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INDICT MITCHELL AND HERMANN

Action of the Federal Grand Jury Follows the Dismissal from Office of United States District Attorney J. H. Hall.

United States Senator John H. Mitchell, Congressman Binger Hermann and George Sorenson, formerly a deputy sheriff of Multnomah county, were jointly indicted Saturday by the Federal Grand Jury.

The indictment alleges that John H. Mitchell and Binger Hermann did in January, 1902, unlawfully and feloniously conspire together and with each other and with S. A. D. Puter, Horace G. McKinley, N. W. Tarpely, Emma L. Watson, Salmon B. Ormsby, Clark E. Loomis and William H. Davis and others to defraud the Government of the United States out of a portion of its public lands situated in township 11 south, range 7 east, by means of forged and false affidavits and fictitious persons; and that, in furtherance of such conspiracy, S. A. D. Puter did on March 9, 1902, pay to John H. Mitchell the sum of \$2000 to secure his influence with Binger Hermann, then Commissioner of the General Land Office at Washington.

Both Senator Mitchell and Congressman Hermann denounce the indictment as the result of baseest conspiracies, and both say they will

be able to remove all doubt when given a trial before a jury. Such is to be hoped at least.

Acting upon the recommendation of Attorney General Moody, the President removed from office U. S. District Attorney John H. Hall, of Portland.

Advices from Washington that the President had removed District Attorney John H. Hall from office created a profound surprise in Portland. It came as the climax to the city.

When District Attorney was shown the dispatch, he said:

"I do not even know who has preferred the charges against me, but I am very much surprised that the President of the United States would so condemn an officer, whom he had so recently appointed for meritorious service, without a hearing and without a chance being afforded me to defend myself. The office of United States District Attorney is a very small matter to me compared with my good name, and I shall leave no stone unturned to show the people of this State that I have been attacked in the dark by the weapons of falsehood and misrepresentation."

Poor Showing for Fox Sex.

Only 23 marriage licenses were issued by Clerk Manning in Lake county during last year.

Any other year but Leap year this record would be wonderful; but the coyness of Lake county girls explains the small number of marriages. There is nothing on record to show that a single marriage resulted from a Leap Year proposal.

Following is a list of the marriages performed from January 1, 1904 to January 1, 1905:

- Edward Campbell—Amie Burnes, February 4th, F. B. Houston, J. P.
- M. L. Troth—Lenora Easterly, February 21st, J. H. Howard, Minister.
- Clyde R. Kiger—Frances Sult, April 3d, S. O. Pease, J. P.
- G. W. Perkins—Lavina Mcowell, April 2d, L. A. Myers, Minister.
- John Young—Edna Fay Heyford, June 12th, J. B. Stark, Minister.
- Alfred Coonse—Mabel Burse, June 8th, U. T. Cheek, Minister.
- William Edward Toney—Sarah E. Odbert, June 27th, J. B. Stark, Minister.
- Henry E. Hanan—Edna L. Balster, July 4th, S. V. Pease, Minister.
- Fred Schallack—Edna Clark, July 6th, B. Daly, County Judge.
- Austin Day Foster—Jennie Maxwell, July 26th, J. B. Stark, Minister.
- Joseph S. Lane—Nora Linsay, Aug. 28th, B. Daly, County Judge.
- Harvey D. Bonington—Inez Wheeler, Aug. 31st, U. T. Cheek, Minister.
- C. M. Joehns—Ellen Coonse, Sept. 15th, H. Pease, Minister.
- James D. Lewis—Della M. Lewis, Sept. 15th, B. Daly, County Judge.
- T. B. Allen—Edna Pease, Sept. 25th, W. F. Lumburger, J. P.

James Reeder—Dovie Marie Blair, Sept. 23d, W. B. Snider, City Recorder.

Ira M. Bradmuss—Nora Lella Green, Sept. 28th, J. H. Howard, Minister.

Chester Lawrence Withers—Melva Lewis, Sept. 28th, J. H. Howard, Minister.

H. C. Mitchell—A. J. Pratt, Oct. 11, W. B. Snider, City Recorder.

William Gibson—Ethel Dixon, Oct. 15th, W. F. Lumburger, J. P.

George D. Eccleston—Bernice R. Case, Oct. 30th, B. Daly, County Judge.

Oscar B. Hess—Luetta Foster, Nov. 1st, W. B. Snider, City Recorder.

A. J. Hickerson—Retta Gibson, Nov. 5th, B. Daly, County Judge.

John N. Watson—Cornelia A. Knox, Dec. 7th, Sanford Snyder, Minister.

Boys Have Fun at Bidwell.

A few evenings ago at Bidwell, Modoc county, a lot of vaqueros came in from the range and started in to have a little fun. After loading up on John Wall's whiskey—the king they drink in Idaho—the boys went to the livery stable where they secured a one-horse buggy. They then lassoed a wild steer hitched the beast to the buggy, and after placing Charley Streig, the one-legged fruit peddler, on the seat and tying him down with ropes, they turned the steer loose in the street. Then the fun commenced. The steer ran and bucked and "bellered," but the buggy and Charley staid with him, down one street and up another, till finally the whole outfit piled up in a heap on the hotel porch, where the harness was cut and the steer turned loose, also Mr. Streig. Both were

MUST WORK FOR THEIR INTEREST.

The following from the Redding Free Press shows that the Redding people have tried the "happy-go-lucky" plan and have found it cannot win. Lake county has been trying the same plan, and if we did not have one of the best counties in the Northwest, with more natural resources than any other, we would not be in the flourishing condition we are now in. Even with our great possibilities we cannot expect to hold out against the persistent advertising of other counties and the efforts of other people to head off the good things that would, unmo-lested, come our way:

"The people of Redding have at last awakened to the realization of the fact that unless some active work is done the proposed Fall River railroad, will make some other point on the Southern Pacific its junction.

T. B. Walker, the millionaire timber man, who is behind the railroad proposition, says that he prefers Redding as the junction, but he decided that the people of Redding show some desire to have the road.

A call for a mass meeting was circulated and it was liberally signed by citizens and business men, who will now work together in an effort to get that road."

This action on the part of the Redding people to secure the terminus of Mr. Walker's railroad at their town is probably as far in advance of actual construction work on the road as would be a preliminary movement such as organizing a commercial club on the part of our people to secure railroad facilities for Lake county.

Mr. Walker's statement as to his position regarding Redding as the terminus of his road is not different from the general sentiment of other railroad promoters. People clamor for a railroad but do nothing to interest railroad builders. Men of means do not have to hunt for localities in which to invest money. When it is known that capital can be secured for development purposes, there are hundreds of undeveloped counties in the Northwest that are organized and ready to rush to the front with every imaginable persuasion to induce the capital their way.

Who do we expect to present our case to investors? who will do this? The answer no one, unless the people themselves make a move. How are

any people going to make a move in this direction unless they organize a club and elect their strongest, most influential men to keep their case before capitalists. It has long been a motto of Lake county that "our latch-string is on the outside." That would be some inducement if capital was compelled to wander around seeking and begging entrance but when there are hundreds ready to take these capitalists by the hand and lead them from their own sanctum into the open doors of their communities and into the open arms of a greeting public, then it is that the "latch-string-on-the-outside" motto is cold comfort to the investor.

We now have the opportunity of a lifetime; the prospects for a prosperous year ahead, Government irrigation in sight for our thousands of acres of valuable lands, money actually dreaming of a situation identical to ours. Why not present it?

We are invited to join the State Development League, the cost is so

trifling as not to be an obstacle—only \$5. and with this \$5 we get stationary actually worth more than that amount.

Call a meeting at an early date and organize a commercial club. Do not wait longer.

Two Serious Accidents.

Last Wednesday evening when Mr. E. Keller of New Pine Creek, part owner of the electric light plant at that place, which furnishes light for Lakeview, with his family had returned from church, the family alighted from the sleigh and went into the house, while Mr. Keller went to put the team away. The team became frightened and started to run away, tipping Mr. Keller out. He realized the seriousness of turning the team loose with the sleigh fast to them, and endeavored to hold onto the lines and stop the horses. He was violently hurled to the ground and landed in a pile of lumber head first. Some boards that were frozen to the ground, at one end furnished a landing place for him, one of them striking him squarely in the face. He was picked up unconscious and remained so several hours. Dr. Smith was called from Lakeview, and when he arrived to dress the wounds he found the man's tongue cut nearly off, several of his teeth knocked out, his nose broken, a gash to the skull on his forehead three inches long, a bruised arm and badly bruised eyes. His face was swollen beyond recognition. He was in a serious condition, but when the doctor left him he was better and is said to be getting along as well as can be expected.

Jim Givan, a prominent rancher and stock raiser of Warner valley was out last Wednesday with a team hitched to a loaded wagon. Some way the team became unmanageable and ran away, throwing Mr. Givan out of the wagon. He struck the ground under one of the horses which kicked him in the side, breaking a couple of his ribs, and knocking him under the front wheel of the wagon, which was loaded with 3500 pounds of freight. He lit on his back the wheel passing over his shoulder and breast. This turned him over and the hind wheel crossed the small of his back. He was picked up and Dr. Hall sent for. The Dr. left here at midnight Wednesday night, arriving there the following morning where he remained in attendance upon Mr. Givan until three o'clock in the afternoon.

Mr. Givan was severely hurt, but the chances of his recovery are very good.

Quiet in Municipal Affairs.

There has been nothing new developed since last week in regard to the discussion up before the Taxpayers meeting looking to the city indebtedness. No action has been taken to either bond the town or raise the levy. It is very likely that the matter will be allowed to rest, as nothing very serious can result from indefinite postponement of the question. Some say, that if allowed to rest for seven years the entire indebtedness of \$23,000 will be entirely wiped out at the rate the revenue will decrease the debt if economy is employed in the administration of the city's affairs. No one seems to be seriously worked up over the comparatively small indebtedness. Of course all want it paid, but the city is now on a revenue basis.

INVITED TO JOIN STATE LEAGUE.

So enthusiastic is the Oregon Development League over any step toward the development of Oregon or any part of it that when the least intimation is made of a step in that direction from any of the outside counties they rush to the Portland papers with the good news. The following appeared in the Evening Telegram of December 23rd:

Now comes Lake County, one of the most distant sections from Portland, for admission to the Oregon Development League. In a recent letter to Manager Tom Richardson of the Commercial Club C. O. Metzker publisher of the Lake County Examiner, at Lakeview, asks for information as to how to proceed in regard to forming a commercial body to join the Oregon Development League. He wants to know how to start off, how to organize and how to proceed in a manner most sure to bring results. He will be enlightened, and Lake will be one more county gathered into the League, leaving but very few parts of the state thus unrepresented.

PORTLAND, ORE., DEC. 23rd, '04.

MR. C. O. METZKER,
LAKE COUNTY EXAMINER,
LAKEVIEW, OREGON.

DEAR SIR:

Replying to your letter of 18th, I was wonderfully glad to hear from Lakeview and have that letter come from the editor of the Examiner.

An extended article relative to the Oregon Development League will appear in the Christmas edition of the Journal. I hand you a circular which we issued August 23rd—a little old, but the vital facts are just what they were then. Also enclose a blank list used by the Portland Commercial Club to gather lists of names from residents of Portland or any other point in Oregon of their friends residing in other states. Also postal card we send out accompanying all advertising matter or copies of home newspapers. We have sent out large numbers of special editions of the Oregonian, the Telegram, and I hand you copy of letter that is now going out to the railroad men of the United States, Canada and Mexico, accompanied by an issue of the Journal of Sunday. Would send you a copy but the list is already made up and I presume you exchange with them. If not, I will see that you get a copy of this paper.

Each organization uses a letterhead made local in every particular as is described in circular under date of August 13th, and in the Journal. All that it will cost your city to hold a membership is \$5 and for that we will furnish one thousand of these letterheads, and as a practical newspaper man can understand that they could not be printed singly for anything like the sum, even if the design at the top was free.

If you get Lakeview organized and have them use the Examiner in a special edition as we are using the Portland papers the result will be simply magnificent. I send you in this same mail a package of advertising matter showing you the character of printed matter we are circulating.

Please let me hear from you.

Very truly yours,
TOM RICHARDSON,
Sec. Treas.