred A. Britten, who made the amazing revelations regarding the efforts of Great Britain to purchase support of the peace treaty and the League of Nations covenant in America, announced today that he will demand that the committee issue such a summons.

"In view of the fact that I have revealed data which seriously reflects upon a candidate for the Presidency," said Congressman Britten, "I shall demand that Governor Cox himself be summoned and questioned."

Congressman Britten is prepared to go tomorrow before the Senate committee and give information which he says, if followed up, will lead to the proof of two things:

First—That \$87,000, which was appropriated by the British government to be used by its Washington embassy for entertainment purposes, had found its way into a fund to support Governor Cox's candidacy.

Second—That an international banking ring is backing Governor Cox.

Congressman Britten said today that he does not believe that any act in keeping with his official position.

"I am not accusing Sir Auckland of any act in keeping with his official position," he added. "I am informed by men who are very close to the work that Great Britain maintains a force of 2,500 agents in the United States," he said, "to do nothing but play up public

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Christian D. Hemmick Granted Divorce From His Millionaire Wife

Christian D. Hemmick, of New York and Washington, whose marriage to Mrs. Alice Barney nine years ago was the society sensation of two continents, has just been granted a divorce from his wife.

The divorce was granted by Judge Frank Johnson, Jr., of the circuit court here. He charged desertion.

Hemmick testified that his wife left him on the night of January 23, 1918, and never returned. He declared that she had taken her sister, Natalie, as a model.

As the news went the rounds of the city large crowds began to collect about the house, and at last the police, in an effort to discourage additional sightseers had to cover the statue with a tarpaulin. Later it was carried from the lawn and

WAR IN 4 YEARS, SAYS 'HAM' LEWIS

America Will Battle With Japan, Russia and Germany, He Predicts.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 29.—James Hamilton Lewis, former United States Senator, predicted in a speech before the American Bar Association here yesterday that another world war will be fought within four years.

"This conflict will be in the Pacific," he said. "It will be with a league of Japan, Russia, and Germany, against the approach of this calamity and are making no proper preparation to avoid it," he declared.

"The signs of today mean that the next President of the United States will command this nation through that war. There is no unity of patriotism for America as a nation. The coming Presidential election will present to the world the event of a President being chosen upon issues that have no relation to the United States and by voters who have no thought of the welfare of the American people."

ASSIGNS WEALTH TO DAUGHTERS. About a month before Mrs. Barney's marriage to Hemmick it was announced that she had assigned a Washington property to her daughters, retaining only a life interest. This action was said to have been inspired by Hemmick, who requested Mrs. Barney for her great wealth. The property deeded over included the studio house, Mrs. Barney's Sheridan circle home, in which

MOVE TO STOP BIG OUTBREAK

State Police to Be Withdrawn When Camp Sherman Soldiers Arrive.

ONE KILLED DURING CLASH

Telegraph Lines Destroyed By Strikers—News Comes Slowly.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Aug. 29.—Federal troops from Camp Sherman, Ohio, are expected to arrive in Mingo county this afternoon to suppress disorders between coal mine guards and striking miners, and to prevent a gigantic outbreak scheduled for tomorrow.

State constabulary will be withdrawn from this section when the Federal forces arrive, under plans of Gov. John J. Cornwell, who asked assistance from the Federal Government in handling the situation.

ONE DEAD IN CLASHES. One killing and several shootings have occurred in the mining regions. Clashes have been frequent between mine guards and strikers at Willis Branch, Matewan, and other places.

Mine guards, in anticipation of the arrival of Federal troops, have been dismissed and are being withdrawn from the district, according to reports received here today at the governor's office.

Major Payne, a Baldwin-Felts detective, was wounded in a fight which started yesterday between striking miners and mine guards at the Willis Branch Coal Company, Willis Branch, Raleigh county, according to a statement given out by the State police department here. Two trains had been held outside the town, the crews fearing to take them through Willis Branch, the statement said.

STATE POLICE ARREST SNIPER. State police arrested a man who was seen firing from a barn. The statement here said the Baldwin-Felts men were doing most of the shooting, according to the statement, using automatic rifles.

The statement given out by the State Police Department added that Dr. C. B. Lee, president of the coal company, conferred with Governor Cornwell and Col. Jackson Arnold, commander of the police, and agreed to withdraw the detectives from the coal property.

Telegraph wires at Willis Branch were said to have been shot down during the fighting and information trickled here slowly. There was no information as to the extent of Major Payne's wounds.

The statement given out last night at State police headquarters follows: "At 7 o'clock this morning shooting began between a few striking miners of the Willis Branch Coal Company and Baldwin-Felts guards employed by the coal company and was still going on intermittently at 10 o'clock this morning. Major Payne, one of the Baldwin guards, was wounded.

"State police arrested one man (Continued on Page 3, Column 2.)

WIVES WITH RIFLES GUARD MEN IN MINE

Two West Virginia Women, Armed to Teeth, Watch Husbands in Coal Pits.

WILLIAMSON, W. Va., Aug. 29.—Joe Grimes and Stanley Sheviak, two miners employed in the pits of the Merrimac mine of the Star Mining Company, are working every day at their vocation, despite the threats of labor organizers to get them, "Grimes and Sheviak are doing it."

For some time labor organizers have been trying to unionize the mines in this section. Frequently they have battles between mine guards and strikers who quit work in the mines, when the coal operators refused to adopt a closed shop system, have taken place.

The Merrimac mine several weeks ago came in for a fusillade of rifle shots from the hills close by and since that time all coal diggers employed there with the exception of Grimes and Sheviak have been chary about returning to the pits.

Not so, however, with Grimes and Sheviak. Determined that their husbands shall work, both of the women shouldered their rifles and announced that their husbands would go into the mines every day and labor as of yore.

Grimes and Sheviak are doing it. By their side each day, the women both of them unafraid, walk to the mines with rifles ready for instant use.