

BOOTH WILL STAY

Bridges and Booth Will Not Resign.

REPLY MADE TO REPORT

Roseburg Land Officials Meet Three Charges of Inspector.

ALL WRONGDOING IS DENIED

Indications Are Hitchcock Is Trying to Force Them Out, Since His Protest Against Their Re-appointment Was Ignored.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash- ington, Nov. 30.—It can be stated on ex- cellent authority that neither Register Bridges nor Receiver Booth, of the Rose- burg land office, has signified his will- ingness to tender his resignation since the offices were recently investigated by In- spector Greene. On the contrary, it can be said that Greene, after a most search- ing examination of the Roseburg office, dug up a small array of facts which he designated "Charges Against Booth and Bridges," and without presenting his facts, told the register and the receiver if they would submit their resignations to him "he would see that they were ac- cepted and the case against them would be dropped."

Inspector Greene is Secretary Hitch- cock's personal representative in Oregon. Ever since Booth and Bridges were ap- pointed last February over the protest of Secretary Hitchcock, Greene has been busy in and about Roseburg, and has at last compiled a statement which is now before Secretary Hitchcock, and which, it is believed, will be used by the Secretary in an endeavor to force both Bridges and Booth out of office.

Greene's report bears every earmark of having been prepared under instructions. Greene makes three points against the Roseburg officials.

The Charges.
Stowed away in the files he found an old plat made when Booth and Bridges were first appointed, showing that cer- tain lands were selected by certain par- ties, and subsequently original selections were scratched out and other names sub- stituted. This is irregular, but an ex- planation is offered.

Again, Greene reports that a certain man at Roseburg had a key to the local land office, that he had access to the land office records at all times and made improper use of information he gained in this manner. The land officers say the individual referred to has a contract for making land office maps, and a separate room adjoining the land office has been set apart in which he shall do the work. This office is cut off from the land office by a booted door, and it is denied this man ever had access to the land office records.

The third charge is that the land of- ficers secured an allowance of \$74 for hire of stenographer for one month, and in- stead of expending this sum in one month they divided it up and paid a stenog- rapher \$3 for three successive months. This charge is admitted, and the land officers add they paid \$19 a month addi- tional out of their own pockets to the stenographer.

Greene's entire report is written in a way to make the most of his charges, yet all the irregularities he finds were passed over by every other inspector who has gone over the Roseburg office, as either inconsequential or utterly unworthy of notice.

Secretary Hitchcock has never forgot- ten the manner in which the President overruled him in appointing Booth and Bridges, and there is every indication that he will attempt to force both offi- cials out in order to vindicate himself. Neither Senator Mitchell nor Senator Fulton has taken up this case with the Secretary or with the President, nor has the Secretary consulted them.

FULTON DISCUSSES TARIFF.

He is for Revision If Appropriations Are to Be Reduced.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash- ington, Nov. 30.—"If we are not going to spend money on necessary Federal im- provements, then I am in favor of tariff revision," said Senator Fulton to- day, after making inquiries which tend to show that the leaders in Congress will strain a point to be economical at the coming session. Senator Fulton is anxious to procure liberal appropriations for the Columbia River and other river and harbor improvements, and will make every effort to secure the amounts asked for by Major Langitt in his estimates.

"The Columbia River improvement is going to be completed by the Govern- ment, and in any revision that is un- dertaken care will have to be exer- cised that the revenues shall not be re- duced below the requirements. While I am disposed to believe that there are schedules that may be properly revised and duties lowered without endangering the aggregate receipts of the Govern- ment, my opinion is that they are few, and I don't believe the best interests of the country would justify wholesale re- vision. At the same time, I do not see how any other can be undertaken."

Roosevelt this morning to pay his res- pects and present his son. The Presi- dent greeted the Senator warmly, con- gratulating him, not only on the splen- did vote rolled up in Oregon, but upon his good work in the campaign in other states. Local matters were not dis- cussed.

Senator Fulton and family will oc- cupy apartments at the Portland during the session.

Senator Mitchell will be at the Rhode Island.

NEW NORTHWEST POSTMASTERS.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash- ington, Nov. 30.—Northwest Postmas- ters were appointed today as follows: Oregon—Azalea, Douglas County— James Devine vice George W. Riddle, resigned.

Washington—Blanchard, Pierce Coun- ty—Fred Baskett vice I. B. Nicholson, resigned.

BURTON CASE IS ARGUED.

Supreme Court Hears Side of Senator Charged With Accepting Bribe.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—The Supreme Court today heard arguments in the case of Senator J. B. Burton, of Kansas, who appealed from the judgment of the Dis- trict Court for the Eastern District of Missouri. Senator Burton was tried on a charge of receiving compensation from parties for representing them before the Postoffice Department, alleged to be con- trary to section 1762 of the revised sta- tutes. The lower court sentenced him to pay a fine of \$2500 and to imprisonment for six months. The attorneys for Sen- ator Burton entered a general denial of guilt and submitted an extended brief in support of their contentions that the court below erred in not directing a verdict of not guilty. Senator Burton was in court during the argument.

Senator Logan and commissioner Ware, both of Kansas, also were present dur- ing the argument. Judge John F. Dillon, senior counsel for Senator Burton, opened the argument. He stated he would not make the defense upon any technical grounds, but on its merits and on con- stitutional grounds. He declared that the only charges made in the indictment was not tried before the jury and the jury was not allowed to pass upon it. He also stated that the Missouri court had no jurisdiction as the alleged offense was committed in Washington.

Judge Dillon occupied the time of the court until adjournment. He maintained that the United States was not a party in interest in the case in which Senator Burton appeared in the Postoffice Depart- ment.

Justice Harlan asked if the United States were not interested in protecting its mails against fraud, to which Gen- eral Dillon replied the United States was no more a party to such cases than it was to all other Governmental business, and that it was clearly the intent of the law that the United States should be interested, as it would be interested in cases of a claim against it.

Senators Culberson and Mitchell were in court during part of the argument.

Large Damages for His Widow.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—A verdict of \$100,000 has been awarded in the Su- preme Court to Mrs. Anna Morhard, wife of a Staten Island physician, who was killed a year ago in the cellar of his home by an electric shock. When the doctor touched an incandescent bulb to turn on the current it was asserted he received a death shock from 240 volts.

All Humors
Are impure matters which the skin, liver, kidneys and other organs can not take care of without help, there is such an accumulation of them. They litter the whole system. Pimples, boils, eczema and other eruptions, loss of appetite, that tired feeling, bilious turns, fits of indigestion, dull headaches and many other troubles are due to them.

Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pills
Remove all humors, overcome all their effects, strengthen, tone and invigorate the whole system.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS

SICK HEADACHE
Positively cured by these Little Pills.

If You Value Your Eyes

OREGON OPTICAL CO.
Exclusive Opticians,
113 Fourth St., Y. M. C. A. Bldg.

The "Different Store"
The Metropolis of Kringle-Land

A SAFE STORE
We have spoken of the safety of this store in other ways, its fireproof steel and cement building, its great fire-escapes, standpipes and hose, heavy firedoors and walls, monster quick-running elevators, etc.; and today we call attention to another point of safety it contains. It is told of the founder of a jewelry business that still prospers here in Portland that a 10-year-old boy could be sent to the store to buy a diamond, and that he would return with as good a stone as the most discerning expert would be able to purchase with the same amount of money. In a business which offers all sorts of temptations to engage in fraud and deceit, and against which the public has very little protection—until within recent years none at all—this reputation has stood for generations, and every person engaged in the manufacture and sale of jewelry is familiar with it. There are other jewelry houses, with reputations equally secure, in which the honor of the firm is guarded perhaps as jealously, but this one has stood the test of years and stands out today a monument to public confidence, inspired by sterling honesty. Exactly the position of this store. It's a safe store; an order by mail or phone is filled as carefully as though you came in person. The child may shop as safely as the adult, and Portland folk show mighty well their liking for this SAFE STORE—safe at all times, particularly safe during the crowded holiday season.

Up in the Toy World
In Fourth-Floor regions where ELGNIRK SSIRK rules supreme. It's child- hood's paradise, this mimic world. Dried-up old hearts deary the pleasures of child- hood; can't see any sense in a little girl putting dolly to bed or crying if dolly gets smashed—but dried-up hearts are not healthy hearts; they don't come necessarily with age, but with uncured tempera- ment. Big folks—the biggest, brainiest folks in the land—have young hearts and find recreation in the mimic world. We comfortably go through the whole thing—we live on the safe side of the mimic world—we're grown- up children, and we all have our toys—of some sort. And we all ride our hobby-horses as in childhood, only we've changed horses at the relays. Grown-up folk enjoy the children's playground up among the toys, on fourth floor, fully as much as the children themselves. It's a happy fairyland. Come up today.

DOLLS AND DOLL FURNITURE.
Three lines of Undressed Dolls, with bisque heads, kid bodies and jointed knees, pretty little "sleeping beauties," with beautiful curly locks, in both blonde and brunette types. They wear real shoes and stockings.

In Silk and Dress Goods Aisles
We cull from the world's markets and charge only a small commission to do the brokerage. We've done some fortunate buying lately, from mills that were "long" on goods and "short" on cash. The deals are all in your favor, as they help us to make these prices. Then there's other lines we're cleaning up at a present loss—your gain.

The Quality Boosters
Portland's Largest, Foremost Store.

AN EYE-OPENING SALE FOR A MONTH-OPENING EVENT
Forced to the Sacrifice of Every Tailored Cloth Suit and Calling Gown in the House
Prices Cut in Two
FOR A MIGHTY THREE-DAY CLEARING
No "ifs" or "ands." The orders have come from the man at the helm to "Clear out the Department and give it to the workmen, stripped of everything in it!" While you're buying Christmas things the workmen will be busy, tearing out old fixtures, taking up carpets, painting, building new fixtures, putting down new carpets, new curtains and draperies throughout and—but what's the need of saying more? We've got to get out of here with the garments, and no place to go, for every inch of selling room is taken now—and we're crowded. We've closed our eyes to loss and will try to look cheerful while you wear away these magnificent suits and gowns at prices far less than their cost to us.



CLEARANCE MUST BE MADE IN THREE DAYS
So Today, Friday and Saturday, in Second Floor, Grand Salons,
WE OFFER FULL, FREE AND UNRESTRICTED CHOICE OF EVERY TAILORED CLOTH SUIT AND CALLING GOWN IN THE HOUSE.
At Just One-Half Price
Values from \$15—that will sell for the next three days at \$7.50—up to the magnificent gowns at \$250 that you may own at any time before closing time of Saturday at \$125, and every in-between value goes in! Every suit as above, none reserved. Your choice is full, free and unrestricted! We're going to sacrifice the complete stock of Women's Tailored Cloth Suits as above—for three days. Among them are some of Mlle. Schroeder's famous tailored gowns. The im- mensity of variety knocks description into a cocked hat. A line tells it—every late and new ma- terial, style and color, every smart effect in tailoring and beautiful workmanship. Be early in choosing and patient with the fitters. Such opportunity is not likely to knock at your door again, and we expect such an inpouring of buyers here today as no Portland store ever knew. That's all—HALF PRICE.

Holiday Lines of Caps and Tams
FOR BOYS AND GIRLS ARE READY IN THE XMAS MILLINERY SALONS.
Sixth-Street Annex—Second Floor.

A Grist of Men's Bargains
In the New Annex Men's Shop—First Floor. Right handy, just inside the Sixth-street entrance. All by itself. Lots of room for the man and his to- gether now—but none too much room for the business. This week we offer many special values. A hint of the many—

In Booklovers' Lane
The Christmas book shops start in the Annex—Fifth Street—First floor, and run along thro' the domestic section—that has loaned a part of its space 'till Xmas to the "Fair-Way," nearly in front of the big new elevators in the new Annex. Stocks are larger than ever before, selected from the latest and most popular writ- ings of well-known authors, and contain books to in- terest the tots, the older children, youths' books of adventure, history, fact and fiction—Books for the adult of every class—Books to every liking. Yes, this Xmas book shop contains

Monster Sale Stoves, Ranges
Such bargains in Ranges and Stoves were never before offered in the city. All are greatly reduced in price for this big sale. Below we mention a few specials. Quick Baker Steel Range with warming closet. Value \$52. Special for this sale \$25.50. King Quality Stove Range with high closets. Value \$48. Special sale price...\$24.25. Our Famous Quick Meal Ranges—made very best made. All special sale prices. Oak Heaters, handsome and reliable, at special sale prices—\$24.00 up. Wood Heaters—Over 25 different kinds to select from. All at special sale prices.

A Christmas Collection of Unusual and Splendid Books
Book collectors or families ac- quainting with a li- brary of their own, will be as- sured that there are those seeking holiday gifts. Here is a quick- thing about books, how one goes and the other, sometimes just as good, falls flat. There seems to be a sort of Free-masonry in the way some books get talked into pre- sence—and the "prominent" books are all here. We create a few specials this week to start the inter- est in books, and then, in comparison, our own books are published, and then, in comparison, our own. \$1.50 COPYRIGHT BOOKS \$1.05.—An immense as- sortment of the new copyrights, carefully selected from the writings of the most popular authors of today. Publisher's price \$1.50—Special, at...\$1.05

Great Special Xmas Sale of Fancy Linens
At the Linen Counter—First Floor.
SHARP REDUCTIONS ON HANDSOME CENTER PIECES, TUNA AND LUNCH CLAY, SCARFS, BOU- tenger, China lace and remembrance. Nothing could be found which would be so appreciated by the dainty housewife for a Christmas gift as one of these beau- tiful pieces.

Corset Special
Sixth-St. Annex—2d Floor.
Special sale of Royal Wor- cester "Bon Ton" Corsets, including four different models, high and low backs and medium-long and short over hips, made of black Italian cloth, white English coutil and pink, blue or white velveteen, stretch silk. Sizes from 18 to 30. Regular prices to \$5.50; special, \$3.50

Xmas Cards and 1905 Calendars Ready
You can't get by the early-decorated booth on the Fair-Way, right at the junction of the old and new building, without being held-up by the monster dis- play of pretty new Xmas Cards and calendars. Everything is here, from the dainty little 5-cent cards that would slip easily into a vest pocket up to the handsome poster sizes that range in price from 15c to \$1.50. Pen sketches, water colors, Chinese burnt wood, Oregon, bachelor and a thousand and one other 1905 novelties...5c to \$3.00