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## HERMANN CHOSEN BY REPUBLICANS

### Ex-Land Commissioner Won the Nomination After a Struggle From 3 p. m. Until Midnight.

#### The Vote Necessary to Nominate Was 87, and On the Twenty-fourth Ballot the Man From Roseburg Received 95, and Then All Came In to Him.

Eugene, April 9.—(Special to The Astorian.)—Binger Hermann was tonight nominated for congressman by the republicans of the First district on the 24th ballot to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Thomas H. Tongue. Hermann represented Oregon in congress for 12 years continuously, having been elected the first time in 1884. In 1897 he was appointed commissioner of the general land office by President McKinley, and served until November last, when he resigned.

### VOTE IN DETAIL

Eugene, April 9.—The convention was called to order at 3 p. m. by Dr. T. W. Harris. Brownell was elected chairman. On the first ballot Hermann received 79 votes, Gatch 42, Kelley 42, Vawter 12. On the fourth ballot Hermann received 84 votes, Gatch 54. On the ninth ballot Hermann polled 81, Gatch 37, Kelley 37, Vawter 19. On the 13th ballot the Lane county delegation broke from Hermann and 13 votes were cast for L. T. Harris, while the Clackamas delegation bolted to Brownell. Hermann's figure was cut down to 63. On the 18th ballot Hermann went clear down to the 38 mark, while Gatch went up to 60, with Brownell 17, Harris 38, Vawter 12, Kelley 16 and Eddy 2. On the 21st ballot Hermann polled 62, Gatch 58, Kelley 24, Vawter 12, Brownell 17. On the 23d ballot Hermann pulled up to 74, and on the 24th ballot to 79. On the 25th ballot Hermann received 95, Gatch 72, and Kelley 9, 87 being necessary for choice. The nomination was made unanimous despite the fact that the vote was excessive. The convention was in constant session from 3 p. m. until almost midnight. Hermann won amid great enthusiasm and excitement. Hermann was called for and in a strong speech paid a tribute to President Roosevelt and pledged himself to make a canvass and examine the needs of the district.

### Investigation Is Courted

New York, April 9.—Miss Clara Barton, president of the National Red Cross society, in answer to what her associates say she considers the threats of the opposition to her administration, is said to court the fullest investigation by congress of the affairs of the organization from her first connection with it. Miss Mable T. Boardman, one of the nine active members of the opposition, says she was suspended without a hearing and cites Bishop Potter, Spencer Trask and Robert C. Ogden as advocating a reorganization of the Red Cross, to regain the confidence of the public. Speaking for Miss Barton, her personal representative says that she is in excellent health, but much worried over all the trouble the Washington "malcontents" had made for her recently. "As for a congressional investigation Miss Barton neither fears nor opposes it. She would welcome it as the practical manner of having the Washington minority show what they mean by all associations of maladministration and wasteful management they have been making but for which in spite of repeated requests they have never yet offered a definite, detailed charge."

### Club Espouses Negro Suffrage

New York, April 9.—Members of the Union League club of this city will take radical steps, it is said, favoring negro suffrage in the south at their April meeting, which occurs tonight. In a word, congress will be appealed to to deal with the question along the line of a radical reduction of representatives of the southern states in congress. It is just a year ago that the Union League club was divided on the question of discharging negro attendants. The negro servants were kept by a vote of three to one after a stormy session. The report of the club committee on political reform, which is expected to precede the action favoring negro suffrage, will it is believed, create a sensation in the southern states. After reciting that the southern states have taken steps to circumvent national legislation giving suffrage to negroes, the report recommends that congress be asked to take up the question without a moment's delay. It recommends also that this body be asked to cut down southern representation and that a large sum of money be appropriated to test the validity of the recently adopted constitution in Alabama, Virginia and other states in the south. The ablest counsel in the country will be employed to prepare and argue these test cases regarding the constitutions mentioned. In addition to the sums appropriated, it is proposed to ask the individual members of the club to contribute. One of the prime movers in this movement is said to be ex-Secretary of the Interior Cornelius N. Bliss. The club is expected to adopt resolutions following the adoption of the committee's report. Ten thousand of these resolutions will be circulated to state senators to prominent churchmen and those in authority everywhere. President Roosevelt was vice-president of the club in 1889. He is still prominent in its councils. General Horace Porter, Joseph H. Choate, John Jay and George Cabot have also acted as presidents of the club at different times. The late Hamilton Fish and William H. Everts also had that distinction in their lifetimes. John D. Rockefeller, J. Pierpont Morgan and Andrew Carnegie are members of the club, the two latter being on the governing committee. The list of members also includes William D. Sloane, George F. Baker, Whitelaw Reid, John Jacob Astor, D. O. Mills and many other prominent men.

### APPOINTED TO PHILIPPINES

Washington, April 9.—Major George R. Smith has been designated as chief paymaster of the division of the Philippines, relieving Lieutenant-Colonel Chas. H. Whipple, who has been ordered to this country. Major Elijah H. Halford, who has been serving in the Philippines as paymaster, has been relieved and will report at Washington.

### Base Ball Scores. PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE.

At Los Angeles—Los Angeles, 2; Oakland, 0.  
At San Francisco—San Francisco, 6; Seattle 4. Called at sixth on account of rain.  
At Sacramento—Sacramento, 4; Portland, 6. Called at sixth on account of rain.

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## GOVERNMENT WINS SUIT

### Court Enjoins the Railway Merger From Voting Stock, Four Judges Concurring.

### WOULD KILL COMPETITION

#### Case Will Be Appealed, but May Not Be Brought Up During Roosevelt's Term.

St. Paul, April 9.—The United States circuit court of appeals today at noon handed down a decision in the suit of the United States against the Northern Securities company, enjoining the company from voting the stock of the Great Northern or Northern Pacific Railway companies, but allowing the return of such stock as had been delivered to the holding company. The opinion was unanimous, all four judges concurring, but the opinion was written by Judge Thayer. The court holds that the merger places the control of the two roads in the hands of a single person, to wit, the Securities company by virtue of its ownership of a large majority of the stock of both companies, and that it destroys every motive for competition between two roads engaged in interstate traffic which were natural competitors for business, by pooling the earnings of the two roads for the common benefit of the stockholders of both companies. The case will be appealed.

Washington, April 9.—Unless there is very great expedition in bringing the merger case to the United States supreme court and also in its consideration hereinafter, the supreme court will not pass on the case during the president's term. The court will adjourn finally in the latter part of May and will not convene again until next October. It is considered impossible that the papers can be put in shape and the case prepared for the consideration of the court within that time.

## Another Large Ocean Palace

New York, April 9.—Larger than any vessel ever built in this country and only exceeded in size of all the world's fleet by the Celtic and Cedric of the White Star line, the Minnesota will be launched in New London, Conn., on April 16. Miss Hill, daughter of J. J. Hill, president of the Great Northern Steamship company for whom the new ship was built, will christen her. The Minnesota will have features and conveniences to be found in no other vessel until her sister ship, now building, is launched. She is 630 feet, 27 feet six inches beam and 56 feet from keel to upper deck and has nine decks in all.

## English Reform Legislation

New York, April 9.—The Easter holiday recess enables the ministers to take account of stock, says a London dispatch to the Tribune. They have not yet received assurances that the nationalist convention will sanction the land purchase bill when there is no home rule bill behind it. If these assurances are not withheld the passage of the Irish measure will encounter little assistance and thenceforward will gain considerable prestige. The London supplement education bill will be strenuously fought by the liberals, but they will have less assistance from the non-conformists than they had last year. Mr. Chamberlain is reported to be better pleased with the educational bill than with the land bill. Both measures will receive his support, since South African problems must be settled without a political disturbance in England this year. With a favorable budget the government is likely to pull through the session comfortably.

## Direct By the People

Springfield, Ill., April 9.—The house unanimously passed the senate joint resolution favoring constitutional amendment for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people.

## PRISONER LEAPED FROM MOVING TRAIN

### One of the Men Arrested by Linville Daringly Escaped While Enroute for Portland.

### GETAWAY MADE NEAR GOBLE

#### Lyman Is Desperate and Every Effort Will Be Made to Retake Him—Detective In Pursuit.

Portland, April 9.—While the train was running 40 miles an hour S. L. Lyman, wanted here for highway robbery, escaped from the officer who was bringing him from Astoria, by leaping from the car. The escape was effected this morning shortly before 11 o'clock, just after the A. & C. express for Portland left Goble. Detective Snow followed his prisoner in a bold attempt to recapture him. All went well till Goble was reached. Each officer kept his man by his side in different ends of the same car. There had been no trouble and none was looked for. When the train left Goble Snow and Kerrigan felt relieved, as there were no stops between that point and Portland, and the rate of speed maintained would seemingly preclude any thought of escape. But not long after the train had gained its full headway, Lyman, the taller and fair one of the two, who was sitting with Snow, leaped to his feet and with a blow at the detective, made for the door and an instant later had launched himself heading from the platform of the car. Through a marvelous chance the daring man was not killed, but was seen to pick himself up and hurry away. The officer, not to be outdone, signalled for the train to stop, and before its speed was perceptibly slackened threw himself off after his prisoner. Kerrigan continued on his way to this city and landed Smith, the dark, heavy-set one, behind the bars. "Snow will get his man," said Detective Kerrigan when asked about the sensational escape of Lyman. "I've known him and worked with him 14 years and if he loses this man it will be the first in all that time that Frank Snow lost. Just the details of the escape I don't know, as we had to keep the men separate, but I firmly believe that Snow will turn up with his prisoner later in the day." The daring displayed by the escaped man is taken by the police as another example of the recklessness of desperadoes.

## On Roosevelt's Private Car

Livingston, April 9.—When the president's train arrived here yesterday a tramp dropped from the roof of the president's private car. He explained that he had ridden from Miles City, President Roosevelt, when informed of the incident, remarked: "Poor fellow. He probably was broke. If I had seen him I would have been tempted to help him a trifle."

### GETTING HOT IN KANSAS.

Topeka, April 9.—Unusually high temperatures were recorded in Kansas today. At Abilene, 96 degrees was the mark, and at Concordia 90. Rain is falling nearly all over the state tonight.

### Gun Explodes Causing Death.

Pensacola, Fla., April 9.—A 12-inch gun exploded this afternoon on the battleship Iowa, during target practice, killing three men and injuring two.

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