WOOLWINE ON BRIDAL PATH OF VALENTINO

L. A. Prosecutor to Visit Mexican Scene of Marriage; Mayo Case Also to Be Given Close Probe

LOS ANGELES, May 22.—Additional data on the marriage of Rodolph Valentino, film actor, and Winifred Hudnut at Mexicali, Lower California, May 13, and the marriage of Frank Mayo, film actor, and Dagmar Godowsky at Tijuana, Lower California, October 3, 1921, will be sought by Thomas Lee Woolwine, district attorney, and Thomas McClelland, deputy, in a trip to the border towns which, they announced today, they planned to make Wednesday night.

Valentino is under arrest on a charge of bigamy and awaiting a preliminary hearing here June 1.

No official action has been taken yet in the case of Mayo, but the District Attorney was said to consider his case, as well as that of Valentino, of sufficient importance for him to take personal charge of both.

"We propose to find out whether the criminal code of California can protect the sanctity of the marriage relation," said McClelland.

"If these couples have lived together as man and wife since the ceremonies were performed, their relation has been, in the eyes of the law, palpably bigamous. Section 1106 of the penal code reads: 'Upon a trial for bigamy . . . when the second marriage takes place outside of this State, proof of that fact, accompanied with proof of living together thereafter in this State, is sufficient to sustain the charge.' It seems to me the intent of the law is so plain there can be no questioning of it."

Valentino obtained an interlocutory decree of divorce from Jean Acker here January 10 last. Mayo married Miss Godowsky, the daughter of Leopold Godowsky, the pianist, four days after an interlocutory decree had been obtained here from Joyce Eleanor Mayo. The California law does not permit remarriage until a final decree is obtained, a year after the interlocutory is granted.

Bride in Valentino Tangle Was S. F. Girl

That the real name of Winifred Hudnut, bride in the sensational martial venture of the film idol, Rodolph Valentino, resulting in a bigamy charge against him, was Winifred Shaughnessy and that she lived in San Francisco for years, became known yesterday.

The present Mrs. Valentino is the daughter of Mrs. Richard Hudnut's second marriage. Her father was the late United States Marshal Michael Shaughnessy of Utah, an appointee of President Garfield and one of the richest men in Utah during the early nineties. In her early teens in Salt Lake Mrs. Valentino was looked upon as the prettiest girl there, one giving promise of much artistic success.

After the death of her father Mrs. Valentino and her mother came to San Francisco and went to live at the Hotel Granada when Edward De Wolfe was the manager. Shortly afterward her mother married De Wolfe. Three years ago Mrs. De Wolfe divorced her husband.

After the divorce Mrs. De Wolfe and her daughter built an exclusive apartment house in California street in the Nob Hill district. It was while doing interior house decoration work in Santa Barbara that Mrs. De Wolfe met her present husband, Richard Hudnut.

Mrs. De Wolfe's first husband was Colonel Archibald Butt, an aide to President Taft. Butt was lost on the Titanic. He secured a divorce from his wife while stationed at Fort Douglas, Salt Lake City.

Valentino 'Broke' Danced Tango at Cliff House

Rodolph Valentino danced the "Tango" with Mrs. Gay Lombard at the Cliff House in the fall of 1917 under the name of Rodolph Guglielmo, it became known yesterday.

"He was a very good dancer," said Mrs. Lombard yesterday. "He came to me in the fall of 1917 when I was manager of the Cliff House and asked for a few weeks' work. He said he was "broke" and wanted to earn enough money to get to Los Angeles and join the moving picture colony. He only stayed two weeks."

BRIDE WON BY OIL STRIKE

Mrs. Brayton Philbrook, formerly Miss Avis Coffey of Fullerton, and her husband, Brayton Philbrook, petroleum engineer, U. C. graduate. Their marriage quickly followed the spurting of liquid gold from the former aviator's oil test at Signal Hill.

MEXICAN DEBT DEAL DELAYED

MEXICO CITY, May 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—The several postponements by Adolfo de la Huerta of his trip to New York for a conference with financiers have given rise to unconfirmed rumors that he has abandoned the idea of a meeting with the international bankers committee and that the matter of Mexico's foreign debt will be held in abeyance until other arrangements have been made.

Senor de la Huerto was to have started northward last night. Efforts made today to secure an official expression from De la Huerto were unavailing.

In view of the repeated official declarations that the trip of the secretary is to be made, there is much interest here as to what pretext will be given by Senator de la Huerta should he decide to call off the conferences.

Although such a decision is not expected, it was pointed out today that there has been almost unanimity on the part of the newspapers in opposing the journey. The newspapers in numerous editorials have asserted that De la Huerta in a foreign land would face a much more difficult task than any he previously has had, and that a breakdown or a failure in the negotiations in New York would be a serious blow to the national prestige.

Nevada Pioneer Dies.

RENO, May 22.—John J. McEwin, a resident of Nevada for half a century and a prominent rancher of Washoe county, died at his home here today. He was 73 years old.

NEW OIL WELL AIDS ROMANCE

LOS ANGELES, May 22.—"If I'm right, I'll be married!" Brayton Philbrook, University of California graduate, A. E. F., aviator and petrolemum engineer for the Union Oil Company, made this comment recently when he was asked to test some land at Signal Hill for W. H. Clune, theatrical man, and Jack Doyle, well known Vernon sporting promoter.

Oil was struck, so yesterday Philbrook and Miss Avis Coffey, daughter of Homer E. Coffey of Fullerton, were married, while the oil well at Signal Hill sings, "You were right; you were right."

The ceremony was performed at 2947½ Francis avenue, the future home of the couple, by Rev. J. M. Schaefle. Philbrook is the son of Dr. and Mrs. E. B. Philbrook, formerly of Santa Cruz and now of Eagle Rock.

The wedding of Philbrook also revealed another romance. Shelley Philbrook, a brother, and also of the University of California, came swooping down to Los Angeles from Santa Cruz last week and married Miss Martha McCutcheon of 308 Grand View av.

2 BILLIONS TO BE CUT FROM DEBITS OF U. S.

Huge Sum Will Be Lopped Off Federal Ledger Under Plans to Plug Holes in Budget System

By WINDER R. HARRIS.
Staff Correspondent of Universal Service.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—Two billion dollars will be lopped off the debit side of the government's books at one blow, under plans for plugging up holes in the newly established budget system announced by Chairman Madden of the house appropriations committee, in an exclusive interview with Universal Service today.

The government's antiquated system of book-keeping also will be revolutionized, Chairman Madden said, so that a more exact check can be kept at all times on the actual cost of operation of the government, as differentiated from continuing obligations arising out of the past and investments.

The first billion of possible expenditures to be eliminated comes under the heading of "unexpended balances." The treasury records are replete with items in which there remain varying amounts from appropriations. As the situation now stands, these remaining funds still are available for expenditure.

MADDEN'S STATEMENT.

Chairman Madden said:

I am now having data on these unexpended balances compiled and am making careful study of them with a view to wiping them off the records, withdrawing the authorization for using them and covering the available amounts back into the treasury.

Many of these balances date back a great many years and are not obliged to any extent under contracts in the process of fulfillment. It is generally estimated by treasury experts that these balances aggregate a billion dollars or more.

When the study of the data is completed, which will be in the not distant future, we will report out and pass a bill terminating these balances.

NO CHECK ON FUNDS.

Chairman Madden said he also was making a study and having information compiled by the Treasury Department on what are known as "permanent appropriations." These items involve standing authorizations for expenditures by the several departments and bureaus without any review or check whatever by Congress.

Included under the heading of "Permanent appropriations" are interest payments on the public debt, sinking fund and a few other things which it is manifestly proper should be cared for by permanent legislation. But there are other appropriations of this character which budget chiefs and leaders on the appropriations committee insist should come under congressional review.

New Pacific Isles Claimed In U. S. Name

HONOLULU (T. H.), May 22.—Word of the discovery of islands in the South Pacific hitherto unknown and their annexation in the name of the United States was received here today. The islands were reported claimed by Lorrin A. Thurston, a Honolulu publisher, who was cruising in the power boat Palmyra.

He said he found the islands on May 10 in the vicinity of Kingmans Reef. Their location was described as latitude 6:23 north, longitude 162:18 west. The publisher told of an excellent harbor, which, in his opinion, provided a natural landing suitable for a fuel station.

LAD DROWNS IN ESTUARY

In his enthusiasm to make the biggest catch of crabs yesterday while fishing off the dock of the Western Milling Company at the foot of Ford street, Peter Sousa, 7-year-old schoolboy, fell into the Oakland estuary and was drowned. Two young companions stood by, helpless to save him.

The lad's body was recovered several hours later by attaches at the Oakland morgue.

Peter Pacheco, 811 Twenty-ninth avenue, and Antone Costa of Chapman street were on the Alameda side of the estuary at the time Peter fell into the water. They immediately rushed for a boat, but the boy had disappeared in the swift waters before they launched a boat.

Jo Camara, 835 Twenty-eighth avenue, and another boy, whose name could not be secured by Inspector Alex Trotter, were fishing with the Sousa boy when his enthusiam got the better of him and he leaned over the dock too far. The three boys had reported to school in the morning, but warm weather got into their veins. They sneaked away from class at recess and went to the estuary to fish, according to Inspector Trotter.

Jews Seek Haven for Religious Refugees

PHILADELPHIA, May 22.—An immigration policy for the United States that would permit "those persecuted for religious reasons to seek a haven here" was urged in a resolution adopted today by the American Jewish Congress in session here. A committee was authorized by the congress to study immigration here and abroad and to aid in development of facilities for Jews who wish to establish homes in Palestine.

FREIGHT RATE CUT BATTLED BY RAILROADS

Fair Returns Under Proposed Slash Impossible Unless Labor Costs Fall, Lines Say

WASHINGTON, May 22.—(By Universal Service.)—Railroads are making a strenuous fight against sweeping reduction in freight rates proposed by the Interstate Commerce Commission, it was learned today.

With the long-pending rate decision ready for announcement, the executives who dined with President Harding on Saturday night met with the Interstate Commerce Commission today and after a two-hour session adjourned to meet again Thursday.

An official statement issued by the railway presidents stated that the committee meeting with rate fixing body was appointed as a result of the meeting with President Harding and that the conference today was for the purpose of "discussing the railroad situation."

But from a reliable source it was learned that the conference of the rail executives at the White House and the subsequent conferences all were brought about as a result of the nature of the proposed rate-reduction decision on which the Interstate Commerce Commission has been working several months.

This decision, it was stated, was complete on Friday of last week, but it was decided that it would be unwise to make the announcement without first determining the attitude of the railway officials. This resulted in President Harding inviting a selected group to dine with him. They could not then agree to a voluntary reduction and asked to be permitted to confer with the commerce commission today.

The whole situation from the viewpoint of the railway officials hinges on whether the roads would earn a fair return on their investment under the proposed reductions.

$35,000 Stock Fraud Charged in Trial

SEATTLE, May 22.—Alleged to have sold 35,000 shares of worthless stock at $1 a share, Eldon J. Edwards, president of the Northern National Oil Syndicate, was placed on trial before Superior Judge Everett Smith here today charged with grand larceny. Edwards netted $35,000 by his alleged unlawful representation of the syndicate's stock, according to Deputy Prosecutor R. L. Bartling, who presented the State's case to the jury.

Women Run City

In Cokeville, Wyo., the women's platform was victorious, usurping men office-holders. At top, Mrs. Goldie Noblitt, elected "Councilman," and, below, Mrs. Ethel Stoner, "Mayor."
—Photo by International.

Crash Which Sinks Ship Laid to Pilot

PHILADELPHIA, May 22.—(By Universal Service.)—The freight steamship Andre, steaming up the Delaware River, was rammed by the U. S. S. Alexander, formerly the Great Northern, off Fort Mifflin tonight.

The Andre's side was stove in so that she took water and sank. No lives were lost. The blame was placed on the pilot aboard the Alexander, who was said to have lost control of the ship in the swift stream.

ARMY, NAVY PAY ADJUSTED BY CONGRESS

Salaries to Be Computed on Time Served as Well as on Rank Under the New Law

WASHINGTON, May 22.—The Senate today passed after only a brief debate the House bill fixing a new basis of pay for officers and enlisted personnel of the army, navy, marine corps, coast guard, coast and geodetic survey, and the public health service. Two amendments were added and the measure now goes to conference with the House for adjustment of the difference.

Provisions of the bill are effective July 1, upon which date the present war-time basis of pay and allowances automatically expire, and which would have been supplanted by the 1908 schedules had not action been taken on the revision bill.

Chairman Wadsworth of the special committee in charge of the bill declared it was written on an entirely new plan, which he asserted was the first effort to put the pay of the services on a scientific basis. Wadsworth claimed that the measure would save the government a total of nearly $16,000,000 in 1923.