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BUSINESSMENS JUNKET

Will Be Entertained at Various Towns in County

COMMERCIAL CLUB MEET

Drain and Oakland Commercial Bodies Propose to Entertain Roseburgites in Royal Style—Committees Appointed.

The Commercial Club had a fine gathering on Saturday evening of last week to take action to receive the delegation of Business Men from the Roseburg Club, headed by Darby Richardson, their manager, on their arrival in this city on February 4-5, and to entertain them in a way befitting so important a town as Drain.

The following citizens were present and took part in the proceedings: Benton Mires, Dwight Reed, C. F. Counts, W. C. Edwards, C. W. Burroughs, Ross Hedden, C. L. Parker, Jno. P. Durfee, S. M. Wilcox, W. H. Sykes, N. D. Cool, Prof. J. A. Garland, J. W. Spalding, Ira Wimberly. A free interchange of opinion was had, in which there was perfect unanimity, all expressing a desire to do their part in welcoming the distinguished visitors, and it was finally agreed that the whole matter be left to a committee of three, who would have power to determine the kind of reception and entertainment to be given, and appoint all sub-committees, to whom would be allotted their separate duties to be chosen from the citizens at large. The general committee appointed by the meeting were Benton Mires, C. L. Parker and W. C. Edwards. This committee will have entire management.

The general committee met on Monday morning and mapped out a general program, and the citizens to have charge of each branch. The train bearing the distinguished visitors will arrive at Drain at 3:30 p.m., February 4, and the visitors will remain over night, leaving Drain at 7:27 Saturday, February 5. Upon the arrival of the visitors the following citizens will meet them and extend the privileges of the city: Mayor Dwight Reed, Councilmen E. R. Appleate, C. F. Counts, D. W. Joslyn and J. W. Spalding; County Commissioner M. R. Ryan and W. H. Sykes; W. C. Edwards, president of the school board, C. W. Burrows, secretary of the Commercial Club. Committee on Music—John P. Durfee. Committee on Hotel Arrangements—C. W. Burrows.

Arrangements will be made to entertain the visitors at a supper to be given in Odd Fellows' hall at 5:30 p.m.

Hon. W. C. Edwards, president of the Commercial Club will call the gathering to order in the hall and turn the meeting over to the visitors.

Committees to take charge of visitors at the close of the meeting and entertainment, and to see them safe on their journey next morning—Executive of School Board, N. D. Cool, Hon. E. R. Appleate, Walter W. Kent, Postmaster C. E. Hasard and Ira Wimberly, secretary of the school board.

The supper will be in charge of the ladies of our city, who are celebrated for furnishing a feast of good things.

Citizens are requested to do everything to make the visit of the leading business men of Roseburg a pleasant and a credit to our city.

The display of flags and bunting is invited and every vehicle and prominent place should be decorated.

We must not forget that this visit of leading business men from Roseburg is intended to advance the interests of Douglas county and consequently the interests of Drain. The efforts of Darby Richardson, the manager of the excursion, are intended to cover every town in the county, in the influences and benefits to be derived and it is the interest of every citizen, taxpayer and voter to help give the business men of our sister city a send off and encouragement that will materially affect the whole county.

It will be by this united effort that our lands will be developed and their value materially increased, and our wealth doubled.

Also at Oakland. The most enthusiastic development meeting ever held in Oakland took place last evening, it being the occasion of the annual meeting and election of officers. As we are crowded for space this week, we are unable to go into details of the meeting, but suffice it to say that the sentiment of the business men in attendance was that the time was ripe for Oakland to align herself with other towns in the county and state in the general boosting campaign, which will be waged this year. A committee was appointed to interview all business men and property holders of the town with a view of having these people identify themselves with the movement for a greater Oakland. This committee promised to act as early as possible before the next meeting which will be held on February 7th. Arrangements were made and a committee appointed to entertain the 25 Roseburg business men who will visit Oakland and surrounding country, on February 5. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Dr. W. C. Gilmour, president; Frank Gorrell, vice-pres-

BLIZZARD RAGING IN N. E. ENGLAND

(Special to The Evening News) LONDON, Jan. 29.—The worst blizzard in the last twenty years is sweeping northeastern England today.

The northern villages are isolated by interruption of telegraph and railroad service. The snow is two feet deep on the level and all traffic is blocked. Six persons are reported drowned when the French schooner "Mathen" foundered in the storm. The drowned are said to be brothers, all members of the ill-fated crew.

MAKES BOLD CHARGE

Glavis Says He Has Been Willfully Hindered

SCORES COM. BALLINGER

Alleges That Ballinger Attempted to Have Him Delay Investigation—Would Conceal Damaging Affidavit.

(Special to The Evening News)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 29.—That attempts have been made to hinder him in investigating the coal land frauds in Alaska was the statement made by Glavis today before the congressional committee. Glavis declared that the attempts to hinder him in the work were made during conversations with Land Commissioner Bennett.

In the course of taking testimony today Glavis said that at the time he came to Washington to get an affidavit from "A Congressman," who he did not know at that time, but who afterward turned out to be McLachlan, of California, the latter refused to come through, advancing various flimsy excuses. Glavis further said that Secretary Ballinger directed him not to obtain the affidavit from McLachlan, alleging that such information would expose his connection with the famous "Green" group of coal claims in Alaska. Glavis also said in an interview with Judge Ballinger, at Washington, "he told me there had been too much of that sort of thing in the past, inferring that I should not see him to obtain the affidavit."

LECTURE PLEASURES LARGE AUDIENCE

Shylock wasn't such a bad fellow, after all, according to Frederick Ward in his famous lecture last evening. Shylock was a persecuted Jew, spat upon and hounded as a dog, hated all the more because he was successful in money matters. He was scorned by the so-called Christians of the age, and at every turn made to feel their contempt. At a critical time in his life, Shylock was asked for a rather large loan, and even as the Christian gentlemen asked they flouted him. For security he asked the pound of flesh, and the Christian, filled with hate for the Jew and understanding the Jew's hatred of himself, agreed to the bargain. Antonio failed to return the money and in the courts the Jew demanded his pound of flesh. This trial came but a few days after Shylock's daughter had eloped with a Christian, the two taking much of his money and jewels. These crimes came into his life when he was old, after years of insult at the hands of his victim and his friends. Naturally he was embittered to the utmost and odorous in demanding that the borrower pay his bond as agreed upon. How Portia saved her husband by admitting the justice of Shylock's claim, but warning him to take no drop of blood with his flesh, is not a part of this phase of the drama. It was natural that Shylock should feel as he did and he demanded but legal rights.

It is Mr. Ward's opinion that had Shakespeare written his story today, rather than a couple of centuries ago, when his English friends and patrons had little use for the Jew, he would have made out even a better case for Shylock.

Mr. Ward's reading of "The Merchant of Venice" was immensely interesting, being heartily appreciated by the audience present.

Mr. Ward's effort last evening was to make his characters present day humans rather than creations of Shakespeare found only in Shakespearean literature and his own interpolations accomplished his feat very satisfactorily. He read Portia's lines with such pleasing intonation that one fell in love not only with her character, but with her charming personality. At all times the audience listened with closest attention, and at the end of each act gave ample evidence of appreciation.

Before beginning his lecture Mr. Ward gave it as his opinion that all this squibbling and squabble about whether Shakespeare really wrote the works attributed to him as naught but folly.

EVIDENCE FOR DEFENSE

Will Be Introduced in Earnest Monday

DOCUMENTS ARE READ

Worthing, for the Defense, Proposes to Put Case in Hands of the Jury Next Week—Anticipate an Acquittal.

(Special to The Evening News.)

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 29.—Introduction of testimony on behalf of the defense in the Hermann trial will start in earnest Monday morning. Heney rested the case for the government late yesterday afternoon after reading a disputed portion of the testimony offered by McGee at the Washington trial.

Colonel Worthington, of counsel for the defense, began the presentation of evidence yesterday by reading documents pertaining to the annual reports submitted by Hermann during his incumbency as Commissioner of the general land office. Yesterday's evidence, however, was merely presented as a preliminary to additional testimony which will be introduced prior to the closing of the trial.

Portland, Jan. 29.—Within two minutes after Francis J. Heney rested the case for the government in the trial of Blinger Hermann yesterday afternoon, Attorney Worthington, of counsel for the defendant, began the introduction of documentary evidence on which the defense will rely, in part, to explain away the testimony offered by the government witnesses, and ask for the acquittal of the defendant. Although Mr. Worthington will make no prediction as to the time the defense requires to present its case, it is possible the trial may be concluded and submitted to the jury by the end of next week.

Among the documents offered by Mr. Worthington were correspondence between Hermann and Secretary Hitchcock, extracts from Hermann's annual reports as commissioner for 1900-1-2, and published interviews with Hermann in the daily press. All of this documentary evidence went to show that during the time Hermann was commissioner of the general land office, he uniformly opposed the creation of further reserves or additions to reserves already existing until the lien law should be so amended as to provide that applicants for lien land selection would be able to acquire in exchange for lands within the proposed reserves only lands of the same character and value outside of the reserves.

Circular Letter in Evidence.

The first document of this character offered by the defense was a circular letter issued in 1899 by Hermann as commissioner to registers and receivers of the land offices throughout the country directing them to refuse to accept applications for lien selections involving unsurveyed lands within reserves until the surveys of such areas had been completed. In a letter to Hermann, Secretary Hitchcock refused to approve this order and in a subsequent letter to the secretary, Hermann gave as a reason for issuing the circular the suspicion that under the provisions of the lien law it was possible for much speculation and extensive frauds to be practiced against the government.

Hermann had pointed out the fact that denuded forest lands within the reserve could be relinquished to the government and valuable agricultural or other timber lands could be selected in exchange. In this same letter Hermann requested of the secretary permission to make a thorough examination of the character of all lands included within reserves with a view of excluding from the reservations all lands not properly belonging in the reserves.

Lien Land Amendment Urged.

In his annual report of 1899, Hermann declared that he regarded it in the interest of the public good to recommend a modification of the lien land law so as to prevent the "improvident, reckless and unjust" selection of valuable unsurveyed lands outside reserves for worthless lands surrendered within the reserves. In April, 1900, Hermann recommended to the secretary that the lien law be amended so that applicants should receive only lands of the same character and value as those relinquished. At the same time Hermann recommended to the secretary that no further reserves be established or additions made to reserves already existing until the law was amended in this important respect. Extracts also were read from Hermann's annual reports for 1901 and 1902, in which the same recommendations were made.

An interview given by Blinger Hermann and published in The Oregonian in September, 1901, was also introduced as further evidence of the persistent opposition of Hermann to the creation of additional reserves until the lien land law should be modified by congress in accordance with his repeated recommendations.

W. Scott Smith was the last important witness for the government. Mr. Smith was private secretary to Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock when Hermann was commissioner of the general land office. He testified that all employees in the various departments of the general land office

were admonished by printed rules and regulations, not to divulge information concerning any subject pending before their departments.

"Leaks" Caused Complaint.

"Early in 1901," said Smith, "Secretary Hitchcock sent for Hermann and called the commissioner's attention to the fact that there were serious 'leaks' in Hermann's bureau concerning matters which were to come before the secretary for consideration and action. Hitchcock told Hermann that the 'leaks' complained of would take heroic measures to stop them."

Over the objection of the defense, Mr. Heney succeeded in reading into the records portions of the testimony of Assistant Chief Clerk McGee, of the forestry division, in the general land office, in the first trial of the defendant at Washington, relating to the report of Holsinger, who made an investigation of the alleged unlawful operations of Bouson and Hyde. It was to the effect that when Holsinger's report reached McGee in November, 1902, McGee immediately took it to the office of Hermann and read the contents of the report to the commissioner.

After hearing the report read, Hermann asked McGee what should be done. McGee replied that if the report was true, one of the most gigantic frauds ever attempted on the general land office was in progress. To this Hermann was quoted as replying that he was commissioner and that the general land office would take care of the question without the assistance of the secretary of the interior. At the same time Hermann instructed McGee to write another letter to Holsinger, requesting him to make a further investigation of the alleged frauds and also, if possible, to ascertain who was responsible for the "leaks" from the commissioner's office.

The purpose of this testimony was to show that Hermann manifested a desire to withhold from Secretary Hitchcock the report of Holsinger. Judge Wolverton held that the testimony was competent as showing knowledge on the part of Hermann.

In the introduction of a long chain of testimony as to the meaning of the word "special" when placed on letters by Hermann, the prosecution apparently has endeavored to force Hermann to take the stand in his own behalf. No person other than Hermann can explain his action on those subjects.

Jury to Judge.

Judge Wolverton held that the letters were admissible as evidence of the theory of the prosecution that they were on the desk of Commissioner Hermann when the commissioner returned to Washington in August, as required by the operation of the rule referred to, and that the jury had a right to judge of the fact.

W. E. Valk, the land office employee who admitted receiving money from John A. Benson for expediting his lien land selection to patent, was recalled to the stand and asked as to the practice of the office in giving preference to such selection when action was requested by Senator Mitchell and others. Valk testified that Hermann has issued a general verbal order that the clerks in the office should go through the files, select all claims which were in shape to be patented and push them through. The witness identified letters from Senator Mitchell, wherein the senator referred to claims belonging to the Hyde-Benson California land claimants, and asking Hermann to have such of them as were ready made "special" for action. Valk testified that in general cases that action was taken. Valk admitted that he had recognized the numbers of some of the Benson claims on the lists submitted by Mitchell, and that without instructions from the commissioner had given them to the clerks and marked these "special."

Judge A. H. Tanner was not allowed by the court to testify as to a list of the Benson lands which he had forwarded to Senator Mitchell with a request that they be rushed to patent. The list had been mutilated by cutting out the name of the owner. The government was unable to prove whether the signature was cut from the paper before or after it reached Hermann. Judge Tanner was the law artner of the late Senator Mitchell.

MONEY RAISED FOR PARISIANS

(Special to The Evening News)

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Tempered with sympathy the Manhattan Opera company will give two benefit performances on February 6 at the "Mary Gardens." The proceeds to go to the suffering Parisians.

Over \$3,000 Raised. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 29.—More than \$3,000 has been raised in this city to relieve the destitute Parisians.

For Sale.

Good piano, price \$60. Terms can be had if desired. Address A. C. Pattimore, general delivery, Roseburg.

"THE MILITARY GIRL"

To be Presented by the Ladies Auxiliary

IN THE NEAR FUTURE

"The Military Girl," Under the Direction of Fred Carlisle, Dramatic Critic and Coach of University of California.

Fred Carlisle, of Oakland, Cal., arrived in the city last evening for the purpose of staging the operatic extravaganza, "The Military Girl," which play will be presented in the near future under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Commercial Club. Mr. Carlisle is the dramatic critic and coach of the University of Oregon, and this being vacation time, he comes to Roseburg upon special invitation of the auxiliary. The extravaganza is on the order of Weber & Fields' popular productions, necessitating about forty people in the cast. Special scenery and costumes will be imported and ample, commodious stage room will be arranged. The date will be announced later.

Would Erect Theater. Mr. Carlisle, it is understood, will not only look after the interests of the auxiliary in staging their contemplated operatic production while in Roseburg, but far more, he intends to investigate the proposition of erecting a theater in this city.

Mr. Carlisle believes that a theater properly erected, will prove a money maker, notwithstanding the fact that there are many in this locality who doubt that such a departure would even pay fair interest on the money invested.

Mr. Carlisle's idea is to erect a theater with store rooms on the ground floor, thus assuring a permanent income from rent. It is probable that Mr. Carlisle will make some definite statement regarding his intentions as soon as he can obtain the encouragement of the citizens.

Parties returning from Portland who visited John Alexander, who re-

WAR IS RAGING IN OLD BOKHARA

(Special to The Evening News.) ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 29.—Reports received today are to the effect that twelve hundred persons were killed in a religious war now raging between the Mohammedans and the Parsie Sun Worshipers. Reinforcements are leaving today for Bokhara in Turkestan to join the Russian troops in order to control further hostilities. Russian commanders report the situation beyond control and urge that additional troops be sent to the province of Bokhara. The war is said to be strictly a fanatical strife and great precaution is being taken to prevent its spread to Northern India.

GLASS WORKERS GET MORE MONEY

(Special to The Evening News.) PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 29.—For the second time within the past six months members of the National Glass Workers' Union received today a 15 percent increase in wages.

TIE UNBROKEN IN ENGLISH ELECTIONS

(Special to The Evening News.) LONDON, Jan. 29.—With each side assured 267 seats the tie between the conservatives and the liberals in parliamentary elections remains unbroken today. Forecasters are busy today estimating the strength of the contending factions.

A GREAT SUCCESS.

Great success of the Jacob-Silms Co. Sold 57 lots in ten days. Lots will be raised \$50 each Monday. See property display in store opposite Hamilton Drug Co. Open till 10 p.m. tonight. Will positively leave for Grants Pass Sunday morning at 9 o'clock. E. H. FITZGIBBON, Manager.

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\$18.00 Suit or Overcoat	\$13.50
\$20.00 Suit or Overcoat	\$15.00
\$22.50 Suit or Overcoat	\$16.50
\$25.00 Suit or Overcoat	\$18.75

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