

FINGER POINTS AT HERMANN AGAIN

In Grand Jury Investigation of Wheeler County Frauds Appears Congressman.

WITNESSES TELL OF HIS CONNECTIONS THERE

State May Bring Charges Against Livestock Company for Diverted School Lands.

The Butte Creek Land, Lumber and Livestock company investigation, which has been before the grand jury for several days and seems to have ended yesterday, promises to involve Congressman Binger Hermann again.

Until the present joint came, and a small army of witnesses testified before the grand jury that wanted to hear of law violations and district attorney that would prosecute, this big company out-herded Herod, gave the card cards and spades and beat him out in expansion policies.

But the last witness yesterday seem to seal the conviction that there will be trouble in store for officers of the Butte Creek company, and also left a pointed suspicion that Binger Hermann would have another charge or two necessitating his resignation.

Peapack Bros. and C. B. Buckingham went on in the afternoon. The case presented is a large one, as there have been enough witnesses present to involve the company in 19 to 20 different instances of land acquisition.

It is said by some of the witnesses that this company has taken more than 100 homestead and timber claims in recent times. Some of the men who secured patents to the land did not see it. Two or three instances have been sworn to wherein applicants for homesteads were absent for two years or more without seeing the land, but title was acquired nevertheless, through the compliance of the land office officials, and the inability of adjacent settlers to get the Oregon district attorney to take action to stop the work.

Assurances is given that the state will make inquiry into the affairs of the Butte Creek company also, as it is alleged that this company has borrowed large sums of money from the school board on land taken as indicated. Herodricks was the local attorney of the board at Fossil. After the big company was organized, it is said to have had relatively little money for acquisition of land or stock. By having the company make application for a loan on some of the land to which title had been granted, Herodricks, as local agent, was said to have been in position to recommend this loan. When this loan was secured, other acquisitions could be made.

State May Bring Charges. Some of the land taken for grazing was not worth to exceed \$1.35 an acre, and there are witnesses who state that the average pasture land would not be worth to exceed \$2 an acre. If the loans

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PROSECUTE OFFICIALS OF THE BEEF TRUST

Administration Preparing to Go After the Millionaire Packers.

(Journal Special Service.) Washington, Jan. 31.—It is stated on the highest authority this afternoon that the administration is preparing to prosecute officials of the "beef trust." It is said that agents of the bureau of corporations have any amount of evidence at hand upon which to base the prosecution, and so long as the packers control, the matter will continue to furnish damaging evidence.

NOTED MEN SPEAK OF DEAD PRESIDENT

(Journal Special Service.) Canton, Ohio, Jan. 31.—The interior of the Auditorium has been handsomely decorated for the great banquet to be given tonight in observance of the birthday of William McKinley. The affair will be given under the auspices of the Young Men's McKinley club and will be attended by men of national prominence representing every section of the country. Mrs. McKinley will occupy a box in the banquet hall with a party of friends which will include Mrs. Gerrit A. Hobart.

Justice William R. Day, secretary of state in the cabinet of President McKinley, will act as toastmaster. The following program of toasts has been arranged: "McKinley," Vice-President-elect C. W. Fairbank; "McKinley and the South," Gen. Fitzhugh Lee; "Our Country," Lieutenant Governor Harding.

WILL SHOOT ON SIGHT MAN WHO MADE CHARGES

(Journal Special Service.) Sacramento, Jan. 31.—Members of the legislature this morning seem to appreciate more fully the charges of bribery made against Senators French, Wright, Binkers and Simmons. All other subjects and matters of legislation have been subordinated to the discussion of the charges and speculation of the probable outcome of the investigation.

INCORPORATION FEES IN DISTRICT INCREASED

(Journal Special Service.) Washington, Jan. 31.—In response to the president's special message the senate today passed an amendment to the house bill increasing incorporation fees for the District of Columbia from \$1 a share to 40 cents for each \$1,000 of capital stock, giving the recorder of deeds discretion to refuse any application for a charter where he is not satisfied that the capital stock is subscribed in good faith. It is said the senate is now considering revoking those charters already issued with a capital aggregating five million.

HERMANN INTRODUCES BILL TO BUY LANDS

(Washington Bureau of the Journal.) Washington, D. C., Jan. 31.—Hermann today introduced a bill identical with one previously introduced by Fulton, directing the secretary of the interior to ascertain the value of lands in grant to aid construction of a military road from Eugene City to the eastern boundary of Oregon, within the Klamath reservation, and to ascertain for what territory the California & Oregon Land company will convey its lands to the United States.

ALASKA'S GOVERNOR WANTS MORE EXHIBITS

Governor John G. Brady of Alaska will visit Portland next Friday, accompanied by Joseph Marvin, his executive commissioner. The object of the visit is to confer with President Good on the advisability of increasing the scope of Alaska's exhibit at the Lewis and Clark exposition. They will also direct the disposition of several cars of material which have arrived from the territory under a roof on the government's territorial building.

BLUEBEARD HOCH WILL FACE BIGAMY CHARGES

(Journal Special Service.) New York, Jan. 31.—Johann Hoch, the alleged Chicago "Bluebeard," whose propensity for marrying led to his arrest last night on a charge of bigamy, was arraigned in the police court today and remanded until February 3, to await extradition papers. Hoch says that he is willing to go to Chicago to answer the charges. The Chicago authorities allege that Hoch married 24 women, the majority of whom died under suspicious circumstances.

REVIVAL MEETINGS AT WHITE TEMPLE

The revival meetings at the White Temple were begun very auspiciously yesterday, the pastor holding an all day prayer meeting and consecration service in the temple parlor. Several of the west side churches have united with Dr. Brougher's people, and a profound revival spirit is shown.

DISPOSITION GROWS TO BUYING HOUSE

Purchase Would Be a Source of Unending Expense to the State of Oregon.

LEGISLATORS INVITED TO INDULGE IN SMOKER

Serious Defect in Mayor's Prosecuting Attorney Bill Now in Committee.

(From a Journal Staff Correspondent.) Salem, Or., Jan. 31.—In pursuance of the effort to induce the legislature to purchase the old Cooke residence in Salem for an executive mansion, the senators and representatives are to be invited to visit the house some evening this week for an informal "smoker." Opportunity will then be given for an inspection of the house.

There is a growing opposition among the legislators to the purchase of this property. While the house was, in its day, a handsome one, it is now 24 years old, exceedingly antiquated in style, and in need of extensive repairs. It has been a white elephant upon the hands of its present owners. Those who are urging the purchase of the property assert that the house is still, despite its age, the handsomest residence in Salem and that the grounds which it stands on alone worth \$10,000. The latter statement, on the other hand, is declared by persons acquainted with values in Salem to be a decided exaggeration.

The demand for an executive mansion comes only from those who are trying to sell the property to the state. Governor Chamberlain would still keep his home at Portland even if the purchase were made.

Another executive mansion project has made its appearance. The proposition is to buy the entire block lying between the capitol grounds and the railroad. The block is owned by the Imperial hotel of Portland, owns about one-fourth of the block, and a large frame house is standing on the property which it is proposed to use for a governor's residence. Whether the state could buy it even if the legislature is so inclined, it is also very doubtful whether a majority can be secured for the purchase, either of the Cooke or the Ketchikan property.

BILLS INTRODUCED

(From a Journal Staff Correspondent.) Salem, Or., Jan. 31.—The following bills were introduced in the senate yesterday: Senate bill 195, by Smith—Fixing fees of sheriff in Umatilla county. Senate bill 196, by Booth (by request)—To prohibit sale of cigarettes to minors. Senate bill 197, by Pierce—To appropriate \$50,000 annually for normal schools. Senate bill 198, by Laycock—To amend charter of Prairie City. Senate bill 199, by Malins—To punish burglary. Senate bill 200, by Croissant—To change salaries of officers at Soldiers' home. Senate bill 201, by Coe—To amend laws for protection of trout. Senate bill 202, by Hodson—To create a state board of accountancy. Senate bill 203, by Eshel (by request)—To regulate automobiles. Senate bill 204, by Coshov—To authorize Roseburg to construct and operate a lighting plant. Senate bill 205, by Sichel (by request)—To amend law of distribution of estates. Senate bill 206, by Rand (by request)—To amend Baker City charter. Senate bill 207, by Rand (by request)—To amend law of distribution of estates. Senate bill 208, by Coshov—To amend Roseburg charter. Senate bill 209, by McDonald—To amend charter of La Grande. Senate bill 210, by Pierce—To amend the charter of North Powder.

IN THE HOUSE

H. B. 165 (substitute), by Huntley—To amend pharmacy law. H. B. 283, by McLeod—To amend La Grande charter. H. B. 283, by Bailey—To require consent of two-thirds majority of stockholders in sales of corporations. H. B. 284, by Newell—To amend code as to banded houses. H. B. 285, by Graham—To amend charter of Salem. H. B. 286, by Mears—To amend section 112 of code, relating to sales. H. B. 287, by Smith of Baker—For restriction of irrigation corporations and payment of fees. H. B. 288, by Hermann—To enable counties and towns and cities to aid construction of railroads. H. B. 289, by Jayne—For county fruit inspectors. H. B. 290, by Jayne—To amend code relating to irrigation ditches. H. B. 291, by Blair—To amend code as to appeals from justice courts. H. B. 292, by Burns—To amend charter of Coquille.

SEE SERIOUS DEFECT

(From a Journal Staff Correspondent.) Salem, Or., Jan. 31.—Mayor's bill to create the office of prosecuting attorney for each county, abolishing the office of district attorney, has many supporters in the house, but it is said that there is a serious defect in the bill which would probably render it in its present form unconstitutional. The bill provides that the office of prosecuting attorneys shall be paid by the several counties. The constitution, however, provides that prosecuting attorneys shall be state officers and their salaries are to be paid by the state. There is an evident conflict between the provisions of the constitution and the Mayor bill. The bill is now before the judiciary committee for the third time, and the committee has seriously discussed the objection, raised as to the measure's constitutionality. Even if the bill should pass the house it is quite probable that it would fail in the senate.

HOUSE TAKES STAND IN FAVOR OF MILES

(Journal Special Service.) Washington, Jan. 31.—The house today refused to concur in the senate amendment to the army appropriation bill empowering General Miles and other officers under assignment to state militia from the provisions of the proposed law which refuses full pay and allowances to retired officers accepting such assignments.

BARD SAYS CATHOLICS TRIED TO BRIBE HIM

(Journal Special Service.) Washington, Jan. 31.—Senator Bard of California, today told the subcommittee of the senate committee on Indian affairs that he had been approached by an agent of the Catholic association interested in Indian missions who promised to carry several legislative districts

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IRRIGATION BILLS ALL LIKELY TO FAIL

Senate Kills Coshov's Bill to Regulate Water Rights and Other Measures in Danger

(From a Journal Staff Correspondent.) Salem, Or., Jan. 31.—The outlook this afternoon is that all irrigation legislation will fail at this session despite its importance. Coshov's bill regarding water rights was killed in the senate today. Pierce withdrew his bill in order to keep it from meeting a like fate. Supporters of the Cole bill insist on its passage, without amendment. A majority oppose it. Cole's is the last of the irrigation bills.

BURGLARS MAKE RAID ON TOWN OF ARLETA

Burglars raided the town of Arleta last night. The postoffice in the house of Chambers & Griffith was entered and robbed of \$100 in postage stamps and about \$5 in cash, and several dozen jackknives from a showcase, valued at \$25, and several other small articles. Access to the building was secured through a rear window.

After robbing the postoffice the burglars crossed the street to the Robert's bank, where they broke open the front door and stole a small amount of change and some sausages. They stopped at the store at Gray's crossing, half way between Arleta and Letia, broke open the rear door and stole some jackknives.

The postal officials have been notified, and they have special officers investigating the burglary. A Deputy Sheriff Gruesz has been detailed by Sheriff Word on the case.

MRS. JOHN W. GRAYSON IS NOW MRS. MEIGS

Mrs. John W. Grayson of this city was married in San Francisco last Friday to Lieutenant Meigs of the United States army. News of the marriage was received here yesterday by some of Mrs. Grayson's intimate friends.

DOCTOR'S ARREST COMES AFTER DEATH OF WOMAN

A. R. Edgar yesterday caused the arrest of Dr. J. Bohannon, who is said to practice his profession without a license, when he was taken into custody last night.

The death of Mrs. Edgar four days ago is said to be the real cause of the arrest. She was a patient of the physician, and the husband accuses the physician of being partly responsible for her death by failure to treat the patient as she should have been treated. The physician on the other hand claims that the woman was afflicted with an incurable complaint and that her case was hopeless from the start. He was released on bonds.

PREPARING FOR GREAT CHURCH CAMPAIGN

Interest is growing in the Chapman evangelistic campaign which is to center here in March after closing the work throughout the rest of the state. Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman, who is at the head of the campaign, is conducting meetings in Los Angeles. His meetings will begin in Portland March 22 and will continue for three weeks. There will be at least five preaching stations, with preacher and singer for each. This campaign is notable for the entire absence of denominationalism.

KRONSTADT ATTACKED BY ARMED STRIKERS

(Journal Special Service.) St. Petersburg, Jan. 31.—Armed strikers from the Nevskovsk rifle factory are advancing across the ice on Kronstadt. Admiral Birloff has marshaled the sailors in front of the arsenal to meet the strikers.

TO ABOLISH PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION

(Journal Special Service.) Washington, D. C., Jan. 31.—The house committee on interstate and foreign commerce today authorized a favorable report on the Mann bill abolishing the present isthmian canal commission, although the president will appoint a new commission in accordance with the needs of the situation.

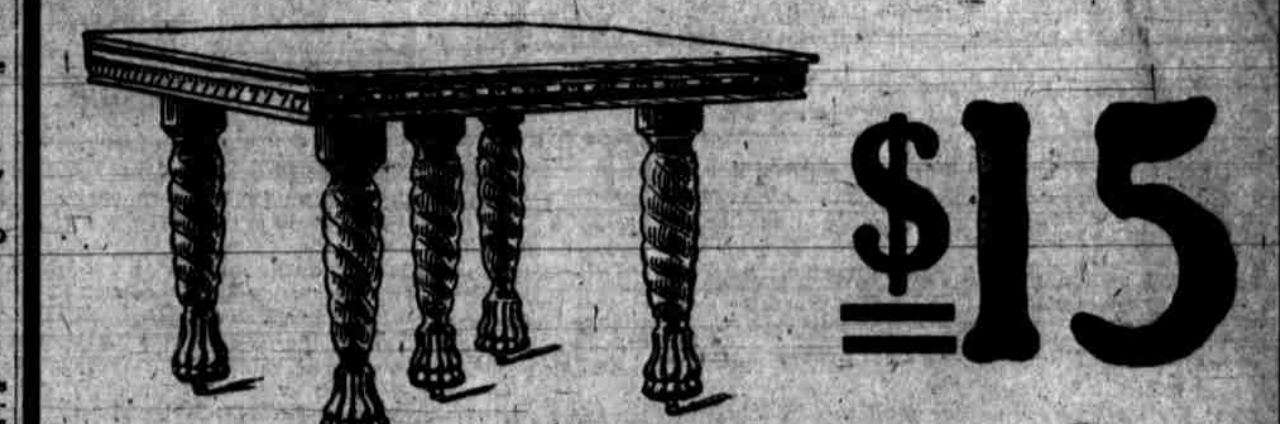
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for the senator's re-election in return for the continuation of aid to Catholic schools. The statement was made in connection with the charge of S. N. Broslus of the the Indian Relief association that 98 per cent of the funds for educational purposes of Indians had gone to Catholic institutions, largely because of Roosevelt's friendship for Catholics.

TALBOT'S PROSECUTION DROPPED BY IRVINE

(Journal Special Service.) Philadelphia, Jan. 31.—In a signed statement this afternoon Rev. Ingram Irvine announces that he will end all proceedings against Bishop Talbot because he desires to have the Protestant Episcopal church from all further scandal. Preferred Stock Claimed Goods, Allen & Lewis' Best Brand.

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