

**HERMANN MAKES ANSWER
TO DEMOCRATIC CRITICISM**
Talks to Ashland Voters About
his Candidacy for Con-
gress.

An Ashland correspondent of the Portland Telegram, under date of May 8, gives the following account of Hermann's speech there:

Binger Hermann spoke in Ashland last night to a good audience for nearly two hours. The speaker said he felt assured from his flattering reception there would be no apathy at the polls.

"We are assembled under the canvas to discuss the qualifications of the two candidates for Congress," he said. "The people ought to be guided solely by their own interests in reaching a decision as to who would best represent Oregon's important material interests in Congress at this time."

I have had the honor to sit in Congress for Oregon many years, part of the time being representative for the whole state and during that time have mingled with many of the great men of this Nation. I have learned the importance of committee assignments in Congress, which practically legislates through its committees. It was never more essential than now that Oregon should have representations on those committees which have to do with the state's commercial interests as they are affected by the work of the river and harbor committee. During the time I was a member of that committee, one year, Oregon stood second to New York in the amount of appropriations for her rivers and harbors, and another year third.

Mr. Hermann said that he has a warm friend in the great Illinois Congressman who is to be a member, and he thought there was an excellent chance that he would be assigned to his old place on the river and harbor committee. He knows that it was more probable than in the case of any new man who could be sent from this district.

He took up seriatim the objection to his election. First, that he had been there long enough; second, that he was not in harmony with the administration, and third, that his election would be a rebuke to the Administration.

As to the first, he thought his experience should be a recommendation, if the same principle followed in business of utilizing knowledge gained in service were applied. As to the second, there was no man who could give a more hearty, generous and constant support to this splendid administration than he.

"Since the time of the immortal Lin-

coln," he said, "I have been true to the impulses of my heart, which were loyal to the principles of the grand old party of freedom, the Republican party."

He said that the differences between him and Secretary Hitchcock were merely as to matters of detail in the administration of the Land Office, and between the superior and inferior officer, the inferior, of course, had to retire.

As to the third, he ridiculed the suggestion that a Democrat should be sent in his stead. That would certainly be a rebuke.

He then took Chairman White's Albany convention speech for a text and discussed the tariff and trusts from the Republican standpoint. He said the Republicans would revise the trusts rather than the tariff, quoted the Sherman law and referred to the recent successful suits against the railroad merger, the beet and the salt trusts under that law. If there were any tariff revision it should be by the friends of protection.

He ridiculed White's assertion that Democrats had got back on the old platform of fundamental principles, whatever they may be, and explained what they were in his view. He made an urgent plea to Democrats to look to their business interests, as a dollar settled in their pockets was as dear to them as to a Republican, and appealed, in conclusion, to all voters to sustain the Republicans and maintain the present prosperity.

STATE AND GENERAL NEWS.

The Myrtle Point creamery has begun operations for the season and is turning out a good product of butter and cheese.

McClure & Dore of Minneapolis, have bought a tract of 12,000 acres of timber near Eureka, Cal., for \$405,000.

A case of smallpox is reported at Eugene. The case is light it being the second time the man has had it.

The preliminary work is being done at Union looking to the establishment of an automobile omnibus line between Union, Oregon and the Hot Lake, a distance of about four miles. The patronage of the Hot Lake is being rapidly increased, and as Union is a most delightful place in summer for those seeking rest, recreation and health, it is believed the line would be well patronized, and be of mutual benefit to the two places.

Telford McDonough, the 11-year-old son of M. T. McDonough, was accidentally killed at the family home in Brookfield Saturday evening. The boy was in a room alone when his brother, who was in an adjoining room, heard some heavy object fall on the floor, followed almost immediately by a gunshot, and running into the room he found Telford lying on the floor dead, with the greater portion of the top of his head blown off and a smoking rifle by his side. The boy had evidently dropped the gun, when it went off, the bullet entering his brain and causing instant death.

Eastern Oregon grain crop prospect is good.

Commencement announcements for the Drain Normal school are out.

According to the legal form of the ballot the law requires that the name of the first candidate shall be numbered 12. The alphabetical arrangement gives the Republican candidate 13, thus it will be seen Hermann has the unlucky number 13.

The War Department has awarded to the Featherstone Foundry and Machine Company, of Chicago, a contract for building two dredges for use in Oregon rivers. They will build one dredge for the upper Willamette and Yamhill rivers for \$25,000, and another for the Upper Columbia and Snake to cost \$22,250. Both dredges are to be ready for use within six months.

The Eastern Oregon White Pine Shippers' Association, an organization composed of all the big mill and lumber firms of that part of the state, met at Baker City Saturday. There was a large attendance of prominent lumbermen.

A suggestion has been made by the Grand Army men that it is improper to deenerate Memorial day with games and the field meet to have been held between the Eugene and Seattle High Schools on that date will probably be held at some other time in deference to this sentiment.

Three hundred and fifty delegates will represent the lodges of the Independent Order of Oddfellows at the Grand Lodge, which convenes in Portland on May 29, and 1000 Oddfellows will participate in the parade on the event of President Roosevelt's visit.

Hop growers in the Willamette valley are forming a pool and will demand 25 cents for the coming crop.

What players of the Northwest coast cities are playing for trophies at Seattle.

A. C. Hummer, representative of the Armour Packing company, has been through the Willamette valley in the last few days making arrangements to buy as much as possible of the butter products of the valley during the next two months. Creamery men report that he is trying to get 500,000 pounds during the months of May and June, and that at present he is offering 1 1/2c per pound more than Portland dealers will pay.

University of Puget Sound is the name of the educational institution launched by the Washington conference of the Methodist Episcopal church to succeed the work of the Puget Sound University.

John McDonald, a timber-faller employed at the Masten logging camp near Svensen Clatsop county, met with an accident Saturday morning that resulted fatally a few hours later. He was felling a tree, and was standing clear for the fall, when one of the limbs hit an adjoining tree and breaking off, came down striking McDonald on the head, crushing his skull in a terrible manner.

Walter Grist, a fisherman on the Columbia was run over by the steamer Haseluo and drowned last Thursday.

Giant firecrackers have been forbidden in Oregon City. The fine imposed for discharging is from \$5 to \$100.

Frosts in Lane county have seriously damaged hop vines.

Mrs. Lawrence Brown of Grants Pass took the Carboic acid route Thursday. She did not reach the desired destination.

Binger Hermann will speak at Salem Wednesday.

Marion county which was in debt four years ago for nearly \$100,000, has today a cash balance of \$85,318.39.

In the test case at Eugene of whether playing baseball on Sunday was illegal or not it was decided that Sunday games were not against the law.

Al Lumana, drunken cabdriver at Baker City ran amuck with his team and now lies in jail charged with violating the speed ordinance and with criminal carelessness. While driving his cab at terrific speed along one of the principal streets he was jolted from his seat and seriously injured. The team smashed into the curb, wrecked the cab and destroyed a section of sidewalk.

William Eagles, who was elected one of the vice-presidents of the Oregon State Federation of Labor, is proprietor of the Albany cigar factory. He is president of the local Federation of Labor and has been very prominent in forming unions in Albany.

Blacksmith of Clackamas county have formed a union.

Some of the valley counties are making an effort to have timber taxed higher.

Grants Pass is to have a new grist mill. Work has begun thereon.

Chas. A. Fisher formerly editor of the Roseburg Review has sold his interest in the Boise City, Idaho, Evening Capital News and will again take charge of the Review.

H. A. Corliss and Wm. Lempke went over the falls in a skiff near Grants Pass. Both men narrowly escaped with their lives.

Grants Pass is to have a gas plant.

The big Waldo Copper smelter, will be started in a few days.

The barbers and printers at Salem, indulged in base ball Sunday.

The 31st annual reunion of the Oregon Pioneer's Association will meet in Portland on Wednesday, June 17.

A condensed milk plant is being talked for Pendleton.

Another wood corner is feared at Salem.

A gang of petty thieves are operating in Roseburg.

Lane county has appropriated \$100 for an exhibit at the state fair.

A new wagon road will be built between Cottage Grove and Lorano.

A new pest has appeared in the Marion county hop yards. A black worm cuts the roots.

The Thirtieth annual session of the State Grange will meet in Oregon City on May 26th.

Chas. H. Grom was elected as president of the Oregon State Federation of Labor at La Grande Wednesday.

The first game of ball played by the valley league was played yesterday at Roseburg and the second will be on Sunday.

S. M. Thorp, a young man of Corvallis, has been missing for two weeks, nothing being known of his whereabouts.

Under the new management of the Light and Power Co. at Salem the city is promised light for much less money than any city on the Pacific coast pays.

McPherson Post, G. A. R., of Albany has extended to Hon. Binger Hermann an invitation to deliver the annual Memorial day address there on Decoration day of this year.

A Boston company will build a large refrigerator at Seattle in which to handle fish. They will establish a line of one hundred refrigerator cars of twenty-five tons capacity each, and will dispatch them ten trips a year.

The city Council of Rainier passed an ordinance raising the retail liquor licenses from \$100 to \$300. There are already four saloons in the town, and a building is being fitted up for the fifth.

Representative R. D. Hume, of Curry county, Wednesday subscribed \$1000 toward the debt fund of the Willamette University. This reduces the unsubscribed debt to \$3000, and this must be raised by June or several large subscriptions will be forfeited.

Lured by the wiles of a gray-headed man of 55, 17-year-old Charlotte Maxwell left her home in Albany recently. The mother of the girl is making a diligent search for the ill-mated pair, and declares that if the law of the land cannot get action on the culprit then she will.

The meeting of the directors of the second Southern Oregon District Agricultural Society, which was to have been held at Atty. F. G. Micelli's office Monday, necessitated postponement on account of the unavoidable absence of Pres. V. C. London, whose business at Cottage Grove prevented his attendance. The date of the postponed meeting will be announced later.

Ex-City Councilman James York of Baker City is under arrest for using vile and indecent language in a public place. In an altercation Wednesday with Police Officer Boyd the ex-Alderman used words of such variety and of so burning a nature that Officer Boyd, hardened as he is to sights and sounds to make the hair raise, shook hands with York, and, it is said, congratulated him on his vocabulary.

A. D. Cavin brought in to Baker City \$1580 in gold dust Saturday from placer diggings on Cow Creek. One nugget weighed \$200. The clean-up was the result of six weeks' work of two men with one giant.

Sheriff Parrott of Roseburg returned Friday from the scene of the stage robbery near Olalla. With his deputies he has made a thorough search of the surroundings of the scene of the hold-up, and it is generally believed that the Sheriff has a good clew to the identity of the two highwaymen. The officers tracked the highwaymen far into the Coast Range Mountains.

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