

Newsy Notes of Pendleton

Divorce Is Granted.

Judge Phelps has handed down a decree of divorce in the case of Agnes Marsh vs. George Marsh and the plaintiff has been given back her maiden name of Agnes Wilson.

Meeting Is Postponed.

The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist church will postpone their meeting from Wednesday afternoon until Thursday afternoon on account of the funeral of Miss Vanita Best.

Bootlegger Gets Maximum.

Manuel Martinez, the Mexican arrested Sunday by the police on a charge of furnishing liquor to Charley Whirlwind, was this afternoon convicted in police court and given the maximum sentence, \$50 fine or 20 days in jail.

Some Building Improvements.

Building permits were taken out yesterday by Robert N. Endicott for a small addition, to his dwelling, 500 College street, and by Schwarz & Greulich to make general repairs to their business location on Main and Webb streets.

Jury Had the Grip.

R. C. Jory, of the Pendleton woolen mill business, has just recovered from an attack of the grip and is at work again. His four year old son was afflicted with a gathering in one ear that made an operation necessary. He is now recovering.

Pruitt to Take Office March 1.

W. C. E. Pruitt, private secretary to Senator Burgess and recently appointed game warden for this county to succeed E. F. Averill, will take office on March 1, that being the date upon which Mr. Averill's resignation will go into effect.

Back from College Reunion.

James Johns, Jr., of this city and Irwin Brooks of Athena, returned this morning from Eugene where they attended the annual initiation of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity. John W. Campbell of Hermiston and Arthur G. Means of Umatilla were also in attendance. Mrs. Johns remained in Portland for a visit with her parents before returning home.

Hears of Brother's Death.

Miss Mary Brennan, well known Pendleton professional nurse, left Sunday morning for Anaconda, Montana, in response to a message telling of the accidental death of her brother. The report was very meager but from what was learned here it seems that he was employed in the city hall at that place and met death in sliding down the pole in the firemen's room.

Contractor Bent Here.

Arthur S. Best, president of the Best Construction Co. of Los Angeles which built the pipe line of the Pendleton gravity water system, arrived in the city this morning to make a final settlement of his local business. On account of the death in the family of Dr. J. A. Best, one of the water commission, the conference between the contractor and the commission will be doubtless delayed.

Employee Charged With Larceny.

Upon complaint of Carl Newquist, Pilot Rock farmer, Oscar Beckman was last evening arrested by the police on a charge of larceny and will receive a preliminary hearing before Justice of the Peace Parkes this afternoon or tomorrow. It is alleged that he stole a watch and some tools from Mr. Newquist and some of the tools were found in his possession at the time of arrest. Beckman has been employed by Newquist for the past six months.

Debate Material Received.

Some excellent debate material was received yesterday by Principal Hampton of the high school and was given out to the members of the teams who are to compete next Monday before the student body. In the final tryout for the first team, the teams are working hard, and it is expected that the coming debate will be one of the best local debates of the season outside of interscholastic debates, which will probably commence sometime in March.

To Bid on Federal Building.

From indications there will be no lack of bidders for the construction of the Pendleton federal building. Postmaster Tweedy received six copies of the plans and specifications for the building and they have already been taken by as many bidders. Thus far the only local man expecting to bid is F. E. Van Dusen. Among the intending bidders are Olsen & Johnson of Missoula, who built the Eastern Oregon state hospital and J. B. Swartz & Co., of Seattle.

February Has Excess of Rain.

With another week yet to go, February, the shortest month of the year, has already supplied to the county more than its share of the annual precipitation, according to the local weather records. Yesterday the light, all-day rain resulted in .11 inches of moisture, bringing the total for the month so far to 1.48. The normal for the entire month is 1.47 inches. Thus February is the first month since October to supply the normal amount of rainfall. However, the total for the wet season is yet something like three inches below normal.

Attended Golden Wedding.

Sheriff and Mrs. T. D. Taylor arrived home this morning from Athena where they attended the golden wedding of Sheriff Taylor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Taylor, pioneer residents of this county. The celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding was a complete surprise to the old couple. About thirty-five relatives, including Sheriff Taylor and W. R. Taylor, their only sons, came in upon them in the evening with refreshments and spent a happy reunion. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor were married at Howell Prairie, Marion county, on February 22, 1865, and three years later came to Umatilla county, settling on Wild Horse near Athena on what is now the Wilby farm. Later on they took up a homestead west of Athena and have retained it ever since.

Evans to Conduct Funeral.

Rev. Nathan Evans, formerly of this city, will arrive in the morning and will conduct the funeral of Miss Vanita Best, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Best, tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Methodist church.

Assault Case Under Adjudication.

Supplemental to a divorce case filed by the wife on Feb. 13, a case wherein Linnies A. Williams was accused of assaulting his wife, Winnie F. Williams, night before last at their home near the golf links came before Judge Fitz Gerald this morning at 10:30 and he now has it under advisement. The complaining witness was Mrs. Williams and she charged that her husband assaulted her and threw her out of the house on Sunday night. The family row which butressed out over the surrounding neighborhood was aired in court and showed that neither side was without blame.

They Found a Cafeteria.

"Could you direct us to a cafeteria?" The question was put by two ladies who stepped off of No. 17 at 11:45 this morning to someone standing on the depot platform. "Yes, ma'am," said the individual and forthwith he pointed out the high school building on the south hill. The ladies walked up the hill, found the cafeteria of the domestic science department and immediately stepped in the waiting line much to the surprise of the instructor and her pupils. The cafeteria lunch is served for the benefit of the students but the ladies were not disappointed after their walk up the hill and they in turn were quite satisfied with the quality of the "eats" and the prices attached.

Ignorant Cupid Is Jailed.

FRESNO, Cal., Feb. 23.—Ignorance of marriage laws in the United States caused Louis Alvarez and Miss Jessie Martinez to spend a night in the county jail as they have been living together since December 19, 1914. They procured a marriage license at that time, but were never legally married. Alvarez thought that he had complied with the marriage laws when he obtained his license from the county clerk. He took his wife-to-be to a hotel and probably never would have discovered his mistake had it not been that the moral crusade placed him under arrest.

Police Judge Briggs tied the belated knot and the charge against the couple was dismissed.

WATTS' CLAIM DENIED.

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tremens, aged at the time of decease about 56 years, unmarried, without living issue or parents or brothers or sisters and leaving surviving as his only heirs at law nine nephews and nieces, and entitled to inherit his estate, both real and personal, "in proportionate shares."

"It is further established that on December 23, 1912, allottee executed in the presence of subscribing witnesses, and in substantial compliance with the laws of the state of Oregon, a certain paper writing purporting to be his last will and testament, wherein he sought to devise the principal part of his estate to one Homer I. Watts, a white man, and so far as shown by the record, not related in any way to decedent, his natural heirs being made beneficiaries by the terms of such proposed will for nominal bequests only.

"The trust estate of decedent is shown to have been worth about \$15,000, and the principal beneficiary under the proposed will is shown, for several years prior to the death of decedent, to have rented same at a cash rental of \$550 per annum, being a rancher or farmer on a large scale and a lawyer, a resident of the town of Athena, Oregon, a village of some 700 inhabitants near the Umatilla reservation and the allotment of decedent.

A Utopian Trust.

"It is further established insofar as same can be established by the supported testimony of the principal beneficiary, that the relations between decedent and himself were of a very close nature and of long standing, approximating the confidential relationship of lawyer and client and that of landlord and tenant in addition to the deep affection incident to their long friendship and mutual high regard, and that for a number of years he had been in the habit of extending financial assistance to decedent aggregating as much at times as \$2000, under conditions of trust utopian in their nature and almost unbelievable under any except the extremely close relations shown by his testimony to have existed between them.

"These advances are shown to have been made at various times, without memorandum as to the amount or security of any kind other than that from time to time proposed by allottee and in some sort insisted upon by him, allottee being the sole accountant and giving his notes for the accumulation of the accommodations extended from time to time.

"It further appears from the testimony of Mr. Watts that the gratitude of allottee for the accommodation extended and his affection for this friend was so great that realizing his increasing physical infirmities and the uncertainty of life, he insisted, somewhat against the protest of

Watts, upon executing the will herewith submitted, and therein constituted his friend the principal beneficiary and residuary legatee.

"The proposed will is shown to have been drawn in the office and made by the wife of Watts, there being no one else present except Watts, said will being subsequently witnessed by the officials of the local bank, whose depositions are included in the record, and who have testified to the sobriety of the testator at the time of execution.

"The testator is shown to have been a heavy drinker for many years, and that both his physical and mental condition had during the later years of his life been noticeably affected by his long continued intemperance habits.

"It is recommended by the superintendent that this will be disapproved as a matter of departmental policy, and in this recommendation the Indian office concurs, not upon the grounds advanced by the superintendent, but because it is believed that in view of the relations shown to have existed between the decedent and Watts, the principal beneficiary under the will, which were, to all intents and purposes, those of attorney and client and landlord and tenant, and the circumstances surrounding the drafting of the will, undue influence may be so strongly inferred as to render departmental approval thereof, in the opinion of the Indian office, improper, more especially in view of what is believed to be the preponderating testimony as to the mental and physical incapacity of decedent at the time and prior and subsequent to the execution of such proposed will to discriminate between a neutral and well determined purpose and abnormal vagaries of a mind clearly to a greater or less extent at that time affected by alcoholic excess and dissipation.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

Rehearsal of Senior Class Play Is Held—Report Cards for First Five Weeks Will Be Out Next Week—Sorrow Expressed Over Death of Student.

A rehearsal of the senior class play which is now being worked upon was given last night in the high school auditorium. This is only the second rehearsal and by all appearances the members of the cast are already getting a good grasp of the acting.

It was announced this morning that the report cards for the first five weeks would be given out a week from Wednesday, to the high school students. The monthly examinations are already underway, and many of them are already over with. The standing of the students for this semester is very good, according to all reports.

There is a cloud of sorrow hanging over the students of the local high school this morning, from the loss of one of their members, Miss Vanita Best, who passed away last night. Miss Best was an active member of the student body, and an excellent student, and has left behind her a friend in every student of the high school.

Yesterday afternoon a short memorial service was held in the auditorium of the local high school in memory of Washington's birthday. Patriotic songs were sung, and a short sketch of the life of Washington was given by Miss Caroline Bonney of the faculty. Prof. Gambee also read an eulogy on Washington. School was dismissed after the services, which were held about 2 o'clock.

GOLF EXPERT WILL TEACH NOVICES TO PLAY GAME

J. MARTIN WATSON OF PORTLAND WILL SPEND WEEK IN PENDLETON.

To lay out a favorable golf course at the local links and to teach local golf enthusiasts some of the fundamental principles of the great outdoor pastime, J. Martin Watson, one of the country's most prominent professional golfers who is now in charge of the Waverly links in Portland, will arrive in Pendleton tomorrow morning and will spend the balance of the week here. A meeting of golf lovers will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in the commercial room of the city hall to perfect an organization.

Negotiations have been pending between the local golfers and Mr. Watson for the past week and satisfactory arrangements have finally been made. The golf course here has only been laid out rudely and the local golfers have only a pick-up knowledge of the proper way to use the various clubs and to make the numerous shots. Inasmuch as it has been determined to make golf a permanent institution here, these enthusiasts have decided to have a proper course and to have some scientific instruction. Quite a number of ladies as well as the men will take lessons from Mr. Watson.



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