

WHAT COMES OF SEEING "BILL"

Garry Hermann Gets Warship Ordered Around for Elks' Reunion.

(United Press Special Wire.)
Washington, June 29.—Friendship of President Taft for August "Garry" Hermann, the Cincinnati baseball magnate and grand old man of the Elks, was learned today, was responsible for a change of program in the navy department. The department officials had decided to assign a warship to San Pedro during the Elks' reunion at Los Angeles, Cal.
No amount of argument could persuade the navy to change their plans and the Elks committee turned to Hermann for aid.
"Why, Bill Taft is a friend of mine," exclaimed the baseball Elks, "and I'll see what I can do."
Garry saw "Bill," with the result that "Bill" said:
"Let Garry have what he wants." The cruiser Albany will be ordered to San Pedro during the Elks' week.

IMPROVEMENTS RIFE IN KLICKITAT CO.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Husum, Wash., June 29.—Important improvements are being carried out in the vicinity of Klickitat Heights. H. G. McGowan recently set out a 20 acre tract to fruit trees, and E. D. Wright, W. W. Ross, Herb Fouts, Harry and Elsie Bennett have also finished the planting of fruit trees. Mr. Wright has cleared five acres by hand, has a fine orchard growing, with not a dead tree in the tract. Mr. Ross is having 10 acres prepared for the planting of apple trees.
The work of progression goes on in the Bristol section. The 40 acre tract sold by Charles Mansfield to Mr. Kingsley is being slashed preparatory to the planting of fruit trees. Mr. Kingsley is preparing a 10 acre tract to be set out to trees. Cal Hannon has just completed and moved into a fine residence on his ranch.
H. W. Sheppard of Merchantsville, N. J., has purchased 32 acres of the Hamlin-Whitaker tract, near Unionwood, and will clear and plant the same to apple and pear trees.

Yale Annexes Stanford Man.

(United Press Special Wire.)
New Haven, Conn., June 29.—President Hadley of Yale, in his annual report today announced the appointment of E. E. McGowan of Stanford university as professor of mining engineering here. The president in his report dwells at length upon the diminution of the staff of Greek. He deprecates this condition.

NEW BOOKS FOR THE LIBRARY

The following books may be examined at the public library during this week and will be ready for circulation Monday, July 5.

BIOGRAPHY.

Johnston—Famous Cavalry Leaders. 1908.

La Vallieres—Louis de la Vallieres and the Early Life of Louis XIV; by J. A. Lair. 1908.

Mansfield—Richard Mansfield, the Man and the Actor; by Paul Winstach. 1908.

Mayo—One Woman's Work for Farm Women; the Story of Mary A. Mayo's Work in Rural Social Movements; by Jennie Buell. 1908.

DESCRIPTION AND TRAVEL.

Martinez—Cascades—Lombard Studies. 1902.

Starr—In Indian Mexico. 1908.

FICTION.

Bailey—The God of Clay.

Bain—An Incarnation of the Snow.

Burns—This, My Son.

Clanch—The Bridge.

Daekman—An Idyll of All Pools' Day.

Fuller—Wilde Trench and Others.

Hale—The Actress.

Harris—The Bishop and the Booger-man.

Hawkins—Helena's Path.

Herrick—The Master of the Inn.

Jerome—The Passing of the Third Floor Back.

Knapp—The Well in the Desert.

Leah—Simone.

McCarthy—The Duke's Motto.

Margaret and Mason—The Car and the Lady.

Merrick—Lynch's Daughter.

Neuman—Dominy's Doll.

Thompson—The Calico Cat.

Thurston—Mirage.

Wells—Tomb-Burial.

Wynne—Henry of Navarre; a Romance of August, 1572.

FINE ARTS.

Bech—The Passion of Our Lord, according to St. John; Evolution, translation and adaptation by J. Troutbeck. n. d.

Bernays—The Evolution of Modern Orchestration. 1908.

Elwell—Practical Bridge; a complete and thorough course of instruction in the game. 1908.

General Federation of Women's Clubs. Handbook of art in our own country; ed. by Mrs. E. W. Patterson. 1901.

Kemp—Wilderness Homes; a book of the log cabin. 1908.

Valle—Lawn Tennis Guide. 1906.

Ware—The American Vignola. v. 2. 1906.

HISTORY.

Thwaites—Wisconsin. 1908.

Wacher—A Thrilling and Truthful History of the Pony Express. 1908.

LITERATURE.

Everts—The Speaking Voice; Principles of Training. 1909.

PHILOSOPHY.

Adam—The Religious Teachers of Greece. 1908.

Carrington—The Coming Science. 1908.

Wallis—Human Nature in Politics. 1909.

RELIGION.

Abbott—Israel in Europe. 1907.

Barton—Daybreak in Turkey. 1908.

Baldeman—Christian Science in the Light of Holy Scriptures. 1909.

SCIENCE.

Halley and Coleman—First Course in Biology. 1909.

King—Goldfish Breeds and Other Aquarium Fishes. 1908.

SOCIOLOGY.

Devine—People's Cooperative Banks. 1908.

Gundman—Commercial Crises of the Nineteenth Century. ed. 3. 1908.

Pierce—Federal Usurpation. 1903.

Tardieu—France and the Alliances; The Struggle for the Balance of Power. 1908.

Wendell—The Privileged Classes. 1908.

USEFUL ARTS.

Farrington & Wolf—Testing Milk and Its Products. 1908.

Greenwell & Eldred—Roads; Their Construction and Maintenance. 1901.

King—Ventilation for Dwellings, Rural Schools and Stables. 1908.

Schuyler—Reservoirs for Irrigation, Water Power and Domestic Water Supply. ed. 2. rev. 1908.

BOOKS ADDED TO THE JUVENILE DEPARTMENT.

Alden—Why the Chinese Ring.

Baich—Die Kleine Feuerwehr.

Burkett & Hill—Agriculture for Beginners.

Carpenter—Long Ago in Greece.

Quillat—The King's Revolt.

Holder—Half Hours With Fishes, Reptiles and Birds.

Noble—Legends That Every Child Should Know.

Parsons—Wild Flowers of California.

Shurt—Roses and Meadows.

Velvin—Wild Animal Celebrities.

ADISON BENNETT TELLS OF CENTRAL OREGON LAND

Cliff, Or., June 29.—I left Silver Lake this morning at 6:30 and arrived here at 5 o'clock this evening. The distance is said to be 45 miles, and if I was not under oath I would swear it is at least a few inches over that distance.

After leaving the town of Silver Lake my route brought me back about five miles over the road I went on from Summer Lake. I then struck the road running from Burns. The finger board at the crossing says that it is 132 miles to Burns, and I have followed that road all day. Hence I am some 87 miles west of Burns.

At the forks the Burns road bears off to the west and crosses Silver creek just above the lake. There is a substantial wooden bridge, although Silver creek is not a very large stream. But from all indications the lake fills and backs up beyond the bridge at high water.

There is a mountain just east of the lake called Round Top, and the road forks before reaching the foothills, one branch going to the north and one to the south of this mountain. I followed the instructions I had received and took the north branch. It runs down to the south end of the lake, then makes a detour to the east through a gap. Just in this gap there is a homestead, and into the Christmas Lake valley.

I might right here say something about this valley, for it is a pretty big piece of ground. It is not less than 450 square miles. Now, by the valley I mean the land surrounded by mountain ranges. But let the reader understand that this valley is cut up by ridges, ranges of sand hills and some low plateaus, or sinks, into a dozen or more smaller valleys. But in speaking of the Christmas lake valley, or the Christmas lake country, I should like to say that the land is about 25 miles long by 15 miles wide.

Lots of Sand Here.
As stated, I came into this valley at the extreme southwest. For a number of miles I drove through a section that was very sandy, lots of sand dunes and drifted ridges. There were also occasional patches of dobe, and considerable areas of brush. The portion of the valley is little more than a waste.

After a time I came in sight of two houses on the right, close to the foothills. I was traveling now to the north, west, heading, apparently, for the heart of the valley. The soil began to get better. Bunch grass began to show, and the pasture seemed better and the soil heavier, while there was less grass-wood and the sagebrush ranker.

I finally came to a house, unoccupied. I saw there was a well, so I got out and found a splendid body of water at a depth of only 20 feet. From surface indications that portion of the valley is little more than a waste.

After passing this place I went over a sort of ridge, or divide, and there before me I could count some 30 or 40 buildings scattered clear across the valley from north to south. And soon I came to them, or to the fences, and for the next half hour or more I drove wind through lanes, around fence corners, and travel either due north or due east to get the direction I wanted, neither.

As a rule the houses on the claims were very good, and the fences excellent, most of them with four or five miles of fence posts. And all of the settlers were doing something. Some of them had 80 acres broken, some had wheat, some barley and other rye, but most of them were summer fallowing.

Land of New Homes.
I learned later that the settlers all say they are universally fine people, and their buildings showed this to be true. And right here let me say that all of the timber in this section was cut by hand. I saw a mill 10 miles west of Silver Lake, a distance of 30 to 40 miles. About noon I reached Silver Lake and stopped at the postoffice, which is the size of the lake. It is very small, covering perhaps 30 or 40 acres.

A large area of thick timber, north, south and east of it, and undoubtedly it sometimes spreads out over quite a lot of territory. I may say further that the land west of it is high, so that approaching from that direction you do not see the lake proper until you are practically on top of it. Mrs. A. W. Long is postmistress at Lake, and I took dinner there and fed my team. The office gets its mail from Silver Lake. They have one service a week, going out Fridays and arriving Saturdays.

Good Land Sold Cheap.
I had a long talk with Mrs. Long, and she gave me a lot of information about the settlement. She and her husband have resided there for nine years. They have 27 acres of land, which they purchased for \$500, with all of the improvements. The original owner, by the way, was not forced to sell, but made quite a profit in the cattle business and then sold out and moved away that he might send his children to school, and it might be well to say that the Longs could get probably ten times \$500 for the place, for they own practically the only hay land and control about the only water in the valley.

Mrs. Long bore me out in my estimate of the character of the settlers. She says they are universally fine people, and all have more or less capital, some of them being quite well to do. Yesterday they voted a tax to build a school house, and they will have good school in the settlement the coming season. I think I will give you the names of these settlers as given to me by Mrs. Long: Henry Lange, Freeman Post, Arthur Johnson, Frank Watkins, J. A. Pond, J. Heering, M. Gooch, Frank Weede, Walter Orr, Chris Newman, Charles Weeks, W. W. Richmond, I. F. Long, T. K. Marshall, George Hach, Henry Hach, Bertha Hach, Robert Hach, Porter and son, C. H. Kelly, F. M. Anderson, F. H. Anderson, H. Morgenstern, Frank Leideitt, John Schmitz, G. Royer, Frank Rubin, J. G. Ross, W. Weston, F. L. Phelps, George Vick, Marvin.

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ENGLISH COMEDY GIVES LITTLE CHANCE FOR ETHEL BARRYMORE

By J. F. S.
If "Lady Frederick" is a characteristically good sample of the wares of W. Somerset Maugham the new English dramatist about whom such a fuss has been raised, English comedy must be in even a more serious state than has been popularly supposed. Maugham is the dramatic sensation of the day in London. Just why nobody seems to know, and after seeing his "Lady Frederick" you are none the wiser.

There are just two incidents in "Lady Frederick" that keep you from sleeping quietly and happily. One is the scene in which the lady and her dreamer, which Miss Ethel Barrymore improved to the point where she became really clever, and the other is the scene in which Miss Barrymore makes her morning toilet of puffs and curls and switches and bage. Neither wildly exciting, event to the most kindly-disposed person, but both laugh-inducing in a well-bred way.

But it all fits Miss Barrymore perfectly. It's not stupid, though its epigrams are as absurd and as thick as they are in most English comedies which remind you of a plum pudding stuffed with raisins until the whole has a specific gravity that exceeds that of scrap iron. It's jolly enough to keep the actor in the mood of the "society" type—just means of course that they're a base slander on society.

Not this year, but possibly before Mr. Harriman gets ready for it. Possibly the Boise & Coos Bay road, and when the road is completed you will find not 40 but 500 families in this valley. I should say this valley is a line of the opinion of many that is better than that already taken.

And a big town will spring up here. The people now do their trading at Silver Lake, 20 to 30 miles away, or at Grinnville, 15 miles away. Indeed, there is an opening here now for a miner, with a fair capital. A good business could be done and it would constantly grow.

Running Water Is Scarce.
Now, a word on the water question. This is the largest area I have yet found without running streams or rivers. In Silver Lake there is no water to the east until you reach the river, a distance of almost 75 miles with the exception of Christmas lake and possibly three or four spring-fed ponds. On the other hand at almost all points water can be reached in 20 feet, and not 40 feet as is the case with the running water to give the country a water supply. But I know many will read this letter with a shudder and get government land, and perhaps some of them will come to this country. And I do not want what college their son shall attend to the scandal of the as yet unmarried young woman's father, Admiral Elliot. Charles Hammond who plays Lady Frederick's brother, and Norman Maup, who played Lord Merceston, the

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Robert Strauss Drops Dead.
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Gresham, Or., June 29.—Robert Strauss, a bartender employed by Ford Metzger, dropped dead here at 1:30 today.

day. Strauss was going to the basement to tap some new beer kegs when he fell. Death was instantaneous. Heart trouble is ascribed as the cause. Strauss was 48 years old and was unmarried. He had tended bar in some of the most prominent saloons and grills in Portland. The body is in charge of the local undertaker, pending word from relatives.

Gresham to Celebrate.
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Gresham, Or., June 29.—Gresham will hold a monster celebration on July 3. Plans are being made to make this the

biggest celebration ever held in eastern Multnomah county. Special cars will be run between Portland and Gresham as many Portland people will endeavor here. The Gresham band will furnish music. There will be two ball games