

LAST WORD FOR HERMANN SPOKEN

Worthington Completes Argument in Defense of Ex-Congressman.

WHY MELDRUM CONFESSED

Attorney Imputes Hope for Leniency if He Helped Prosecution—News of Blue Mountain Reserve Is Not Held Back.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 24.—A. S. Worthington, counsel for Binger Hermann, concluded his argument today, tomorrow District Attorney Baker will sum up for the government and it is understood that Judge Stafford will charge the jury Friday morning. It seems probable that Hermann will know his fate before the end of the week.

Mr. Worthington declared that he did not wish to impeach against the motives of United States Attorney Baker, but he read from the record of Meldrum's cross-examination, the statement to the effect that Meldrum was first told "it would be the best thing for him to tell all he knew about the whole Blue Mountain forest reserve transaction" and from that drew the inference which he said must have been in Meldrum's mind after his conversation with the representatives of the government.

"I will tell you, gentlemen of the jury, Henry Meldrum was under the impression that he would not have to go to the penitentiary; that he would get a pardon if the testimony he might give would help to put Binger Hermann in jail," said Mr. Worthington.

He made a particular protest against the methods followed in attempting to connect Mr. Hermann with the alleged conspiracies. Sarcastic reference was made to the testimony of George Sorenson, who admitted being convicted in Oregon for participation in land transactions.

Throughout the session this morning Mr. Worthington made only indirect references to the actual charges that Hermann destroyed letter-press copybooks said to be records of the government. He challenged what he terms the "great card played by the government," namely, the telegrams and letters to F. P. Mays, and asserted that information about the proposed withdrawal of land for the Blue Mountain reserve reached Mays in Portland by publication in the newspapers at least two days before Hermann's telegram to the same effect went out.

IN HANDS OF RECEIVERS

Nine Breweries Affected, Valued at \$250,000.

TOPEKA, Kan., April 24.—The State Supreme Court today appointed Judge H. S. Allen, G. H. Wilcomb and Judge T. P. Curver, all of Topeka, as receivers for the Kansas property of the following breweries:

The Helm Brewing Company, Kansas City Brewing Company, Rochester Brewing Company, Imperial Brewing Company, Pabst Brewing Company, Val Blatz Brewing Company, Joseph Schlitz Brewing Company. The value of the property of the nine brewery companies and one wholesale whiskey concern located in Kansas, which is to be turned over to the receivers to be named by the Supreme Court is estimated at \$250,000. This includes liquor, bar fixtures and warehouses.

Attorney-General Jackson today declined to say in what manner the captured liquor would be disposed of. Whether it could be sold or would have to be destroyed, he said, a question that he would not decide until the courts had named receivers. The other property will be sold, he says, and the proceeds turned over to the state to defray the cost of the present suits.

"The court fixed the joint bonds of the three receivers at \$15,000 for each, or a total of \$45,000. The receivers qualified today and will once take possession of all of the brewery property in the state. When Governor Hoch was informed of the court's action, he said: "There are good appointments and the whole thing is a great victory for prohibition."

Breweries Will Make Fight

MILWAUKEE, April 24.—Representatives of Milwaukee breweries which are parties to the receivership at Topeka assert that they will fight the proceedings to the court of last resort. They claim that the step taken is unconstitutional.

INDICTS COURT OFFICIAL

Grand Jury Ferretting Out Crimes in Windy City.

CHICAGO, April 24.—John Lenehan, chief deputy clerk of the Municipal Court, was indicted today by the grand jury on charges of forgery and falsifying public records. Lenehan was arrested immediately after the return of the indictment and was released on a bond of \$250.

There were two counts in the indictment, one charging the forging of a juror's name who escaped service and the other covering the falsifying of public records by inserting additional figures to the actual number of days jurors had served.

DENNETT TO STAND TRIAL

Third Man Higher Up Suspected in Bond Theft.

NEW YORK, April 24.—Oliver M. Dennett, the banker and broker, was today held for trial on the charge of receiving stolen property. Dennett was arrested in connection with the theft from the Trust Company of America bonds of the Rock Island Railroad valued at \$50,000 by W. O. Douglas, assistant loan clerk, who is also in custody. A representative of the District Attorney's office informed the court that Dennett was accused of receiving \$41,000 worth of the stolen bonds, but that \$140,000 was a moderate estimate of the aggregate value of the bonds taken.

Counsel for Dennett declared that the bonds Dennett was accused of receiving had been returned to the trust company and that there was really no legal charge against his client. Dennett, being unable to furnish bail, was remanded to prison.

The officials of the trust company, not content with the arrest of these two men, are continuing their detective work. They say they are convinced that there was a plot and that there was

somebody behind Douglas in an attempt to defraud the company out of many hundreds of thousands of dollars. The identity of the third man in the alleged plot was not revealed, but the statement is made that he is more prominent than either of the prisoners and that the prisoners are probably his dupes. It developed today that at least \$60,000 of the stolen bonds have not been recovered. This is in addition to the \$90,000 which were found in brokers' offices and Dennett's apartments. W. O. Douglas, the assistant loan clerk who is charged with having removed the bonds from the Trust Company of America, late today was arraigned and entered a plea of not guilty. He also was held in \$50,000 bail for the grand jury. When Douglas was arraigned, his counsel demanded that he be placed in a tier of cells other than that in which Dennett is confined. "I want to keep him as far as possible away from Dennett," the lawyer told the magistrate. I appealed to Warden Ryan, but he refused to grant my request that Douglas be removed to another section of the prison. If it is impossible to grant my request, I want Douglas removed to the Tombs."

Warden Ryan told the magistrate that Dennett and Douglas were as widely separated as the confines of the prison would allow. He did not believe that the men had been able to converse with each other. The magistrate decided that Douglas be confined in the Tombs.

REMINDER OF OLD TIMES

TONOPAH GAMBLING JOINT IS HELD UP FOR \$1800.

Fussillade on Streets as Escaping Bandits and Pursuers Exchange Shots.

TONOPAH, Nev., April 24.—Two masked men, one with a sawed-off shotgun and the other with a big six-shooter, just before 1 o'clock this morning stood up the Cobweb saloon and made their escape with \$1800 of Crumley Brothers' coin. Charlie Patterson, a roulette dealer, ran out of the front door after the men had vanished through the rear entrance and tried to head them off with a revolver. Patterson fired two shots at the men. This had the effect of bringing a large crowd into the streets. A dozen shots were fired in all, some by the excited men who had gathered, and it is not known if the fire was returned by the fleeing robbers.

The robbers entered the saloon by a rear door, which had evidently been opened by a confederate. W. Clark, Joseph Murphy and J. N. Camden have been arrested as suspects.

HELD FOR DEATH OF CHILD

Deekhand Charged With Murder of Horace N. Marvin.

DOVER, Del., April 24.—Frank H. Butler, a deekhand on the steamer John F. Wilson, was taken into custody today charged with the murder of Horace N. Marvin, the 4-year-old son of Dr. Marvin, the boy who mysteriously disappeared March 4. The theory of the detectives responsible for the arrest is that the boy was murdered or accidentally killed, and that Butler knows something about the case.

Butler denies knowledge of the disappearance of the child, and reiterates that the boy was sitting on top of a haystack upon the Marvin farm when he and two other men, who were moving the effects of the former owner of the land, left the place.

A man named Caldwell, who was working with Butler the day the child disappeared, says Butler was ordered to go to the barn and load up wheat screenings in bags. This he did, and when Caldwell later entered the barn, he found that Butler had loaded three bags upon the wagon and a fourth was lying upon the floor of the barn. Caldwell says he lifted this bag into the wagon himself and found it heavy, although Butler had said it was filled with corks. This bag, Caldwell says, disappeared. Acting upon the theory that this bag contained the body of the child, the detectives decided to charge Butler with the murder.

The opinion among the people of this city and vicinity is that Butler knows little about the case.

FREEZE IN MIDDLE WEST

Driving Wind and Snow in South Dakota and Nebraska.

OMAHA, Neb., April 24.—The mercury fell here this afternoon from 73 at 2 P. M. to 45 at 5 o'clock and at 9 o'clock was still going down, but very slowly. The government thermometer showed 40 degrees at that hour. A special from Norfolk, Neb., says a blizzard is reported having struck Rosebud reservation in South Dakota.

A driving wind and fine snow arrived there from the northwest. The local weather bureau reports from Rapid City, S. D., a temperature of 20 degrees, accompanied by a snowstorm.

Traffic Delayed in Wisconsin.

GREEN BAY, Wis., April 24.—Six inches of snow fell here today and the storm is still in progress tonight. Traffic of all kinds is badly delayed.

TRAIN YOUNG MINISTERS

Methodists Accept Gift of \$200,000 for School in California.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 24.—The general board of education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in session here today, appropriated \$50,000 for the establishment of a training school at Palo Alto, California, to be conducted in conjunction with Leland Stanford, Jr. University. The appropriation is conditional upon an additional \$200,000 being raised in California. It is stated that a Californian, whose name is withheld, has promised to give \$200,000 in money and property to the school.

BURNS EVIDENCE OF GUILT

Safeflower Who Aids Dougherty Then Escapes From Hospital.

PEORIA, Ill., April 24.—Ed Tate, an alleged safeflower, who was held in this city on the charge of opening the School Board safe and destroying the N. C. Dougherty script, escaped tonight from the St. Francis Hospital. He had been in the hospital for several days suffering from blood poisoning. Dougherty, an expert on the part of the Peoria public schools, is in prison at Joliet for financial irregularities. The script supposed to have been destroyed by Tate contained, it is said, further evidence of Dougherty's guilt.

For Friday See our full announcement for Friday bargain day in this evening's papers. Window Shades Made to Order - Watch Repairing - Picture Framing THE HEART THE HEART Pennants Pennants, Flags, Arm-lets, etc., made to order, in any size, any color, any design.

Not on Sale Until Friday Morning at 8 o'clock—See the Window Display Today 15,000 Yards Highest Class 1907 Fancy Silks \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2, \$2.50 Val. 79c A Silk Event That Will Eclipse Any Silk Sale Held in Portland in Many Years

THIS extraordinary sensational silk sale is the result of the biggest silk purchase ever made on the Pacific Coast—closing out the entire stock of sample pieces of the largest and most reliable silk importing house in North America, with whom we place enormous silk orders every year and who reserved for us this extraordinary yearly clearance of silks which are ordinarily sold only to one of the great New York dry goods houses. Every individual pattern—there are over 200 styles—represents either a staple product that is the best of its kind or some new novelty in highest favor for Spring and Summer 1907. Every piece is new and bright as the morning, but the entire lot was closed out to us at less than cost by the importer, who is already preparing his shelves for the next year's business. Considering the enormous demand and constant increase in price of all silks, which is taking place, these silks are offered at the most ridiculously low price we have ever known or heard about. In order that every Portland woman may examine these silks at her leisure before the sale begins, we are making a great two-day display in our entire Third-street window space. None of these silks will be sold until Friday morning at 8 o'clock. Fifteen thousand yards of highest class new 1907 Fancy Silks for Jumper Dresses, Shirt-Waist Suits, etc., in lengths from 5 to 20 yards, shown in hundreds of styles embracing every conceivable color, shade and pattern. The greatest assortment of high-class fancy silks ever shown by any one Portland store. The styles include Plaid Checks, Striped Swivel Effects, Dresses and Pompadours. The fabrics are Messalines, Moire Antique, Chiffon Taffeta, Gros de Londres, Merveilleux and Surah. Regular values from \$1.00 to \$2.50 a yard. The greatest bargain sale of many years at the low sale price of only 79c IMPORTANT—None on sale until Friday morning at 8 o'clock. An extra counter, extra salesmen and extra wrappers to wait on you. Do not fail to be here at 8 o'clock sharp to get your choice of the most phenomenal Friday Bargains ever offered.

HAPPIER WITH ANOTHER Why Catron's Wife Left Him and Dwells in Portland. SAN FRANCISCO, April 24.—(Special.)—Because the salary of W. H. Catron as locomotive inspector for the Southern Pacific Railroad was not sufficient to provide his wife, Mrs. Vie Catron, with the kind of clothes she wishes, she deserted him and went to Portland to run a boarding-house, and this morning Judge Waste, of Oakland, granted him a final decree of divorce. To a friend who saw her in Portland and later came a witness at the divorce trial, Mrs. Catron confided the fact that she did not like the plaintiff and felt she might be happy with some one else. The couple was married in Oakland in 1900 and has no children. The plaintiff testified that he gave his wife all of his earnings, amounting to almost \$100 a month, but that she never seemed to be satisfied. EVERYBODY GOES TO WAVERLEIGH FREE TALLY-HO RIDE Reserve Your Seats Now by Telephone Tally-ho Will Start Running Saturday H. W. LEMCKE COMPANY Main 550 Home Phone A2357 6th and Washington

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Muslin Underwear UNDERPRICED We call attention to an unusual sale of fine quality Muslin Undergarments on our third floor for Friday. We mention a few items: \$1.00 fine Cambric Drawers.....49c 85c fine Cambric Corset Covers.....47c \$3.00 fine Cambric Skirts.....\$1.38

\$2.50 New Spring Waists \$1.33 Dainty Waists, of good quality lawn; many styles; trimmed with lace insertion and embroidered with new three-quarter sleeve; good values to \$2.50. Friday, special \$1.33

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