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VERDICT PLEASED HERE.

The news of the finding of Binger Hermann not guilty in the land cases was received yesterday by the Times in a private press message. When it was imparted to local friends of Mr. Hermann there was in almost every case an expression of pleasure. Mr. Hermann was well known here. His father was one of the first settlers in the Coquille valley, and he had many friends in Coos county, most of whom believed in his innocence. The verdict quite generally was gratifying in this locality to Mr. Hermann's friends.

WATERFRONT DANGEROUS

There are places on the docks of the Marshfield waterfront which are exceedingly dangerous to persons who must frequent that quarter at night when landing or leaving on the boats. For example, at the foot of B street there is a sign up that the dock is not safe, but this cannot be seen at night and it is plainly evident that this is an unsafe place. All along the docks and near where the passenger boats land there are holes where a person, not entirely acquainted with the surroundings, could easily fall in the bay. Besides there are several holes offering constant opportunity to break a leg.

With the exceptions of one or two small lights and the dim illuminated signs at the back doors of the saloons no warnings are given. At night the whole waterfront is a labyrinth of up and down, pitfalls and holes and a stranger takes his life in his hands when he attempts to find a boat landing. The only wonder is that more people do not fall into the bay.

People should at least be able to come and go in safety and some steps should be taken to repair the docks and provide a less risky landing place.

SEWERS MUCH NEEDED

One of the contemplated public improvements in Marshfield which is most seriously needed is a better sewer system. As it is now there are many open sewers, mere pipes or wooden arrangements which empty into open ditches. It is held that the sewage is carried away twice a day by the tide and that the salt water purifies everything. The fact that it is salt water does make a difference but it is easy to be convinced that the tide does not do all the work expected of it. At the south edge of the city can be found ditches that are absolute foul and the odoriferous atmosphere leaves no mistake about the tide laying down on its task in these particular places.

Marshfield is growing too rapidly and is too large a city to depend upon these primitive drainage methods. If the sewer systems are not properly installed where needed there is sure to be trouble later on. The matter of sanitation is too vital to permit of erring in that direction. All the public money that goes to build the right kind of sewers will be money saved, and ill health prevented.

SHOULD BE A LESSON

The epidemic of typhoid fever at Elkton is a serious matter for the people of that place. The water is attributed as the cause and it is blamed by the state board of health that physicians have not been sufficiently prompt in making reports of the conditions. Nothing is more important than the health of the people of a community and every safe guard should be taken. In the district between Drain and Coos Bay there will be for several years many railroad construction camps which will alter the former conditions and the health of all the small communities should be carefully watched. For that matter every town and city had ought to have the water analyzed

at certain periods to ascertain if it is fit for use. Many cities have this done once a week. The experience at Elkton should be a lesson.

ANOTHER INDUSTRY

Another industry in the agricultural line which promises to be big is the culture of cranberries. Many of the farmers are becoming interested and are planting for the crop. One rancher has proven the success of cranberry culture. He planted five acres and netted last year a profit of \$1,500 on the cranberries alone. A yearly income of \$300 is good enough when the best of the land needed can be bought for half that amount. The climate and the kind of land needed is found here and cranberry growing surely will become a big money getter.

The development of this industry simply goes to show that there are yet many big possibilities in the Coos Bay country of which we know nothing but will later learn.

WANT THE FERRY

The successful termination of the proposed plan to run a ferry between this city and East Marshfield would please the people generally. The community on the east side of the bay is growing and the people who reside there need some means of getting back and forth regularly. This need will increase constantly as the C. A. Smith mill at Bay city will draw many people to that side.

That the people want and need the ferry is evidenced by the interest which is taken in the movement and the complaints of East Side people because of the present facilities for crossing the bay.

FISH WHILE YOU WAIT

Marshfield has the distinction of supporting a restaurant where fish can be caught, cooked and served without going outside of the place or even opening a window, at the Java Coffee House at the foot of B street on the dock. "Texas" the waiter, the other day, opened the trap door in the floor, dropped in a fishing line and caught fifteen little perch in as many minutes and cooked them. Now there is probably no other restaurant in the United States where anything of the kind can be done. If anybody can beat it they will have to show us.

GETS IN TOUCH

The town of Gardiner has been noted for being disconnected with the rest of the world. There was heretofore no telephone, telegraph or wagon road out of the place and the only way to enter or leave was by means of a boat. A telephone line has now been established between Gardiner and Coos Bay. Gardiner is a pretty town and could not afford to be isolated. Her connection by telephone is just another sign of the progressive movement of the community.

GASOLINE WILL GO UP

Look out for another raise on the price of oil and gasoline. John D. Rockefeller has given another two million to the Chicago university, and Coos Bay must contribute her mite. These college donations are hard on those who run gasoline engines and own gasoline launches.

OREGON UNIVERSITY WINS DEBATE

Gets Decision in Inter-Collegiate Debate With the Utah University Team.

Salt Lake City, April 27.—A team representing the University of Oregon defeated the University of Utah tonight in the inter-collegiate debate. The Oregon team, composed of J. C. Veatch and E. V. Galloway, supported the negative of the proposition that "The fifteenth amendment and section two of the fourth amendment to the federal constitution should be repealed, it being conceded that the difficulty of repealing shall not enter into the discussion." Christian Johnson and R. W. Young Jr., of Utah had the affirmative.

Offers Criticism.

Pittsburg, April 27.—The personnel of the interstate commerce commission was criticised by W. A. Terry, the general freight agent of Burlington and Lake Erie road, in an address at the annual dinner at the Traffic club of Pittsburg. The chairman of the board of directors of the Big Four system also delivered an address.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Dr. Ingram went to Coquille yesterday on business.
Mrs. L. J. Simpson, of North Bend, is improving.
Rev. Father Donnelly, who is in Portland, will be home Tuesday.

"MAN EATER" FOUND DEAD

Alfred Packer Who Partook of Human Flesh to Save His Life Is No More.

WAS AN ARMY SCOUT

And Served a Term in the Penitentiary on a Charge of Murder ears Ago.

Denver, Colo., April 27.—The body of Alfred Packer, known as the "man eater," whose death occurred last Wednesday in a cabin in Deer Creek canyon, was brought to Littleton today for interment. Packer was an army scout and started to guide a party of five men from Salt Lake City to New Mexico in 1873. They became lost in the mountains in snow six feet deep and Packer alone survived. The bodies of the other five were later found. Packer disappeared, but was captured in 1883, convicted of murdering his five companions and sentenced to forty years' imprisonment.

He always declared his innocence of the murder. He claimed that during his absence from camp one of his companions killed the other four and upon his return attempted to kill him with a hatchet, whereupon Packer shot the man. Packer admitted that to keep from perishing he ate the flesh of one of the dead men. He was released on parole in 1904. He was sixty-four years of age.

WILL DEMONSTRATE.

Lady Will Call at Your Home and Bake Bread.

The Sperry Flour company is instituting an advertising campaign in this county which is not only to be a thorough one, but novel as well. The company has sent a lady demon-

strator to this locality, who is now in Marshfield, and who will make a house to house canvass of the entire county, explaining the merits of the new brand, Sound Ring flour. She will not only tell the housewives about the flour, but will prove her statements by going into the kitchen and making bread of the new flour,

for all those who doubt the merits of the same.

—All Mysons in good standing are requested to be present at the Masonic Temple Sunday, April 28, at 1 p. m., to attend the funeral of David Holland. By order of W. M. M. Jensen, Secretary. 4-26-3t

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