

GOVERNMENT RESERVING GAMBLING AS STATE FAIR GAMES DEBARS THIS COMPATROTS CAPTAIN ASKS FOR PROTECTION OF OREGON

Testimony of Prosecution Has All Been Offered — Defense Will Begin at Once.

MAYS TOLD HERMANN WHAT LAND TO RESERVE

Rittenhouse Testifies Hermann Wanted to Know How Much the Government Knew of Contents of Destroyed Copy Books.

(Washington Bureau of the Journal.) Washington, March 25.—At the trial of Irving Rittenhouse, the government rested this afternoon, asking to reserve 10 minutes Monday morning to introduce in evidence some maps which are not yet completed.

John W. Rowland, now chief clerk to the Surveyor-General, then a draughtsman under Surveyor-General Meldrum, told the court this morning that he was present at the famous conference in September, 1901, between Meldrum, Hermann, Mays and H. L. Patterson in Meldrum's office.

He said they conferred with reference to the Blue Mountain forest reserve. Rowland testified that Meldrum, Hermann and Mays, in the direction which the others studied, selecting the lands that Mays wanted to have included in the reserve.

JUDGE TAKES PART IN A DIVORCE TRIAL

Frazer Tells Phillips He Had Evidently Shown No Mercy to His Wife—Acrimonious Dispute Between Attorneys for Plaintiff and the Defendant.

It was hard to tell who was the attorney for the plaintiff in the divorce case of Mrs. Elizabeth Phillips against Charles J. Phillips before Judge Frazer in the state circuit court this morning, because Judge Frazer conducted a great share of the cross-examination of Phillips when he resumed the stand this morning.

COACHING THAW ON HOW TO ACT

Jerome Says He Will Cross-Examine Thaw If He Testifies Before Commission.

(Special Special Service.) New York, March 25.—Dr. Evans visited Thaw in his cell today and was reported to be coaching the defendant on how to act before the lunacy commission. It is also reported that Evans was examining Thaw so as to testify before the commission on Thaw's present condition.

State Board Votes to Eliminate Pool Selling and Book Making This Year.

(Special Dispatch to the Journal.) Salem, Or., March 25.—The state board of agriculture at its meeting yesterday afternoon voted to eliminate all gambling devices from the state fair grounds. There will be no pool selling nor bookmaking at the Oregon fair this year.

The radical move is one that has puzzled the board for some time, but one which they have weighed and considered carefully. In past years the commission has been severely criticized for permitting gambling on the grounds and the resolutions adopted by various granges in all sections of the state together with the demoralizing effects of pool selling among the youth have necessitated this step to be taken by the board.

To show a motive the government has undertaken to prove that certain were committed by Hermann, the late Senator Mitchell, ex-Congressman J. N. Williamson, State Senator E. P. Mays, Willard Jones and George Sorenson entered into a conspiracy prior to the creation of the Blue Mountain forest reserve.

Other witnesses were John W. Rowland, chief clerk of Surveyor-General John D. Daily of Portland; J. T. Bridges, formerly of the Roseburg land office; Emma L. Watson, famed as one of the original group of persons caught in the Blue Mountain land fraud net.

FINDS SKIRT ON HER FRIEND

Julia Griner Suspects Theft and Goes Through Mrs. Gillis' Clothing.

A dainty peek-a-boo waist of the variety recently condemned by the W. C. T. U., a black silk undershirt and two pretty young women, one a blonde and the other a brunette, were the principal features in an interesting police court trial this morning.

AIR FAMILY TROUBLES IN MUNICIPAL COURT

FARMER IS ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF THEFT

(Special Dispatch to the Journal.) Salem, Or., March 25.—So Hammond, a farmer living near here, was placed under arrest this morning by City Marshal Gibson for rolling Emily Bauer and taking from her pockets about \$28 in cash. The affair took place in the rear of Collin's saloon. Four witnesses are reported to have seen the theft committed. Both men had been drinking.

For Two Years This Issue Has Been Constantly Before the People.

(Special Dispatch to the Journal.) Eugene, Or., March 25.—The annual city election of Eugene will be held next Monday, April 1. While the present campaign has been a very quiet one, a heavy vote will no doubt be polled, as the issue, that of municipal ownership of the water plant, is a popular one.

Two strong tickets are in the field and while both sides have been working hard for their respective candidates during the past month, very little of the publicity that characterizes one or two previous elections to the detriment of the city has been given the work.

For mayor the municipal ownership forces are vying for H. H. Stock, retired merchant and former mayor and city councilman. The opposition forces have named P. W. Osborn, cashier of the Eugene Loan and Savings bank. Both have large property interests in Eugene and both are capable men.

Accordingly an election was ordered for the purpose of deciding whether or not the city should own itself for the sum of \$250,000 for the purpose of acquiring electric light and water plants. The bonds carried by a large majority, but at this time the Williams Valley company, which is the owner of the water plant, is being directly threatened for municipal ownership of the water plant.

HAD TO RUN OUT IN OTHER NIGHTGOWN

Mrs. Holt Complains of Treatment Given Her by Husband Who Swore to Protect Her.

From the complaint which Mrs. Effie Holt filed with the state circuit court at Eugene this morning it appears that she and her husband have had anything but a happy married life. Mrs. Holt alleges that she was treated cruelly and inhumanly by Holt and that in June, 1905, Holt beat, assaulted and kicked her until she was black and blue and that she had to run out of their home in her nightgown.

RAILROAD OFFICIALS PLEAD NOT GUILTY

WOODBURN BUNKO MAN WAIVES EXAMINATION

(Special Dispatch to the Journal.) Salem, Or., March 25.—William Bell, the aged confidence man who was arrested here yesterday morning charged with swindling operations at Woodburn, was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Daniel Webster this morning. He waived examination and was bound over to the circuit court under \$500 bonds. Court will meet Monday.

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Mr. Hawley went to Washington early in the winter to rub elbows with his future colleagues and learn how much the spirit of the west had spread among the members of the lower house. He comes back satisfied that Oregon is making the best of them and around a bit whenever the same is mentioned. Luck favored him upon his arrival at the capital when he secured a seat located in the center of a group of house members who kept things lively during the last session, 17 days of which he attended.

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