

BOTH TO TESTIFY

Grand Jury Will Hear
Congressmen.

SENATOR MITCHELL TODAY

Representative Hermann May
Also Appear.

BOTH CALL ON F. J. HENRY

Mr. Hermann Declares He Is Willing
to Assist Prosecution Against the
Land-Fraud Ring—John Hall
Visits Senator Mitchell.

There is one man in Portland who has
not enjoyed the rest of the Christmas
holidays. He is Assistant United States
Attorney Frank A. Atkinson. As usual,
he spent the day in preparing in-
dictments in the land-fraud cases, re-
ceived a visit from Representative Her-
mann, and promised Senator Mitchell,
who also called, that he would be allowed
to appear before the Federal grand jury
this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Mr. Henry informed Senator Mitchell
that he would wait on the grand jury
this afternoon and he told Repre-
sentative Hermann that if he got through
with Senator Mitchell in time, that he,
Hermann, would be allowed to appear.
In case Senator Mitchell does not get
through in time, Representative Hermann
will appear before that body Wednesday
morning. Representative Hermann's
plan is to see Mr. Atkinson, who is the
man who is running the
land-fraud ring to earth, that he was
anxious to aid the Government's attorney
in getting to the bottom of the facts in
the case. Mr. Hermann also congratulated
Mr. Henry on the splendid work he
was doing and of the successes he had
already made.

Mr. Hall was not the only guest at the
Portland Hotel to receive callers. Senator
Mitchell's room, \$20, had a caller in
the person of United States District At-
torney John P. Plagmann. It is not known how
long the conference lasted, or what mat-
ters were discussed, but the visit is be-
lieved to have been in reference to the
Senator's expected appearance before the
grand jury. But the other things which were talked over was the
fact that President Roosevelt has not, as
yet, sent to the Senate Mr. Hall's name
as a recess appointee. It has been ex-
pected for some time that the President
would send in Mr. Hall's name, but why
he has not done so is puzzling Mr. Hall's
friends.

Among the indictments which are ex-
pected from the grand jury are those
against C. E. Loomis and S. B. Ormsby.
It is believed that if these indictments
are returned they will not be made
public until later.

\$2000 IN FURS STOLEN.
Dobbs & Co. Robbed of Valuable Furs
in August.

Furs to the value of \$2000 were stolen
from the store of H. Liebes & Co., on
Morrison Street, August 29. Manager
John P. Plagmann reported the theft
to the detective agency, but without
facts from the local police. According to
statements of Detective Joe Day, it is
believed that had the matter been turned
over to the Portland officers the plunder
could have been recovered.

A detective, our man, who was following
the run at Irvington during the summer,
knew of a "job" that had been "pulled
off," but after searching the police records
at headquarters, Day failed to find any
cases of fur thefts not unsolved, and
concluded the tout was lying. He dropped
the matter there. Not until yesterday did
he become aware of the fact that the robbery
had been perpetrated.

"I wish I had known of the robbery
when the tout was here," said Detective
Day. "For I believe I could have recovered
at least a part of the stolen furs, and possibly more. I thought the fellow
who told me he knew of a trick that had
been turned out was lying to me for he
wanted permission to go at the race track,
and I thought it might be possible
that he wanted to make me think he was
wise on something, but I guess now he
knew what he was talking about."

Detective Frank Snow also learned of
something a long time ago that he thinks
would be important to important discoveries
he had been aware of the fact, though. It
is too late now, he says, to do anything
with the information he received. Like
Detective Day, he inquired about the matter,
but could find no trace of any robbery
and dropped it.

It is understood that Manager Plag-
mann does not call on the local police
for aid because he was advised not to do
so by a furrier who had been robbed in a
like manner.

Seven furs, all plain skins, were stolen.
They were taken from a showcase. The
door was opened by means of a
skeleton key. It is believed two men
were implicated in the theft, one remain-
ing on board outside while the other got
the goods.

This is the third large fur robbery that
has come to light as G. P. Rumrell's
and Silverfield's stores were also robbed
some time ago. In both cases much of
the stolen plunder was recovered by the
local detectives.

AT THE THEATER

What the Press Agents Say.

"Yon" Drawing Crowded Houses.

Crowded to its utmost capacity four
times in the past two days in the proud
room of the Empire Theater, and the
attraction responsible for phenomenal
business is no other than "Yon Yonson,"
the greatest of all American-Swedish
dialect comedies. There are only two
more opportunities to witness this suc-
cessful play-tonight and tomorrow night.
Anthropologists claim that the Swedes
are the most loyal, simple-minded and un-
sophisticated people in the world. George
Hegge set about to write the noted character
play of "Yon Yonson," he naturally char-
acterized a character possessing these char-
acteristics. The American public prefers to
see good, than evil stage creations, and
this is one of the main reasons for the
popularity that "Yon Yonson" has en-
joyed during the past 12 years.

"The Charity Ball."

Portland theater-goers are used to beau-
tiful stage scenery settings, but when
the curtain goes up on the second act of
Belasco's great drama, "The Charity Ball,"
at the Columbia this week, there is
invariably a murmur of open admiration
heard from one end of the house to
the other. The whole play is noted for
its beautiful ideas in perfect stage set-

tions, but in this particular act it is a
safe assertion to say that Portland has
seldom if ever had anything so beautiful
and elevating as the effect of the picture
(the interior) when the curtains part.

"The Charity Ball" will be the attraction
of all this week, with Saturday matinees,
and, being especially appropriate for
holiday and social occasions, is drawing
crowded houses of delighted theater-
goers every night.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

Seats Go on Sale Thursday.

Hilda Thomas, Sam Mylne and Sid Foster
return from a clever trio of funsters as
any that have ever been seen for
musical extravaganzas, and it is their
music quibbles and ludicrous antics that do
so much toward making B. C. Whitney's
production of the latest musical success,
"The Show Girl, or the Magic Cap,"
which will be at the Empire Theater all
next week, starting Sunday matinee, the
tremendous laughing success that it is.

Advance Sale Tomorrow.

Stage offerings of the present day
are not strictly up to date that many
careful parents are sending their
children to the theater, but an unusual
opportunity for juvenile theater-going
is offered on Friday and Saturday afternoons
at the Marquam Grand, when the Ben Greet
players will present "The Star of Bethlehem."
This is the story of the Nativity, treated reverent-
ly yet dramatically, and picturesquely
staged in all its pomp and splendor of
the Orient. It is well for us to realize
that Christmas means something
more than giving and taking of gifts,
and "The Star of Bethlehem" will make one realize it, for it breathes
the very essence of the first Christmas.
The sale of seats will open tomorrow,
Wednesday, morning at 10 o'clock.

Marie Heath Thursday.

"For Mother's Sake" will be the attraction
at the Empire Theater Thursday, Friday and Saturday
nights of this week, and "For
Mother's Sake" is a play possessing all
those attributes which go to make up a
successful drama. Love, interest, stirring
situations, good comedy, clever in character
portraiture, and there are touches of
genuine nature in the relations of the
principal personages that gives a sweet
color to the play. Able work in the
drama. There are many great opportunities
for novel scenic effects, which the
management has staged regardless of expense.
Every act is carried complete.
Marie Heath has been engaged for the
role of Jo Pemberton, a part particularly
adapted to the little lady's caliber. Miss
Heath is a superb actress, with a
manner and a voice that are unique.
She is devoid of the rough,
heavy, stilted masculine character seen in
so many actresses. The charm of her im-
personations is in her grace and the rapidity
with which she changes her moods,
and her unaffected naturalness.

Williams and Walker.

Williams and Walker, the colored
royal comedians who come to the Mar-
quam Grand Theater next Monday,
Tuesday, Wednesday nights, January 2,
3, 4, with special matines Wednesday,
have recently been engaged to appear
in a very successful engagement in
London and through the English provinces.
They were quite the fashion in London,
especially so after their appearance at Buckingham Palace by
command of the King. Edward still
knows a good thing when he sees it
and is not too proud to acknowledge it.
The new "In Dahomey," the title
of the musical comedy Williams and
Walker are appearing in, is said to be rich in Southern melodies and the
colored man's humor.

A NIGHT IN JAPAN.

Seats on Sale Today for Coming Jiu-
Jitsu Performance.

The sale of tickets for General Bunnen-
nii's Jiu-Jitsu exhibition which will
be given at the Marquam Theater Thurs-
day evening, will start this afternoon.
Recent interest is being taken in this Jap-
anese science, and the fact that this
will be the first performance of its kind
ever given on any stage has aroused consider-
able comment. General Nii, Professor
Ringler and the 15 little brown men,
who are to show what agility and quick
thinking can do, have carefully selected
from the 200 different forms of attack and
defense a programme that is bound to
please the audience. Each will be fully
explained by Professor Ringler, who is himself
a student of this science. A feature
of the programme will also be Soldier
Thompson's test of Jiu-Jitsu. This mem-
ber of Uncle Sam's fighting men, a man
who stayed for 30 minutes with the Terri-
ble Turk, and a number of other crack
athletes, will test their ability against
General Nii and others of the little Japs.

Alexander Farewell Concert.

Although it has never been heard in
public, the is considerable interest being
taken in the singing of the Alexander
Chorus. Arthur L. Alexander, conductor,
will make his debut at the farewell
concert to be given in his honor at the
White Temple, Thursday evening. The
Orpheus singers are: Dom J. Zan, N. C.
Zan, H. W. Hogue, J. R. Fargo, J. W.
Belcher, C. C. Richard, Frank Branch,
Riley, Robert, George J. W. Carson, H.
Vander, H. L. Hudson, W. A. Montgome-
ry, L. E. Paget, L. P. Bruce, P. I. Pack-
ard, John Gill, Dr. W. A. Cumming, Dr.
George Ainslie, James White and Leon
Jones. The Alexander quartet, Mrs.
Rose Bloch Bauer, Mrs. Walter Reed,
Mrs. Anna Selkirk Norton and Mrs. William
A. Knight. The latter will at that time make
her first appearance before the Portland
audience. The programme is of
high artistic merit. Seats are now
being sold at low prices; coats, scarfs, etc.
All Tourist Coats at low prices; 1500 of them.

All Evening Costumes and Wraps have been marked at
ridiculously low prices. If you have need for a beautiful
Theater or Carriage Wrap, you can save half on its value
during the Clearance Sale, which starts today.

Silk Waists at very low prices; this season's styles.

Wool Waists at very low prices; all new style.

Silk Petticoat, Sateen Petticoats, Alpaca Petticoats, Mor-
gan Petticoats, all at Clearance Sale prices.

All Tea Gowns at Clearance prices.

All Eiderdown Dressing Sacques and Robes at Clearance
Sale prices. Greatest values ever offered.

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Children's Coats, Suits, Dresses and Cravennettes at Clear-
ance Sale prices. Big reductions on every garment.

All Tailored Suits reduced; best styles; big variety.

All Silk and Velvet Suits reduced; beautiful models.

All Dress Skirts reduced; this season's styles.

All Walking Skirts reduced; large variety.

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15,000 WOMEN'S HANDKERCHIEFS, SLIGHTLY MUSSED—USED FOR HOLIDAY DECORATIONS—ON SALE TODAY AT 3c EACH

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Custom Shade and Drapery Work Our Specialty—Third Floor
Trunks, Traveling Bags and Suit Cases at Clearance Sale Prices



Starts today—The important store event that thousands of the best buyers in Portland and throughout the Northwest have been eagerly waiting for—A million-dollar stock (not imaginary) of high-grade, desirable Merchandise for your choosing at manufacturers' prices—Mammoth stocks, mammoth assortments—New, stylish, attractive

Wearing Apparel of every description for women, men and children—All lines of Housekeeping Effects—Every article marked at a decidedly low price—Sale begins promptly at eight o'clock this morning and continues until further notice—Increased service in every branch of the business, in fact, three-quarters of our Holiday force has been retained so that the crowds of Clearance-Sale shoppers may have prompt attention—Mail Orders will receive full benefit of Clearance-Sale prices—Our satisfactory Mail Order Department insures you the same satisfaction as though you were shopping at our counters in person

Every Article in the Establishment Is
Greatly Reduced

Grand Clearance Sale Bargains

In Portland's Leading Cloak Store

Portland's Greatest Garment Store will hum with business during the Clearance Sale—it will as usual offer the very best bargains in all lines of desirable, ready-to-wear apparel for Women and Children—Providing as it does the largest and most complete assortments there'll be no trouble in pleasing everyone, stocks being in splendid condition for the throngs of Clearance Sale shoppers—No hodge-podge or left-overs from a hundred half-price sales—The opportunity is presented to buy apparel suitable for Winter or Spring wear at a saving you can't help but appreciate—Sale begins promptly at 8 o'clock this morning—First comers will naturally have the best picking

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2000 CRAVENNETTES—THIS SEASON'S VERY
BEST STYLES, ARE ALL GREATLY REDUCED

GREAT CLEARANCE SALE OF CARPETS, RUGS, CURTAINS

The greatest Carpet business in
the Northwest is to be found on the
Third Floor of the Meier & Frank Store.
Four times the assortment
to be found anywhere in the city,
and during the Clearance Sale the
low prices should interest every
housekeeper—every party intending
going housekeeping. Velvets,
Brussels, Axminsters, Tapestries
and Ingrains, Linoleums, Art
Squares, Rugs and all are included.
Lace Curtains, Curtain Materials,
Blankets, Comforters, Pillows,
Beds, etc., all at clearance prices.

CREAT CLEARANCE SALE OF LINENS, DOMESTICS, FLANNELS

In the Linen and Domestic Depart-
ments the Clearance Sale offers won-
derful money-saving opportunities to
the housewife. Included will be found
John S. Brown & Sons' fine Table Linens,
Towels, Toweling, Bath Towels,
Bedspreads, Sheets, Pillow Cases,
Gingham, Nainsooks, Swiss, White
Goods, Cottons, Sheetings, Percales,
Gingham, Waistings, Flannels, Eider-
downs, etc. etc. Being the largest
dealers in the Northwest in Linens and
Cottons, our prices will be found
lower than equal grades will cost you
elsewhere. Sale commences today.

GREAT CLEARANCE OF MEN'S CLOTHING, FURNISHINGS, ETC.

Clearance Sale means an unusually
big saving on Men's and Boys' Cloth-
ing and Furnishing Goods. Our entire
complete stocks of Men's and Boys'
Apparel is included—Men's Clothing,
Suits, Overcoats, Raincoats, Vests,
Smoking Jackets, etc.; Boys' Suits
and Overcoats; Men's Hosiery, Under-
wear, Neckwear, Shirts, Hats, Hand-
kerchiefs, Umbrellas, Night Shirts,
Jewelry, etc. The price reductions
are so great that every man must be
interested. Sale commences this
morning at 8 o'clock. Second Floor.

GREAT CLEARANCE SALE OF CROCKERY, SILVERWARE, ETC.

In the Big Basement Store the
Annual Clearance Sale offers very
important bargains in household
articles of every description.
China, Glassware, Kitchen Goods,
Cutlery, Nickel Goods, Tin