

BINGER HERMANN'S TRIAL
OPENED IN EARNEST TODAY

Portland, Jan. 12.—With all preliminaries brushed aside, the trial of Binger Hermann, charged with conspiracy to defraud the government of part of its public domain, began today with the opening arguments.

F. J. Heney opened for the prosecution, declaring that the government expected to prove that Hermann entered into a conspiracy with Mays, Jones, and others in September, and from that time aided and abetted the creation of the proposed reserve. He described the method of procedure followed by Mays and Jones and said the profits on the land secured would have netted them almost \$200,000. He stated that Hermann did not seek to profit financially, but being a receptive candidate for United States senator, he expected to secure the influence of Mays, Jones, and H. A. Smith, all of whom were members of the legislature.

Col. A. S. Worthington opened in behalf of Hermann. He denied the conspiracy and declared that all Hermann's acts demonstrated conclusively that he always had acted so as to protect the interests of the people of this state.

J. W. Rowland, chief clerk in the office of the surveyor general of Oregon, was the first witness for the government. He identified maps of the reserve and testified to having been present and having heard a conversation at which the governor declared a conspiracy in Surveyor General Meldrum's office was hatched, and that Hermann was implicated in it.

What Heney Charges.

Mr. Heney said in his opening address: "In September 1901, Binger Hermann met in Portland, Oregon, and there entered into a conspiracy with Franklin Pierce Mays, W. N. Jones and others to assist them in the creation of a Forest Reserve in South-eastern Oregon, in the Strawberry mountains and vicinity. Mays and Hermann met in the office of Henry Meldrum, United States Surveyor General, in September, 1901, and there discussed in the presence of Meldrum, the proposition of creating the reserve."

"Thereafter Hermann returned to Washington and Mays and Jones, in accordance with the suggestions made by Hermann, procured petitions to be signed at Baker City and other places in the vicinity of the proposed reserve, asking for its creation. The petitions were carried around by their employees, who induced people to sign them by arguments which were suggested by Mays and Jones."

"Superior Ormsby recommended the creation of a reserve so as practically include in accordance with the lines on the map given to him by Mays and so as to include 49,680 acres of school lands which had previously been secured by Mays and Jones. These lands were all secured by employing men at from fifty cents to five dollar apiece to sign applications for state school lands in blank and assignments of the same in blank at the same time. A few

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YOUNG MITCHELL
STATES TERMS OF
FIGHT PERMIT

Former Pugilist Is Now Chairman of the Police Commission

San Francisco, Jan. 12.—John L. Hogert, chairman of the police commission of the new board of supervisors, better known to the sporting public as "Young Mitchell," under which name he won considerable fame as a pugilist, has announced that he will not grant a permit for the Jeffries-Johnson fight to be held in San Francisco unless the match is directed by a local man. In explanation he said: "I will not stand idly by and see Tex Rickard come in from the wilds of Nevada and secure a concession that should go to somebody who has been working for the good of the game here."

Hogert also expressed himself as favoring Tex as an extension of the fight limit to 45 rounds in this city. The limit is now twenty.

NATIONAL GUARD
TO PROTECT NEGROES

Vieuna, Ill., Jan. 12.—Three companies of the Illinois National Guard arrived here today to protect three negroes in jail, accused of killing Allen Clark. One negro is said to have confessed, implicating the others.

RECORDS BROKEN
AT LOS ANGELES

Glenn H. Curtiss is the Bright Star of Great Aviation Meet

Los Angeles, Jan. 12.—Glenn H. Curtiss, in a Curtiss biplane, established the world's record for speed with passenger—55 miles an hour. Glenn H. Curtiss, in a Curtiss machine, broke the world's record for time consumed in getting into the air—6 2-5 seconds. Glenn H. Curtiss, in a Curtiss machine, broke the world's record for short-distance covered in "run before leaving ground"—98 feet.

Louis Paulhan, in a Blériot monoplane, failed in an attempt at the world's height record, making but 400 feet. Edgar S. Smith, aviator, was struck on the head by the propeller of his Langley machine and seriously injured. Louis Paulhan failed in an attempt to lower Curtiss's record for quick starting, making his try in 12 1-5 seconds.

RETURN OF ELOPERS
IS POSTPONED

Chicago, Jan. 12.—The departure of Roberta de Janon, the Philadelphia heiress, and Frederick Cohen, the waiter with whom she eloped, has been postponed until tomorrow. The desire of the girl's relatives to avoid a sensational reception of the elopers on their arrival is believed to be the reason for the delay.

BALLINGER-PINCHOT MATTER
NOT AGREED TO BY HOUSE
AND GOES TO CONFERENCE

Washington, Jan. 12.—The house today refused to concur in the senate amendments to the Pinchot-Ballinger resolution, and decided to ask for a conference. The speaker named the following conferees: Dalzell, of Pennsylvania; Smith, of Iowa, and Fitzgerald, of New York.

The senate joint resolution is a compromise measure, the basis of which is the Jones-Humphrey resolution. A portion of the resolution reported from the house committee on rules is incorporated in the measure, and this included all of that part which provided for the compulsory attendance of witnesses and punishment of those who refused to obey the orders of the investigation committee. It provides for the selection of house members by the house itself in accordance with the vote of that body.

The sending of the resolution to conference is a mere formality.

When the action of the house was reported to the senate it agreed to a conference. Senators Nelson, Clarke, of Wyoming, and McInerney were named as conferees.

MESSAGE ON CONSERVATION

Washington, Jan. 12.—President Taft's message on conservation of national resources is completed and will be sent to congress Friday noon. It will make about 3500 words.

SEEKING TO
PREVENT STRIKE
OF SWITCHMEN

Interstate Commerce Commission to Act as Arbitrators of Trouble

Washington, Jan. 12.—A strike of switchmen employed on the Western railroads operating out of Chicago is probably dependent upon a conference begun today in the offices of the Interstate Commerce Commission. Negotiations between the switchmen and railroads failed and it was agreed that the matter be referred to Chairman Knapp and Labor Commissioner Neil, as mediators, under the Erdman act. The mediators began an effort today to bring the parties to the controversy together.

The switchmen demand a horizontal increase in wages, changes in working conditions and hours of labor.

CRUSHED TO DEATH
IN SPLIT TREE

Red Bluff, Cal., Jan. 12.—Caught in the jaws of a split sugar pine tree which closed together like a vise, Robert J. Hall was crushed to death yesterday near here. His head was crushed like an egg-shell.

The tree split when it was cut near the ground, and Hall was caught as the two pieces fell and closed together.

ROSEBURG FIGHTS
COUNTY DIVISION

Roseburg, Or., Jan. 19.—At a meeting of the Roseburg Commercial Club last evening it was voted that a meeting be held here February 15, with representation from the whole of Douglas and also of Eugene, Or., to pass resolutions as to the cutting off of the northern part of Douglas County and the southern part of Lane County and forming a new county called Nesmith County.

HENRY GREVES IS
TURNED DOWN

Washington, Jan. 12.—President Taft this afternoon decided against Henry S. Greves, head of the Yale school of forestry, as chief forester to succeed Pinchot.

THE WHEAT MARKET

Chicago, Jan. 12.—January, 113 1-2; May, 113 3-8; July, 103 1-4; September, 98 3-4.

Portland, Jan. 12.—Wheat is unchanged.

Tacoma, Jan. 12.—Wheat is unchanged.

HOWE SAYS TOO
MUCH ATHLETICS
IN UNIVERSITIES

Oregon Professor Speaks on Student Activities and Student Work

REAL HERO MAN WHO FOREGOES PLEASURE

Criticises American Colleges for Growing Attention to Student Activities

Professor H. C. Howe, at the Wednesday assembly in Villard Hall this morning, gave an address under the subject of "The Relation of the Student Activities to Student Work," collected statements of several of the most famous authorities on college subjects in this country, which, although of a radical and startling nature on vital questions, at the University of Oregon, he brought out in a pointed manner that showed the students how much strength there was in his argument. He criticized the American college of today for its growing attention to student activities rather than to studies, citing the statement of Woodrow Wilson, president of Princeton, that the "side shows" in the American college give danger of usurping the attraction of the "main tent." He emphasized the fact that the college here is not the football, baseball or fraternity man, but the "grind," as he characterized the man who foregoes social pleasure and athletics for his studies, that his future life might amount to more. Professor Howe said his remarks were more a collection of what has been said by other men rather than his own. However, radical his address may have seemed, it was generally received by the students, with whom he is very popular, and who realize his authority on the subject.

Our Universities Decaying. Professor Howe first quoted the remarks of Henry Smith Pritchett, president of the Carnegie Institution, who has made a thorough investigation of the relative place of athletics to the college work. He declares that our universities are decaying. The admiration of the student body is no longer for the "grind" at their studies, but for the 30 per cent who attend college for the glory of the student activities. Imagination in the student mind is no longer stimulated by scholarship but by the football field or the like.

A radical reform is soon due the American colleges, according to the authority of President Lowell, of Harvard, who admits that scholarship is no longer the goal of the average college student.

President Schurman of Cornell, is one who has made a thorough study of this vital subject. He argues that the activities must not be placed foremost, for the college could exist without them, but without the other could not. He refutes the argument that is given by the college man who neglects his work to hold some managership, on the excuse that the business training is worth more than the other. Schurman says that if this is an excuse, better cut out the college altogether as it is much more expensive than a position in a grocery store might be.

Purpose of Student Activities. Schurman's idea of student activities is that they are to occupy only man's idle time. Some 60 years ago, he said, there were no student activities. Under this condition the weak ones were overworked and whatever idle time there was, was spent by the student on a glorious drunk. To prevent this, activities were started for the benefit of the weak ones, but now these have, he thinks, gone too far and are out of the hands of those who need them. The purpose of activities should be for all, not for a few. For this reason, Cornell has spent a large sum for a playground, and Syracuse has built a large stadium, and this work is just beginning. Athletics should be considered as play, not as work. He then cited examples of great men of today who were the grinds when they were in college. He advocates the separating of 100 out of every 1000 students and putting them alone through college.

A Radical Solution. Editor Albert Shaw of the "Reformer" (Continued on page 12)

You Don't Often Have Such a Chance

This special seasons clearing sale is such an opportunity as you seldom have for supplying yourself with Dry Goods at less than they are worth. It is your benefit. Every department shows its unparalleled bargains



DRESS TRIMMINGS AT ONE-HALF—1000 yards of almost every conceivable color or pattern; wide, medium or narrow trimmings, ranging in price from 20c to \$3.75 the yard; January Sale price, the yard ONE-HALF

FUR TALK

Here is the best protection against cold—it's nature's way of keeping warm. You buy them now for a mere fraction of their value.

\$3.50 Fur Pieces now \$2.00
\$7.50 Brazilian Mink \$4.50
\$10.00 Opossum \$6.50
\$15.00 Isabella Fox \$8.50
\$25.00 Isabella Fox \$14.00

THE CELEBRATED FAY
STOCKINGS

We sell "Fay" Stockings. The January price on these famous goods will be, the pair 20c

25c HOSE, 20c
Full regular made Hose, double sole, high spliced heel; always 25c; January price, the pair 20c



MEN'S SHIRTS FOR 40c

50c and \$1.00 Men's Dress Shirts, light and medium colors, sale price, each 40c

\$1.00 fancy Shirts for boys; some with collars and cuffs attached of same material, others detached cuffs; January price, each 40c

SWEATERS FOR BOYS 35c

Here comes bargains for the boys—Gray, navy and red Sweaters; January sale price, each 35c



PICKINGS FROM THE DOMESTIC SECTION

OUTING FLANNEL, 5c—6 1/4c dark colored Outings, yard 5c
12c Colored and White Twilled Outing, the yard 10c
Every piece of Outing reduced.
Bewildering assortment of Flannelettes; light, medium and dark colors; all good patterns.
20c Flannelettes, January price, the yard 15c
15c Flannelette, January price, the yard 12 1/2c
4 1/4c and 7c Prints, January Price 5c
1000 yards Silkoline, the yard 11 1/2c
Curtain Serim, 36 inches wide, the yard 5c

From All Over the Store
Bargains in All Sections

Womens' Suits

Of all reductions from any section the Women's Suits are cut the hardest. The prices on the WOOLTEX and LA VOGUE are now very small; a little money will buy extraordinarily fine garments. Make a point to see them. Never made such reductions at this time of the year. A few dollars makes a big showing.

Ready-to-wear Dresses, of wool, for misses and children up to 14 years of age; January closing price one-half; dresses from 13c to \$3.25

LADIES' SKIRTS HALF PRICE—\$5.00 to \$12.00 Skirts, medium colors, well made, on sale at one-half; the garment \$2.50 to \$6.00

\$15.00 KIMONAS—Silk lined and quilted; closing price, each \$5.00

MISSSES' KNIT PETTICOATS—Fleece-lined, each 25c

50c WOMEN'S OUTING PETTICOATS—Extra good quality, each 40c

50c UNION SUITS—For Children; heavy fleece; each 25c

EMBROIDERY—Up to 1 1/4 in. wide; sale price, yard 10c

SHOPPING BAGS—From 75c to \$5.00; closing out price one-half, each 38c to \$2.50

REMNANTS—WOOL REMNANTS AT HALF PRICE—Every yard of wool materials in remnant lengths on sale at one-half the former price.

DRESS GOODS ALL REDUCED—Every yard of dress materials in this big \$10,000 stock of Dress Goods thrown on our counters at a tremendous cut in price.

You may buy any 50c goods for 40c; and 60c materials for 48c; 75c goods sell at 62c.

\$1.25 plain or fancy materials on sale at \$1.00
\$1.25 Suitings are selling at \$1.40
This is the time to buy and save from 10c to 35c the yard.

\$10.00 COATS \$4.75—Women's \$7.50 to \$10.00 black Coats January Sale price, each \$4.75

CHILDREN'S BEAR CLOTH COATS HALF PRICE—All colors, all sizes, in Bear Cloth Coats for children, worth from \$4.00 to \$10.00; half price, each \$2.00 to \$5.00

Misses and Children's Wool Coats, 8 to 14 years, from \$4.00 to \$12.00, sale price one-half; each \$2 to \$6

SILKS ALL REDUCED—We mention a few:
\$1.65 Meire Antigone, black, 36 in. wide, yard \$1.20
\$1.25 Escalier, sale price 90c
\$3.00 Waist Patterns, sale price \$6.50
65c 27 inch Rajah, the yard 50c
All others reduced.

\$1.50 Lace
Curtains
the pair \$1.10

EUGENE
SPRINGFIELD
OTTAGE GROVE

HAMPTONS

WHERE CASH
MEETS
CREDIT

25c Hoop for
Kimonos
the yard 20c

Who Is Your Friend?

in the Big Capital Guard Contest. Clip the Votes from Today's Paper. It will help Her to Win a Prize.