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Other Character Witnesses, Among Them Chief Justice and Attorney General, Testify for Defendant.

HOLMSTROM ATTACKS MELDRUM'S TESTIMONY

Hermann May Go on Stand This Afternoon-Jury May Get Case Late in Week.

Binger Hermann established the fact that he is known as a man of good reputation for lunesty and integrity by the testimony of Governor Benson, Chief Justice F. A. Moore, Attorney General Crawford and some six other well known citizens of Oregon, at the opening of the Hermann trial before Judge Wolverion in the United States ourt Inis morning.

He then proceeded to take a 'fall' out of Henry Meldrum's testimony, given in behalf of the government, by putting Charles Holmstrom of Salem on

Holmstrom Testifies. 4 The latter testifled that he had paid Meldrum three visits at his office, and that at neither of these had he seen either Mays or Hermann in the office This is in contradiction to the testi-mony of Meldrum and H. L. Patterson, who said that Holmstrom was one of the men in the office at the time Hermann was there and had his talk with Mays about the Blue Mountain forest

Three other witnesses are yet to come presumably also attacking the Meldrum testimony, and then Mr. Hermann, the defendant will bimself take the stand in his own hebaif, as the last witness for the defense. It is probable that Hermann Will be reached late this after-

Other points of interest in the morning session were Mr. Hensy's cross-examination of H. W. Scott, who testified to Hermann's good character, and was confronted with editorial utter-ances hostile to Hermann and his ad-ministration of the general land office. as regarded the misuse of school lands under his care; and the cross-examina-tion of Phil Metschan, proprietor of the Imperial hotel, who said that he did not think much of the land-fraud prosecu- that the Mississippi valley would be ions, and admitted that he had a coal land claim in Alaska, which he had Cunningham group, to his knowledge.

Case to Jury This Week.

In view of the rapid progress made by the defenge, it is now believed that will be sent to the jury before the end of the week without fail.

Governor Benson was the first wit-

ners in behalf of Mr. Hermann. He testified that he had known Hermann for 25 years, and that his reputation for honesty and integrity was good. On cross-examination the governor said he had held the office of county clerk and school superintendent in Douglas county, and that he had always been a political supporter of Hermann.

A. M. Crawford, attorney general of was the next character witness. He testified that Hermann's reputation was good. Crawford, on crossexamination, said he was formerly receiver of the land office, and that Sen-/ (Continued on Page Ten.)

LAWYERS MUST **INCREASE LUNG** POWER IN COUR

Stage Whisper as First Innovation in Circuit Court-Preparing Bridge Decision.

Attorneys who practice in the circuit court will have to summon increased lung power hereafter when they address the court for exparts orders and at the regular morning routine. This is the result of a regulation made by the new presiding judge, Robert G. Morrow, who had the tables ranged across the room parallel with the bench in department No. 1, and requested the attorneys to stand behind them when addressing the court. As the speaking position is some 20 feet from the bench, the attorneys were required to elevate their voices far beyond the stage whisper in which they have ofttimes

Another change in procedure was the immediate calling of cases set for trial today, thereby allowing the other judges assigned to trial cases to proceed without waiting for the conclusion of other business by the presiding judge. This procedure is in line with one of the proposed changes in rules recently suggested by Judge Gatens.

Judge Morrow had a full quota of motions on his first forenoon as presiding judge. Judge Bronaugh, who was relieved of presiding duty, was assigned a case for trial, but the attorneys are negotiating for settlement. This afternoon, unless obstructed by other business, Judges Morrow, Bronaugh and Gantenbein, who heard argument in the Broadway bridge test case, will meet to discuss the decision on the points involved.

BY BUSY DIVER

R. Haskins Finds a Head Harder Than His, While Enjoying Swim-Physician Repairs Injured Cranium.

. "Harder heads than mine exist," is the opinion of A. R. Haskins, a barber in the employ of Sam. Howard, 107 Fourth street, as a result of a head-on collision in the Casino swimming tank in which he and another swimmer were the principals. Haskins received a four-inch cut in his head, while the other man carries but a bump on his head. Haskins was enjoying a swim in the pool yesterday, and in diving from the apring board plunged straight into a man coming up from a search for tins. Their heads met with a crack, Haskins receiving the cut in his head, while the man coming up, came above the water with an aching yet undamaged head. Haskins fearing that the man was stunned, turned aroung, grabbed him by the hair and pulled him out of the water before he found that instead of being drowning struggles, the man's efforts were due to laughter. It took nine stitches to close the wound in Haskins

Professor Zueblin in Lecture Lauds Wonders of the West and Predicts Rosy Future.

New York, Jan. 31 .- Professor Charles Zueblin, formerly of the University of Chicago, predicted a wonderful future for the "Golden West" at a lecture at the Walderf-Astoria. The lacture was the first of a series on the "Dynamic West," given under the auspices of the Women's Welfare department of the National Civio federation. Among those present were Miss Anne Morgan, Ida Tarbell and Miss Elizabeth Marbury. Professor Zueblin said the future developments of the west would far survivelopments of the west would far survivelopments. pass the "most fabulous dreams of the most enthusiastic." He said that the day be the seat of power of the world. Incidentally he gave a slap at old time never seen, but which was not in the conventions, and stated that' the progress of America lay in the spirit of the west, which was the spirit of youth. Great Power in West.

"The spirit of spontaniety of the west will sooner or later place that section of country far in advance of the east, said Professor Zueblin. "One explana tion of the progress, that is going on along the Pacific coast is youth, are old, the west is young. When the Pacific coast comes into its own the Mississippi valley will be the seat of power of the world. The administration will remain east, but the power will

some from the west. "Senators from Idaho and Nevada, combined. The brains of Senators Hale, suspicion, but are not working. The senators of Wisconsin, Minnesota and lows, representing a population not greater than that of New York, are doing more than the eastern senators: they are doing what the Liberals did for England before the present crisis, and will be on hand when the crisis comes here. The trouble is that the people do not take the interest they

Garden Spot Here. "Washington, Oregon, all along the Pacific coast, from Canada to California, will be the garden spot of the death. Fear has apparently seized up-added to designate the portions of these world. The Pacific cities of the future on every Italian in the city and the thoroughfares situated, respectively, will far surpass the most fabulous police have little hope of arresting dreams of the most enthusiastic. Al-Judge Morrow Puts Ban on tail to the eastern dog, it is not such an important Black Hand meeting has a long time hence when the tail will recently been held here and as a remove the dog.

Once the west grasps an idea there is no delay. While New York took 10 years in which to build a New theatre, Denver accomplished the same thing in one night. The mayor opened the auditorium as a municipal theatre. "There is more freedom in the west than in the east. People are not held

down by conventionality."

FOR ALASKA

Introduced by Wickersham-To Hold 15,000 Acres for Naval Use.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, Jan. 31.—Delegate Wick-ersham of Alaska today introduced a bill to create a coal reserve in Alaska of 15,800 acres, the primary intent being to reserve the coal for naval uses.

Albany Burglar Escapes Albany, Or., Jan. 31 .-- A burglar entered George Dooley's grocery store at Ninth and Lyon streets last night, but was frightened away by Officers Catlin ing from the bad weather on the brakes and Fox. During the chase Officer of the Imnaha and unless the weather Catlin shot at the burglar, who escaped moderates soon the loss will be considin the dark. erable.

PROPOSED PLAN TO RENAME AND RENUMBER CITY'S STREETS

MCMILLEN'S ADD. STREET SIGN --PROPOSED DIVISION OF CITY INTO

BURNSIDE

BRIDGE

BLACK HAND MEN

Police Frame This Theory to Account for Murders at Vancouver, B. C.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 31 .- Following the serious shooting of two Italians in a house on Bernard street last night and the probably fatal shooting of epresenting a population of less than Tomaso Bruno, Saturday night the po-Jersey City, exert more brain than the lice are diligently searching the Ital-New York and New England senators ian quarter of the city for some trace Fry, Lodge, Root and Aldrich are above victims of last night's affray, which is for sake of convenience to call Burnside supposed to be the work of the Black Hand, are Rocco Catano and Nick For-At the hospital where the fano. wounded men were taken, the police learned that during a heated discus-sion in which several Italians participated, a fusillade of shots was sudstreet. Catano received a bullet in would be known west of Division street should in politics. When they do it will the leg. Neither man would admit S. W., Third avenue S. W., etc. and east not be many years until they are able that he knew the identity of his asthe groin while Forfano was shot in

though familiarly known as the large clew they are now working on is that sult of a disagreement, a murderous vendetta is now being carried out. Detectives have learned that the men now in the hospital came here a short time ago from Phoenix, B. C., where a Black Hand gang was recently forced to leave town.

\$10,000 RANCH IN UNION COUNTY SOLD

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Eligin, Ot., Jan. 31.—The Bloodsworth ranch four miles northeast of Elgin, owned by J. O. Fisher, was sold this week to Harry Hug for the sum of \$10,-The ranch contained 200 acres of farm land and 40 acres of timber land, Fisher came here last fall from Washington. He bought the place from John Bloodsworth, who homesteaded it in

Albany Men Visit Harrisburg. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) bany, Or., Jan. 31.—Manager

Struble of the Albany Commercial club on Saturday headed 55 Albany citizens on an excursion to Harrisburg. Closer cooperation between cities in this part of the state is expected to result from an exchange of development ideas at a contemplated series of weekly visits between representative commercial bodies of neighboring towns. Next Saturday Albany will visit Jefferson.

Cattle Are Suffering. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Wallowa, Or., Jan. 31,—N. V. Downs
of Imnaha state that cattle are suffer-

UNIFORMITY IS AIM OF SCHEME EVOLVED BY ENGINEER MORRIS

Portland and for numbering the houses sion street. and buildings situated thereon in accordance with a system that is uniform and streets in order that it will be an easy matter for even a stranger to locate any given place within the city limits.

The plan divides the city into four quarter sections, with Burnside street as the dividing line between the north and south portions and East Water of the would be assasins. The two east and west portions. It is proposed street Central avenue and East Water street Division street. This forms the basis of the plan to use the term thoroughfares and the term "avenue"

for all east and west thoroughfares, The streets to the south of Central denly fired into the room from the avenue and running parallel thereto Neither man would admit S. W., Third avenue S. W., etc, and east Second avenue S. E., Third avenue S. E., Tomaso Bruno, who was shot down etc. Washington street would become in front of the Klondike hotel Satur- Sixth avenue and Morrison street Eighth day night, is hovering between life and avenue, with the letters S. W. or S. E.

west or east of Division street. North of Central avenue the parallel nue, Second avenue, Third avenue., etc., with the letters N. W. and N. E. appended to designate those portions of

LOST FOR 9 DAYS IN SIUSLAW WILDERNESS; CRUISER NEAR DEATH

(Special to The Journal) Eugene; Or., Jan. 31.—To wander aimlessly through the dense Slusiaw mountain wilderness for nine days with but little food and no shelter, was the experience of Bernard Schweringen, a timber cruiser of Portland, in the employe of the Lacey Timber company. Schweringen, with a number of fellow cruisers, was employed on the Siuslaw river cruising a

large tract of timber land in that part of the county. The cruisers had a camp at the head of Knowles creek. On Thursday. January 20, Schweringen sent alone to cross the summit of the mountain to go to Meadow to run a line of a section of He was to have stayed at another camp at Meadow, but a few days afterward, when was found that he had not appeared at the other camp, a search was instituted. For five days the search continued. On Saturday the party came on Schweringen's prostrate form beneath a huge tree, where he had probably lain for several days. He was unconscious and nearly dead from cold and hun-Physicians hold out little ger. hope for his recovery.

A plan for renaming the streets of the streets situated west or east of Divi

The scheme would obtain similarly in the cases of thoroughfares parallel to at the same time simple is soon to claim Division street. Those streets to the the attention of the city council. After First street, Second street and Third east of this base line would months of work City Engineer Morris, street, respectively, with the letters N. as previously stated in The Journal, has E. and S. E. added to show whether the evolved a scheme for so designating the portion referred to was north or south of Central avenue.

To the west of Division street, however, a variation is necessary. It is proposed to preserve the name of Front street. But those streets on the west side now known as First street. Second street, Third street, etc., would retain street as the dividing line between the their present names with few exceptions. Park street would retain the same name, and that part of the Eighth street which is north of Burnside would become Eighth street N. W. Eighth street S. W. would be the correct "street" to designate all north and south name for the remaining block on the present Eighth street between Burnside and Ankeny streets.

It is absolutely impossible for this or any other system to apply without cer-tain exceptions because of crooked as First avenue S. W., Second avenue streets, the presence of the river, the contour of the ground, etc., but it is doubtful if any other system could be devised, according to City Engineer Morris, that would be able to relieve the present confusing system to such a

Mumbering Changed Also,

Not only would the names of the streets be changed under the Morris streets would also be called First ave- plan, but they would be renumbered as well. The century system, there are 100 numbers to a block, which is now in such general usage in many of the larger cities of the country would be followed. Thus in the majority of cases the mention of any street address would enable the hearer to determine its exact location. For example, 520 Eleventh street S. E. would instantly indicate a location in the fifth block south of Central avenue and the eleventh block east of Division street. The Bungalow theatre would be at the corner of Eighth avenue and Twelfth street S. W., etc.

With the extreme limits of the city the same as at the present time, the most northerly thoroughfare would become Ninety-ninth avenue, the most southerly Nintleth avenue. On the east the last street, would be Ninety-second street, with Sixty-eighth street as the most westerly. The public may object, it is stated, to the use of numbers entirely in designating the city's streets. but this is one of sacrifices that would have to be made to system in the event that the proposed plan is adopted.

By taking East Water street as the east and west dividing line and preserving the name of Front street, it is pointed out that the present numerically named streets on both the east and west sides of the river will not have to be changed. And further that with but few exceptions the plan will apply almost uniformly to three of the four quarters. In the southwest, southeast and northeast portions of the city but little difficulty is encountered. Some Bifficulties.

The northwest portion, however, pre sents the greatest difficulties, espe cially since it is situated on both sides of the river, as the river takes a de-cided westward turn a short distance the present Burnside street. Thus it would be necessary

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Says City's Real Estate Prices Dazzle Him-Would Like to Live Here.

"Your real estate prices dazzle me, declared William Sharpe of Oklahoma when he arrived in Portland today.
"When first I heard of those prices thought Portlanders had boomed realty in a manner conducive to a slump, but now I see that it is because the values are here. Even if I do go back to Muskogee and continue Oklahoma land transfers, which is my serious business, I will carry with me the conviction that if I were a younger man, able to learn the game and play it

land, rain or no rain." Mr. Sharpe, who is an extensive land owner and real estate owner looking for investment opportunities, says he has the reasons why Portland shall force Seattle to a place in the far background reduced to their simple ele ments. He said:

right, I would stay right here in Port-

"Portland will win because Portland the logical, geographic, psychological center of all the west. Seattle is not. I have just finished a visit to Seattle; was told up there that Port land was slow with lots of money, that Seattle was the place of boom and values. Compared to Portland, I find Se attle is principally boom; but Port land has the values. For this reason The traffic will never got across the Cascades; it must come to Portland, because Portland has the water grades. Spokane will contribute to Portland's growth, not Seattle's. Every thousand people for Spokane will mean 10,000 for Portland. And you could not move this city up or down, away from the meeting of the west's two great rivers. The city has got to be here, and here it is, with a future so big that it's

no wonder I am dazzled. "I am going back to Oklahoma only because my property and my associates "The only thing I fear for Portland

is that you folks will raise so many apples ultimately that you won't find a market for them. But even at that, when I learn that Olympia people can come to Portland and shop and get home the same day, and that they can not parallel the performance in Seattle. I have no worries, and I guess no one else has a right to have worries for Portland's commercial future.'

> Lapidary Shop at Albany. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Albany, Or., Jan. 31.—Though it has ong been known that a large number of beautiful gem stones are to be found n this community, a lapidary shop dequate machinery for cutting and polishing the various gems has not until recently been installed.

Among the stones to be found upon the gravel bars of the Willamette and obsidian.

Snowslide Kills Horses.

Wallowa, Or., Jan. 31.—G. W. Thompson and George Werst each lost a valuable horse Sunday. The animals were caught in a snowslide falling from s straw stack.

Great Suffering Among Unemployed of Paris, but Government Says It Has the Situation Well in Hand.

NEWS DRIFTS IN FROM TOWNS OF PROVINCES

Danger From Disease Is Increasing and People Are. Warned by Officers.

(United Press Lassed Wire.)
Paris, Jan. 31.—With 200,000 persons
comeless in Paris and its suburbs, 500,000 by flood and acute distress witnessed o every hand, the government annous today that it has the situation well is hand. This statement simply means that the crisis from the flood itself has passed, and if everything goes well ar none of the threatening dangers materialize the city will be in a position to recover from its terrible blow. The Seine is receding, but only at the rate of half an inch an hour. Last night the singe at Pont d'Austerlitz was 26 feet 9 inches. At 8 o'clock this morning it was 26 feet 5 inches.

At noon today the thermometer reg-istered 34 degrees and while the atmos-phere was murky, there were no clouds

threatening.

Paris is just beginning to realize that it did not suffer alone. Bry sur Marnereports 2000 destitute and suffering. Nearly every city and hamlet along the river in eastern and southern France is n the same condition

Soldiers are guarding property and distributing food to the needy. They are using boats to rescue families from roofs of buildings in such suburbs as Alfortville and Gennevilliers. refugees have been without food for days and are sick and delirious.
Silewalks on the Rue St. Lazuar and Gaumotin collapsed today, showing there is still much danger from cave-th, Streets are being reopeded slowly

and it will be several days before any thing like normal conditions are re-sumed. It will be months before the wrecked subways can be restored their former condition. Many families are living in the upper stories of their homes, while the big stores are making their deliveries by boats. The danger of disease increased in

several parts of the city today. government will probably supervise the disinfecting of the city, fearing that individuals will fail to attend properly to the work.

WRITE CARDS TO TAFT TO BREAK MEAT TRUST

New York, Jan. 31 .- Mrs. Anita Comfort Brooks, president of the Gotham club, today inaugurated a card crusa asking every woman in the United States to write to President Taft demanding that he "break the meat trust." Mrs. Brooks sent thousands of latters throughout the country as a start for an endless chain. If this move proves successful, she will next attempt to break the fish trust by the same means.

It is reported that the meat trust plans to fight the boycotters on their own ground by reducing the shipments of dressed meats and raise the prices because of the shortage thus to

FIRE DESTROYS SCIENCE CHURCH AT KANSAS CITY

Splendid Edifice Valued at \$150,000 Almost Total Loss -Flames Start in the Boiler Room.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 31 .- Fire that originated probably in the boiler room the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Ninth street and Forest avenue. property was valued at about \$150,000. The heaviest damage was to the building proper, which was erected in 1897. The nearly completed Sunday school rooms, valued at \$40,000, suffered less than the other part of the

For all practical purposes, the church is a mass of ruins. The congregation has held a meeting at the Auditorium theatre to initiate plans for rebuilding The church was so constructed as to reate a draught through the building that carried the flames far out aver Forest avenue, burning the frees in front of the church and dropping emhers upon the street and the roofs of

The first Church of Christ, Scientist, the gravel bars of the Willamette and south fork of the Santiam rivers are agates, moss agates, insper agates. Christias day, 1888, and regular services were held in it from that date. At the time of its erection it was one of It was dudicased the few of the sort in the outnity attracted a marked degree of attention because it was taken as a sign of the rapid growth of the belief in Kansse

The church organ, valued at \$5004,