

**CONGRESSMAN  
HERMANN**  
Entertained by Cham-  
ber of Commerce  
— Visits Bar

Hon. Binger Hermann, our representative in congress, who returns to Myrtle Point this morning after a day and a half on the bay, has been putting in his time to excellent advantage, in the way of meeting the representative men of the Bay and consulting as to the needs of this section, as well as looking over the physical situation for himself.

After meeting with the Chamber of Commerce Monday evening he was taken down the bay yesterday and out over the bar, on the tug Columbia, he and others being the guests of L. J. Simpson, than whom no one could better represent the new life which is bringing this section to the front.

The meeting in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce Monday evening was an exceedingly profitable one, in that it not only afforded Mr. Hermann a chance to hear just what the people here want in the way of assistance from the general government, but it also brought from him many suggestions as to the best way in which to proceed in making known our wants.

There were present at the meeting L. J. Simpson and J. H. Flanagan president and vice-president of the Chamber, Dr. Tower, H. Sengstacken, Peter Loggie, Thos. Rennie, H. Lockhart, J. S. Kaufman, Robt. Marsden and W. J. Butler. The meeting took the form of an informal consultation, although Mr. Hermann with consummate skill directed the discussion to a systematic consideration of the subjects at hand.

Taking up first the matter of the entrance, it was unanimously agreed that something should be done there to maintain the depth of water we have had. It was pointed out that there is considerably less water than there was a year ago. Mr. Simpson said that Captain Magee of the tug Columbia reports that the end of the jetty is being beaten down and that other pieces are likely to go out this winter; and it was his opinion that even a short south jetty by cutting off the water that now flows to the south and directing it upon the bar would give a greater depth of water, without doing anything to the north jetty.

Mr. Herman pointed out the great difficulty in the way of securing an appropriation, in the fact that the engineers department would be solidly against it because the improvement contemplated in the work done heretofore has been completed, and the engineers were all agreed on that point, and had so reported. This formed a serious obstacle in the way of securing further appropriations.

J. H. Flanagan suggested that we take a new start and ask for a greater depth of water than was contemplated before; making a new project of it. This suggestion was considered an excellent one and was heartily approved by Mr. Hermann. It was agreed that the government be asked to give us 30 feet of water on the bar, and Mr. Hermann advised that the Chamber of Commerce address a memorial to congress, asking that the engineers department be instructed to make an examination and report what would be necessary to secure a fixed depth of 30 feet at low tide on the bar. He also made valuable suggestions as to what sort of showing should be made in such memorial, as a basis for the request, advising against the use of the statistics of our present commerce, which might look small in comparison with some other ports, but advising mention of the natural resources and area of the section that would be benefited by the proposed improvement. This would avoid the

objection which might come up, that the commerce of the port would not justify a large expenditure, it being the duty of the government to provide for the future, as well as the present. He also suggested that no mention be made of a south jetty or other specific way of obtaining the depth of water desired, but that all that be left to the engineers. The latter just now seemed to be putting considerable faith in the bar dredger, and it would make no difference to the people here how the required depth would be obtained and made permanent.

Turning to the deepening of the channel inside the harbor, it was agreed that while there were comparatively few shoal places, their removal was absolutely necessary, in order to accommodate vessels of deeper draught than now come here. The Cgarins was cited as an example of vessels coming here even now that are unable to go out loaded to their capacity.

Mr. Hermann said that it had long been a fad of his to have a government dredger built to make its headquarters at Coos Bay, and to do whatever dredging should be found necessary here. He has at one time secured an appropriation for this purpose, but it had been diverted to relieve the immediate necessity for the removal of the hog-back at Marshfield and other shoals. He would like to see his fad revived. His suggestion was adopted as a good one. Mr. Hermann endorsed Mr. Flanagan's suggestion of the \$60,000 appropriation for the north jetty, which has never been used because it is too small, might be diverted to the purpose of dredging in the harbor.

Mr. Hermann brought up the matter of the mail service we are now getting. He expressed the opinion that this community is now entitled to a quicker service, and advised that the memorialized with the request that the mail service be expedited.

Mr. Hermann especially congratulated the people here on the formation of the Chamber of Commerce. He emphasized the fact that in dealing with the government the representations made by a Chamber of Commerce carry much more weight than a popular petition, for the reason that people are careless about signing petitions, while a board of trade is understood to be composed of responsible and representative men, who represent their community by authority.

Mr. Hermann made many suggestions of the utmost value, coming from one whose long experience has thoroughly familiarized him with all the crooks and turns of legislation and departmental procedure. While he expressed himself as averse to making promises as to results, he pledged himself to work indefatigably in the interests of Coos Bay, a pledge which his records guarantee that he will redeem.

Yesterday, through the courtesy of L. J. Simpson, president of the Chamber of Commerce, than whom no one is better qualified to represent the new blood that is bringing Coos Bay to the front, the tug Columbia took Mr. Hermann and a party of the representative men of the Bay out over the bar. The day was an ideal one for the trip. The bar was smooth and the sea breeze was just right to make it comfortable either with or without an overcoat. Besides the distinguished guest, those in the party were: L. J. Simpson, C. H. Merchant, J. H. Flanagan, Dr. Tower, H. Sengstacken, Dr. McCormac, H. Lockheart, W. J. Butler, Robt. Marsden, Mr. Burke, W. B. Lobner representative of Wells Fargo & Co., W. A. Williams, of Portland, Mr. Shaw, of San Francisco, and Major Tower, who joined the party at Empire. The tug was in command of Capt. Jas. Magee who has known the Coos Bay since its infancy.

On the way down the bay soundings were made on the Pony slough, the worst obstruction to navigation in the bay. The soundings taken were as follows: 15, 18, 17 1-2, 14, 17, 16 1-2, 15, 16, 14, 13, 15, 16 1-2, 14, 13, 15, 11 1-2, 13, 14, 14, 15, 16. The state of tide was approaching low water.

When the lower bay was reached, Mr. Hermann's attention was called to the situation of the Life Saving Station, the project for moving which had been mentioned the evening before, and he readily saw the force of the objections to its present location. Soundings were made going out over the bar, which showed conclusively that although we still have a good depth, it shoaled very materially in the past year or two. Running out to the whistling buoy, which seemed to have such a cold that it could hardly speak above a whisper, the tug turned back, much to the relief of some of the party, especially H. Sengstacken, whose complexion had assumed a most sickly hue.

Returning to Empire, Mr. Simpson led the party to the Arago hotel, where Landlord John Morgan had prepared on short notice a repast to which all did justice with appetites sharpened by the sea breeze. After the inner man had been satisfied some time was spent in pleasant conversation. Mr. Hermann made a few remarks in the best of taste, and Mr. Simpson, Dr. McCormac, J. H. Flanagan and Mr. Burke, also talked a little to good effect.

The tug then ran up to Marshfield and landed the party, returning to North Bend with Mr. Simpson and Mr. Hermann who was to be his guest overnight, going to Myrtle Point this morning.

While no elaborate and formal program could be arranged or carried out the informal one was carried out smoothly and without a mishap or disagreeable incident of any kind.

It is safe to say that while Mr. Hermann probably has a surfeit of like entertainments, he has enjoyed his short stay in Marshfield, and it will certainly result in large benefit to this community.

**State and General**

The salmon run in the Siuslaw is considered very light.

The receipts for the La Grand land office for August amounted to \$39,057.83.

The population of Portland in the last three year has increased over 32,000.

Illwaco is to have a new saw mill.

The Oregon state fair opened Monday. Sept. 17th is Portland day at the State fair.

The town Council of Milwaukie Oregon, wants municipal ownership of water plant.

The hop house and drier of Johnson & Mast near Grants Pass burned last Sunday.

The sugar beet crop has improved La Grand factory will begin cutting beets on the 18th.

Hoppicking in the Willamette is nearly over and pickers are returning to their homes.

The water of the Salem water system has been tested and found much better than was expected.

McMinnville will have a new water plant. It will be owned by the city. The cost of the new plant is to be about \$46,000.

Two Oregon students at Harvard are under arrest at Harvard for sobriety. The boys stole over \$750 worth of plunder.

The Hammond log raft in the Columbia is in trouble again being on a bar. It is thought it can be gotten off by the aid of several tugs.

The valuation of Benton county has doubled during the year. Last year the assessors rolls showed \$2,506,135. That of the present year is \$4,895,430.

The jury in the case of John C. Glick who was on trial for the murder of James A. Sheep man in Morrow county brought in a verdict of Murder in the second degree.

Roy Cowles, the 11-year-old son of J. J. Cowles, of Long creek, Grant county was caught in the tumbling-rod of the thrasher recently and frightfully mangled. He is still alive, but his recovery is doubtful.

The Oregon Barrel Company, of Portland, will have a branch factory in Astoria to supply the demand for casks for the salmon cold-storage dealers. A building 50x90 feet and two stories high with rail and water facilities is being erected for this company by H. B. Parker.

The Gold Hill dam across the Rogue river, built to conserve the water for power purposes, has revealed a bar of placer gold in the bed of the stream which is believed to contain \$250,000, and when worked will more than repay the cost of constructing the barrier which caused its discovery.

Earl Davenport, of Oregon City, met with an accident Sunday. He was caught between the boiler and the cog-wheel of a donkey engine and a hole torn in the back at the base of the spine large enough to admit a man's head, while the spinal cord was broken and in places was ground to bits. It will be considered miraculous if the young man survives his injuries.

James Burke, a 19-year-old boy, was found raving and unconscious on the wagon road near Grants Pass a few days ago. He was placed under the care of physicians. After much work the medical men were able to make the young man rational enough to speak a few words, and it was learned that his parents resided on Jump-Off-Joe. He was adjudged insane and taken to the asylum.

Medford has a business college. Eastern capitalists are taking an interest in the Seven Devils' railroad.

Roseburg furnished three candidates for the penitentiary this term of court. The Medford postoffice was robbed last Wednesday night. \$1.70 was all the cash in the drawer.

A 300-ton quicksilver plant is going up on the Black Butte mines near Cottage Grove.

Joseph A. Wilson, manager of the Hood River Applegrowers' Union, has just consummated a \$30,000 apple sale.

G. W. Woody, a farmer, about 24 years of age, residing near Phoenix, was accidentally shot and killed Saturday at noon while out hunting in the mountains 25 miles east of Ashland by a companion, James Daily. A deer jumped up between Woody and Daily. Daily, who supposed that his companion was on the further side of the mountain top from him, fired twice at the animal, the second bullet striking Woody in the left shoulder, cutting an artery.

The Ashland Chamber of Commerce is taking hold of the sewerage problem and are joining the city council in an effort to establish a sewer system.

The big store of the Echo Land & Lumber Company, of Ecco, a short distance from Pendleton was burglarized Saturday night. Five watches, a revolver and \$30 in cash were stolen.

**WRITES MAYOR FOR A WIFE.**

The News of the Lack of Young Men at Kenosha Brings a Proposal from the East.

William H. Moist, of Verona, Pa., writes to the mayor of Kenosha, Wis., stating that as marriageable young women are scarce down his way he would like to wed a Kenosha girl. "I see by the papers," he says, "that the young women of your city have to act as their own escorts owing to the lack of young men. Therefore, I would be glad if you can secure me a wife among them." Moist adds that he is sober, industrious, and of marriageable age. As his letter has been made public it is expected that he will get a deluge of proposals.

Prepared for Trouble. Joseph Chamberlain is going to South Africa on a mission of peace. He will make the trip on a warship, says the Chicago Record-Herald, and in addition to being strongly guarded will have a gun in his boot.

Mosquitoes and Sounds. A doctor, writing from Port of Spain, Trinidad, to a medical journal, tells of his experiments with mosquitoes. He says that one of his childish amusements when playing with his companions in the early evening was to strike a note that would attract the insects. As he remembers, the most alluring sound was a continuous "oo," sung in a medium key, which was quickly changed to "ah" in a lower tone and dwelt on in the same way. The effect on the mosquitoes was magical. Their singing would quickly increase in volume, and they would immediately attack the faces of the children, who, strange to say, enjoyed the sport. But the mosquitoes did not enjoy it long, for their love of music afforded an excellent opportunity of killing them.

He Knew Himself. A friend once took a reformed gambler to a religious meeting. The preacher devoted a large part of his discourse to remarks reflecting upon the past life of the gambler. The man who had escorted the gambler to the meeting thought it incumbent on him to apologize for introducing him into a place where he would hear himself abused. "I didn't know that was the way this preacher was going to talk," he said, "or I wouldn't have asked you to come."

Red and White Lights. On a clear night a red light can be seen at a greater distance, it is said, than a white light, while on a dark night, it is claimed, the result is just the reverse.

**LUMBER**

That is what we have to sell and we can fill all orders for any and all kinds.

The quality is guaranteed and the price is Right.

Our Stock includes anything required in Fir, Spruce, Red and White Cedar.

**SIMPSON LUMBER CO.,**  
PHONE MAIN 151 NORTH BEND, OR

**PREPARE FOR WINTER**

Blankets and Comforters	We can fit you out for cold weather.
Sheets and Pillowcases	Ready for use—cheaper than you can make them.
Fall Dry Goods	Call and see the new stock.
Sweaters and Underwear	New and complete line just received.
Hats and Caps	The new Fall shapes in all qualities.

**H. SENGSTACKEN.**

**Fowl Blow.**  
"My heart has wings," the poet sang. But ere his verse was fairly started A grouchy critic rose and said, "That proves that you are chicken hearted."  
—Chicago Tribune.

**Literal Obedience.**  
Gerardine—Pa says that we mustn't meet any more, and I must obey him.  
Gerald—All right. The next time I'll manage to overtake you.—New York Herald.

**Thoughtless.**  
Matilda Arithmia Jinks Is generally known as "the sphinx," She chatters like sin. But the likeness is in The fact that the sphinx never thinks.  
—New York Times.

**Her Attraction.**  
"But," she urged, "will I always be as attractive to you as I am now?"  
"Always," he replied thoughtlessly, "unless you lose your fortune."  
—Brooklyn Eagle.

**All Kinds and Conditions.**  
A garden is this world of ours. Where fate has scattered many seeds, And some may pluck the bonnie flowers, And some must stoop to pull the weeds.  
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

**Infalible Sign.**  
"There goes a genius."  
"How do you know?"  
"Just borrowed a dollar to have his hair cut."  
—Atlanta Constitution.

**The Common Fate.**  
Dan Cupid limped into his office; All battered and bruised was his head; A bandage and splints graced his person. "I umpired a love match," he said.  
—Smart Set.

**As Others See Us.**  
Diggs—They say that fellow Simson is half witted.  
Diggs—Indeed! As much as that?—Buffalo News.

**Physical and Mental.**  
They sometimes vow, these gloomy men, That naught life's cup can sweeten; They think they're melancholy when They've merely over-eaten.  
—Washington Star.

**Comrades.**  
The man who is always having his feelings hurt is about as pleasing a companion as a pebble in a shoe.—Chicago Record-Herald.

**Timber Land, Act June 3, 1878. NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**

United States Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, Feb. 5, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892.

**WILLIAM W. PRIBBLE,** of 191 Monroe St., Portland, county of Multnomah, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 4403, for the purchase of the SE 1/4 of Sec. No. 14, T. 25 S., R. 12 west, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Roseburg, Oregon, on Monday, the 6 day of July, 1903.

His names as witnesses: Oscar Edwards, of Oakland, Oregon; George Finley, Galen V. Kump, of Crawfordville, Oregon; E. N. Smith, of Myrtle Point, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 9 day of Dec. 1903.

J. T. BRIDGES, Register.

If you want anything, try a Want ad.

**Nasal Catarrh quickly yields to treatment by Ely's Cream Balm, which is agreeably aromatic. It is received through the nostrils, cleanses and heals the whole surface over which it diffuses itself. Druggists sell the 60c. size; Trial size by mail, 10 cents. Test it and you are sure to continue the treatment.**

**Announcement.**  
To accommodate those who are partial to the use of stomizers in applying liquids into the nasal passages for catarrhal troubles, the proprietors prepare Cream Balm in liquid form, which will be known as Ely's Liquid Cream Balm. Price including the spraying tube is 75 cents. Druggists or by mail. The liquid form embodies the medicinal properties of the solid preparation.