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MR. HERMAN'S VINDICATION.

Mr. Binger has been vindicated. The federal jury at Washington has decided that he was innocent of any wrong doing, when, upon being kicked out of office by President Roosevelt, he had the foresight to destroy about three dozen letter books, containing letters bearing upon subjects of public interest. So long as he continued in office these letter files were allowed to exist, but when his resignation was demanded and it was certain that his course as a public official was to be investigated, he caused them to be destroyed. That the verdict is the only one the jury could find under the charge of the court we must admit. The judge ruled that it was not enough for the jury to be convinced that the books destroyed contained official letters; not enough that it be convinced the books formed part of the records of the Land Office or that they were referred to by the Land Office employees; that it must be satisfied that Herman knew their contents to be official; knew that in destroying them he was destroying records that would be called for in connection with subsequent land office business, and that it must further be convinced that the custom and practice of the office required that such letter books be left permanently in the Land Office.

Such a charge was equivalent to an instruction to acquit and should have been accompanied, as was the charge in a customs case in Oregon many years ago, by the information that if the jury failed to acquit the judge would set aside the verdict.

Then we are told that after the verdict Hermann shook hands with each member of the jury. Did he shake hands with the judge during the progress of the trial? If so there is no cause for wonder at the charge. That Hermann double hand shake, grasping the elbow with the left and the victim's hand with the right, with a fatherly inquiry after the wife and children, has been Binger's greatest political asset during his long and successful political career in Oregon and we have no doubt it would work just as well with a Washington judge as it did with the horny handed farmers of the Willamette Valley.

This is Binger's second vindication. The first was when the people of his district, influenced largely by President Roosevelt's recognition of the man whom he had dismissed from office, elected him to Congress.

Certainly Binger is a lucky man, or else there is something back of these land trials that the general public does not see. Judged from the common viewpoint Hermann was the worst rascal of the bunch. His co-operation was absolutely necessary to the success of the plotters. With an honest man as Commissioner of the General Land Office such frauds as were perpetrated during his administration would have been absolutely impossible. His subservience to the wishes of the land ring has cost the people millions upon millions, and yet it is more than probable that he will escape free. There are indictment pending against him in Portland, and Francis J. Heney is said to have charge of these cases. Let us see if his prosecution will be as vigorous as it was against Mitchell and Williamson. The Mist predicts that it will not, and that a loophole will be found through which the oily old rascal will easily escape, and it is not impossible that he will again become a power in Oregon.

TIMBER ASSESSMENT

(Oregon City Enterprise)
Assessors Nelson will double the assessment on timber land in the mountains this year, raising it from \$10 to \$20. The assessors in the lowlands in this county is assessed as follows: \$10 to \$30 an acre.

Many counties in the state are employing assessors to secure data on which to base assessments of timber. There is no doubt that a reliable estimate is much to equalize the burden of taxation and the experience of many counties is that the extra taxes received the first year pays the cost of assessing and leaves a good margin over.

under consideration, as has also, the court of Linn county.
Yamhill county opened bids last week for estimating the amount of timber between McMinnville and the Tillamook county line. Timber in Yamhill was assessed at only \$5 an acre last year.
Marion county had several sections of timber cruised a few years ago, and the court is preparing to have all the remaining timber cruised this summer. The property cruised before had been assessed at from \$5 to \$10 an acre, but was raised last year to \$25 an acre.
The Lane county court purchased the estimates of four former cruisers on 137 sections of timberland and will make their assessments according to these figures. Values will be raised to about \$7 an acre on the better class of timber. Previous to this year, nothing was known of the actual worth of the timber lands, and good, bad and indifferent were assessed at \$5 an acre.
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STATE FAIR EXHIBIT

To the farmers of Columbia County.
Gentlemen—As the State Fair is of more benefit to the agricultural and horticultural interests in general, than it is to any other occupation, and as Columbia County's greatest need at the present time is more people to come in and locate upon her fertile lands that are being logged off, and as the State Fair is one of the best means by which we can make the productiveness of our soil known to the actual homebuilders, I wish to urge upon all of you who are engaged in farming and horticultural occupations the necessity of planting and growing something for Columbia County's exhibit at the State Fair this fall. There is no doubt but what we can grow the finest and largest vegetables, grasses, grain and fruit of any section of our magnificent state; but if we expect to capture a prize with our county exhibit we will have to make an effort and grow something especially for that exhibit.

The competition among the several counties this year will be much more strenuous this year than last because several counties that did not enter the last contest have given notice that they will be on hand for first place this year. The premium list for this year is not out yet, therefore I cannot say what the prizes will be. Last year there were eight cash prizes running from \$100 to \$300 for best county exhibits of agricultural and horticultural products. Points for county exhibits are as follows: Garden products; vegetables, seeds, melons etc., 15. Orchard products; green, dried and preserved, 15. Grains, grasses and forage plants, 30. Arrangement 10, quality 30. Total \$100.

The county court has made an appropriation of \$300 and appointed your humble servant to take charge of the exhibit this year. \$100 of this is to be used in purchasing display jars and putting up a permanent display of the fruits and other perishable products of the county, therefore the amount available for the county exhibit at the State Fair is the same this year as last. This amount is entirely too small but with confidence in the progressiveness and co-operation of all the good people of Columbia county, I believe we can put up a display of farm products that will be second to none in the state.

In order to slightly reward your efforts and create a friendly rivalry among you I will soon announce a list of premiums that will be given for the best individual collections of the following products grown in Columbia county: Vegetables, fruits, grains and grasses; will also give some prizes in Columbia that would in the best collective exhibit of all three of the above classes a special premium. I earnestly request every woman and man who has the welfare of the county at heart to assist me in placing Columbia county where she rightfully belongs, at the top.

Yours Truly
W. J. FULLERTON,
Warr. Or., April 20-07.

MY BEST FRIEND

Alexander Benoit who lives on Rural Route 1, Fort Edward, N. Y., says: "Dr. King's New Discovery is my best earthly friend. It cured me of asthma six years ago. It has also performed a wonderful cure of my infant grandson for my wife. The first bottle cured the trouble, and this accomplished, we other symptoms left me by one, until she was perfectly well. Dr. King's New Discovery's power over coughs and colds is simply marvelous." No other remedy has ever equaled it. Fully guaranteed by all druggists. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

A professor in Wisconsin Agricultural College announces the discovery that wild mustard, Canada thistle, yellow dock, cockle burr and some other noxious weeds can be killed by spraying the field with a 10 percent solution of sulphate of iron. The spraying is done after the weeds have started to grow. Instead of injuring the growing grain, the treatment will kill the weeds and is said to be beneficial to the crop. While one would be inclined to do it the success of this remedy, as yet, is not known from Wisconsin Agricultural College is bound to receive respectful attention. Our own college might try the remedy on Fiesera pink, dog fennel and other pests by which our fields are more infested than by those mentioned as being injurious in Wisconsin.

A Narrow Escape.

G. W. Coyd, a merchant, of Plink, Mo., had a narrow escape four years ago when he ran a jimson bar into his thumb. He says: "The doctor wanted to amputate but I could not consent. I bought a box of Dr. King's New Discovery that cured the dangerous wound."

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

J M Colvin to A W Cook 3835.81 acres
A and S A Calmburg to N A Ham Investment Co timber on w 1/2 sec 2, 3, 4 sec 17, 6, 5, 1
Caples to Giltner lot 7 Columbia City
Caples et al to Giltner lot 8, blk 1 Col City
H H and L M Caples to James Peterson part of w 1/2 sec 18 51
E M and H J Cheadle to G W Waters part of lot in Clatskanie
J L Churchley to J M Churchley se 1/4 sec 6 sec 6 and other lands in 41
Columbia County to D W Richardson and A Robinson lots in St. Helens
Columbia County to H B Nicholas land in St. Helens
W C Conway to A J Lewis part of E W Coover's 1 c
A H and J W Cook to A Wayne Cook undivided parts of 4 4 2 and parts of 7, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, 26, 28 and all of sec 22 52
M and T B Cook to A Wayne Cook same
Joseph Caplain, by admr, to J W Shofford 12 acres in 17 and 18 4 1
F and S E Alford to F D Winston ac 1/2 nw 1/4 sec 36 7 3
A E Alvord to P R and N Co right of way
J W and M M Baker to Barry E Eyrson and M E Thayer part of P G Baker estate
J M Baltimore to Albert Wood Marshall's deed to let 1 Rose's add to Vernonia
M J and Wm H Beaver to Halmer Olsen strip in sec 19, 4 1
U M Beeghly to P R and N Co right of way
Dean Blanchard to J A Schunemann lots 7, 8, blk 13 Rainier
M and M Berg to John Lindquist part of G L Foster d 1 c
E A and F Bishop to James Peterson sec 23 6 2
M and S Borne to Benson Logging Co, e 1/2 sec 34 and s 1/2 sec 34 sec 11 5 4
E and J K Bross to H S Steinhilber n 1/2 sec 9 sec 31 5 8
O Z and M J Bryant to Milton O Bryant six lots in Bryant's add to N Clats
A J Bryant to Western Timber Co s 1/2 of nw 1/4 lots 3 4 sec 4, e 1/2 of sec 5 6 5
A and F Bueher to Jas Peters n nw 1/4 sec 33 6 2
F A and N C Dale to John Stewart s 1/2 sec 36 6 4
Dunlap to Dunlap quit claim
M Dunlap to Nels B Calmburg w 1/2 ne 1/4 and lots 2 3 4 sec 17, 3, 500
M Dunlap to D M Sweeny (adm'r) same
Ellen Ellis to W E McCord w 1/2 sec 28 4 2
C and O Eriksson to J W Carlson 24.70 acres in 31 7 3
Harriet Erie to J and C Muckle se 1/4 of ne 1/4 and ne 1/4 of ne 1/4 sec 9 w 1/2 and s 1/2 of nw 1/4 sec 10 and n 1/2 of nw 1/4 sec 15 2
W C Fischer to W H Powell and eighth int J S Hawkins d 1 c
G S Foster to Victor Turner lots 3 and 4 blk 7 Goble
A E and G J Frankel et al to Carol C Keasey w 1/2 sec 26 5 5 2, 500
J L and M E Gallien to T E Creswick s 1/2 s 1/2 of sec 2 6 3
J L Gallien to Mary Gallien same description
C N Gallien et al to H B Nicholas lot in St. Helens

OREGON'S "BIG STICK"

The Story of the Initiative and Referendum.

Is the subject for an intensely interesting and timely article in the May issue of THE PACIFIC MONTHLY—published in Portland, Oregon—interesting to every citizen because it tells of the use of supreme power by the people. Timely because it offers a sure and safe antidote for the poison and graft of corrupt machine politics. The subject is handled graphically by Lute Pease, who gives an extremely interesting and authoritative account of the direct legislative—direct nominations movement, and other great reforms which have placed Oregon in the forefront of the world's political progress. "It has been said that every form of government except a pure democracy has been weighed in and found wanting." Oregon has practically become a pure democracy. "A peaceful revolution has been accomplished in this state—a revolution that bids fair to spread throughout the Union." Oklahoma, Dakota, Washington and various other states are borrowing Oregon's idea entire or in part, or are striving to secure reforms along similar lines. Various writers have given some attention to the Oregon movement, but comparatively few people other than its originators, seem to have grasped more than a hint of its far-reaching and revolutionary character. It remained for Mr. Pease, who has followed the movement from its inception, to tell the story intelligently and interestingly.

Oregon emphatically confronts the pessimists of the republic with startling statements somewhat as follows: If our representatives do not represent us, we have power to force them to do so.

We can reject any law that we don't want, ourselves enact any law that we do want.

We have knocked out the boss and the machine.

We have just elected two United States Senators in twenty minutes without "boo hoo or ho ho or even a cigar," and our legislature has just completed a session of six days, very actively, untroubled by any charge of corruption.

"And for such a movement the state and the United States at large may give thanks for the pestilence of a small coterie, at once laughed by politicians 'Pops,' 'cranks' and 'visionaries' led by a 'dream'—W. S. U'Ren."

National slogan, "A government of the people and for the people" may read the story of Western freedom and success, and that it may be the seed which falls not on stony ground but in fallow fields to sprout and spread throughout our nation.

Wonderful Eczema Cure

"Our little boy had eczema for five years," writes N. A. Adams, Henrietta, Pa. "Two of our home doctors said the case was hopeless, his lungs being all ruined. We then employed other doctors but no benefit resulted. By chance we read about Electric Bitters; bought a bottle and soon noticed improvement. We continued this medicine until several bottles were used, when our boy was completely cured." Best of all blood medicine and body building health tonic. Guaranteed by all druggists. 50c

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Columbia County.
George A McNeil plaintiff
vs
Elizabeth H McNeil defendant
To Elizabeth H McNeil, the above named defendant:
In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby notified to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit and court on or before the 14th day of June 1907, and if you fail to so appear the plaintiff will apply to the court for decree of divorce and such other and equitable relief as the court may deem proper. This summons is published for six successive weeks prior to June 14th in the Oregon Mist a weekly newspaper published at St. Helens, Columbia County, Oregon by order of the Hon. T. A. McBride, Judge of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the county of Columbia, who has appointed the 14th day of June 1907, as the day for you to appear and answer. The day of the first publication of this summons is May 29, 1907.
R. S. STAPLETON,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned as administrator of the estate of W. H. Palmer deceased, has filed in the office of the County Clerk of Columbia County, Oregon, his final account of his administration of said estate, together with his final report and petition for distribution and that the Hon. R. S. HATTAN, Judge of said Court, has appointed Saturday June 15th, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the time and place of hearing the same, at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and file objections in writing to said final account or said final report and petition for distribution, or any portion of either of the same.
GRANT DOWNING,
Administrator of the estate of W. H. Palmer, deceased.
W. H. POWELL,
Attorney for administrator.

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St. Helens, Oregon

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Harriet M. Edmore, Plaintiff
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William F. Palmrose, Defendant
To William F. Palmrose the above named defendant:
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This summons is published by order of Hon. R. S. HATTAN, Judge of said Court, of Columbia County, state of Oregon, said order being made on the 29th day of May 1907 and the date of the first publication of this summons is the 29th day of May 1907.
COOPER & STAPLETON,
Attorneys for Plaintiff
P. O. Address, Portland, Or.

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