

CUTS OFF HIS WIFE

Will of Late Herman Oelrichs Makes Some Unexpected Disclosures.

Associated Press to The Evening Times. New York, Sept. 12.—Herman Oelrichs, who died at sea on September 1, left the bulk of his estate to his brother, Charles May Oelrichs, and his sister, Mrs. Lucy Jay. His wife, from whom he has been estranged for some time, is cut off from any bequest and the statement made that she "has an ample fortune of her own." To the son, Herman Oelrichs, Jr., nothing is left but pieces of jewelry, guns and some other personal effects. Other relatives, his secretary and his valet are remembered in his will.

The will was filed for probate today. Mention is made of the wife and son in the opening paragraphs as follows: "As my wife has an ample fortune of her own, I make no bequest or devise to her." "As my son, Herman Oelrichs, Jr., is the heir and next of kin of my wife, and will doubtless be amply provided for by his mother, in her last will and testament or by the law in the event of her intestacy, I make no bequest or devise to him, other than the specific bequest contained in this will."

The specific bequest to the son is thus made: "I give and bequeath all of my watches, scarfpins and jewelry of every kind whatsoever, my furniture, guns and personal effects, absolutely and forever to my son, Herman Oelrichs, Jr." To his half sister, Mary Singleton Livingston, Mr. Oelrichs bequeathed the sum of \$30,000 with the proviso that in case she or her heirs consent the bequest shall be null and void.

BRILLIANT WEDDING.

Associated Press to The Evening Times. Itasca, N. Y., Sept. 12.—Prominent society folk of New York, Pittsburg, Philadelphia and other cities have gathered for the wedding of Miss Catherine Westinghouse, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Westinghouse, and Charles W. Fletcher of New York. The ceremony takes place this evening at Grasmere, the Westinghouse summer home on Cayuga lake, near here. Miss Westinghouse will be attended by her sister, Miss Marjorie Westinghouse, and Miss Clara Bradford of New York, Miss Nell Trump of Philadelphia, Miss Lydia Haines of Indianapolis, and Miss Lillian Dermott and Miss Ethel McConnell of Pittsburg. Mr. Fletcher's best man will be his brother, Roy M. Fletcher, of Atchison, Kans.

GIRL HAS AWFUL SHOCK.

Man She Adored and Married Has Negro Blood.

Associated Press to The Evening Times. Leesburg, Ga., Sept. 12.—Six months ago, Miss Eva Green, one of the prettiest girls of this place and daughter of a prominent family, was wedded to A. T. Wilson, after a brief courtship. One week ago she learned that the husband of whom she was so fond was a negro. The girl informed her parents of the discovery, and the husband, fearing that his wife's proud relatives would kill him, fled. Today on petition of the girl's relatives, Governor Terrell offered a reward of \$500 for the arrest of Wilson. The girl's relatives make no secret of their purpose to lynch Wilson if they can find him. The girl is prostrated and is being watched that she may not commit suicide. Wilson had been here only a few months when he married Miss Green. He had plenty of money, dressed well and announced that he intended to make investments here. He was dark, but no one suspected that he was not a white man. He met Miss Green soon after his arrival and paid her assiduous court. The couple took a long bridal trip and returning, occupied a hand some home.

BLIND MAN'S GUIDE TIRES OF HIS JOB.

Willie Berkholtz, a little lad about 13 years of age, who has been leading a blind man around for the past two months and who visited this city last week became soured on his job Saturday and started to walk to his home town, Milwaukee, from Crookston.

About noon Saturday he asked a farmer this side of Crookston for a drink of water. The farmer asked the boy where he was going. "I'm going home," said the lad, his eyes filled with tears. "I've got a mother living in Milwaukee and I know that she wants to see me." The farmer could not help but feel for the lad. He told the boy that he had better go with him; that he might be able to help him out. The boy was taken to Crookston and enough money was collected to buy him a ticket to Milwaukee.

The boy worked for a blind man who sells handkerchiefs for a living. The blind man's name is M. Herman. When in Milwaukee Herman picked the boy up and they have traveled together for about two months. The boy says that he got his pay, which was \$10 per month, but that the blind man was cruel to him and that was the reason that he skipped out and left him. He said that unless he had gotten assistance voluntarily he would have walked every foot of the way home. He was the happiest boy in 16 states when he boarded the train for Minneapolis last night.

Hill's Sound Gospel

Chicago Record Herald.

James J. Hill, the head of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern systems, is an enlightened and profound student of the agricultural and industrial situation and prospects of the great section with whose growth and prosperity he is so closely identified, and his messages are always worthy of the most sympathetic consideration. His discussion of the agricultural needs and problems of the country is full of suggestion. Minor or incidental statements may be open to question. Thus he attributed England's acute unemployment problem to the imminent exhaustion of her iron supply and the decline of the industries dependent on that supply. British iron and steel exports are still increasing. The gain in the first six months of the current year in that direction being given in official reports as equal to \$16,000,000. The same is true of machinery, where an increase of \$9,000,000 is recorded. The best thinkers in England hold that her land system, the survival from feudal days, is responsible for the drift to the cities and the growth of the army of idlers and paupers.

But in the main the gospel Mr. Hill preaches is a sound and admirable one. He does not, we take it, mean to issue a special indictment against American farmers. The waste, the neglect, the bleeding of nature he complains of are no peculiarity of any people or any age. Intense cultivation of the soil has always been a matter of necessity rather than choice. The French, famous for their economy and care and thrift, use of the soil, have had their land divided and subdivided, under their inheritance and bequest laws, so many times that their average farm would look to an American like a toy farm.

But, general or special, the "inletment" contains much impressive truth that will before long have to be taken to heart. As Mr. Hill says, the most fertile of our public lands have passed into private hands. The area that is still unappropriated is "wholly or partially unfit for tillage," at least without large expenditures on irrigation works. Irrigation has done wonders, but it is, after all, of limited utility and cannot serve as a national or permanent substitute for intensive and scientific cultivation.

Mr. Hill does not mention the lesson of our "dry farming experiments," but it certainly lends much support to his views. Recent magazine articles have furnished valuable and surprising information in regard to the success of experiment in "dry farming," which "consists simply in the exercise of intelligence, care, patience and tireless industry." The methods of the dry

farmer, it is claimed, increase the yield from three to five fold. What work and intelligence and care do in dry areas they will do in more favored areas. There is nothing fantastic in what Mr. Hill asserts with reference to the agricultural resources and possibilities of the United States.

WOMAN CLERK GOT THOUSANDS BY FRAUD

Washington, Sept. 12.—Miss Eulalie Puckett, a clerk in the agricultural department, who was arrested on a charge of forging the name of Mrs. Fannie Spriggs Perry to a formal application for a loan of \$6,000, has confessed that she has been carrying on similar transactions for the past two years. In October, 1905, Miss Puckett obtained two loans on property belonging to Annie E. McKnight. She obtained \$300 on her first deed of trust and \$1,000 on the second. She confessed further that she had made an application for a loan of \$1,500. To this application she signed the name of Mrs. Mary Vockey.

Miss Puckett is on the rolls of the agriculture department at \$40 a month. To the police she gave her age as 25.

BIG INCREASE IN REALTY IN STATE.

An increase of \$23,000,000 in real estate values is shown by the returns of the POK county board of equalization, that is, the returns made by the county boards this year are that much higher than the figures at which values were left by the state board the last time they were considered two years ago. Two years ago \$71,066,775. This year the assessors returned \$94,066,775. The county boards returned \$118,066,775. The average value of farm lands, excluding structures, has increased in the two years, from \$9.78 to \$9.87 and land values including structures have increased from \$11.03 to \$11.08. The value of farm lands, including structures and improvements, was fixed two years ago at \$439,830,000 and is returned this year at about \$428,000,000. Town and city lots have increased from \$148,071,985 to \$156,379,739 and the values of structures on town and city lots have increased from \$122,163,858 to \$139,422,900.

The state board of equalization at their meeting Thursday in St. Paul did little except start the work of the committees. It will be a few days before any of the committees report and the actual work by the board is started.

Fired at Random

What a lot there is to read! Wisdom is nothing but hindsight.

A rainy Saturday always makes a store keeper mad.

We sometimes think the greatest of all the virtues is politeness.

Be careful this year; everybody is looking for a chance to get mad.

We sometimes think an ugly man lives longer than a good looking one.

Going home to dinner is the trouble with many people; they eat too much.

If a woman is fat, that is enough for the men; they say she has a fine figure.

W. J. Bryan is not feeling any better today than a real negro minstrel feels every day.

Those who never do wrong take a wonderful satisfaction in the saying: "Murder will out."

When performing a long journey, and you are very tired, ever see a buggy going your way?

It takes a genius to give a graceful compliment, and it takes another to accept one gracefully.

We are willing to take good dry hickory wood on subscription, but we'll not take peaches.

Here is an expression that should be called in: "He has made mistakes but who has not?"

Saloon men say that when a man buys a drink with a cherry and cherry are very funny.

If a woman with children is popular in the neighborhood, she does not need a nurse for the children.

Ever occur to you that there is as much scandal in a little country town as there is in a little country city?

Looking for business is like looking for four-leaf clovers, which somebody else always finds easily enough.

We have always thought we would hate to sleep in a bed that had to be undressed before we could get into it.

What has become of the old fashioned man who put all jams, preserves and jellies under the one head of "spread"?

If Luther Burbank is so smart, why doesn't he grow watermelons that have handles on them to carry them by?

When a man who boards is invited out to a great many meals, does it mean that he is popular or a good manager?

A boy hates to have visiting women kiss him; it makes him ashamed, and the other boys hear about it, and laugh at him.

When the stork visits a poor man too frequently, he can't get any sympathy from any woman in the world but his mother.

Girls talk of their extensive vocabulary, but we never knew one who had more than three adjectives: Grand, horrid and cute.

Here of late the children seem to put the dependence in father's money that they formerly put in mother's prayers.

"That's all right," men have a habit of saying; "I guarantee it." But an Atchison man insists on guarantees being in cash.

The fashions which women follow may be tyrannical but a woman doesn't have any garment that is as great a tyrant as the coat.

Several months ago a man hired a certain lawyer. The lawyer quarreled with his client, and today the man said: "He ain't no lawyer."

If you had never heard of the habit of smoking and should drop in to a crowd where all the men were smoking, wouldn't it look funny?

Olois Philipp says that when a clarinet student begins, his practicing is so terrible that it causes his teacher to pull out his own hair.

After a girl reaches fifteen, and puts on long dresses, what happens to her legs? They are covered up, and so far as people know they become crooked.

When a woman says it is no trouble for her to have company, that's one way of telling the neighbors that everything at her house is always in company order.

Somewhat when a trunk goes to the depot strapped to the back of a farmer's wagon it means a trip of greater importance than if it arrived in a baggage wagon.

When an elderly woman puts up fruit, her kin wonder if she will live to eat it; the kin of the aged seldom turn a corner in their minds without running into a funeral procession.

There are fewer dead beats than formerly. In order to get along, a man must pay his debts. Dead beats have been punished so much that they are beginning to take the hint.

The men are invited to meet at the corner of Fifth and Commercial this evening and join a mob to break Donald's display in that window that is shocking men today.

One of the few bells cast by Paul Revere now in existence is to be taken from the belfry of the old Baptist church in Warren, R. I., to be recast at Troy, N. Y. A member of the church will oversee the job and will write an account of the undertaking for historical purposes.

Nearly every good looking boy in the country finally comes to town and clerks in a drygoods or clothing store. Nearly every particularly ugly boy in the country finally comes to town and becomes a plumber's helper, or, if the plumbing shops are crowded, he becomes a house painter.

Prejudice is very powerful. The writer of this, although a lover of band music, hates everything Sousa has written. And this dislike is not artificial; to his music is not music at all—we are thoroughly uncomfortable when it is being performed. Thousands of others profess to like Sousa's marches. And there you are again.

RAILROAD NOTES.

PROMOTION FOR YARDLEY.

Civil Engineer to Have Charge of Maintenance Work.

C. F. Yardley, Great Northern civil engineer, who for the past several months has had charge of ballasting and surfacing the Great Northern between Cass Lake and Crookston, St. Cloud and Minneapolis and South Centre and Wadena, has been given charge of all the maintenance work on the eastern district of the Great Northern road. This means that with his old crew of engineers, Mr. Yardley will check up all the ballasting and surfacing work on the terminal division, near Minneapolis, the Ferguson Falls division, the Breckenridge division, and the Willmar and the Sioux Falls railway.

Mr. Yardley has made his headquarters in St. Cloud during the greater part of the summer, and he is well known there. He has become popular in St. Cloud during that time, and his many friends rejoice to hear of his promotion.

Mr. Yardley graduated from the Baltimore Polytechnic institute, which is connected with John Hopkins university, in 1901, and the year following he took a course in advanced mathematics at John Hopkins. He was for three years and a half in the engineering department of the Pennsylvania railway, and March 15, 1906, went over to the Great Northern. Before changing masters, Mr. Yardley worked at Loganport, Ind., and Altona, Penn. He has now received orders to leave St. Cloud with his crew of men in about a week and take up his headquarters at Willmar. He will make a careful review of the road between that city and St. Cloud, and will in all probability move from there to Barnesville from which place he will check up the ballasting and surfacing work.

Mr. Yardley has at the present time a crew of four men with him, Civil Engineers A. E. Steiner and C. G. Dales, L. J. Mica and Lewis Moos.

The Italian laboring gangs who are at work in South Crookston laying the additional trackage, which the Great Northern is installing, have been augmented by several additions lately and there are about 260 men at work there at the present time. They are making the work progress very rapidly and the improvements are fast becoming a reality.

The Great Northern is having a large new oil house erected on their right of way in South Crookston. The new house is in connection with the roundhouse in Carman and is a much needed and valuable addition to their equipment in that part of the city.

CEREAL RAISING IN WARD COUNTY.

Special to The Evening Times. Minot, N. D., Sept. 12.—County Auditor Fabrick gives some interesting statistics which show the rapid growth of the county. Rye and potatoes are the only two cereals showing a decrease in the acreage. The report submitted is as follows:

Wheat	1905 acres	1906
Oats	22,175	25,280
Barley	8,889	5,554
Flax	23,616	11,772
Rye	1,103	826
Grain	1,822 1/2	458
Potatoes	1,822 1/2	458
Hay	529	821
Other tame grasses	1,052	2,275

WELL FOR REMIDJ.

Said That Capitalists Are Figuring on Equipping Another Saw Mill.

Special to The Evening Times. Bemidji, Sept. 12.—Michigan capitalists desire to erect a second sawmill here and have a proposition for the consideration of the club.

Another proposition that will come up for consideration at the next meeting of the Commercial club, is a celebration to be given to the lumberjacks of northern Minnesota, who are in the habit of working in the woods in this part of the state during the winter. It is the intention to give the "jacks" a two days' celebration that they will not soon forget. Everything for their pleasure will be furnished and all will be invited. The affair will be extensively advertised in the western part of this state and throughout North Dakota, where many of the boys are now engaged in assisting the tillers of the soil to gather their crops.

MILLIONS IN SIGHT

Reading, Pa., Sept. 12.—The Spang heirs are eagerly awaiting news from Germany, where the famous case in which they are interested comes up in court for trial today. For a number of years the organization of the Spang heirs, of whom more than 200 reside in this part of Pennsylvania, has been working to recover the estate and fortune left by their progenitor, John George Spang, estimated to be worth something like \$34,000,000. The fortune is in the possession of Prince von Kuyppkausen, against whom court proceedings have been begun at the expense of the heirs' association. According to the attorneys representing the heirs, the estate consists of several castles, thousands of acres of timber land, copper mines and cash deposited in Paris banks.

BRYAN IN A NOVEL.

Mrs. Dillon Makes Him the Hero of "The Leader," Just Coming Out.

Not yet president of the United States, William Jennings Bryan of Nebraska comes back from around the world to find himself enshrined, not only in the hearts and hopes of his countrymen, but (under an alias of course) in the clear amber of a "best seller"—in what at least appears to be the "best seller" of the woman who has novelized Mr. Bryan—of course, the culprit is a woman—is Mrs. Mary Dillon, who has already achieved other romances, the nature of which is eloquently proclaimed by their titles: "The Rose of Old St. Louis" and "In the Days of Olden Days." Briefly, Mrs. Dillon is a sentimentalist of the first feminine order. She has elected the Nebraskan for hero not because she is keen on politics or because she knows anything about politics, but because she finds the career of the Commoner sentimentally appealing. Proof of this, it was her notion to name the book "The Political Idol." Upon advice and second thought she called it "The Leader" and under that title Doubleday, Page & Co. will publish it about the middle of September.

Women find enjoyment in being martyrs.

Wire Clicks

WOOL FROM MILES CITY.

The Total This Year is a Little More Than Six Million Pounds.

Special to The Evening Times. Miles City, Sept. 12.—The total amount of wool shipped from Miles City for the year 1906 will be, as near as can be determined at this writing 6,174,974 pounds. There is one clip, the W. E. Harris, which will amount to about 350,000 pounds, which is not all in and will not be all in until October.

In the year 1905, the total was 6,164,652, a very slight excess for the present year. This total of 6,174,974 pounds makes Miles City a comfortable second in the state as a wool market. Great Falls not claiming over 5,000,000. Billings claims 12,000,000, but their claim has never been substantiated by any authentic figures.

There are in all, 183 clips shipped from Miles City. Owing to the wet weather during the hauling season there was considerable wool from the upper country which ordinarily finds its way to Miles City which had to be taken to Belle Fourche.

The best price paid this season was 23 1/2 cents to Alex Innes. There was one clip delivered to him which sold for a better price, that of Jacob Rapstad, of Big Timber; this clip, however, had been contracted for at 24 cents early in the spring. Last year there were practically no consignments.

This year, of 68 clips, taken at random, 16 were consigned, one sold at 18 cents, seven between 19 and 20 cents, six between 20 and 21, 14 between 21 and 22, 21 from 22 to 23 cents and three at 23 cents or over, making an average price of 22 3/4 cents or a total value of \$1,342,881.28 for the entire clip of the season. Last year the average price was estimated at 22 1/2 cents and at this figure was valued at \$1,367,046.70.

BRANDYWINE ANNIVERSARY.

West Chester, Pa., Sept. 11.—The 125th anniversary of the battle of the Brandywine, which was fought near here Sept. 11, 1777, and in which the American troops carried the Stars and Stripes into battle for the first time, was celebrated today under the auspices of various patriotic and historical societies of Pennsylvania and New Jersey. A parade was followed by speeches appropriate to the occasion.

GOLDEN WEDDING.

Associated Press to The Evening Times. Boston, Mass., Sept. 11.—Surrounded by the members of their family Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Goodwin today celebrated their golden wedding. The celebration took place in the home in East Milton presented to them by their son, Nat Goodwin, the well-known actor. Many congratulatory letters were received, including a felicitous message from their daughter-in-law Maxine Elliott.

STEAMER IN DISTRESS.

Associated Press to The Evening Times. Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 12.—A special to The Evening Times from Wilmington, N. C., says: The steamship Richmond, 1,437 tons, lumber laden, Georgetown to New York, is in distress a few miles northeast of Prying Pan Lightship. The tug Blanche from this port has gone to her assistance. The Richmond is owned by the Atlantic Coast Lumber corporation of New York.

MILITARY SURGEONS.

Associated Press to The Evening Times. Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 12.—The Association of Military Surgeons of the United States began its fifteenth annual convention in Buffalo today and will remain in session until the end of the week. The medical departments of the army and navy of the United States and of the national guard, of the different states are represented at the gathering, which will be devoted to the reading of papers and the discussion of subjects relating to recent progress and improvements in military surgery, hygiene, field hospital service, etc.

FOR OREGON.

Associated Press to The Evening Times. Salem, Ore., Sept. 12.—Drawn together by their common interest in the welfare and progress of their state, a large number of representative citizens gathered here today for the annual convention of the Oregon Development League. The double attraction of the convention and the state fair now in progress has resulted in an unusually large attendance. The league will in session on the days and will devote itself largely to a discussion of the best methods for advertising Oregon and its resources.

PEONAGE TRIALS.

Associated Press to The Evening Times. Cape Girardeau, Mo., Sept. 12.—The trial of Chas. M. Smith, James E. Smith and Rex Smith, three brothers of Sikeston, on the charge of holding 42 negroes in peonage, began here today before Judge Pollock of Kansas in the United States district court. Three hundred witnesses came in from the swamps to testify.

SHOOTING SCRAPE.

Associated Press to The Evening Times. Norfolk, Neb., Sept. 12.—Lee Bailey was instantly killed, Charles Dugan probably fatally wounded, and Ernest Clause, a by-stander, was shot in the hip as the result of a shooting scrape in a saloon here last night.

SNIFFEN NAMED.

Associated Press to The Evening Times. Washington, D. C., Sept. 12.—The president has appointed Col. Culver C. Sniffen to be paymaster general of the army, to succeed General Francis S. Dodge, who retired today. The new paymaster general has been in service since March 13, 1877, having been appointed by President Grant. He was Grant's private secretary several years.

SOME TALK OF NEW LAW.

One to Prevent Sleeping in Hay Lots Will Probably Be Introduced.

There will probably a law introduced at the next session of the legislature to prevent, if possible, men from sleeping in hay lots of barns. The recent fire at Larimore, with its three deaths, is the cause of the talk of such a law being introduced. Using hay lots as bed rooms is a very dangerous practice, and many barn fires can be traced directly to that score. Especially in the fall of the year a great number of hoboes inhabit the North Dakota towns and hay-lofts provide a resting abode during the small hours of the morning.

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