

OIL SUITS TO REACH BEYOND CALIFORNIA

Wyoming Fields Also Involved in Government's Action to Recover Fuel Land.

WITHDRAWAL RIGHT DENIED

Claimants Declare That President Had No Authority to Remove Land From District Available for Entry—Road Involved.

That the oil land forfeiture suits of the government will reach beyond California was disclosed yesterday by B. D. Townsend, special attorney of the Department of Justice, when he announced that similar suits are to be instituted in the Casper oil fields of Wyoming, which include 10,000 acres. The oil from this field is of a high grade having a paraffin base, and is extremely valuable.

"United States District Attorney Ridgely, of Wyoming, with headquarters at Cheyenne," said Mr. Townsend, "will have direct charge of the Wyoming cases, and Mr. McCormick will conduct those in California. Returning from the East recently, I stopped at Cheyenne for a few days and consulted with Mr. Ridgely and the cases are in a position to be filed within a short time."

When Mr. Townsend and A. I. McCormick, United States District Attorney, were asked for more definite information concerning the suits to be filed in California, Mr. Townsend said: "Any person claiming title to oil or oil mineral lands by reason of a location or discovery made in violation of withdrawal orders will be included in or affected by the suits."

Trial Suits May Come First.

"Trial suits may first be instituted, and an attempt will be made to recover the value of every barrel of oil that has been taken from the property."

"For reasons that are obvious, it would not be wise to tell when and against whom the first suits are to be brought, but the properties involved are in the San Joaquin district and include the following fields: Sunset, McKittrick, Midway, Devils Den, Elk Hills, Lost Hills, Coalings and other small but continuous fields on the west side of the San Joaquin Valley.

"To properly realize that these suits mean it should be understood that the potential production of wealth from this valley is equal to the industrial production of the State of Oregon.

"Part of this land is claimed illegally by the Southern Pacific Company through the Kern Trading & Oil Company and other subsidiary companies.

Withdrawal Right Disputed.

"On September 9, 1909, by a Presidential order, all these lands were withdrawn, as they had been declared by the Government geologists to be oil lands. Notwithstanding this fact several persons have attempted to establish mineral rights.

Here Mr. McCormick interposed by saying: "These persons, to give them their due, take the position that the President had no right to make such a withdrawal. Mr. Townsend said: "The Standard Oil Company is interested in some of the land against which these suits are to be instituted. It has not developed whether the Union Oil Company also is interested, but we do know that the Union has a selling agreement with the Standard, and what oil we can trace to the Union will have to be paid for, as the title of the Government follows the oil. The Associated Oil Company is owned by stockholders of the Southern Pacific Company, and also is a party to this selling agreement."

SWISS WILL FEAST

Ambassador Ritter Comes for Visit This Week.

PANAMA CANAL OPENS WAY

Conditions for Future Immigration Will Be Studied—Residents Here Thrifty and Prosperous Are Proud of Their Record.

been approved and accepted by the directors, and erection of the building was authorized to begin at once. It will be built on the tract on the corner of Sandy boulevard and Alameda avenue, purchased several months ago from B. S. Josselyn for \$3,600, and it will cost about \$5,000. On the ground floor will be the club rooms, the lounge room being 30x48 feet, with a large pressed brick fireplace, a smoking room with screened porches adjoining the lounge room; a ladies' room on the south side with screened porches; and a wide ornamental stairway leading to the second floor. On the second floor there will be a ball room 42x48 feet, with a stage at one end and dressing rooms adjoining. A. H. Mestral, L. R. Bailey and O. G. Hughson have been appointed to superintend construction. It is the general plan to provide a social home for the Rose City Park district, and also make the building suitable for the purposes of fraternal



Dr. Paul Ritter, Swiss Ambassador Who Will Visit Portland This Week.

All members of the Swiss colony in this city are making extensive preparations to welcome Dr. Paul Ritter, the Ambassador and Minister from Switzerland for America, Thursday. Dr. Ritter is at present at Yellowstone Park on a tour from Washington to the Coast, to make an official inspection and investigation of conditions for future immigration. He will stop in Portland for two days, leaving Friday night for Seattle.

To a certain extent the Panama Canal has been responsible for the visit, as the increased possibilities of this Western coast with the opening of the Canal have already attracted attention in Switzerland.

Thursday evening he will be entertained by the Swiss at their own hall, built by the members three years ago, at Third and Jefferson streets. Arrangements have been made for a banquet, after which there will be speeches interspersed with musical numbers. The Commercial Club will have the honor of Dr. Ritter's company at luncheon the following day, when 12 prominent members will be present to meet him, to discuss the business status of the city and to show the opportunities that exist here for emigrants from Switzerland and other lands.

Dr. Ritter is Interesting.

Dr. Ritter, who is still a young man, has had an interesting career. Originally an attorney, he entered the diplomatic service as consul for Switzerland at Tokyo, Japan. Shortly afterwards he was promoted to be Consul-General for Japan, and finally Minister to that country. Three years ago he was appointed Ambassador to the United States.

He is an authority on the laws of his country, and it is interesting in this connection to know that the Oregon laws on referendum and initiative were modeled after those of Switzerland. The same is true of the public school system. The Red Cross Society originated in Geneva, as also did the fresh air movement, which provides for outings in the country every summer for some thousands of children crowded up in the cities.

Though a small country, Switzerland probably has initiated more startling reforms than any country in the world, and the success of the majority of them speaks volumes for the sagacity of her representatives. All the railroads are state-owned, and the most recent issue of the Review of Reviews has an extended article on the success of the system.

Swiss Colony Grows.

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ELK VISITOR BUYS REALTY

Trip to Portland Causes Montana Man to Invest in Vicinity.

VANCOUVER, Wash., July 13.—(Special.)—Because he was so pleased with his week in Portland, Charles M. Byersdorf, an Elk from Great Falls, Mont., today purchased a lot in Vancouver, and presented it to his wife as a souvenir of his first visit to the Rose City and its vicinity.

The lot, which is located in one of the new additions to the residence part of the city, is numbered 5, and it is to this that Mrs. Byersdorf attributes their good luck.

"Throughout our stay in Portland the number 5 has followed us everywhere," she declared, "and we couldn't have been more delighted, or have had a better time. I intend to keep my lot, and perhaps build on it some day, as a permanent reminder of the good time we had during the Elks' convention."

SEATTLE FIRM'S DEAL BIG

Oregon Timber Holdings Bring \$76,000, or 80 Cents a Thousand.

John Winters, representing Winters Bros. of Hoquiam, Wash., has closed a deal for the purchase of a large section of timber land in Lincoln County. The property was owned by F. M. Wales and associates, of Seattle, Wash. There are between 90,000,000 and 100,000,000 feet of timber in the holdings. The consideration was \$76,000, or about 80 cents a thousand feet stumpage.

BLIND BOY BUYS PIG ON BORN-HOG-RAISING PAYS.



Jessup Mosher, 12-Year-Old Hog Raiser.

OREGON CITY, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—Jessup Mosher, a 12-year-old Oregon City lad, almost totally blind, has recently returned from the Blind School at Salem a thoroughgoing enthusiast over pig-raising.

Early last Spring Jessup became much interested in the fact that it was Superintendent Alderman's plan to increase greatly the egg, pig and poultry production of the state by encouraging the children to raise pigs and chickens. In a talk with Superintendent Moore, of the Blind School, the former suggested that Jessup buy a pig and care for it until the close of school, selling it at that time. Jessup grasped the idea with eagerness. Having obtained the desired pig with \$2 that was lent to him by Mr. Moore, he cared for it faithfully until a few days before the school closed for vacation. The shot had grown remarkably under Jessup's care, weighing 165 pounds at the time of the sale. As the blind lad got 75 cents a pound for his pig he had enough money to pay his debt, buy a new suit of clothes and still have spending money when he reached home.

SUFFRAGE GOSPEL SPREAD

Women Secure 15 Minutes Each Day at Cherry Fair.

During the Salem Cherry Fair a suffrage booth has been maintained in charge of Sara Bard Field Ehrigott, Mrs. H. C. Brodie, of Oregon Agricultural College, and Mrs. Arnold and Miss Penn, both university graduates, the former of an Eastern university, the latter of Willamette.

Salem is also making plans for holding a big suffrage meeting there at which Miss Helen Carick Boswell and Miss Mary Wood will be the principal speakers.

Other activities in the suffrage line include the meeting at the home of Mrs. W. J. Hawkins, 571 Myrtle street, at 10:30 this morning, and the departure of Mrs. Clara Colby for Silverton last night, there to organize a suffrage society. After her labors are completed in that town she will make a tour through Linn County to organize branch societies of the league.

Through the courtesy of the president of the Board of Trade and the managers of the Cherry Fair, 15 minutes was devoted to suffrage at every one of the evening meetings of the Salem celebrations, among the prominent speakers for the cause being Mrs. Ehrigott and C. E. Wood.

ADMIRAL SAYS GOODBYE

Gold Tablet Presented to Distinguished Naval Visitor.

Admiral Alfred Reynolds, U. S. N., of the Puget Sound Navy Yard, who was extensively entertained during his five days' visit here, was escorted to the train by the uniformed reception committee of the Elks lodge, Mayor Rushlight, and a large delegation of Elks, when he departed for Bremerton, Wash., yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock. The admiral, who sanctioned the trip of the battleship Oregon to Portland, was a guest at all the entertainments held during the grand lodge meeting and won many friends by his genial manners.

A handsome gold tablet, bearing the following inscription, was presented to the admiral: "To Alfred Reynolds, United States Navy, as a token of respect, esteem, and affection from the citizens of Portland and the HI HI Club, No. 234."

The tablet was inclosed in a leather case embossed with the admiral's monogram. The presentation speech was made by Russell Hawkins, chairman of the entertainment committee of the HI HI Club. General Beebe made a brief address at the train.

Clubhouse to Rise Soon.

Plans prepared for the new clubhouse of the Rose City Club by L. R. Bailey & Company, architects, have

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Greatly reduced prices on men's and boys' reliable clothing and furnishings. Come this week and lay in a supply. Nowhere else can you buy so much for so small an outlay. See the prices:

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\$10.00 Suits, now.....	\$ 6.95	\$1.95 Suits, now.....	\$1.35	\$.50 Garments, now.....	35¢	
\$15.00 Suits, now.....	\$11.35	\$2.50 Suits, now.....	\$1.65	\$1.00 Garments, now.....	79¢	
\$20.00 Suits, now.....	\$13.35	\$2.95 Suits, now.....	\$1.95	MEN'S SHIRTS		
\$25.00 Suits, now.....	\$16.65	\$3.95 Suits, now.....	\$2.65	\$1.00 Shirts, now.....	\$.79	
Blacks and Blues, 1/4 Off		\$4.35 Suits, now.....	\$2.90	\$1.50 Shirts, now.....	\$1.15	
MEN'S PANTS		\$5.00 Suits, now.....	\$3.35	\$2.00 Shirts, now.....	\$1.35	
\$2.00 Pants, now.....	\$1.45	\$6.00 Suits, now.....	\$3.95	FURNISHINGS		
\$3.00 Pants, now.....	\$2.25	CHILDREN'S WASH SUITS HALF PRICE				
\$3.50 Pants, now.....	\$2.65	50c Neckwear, now.....				39¢
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TASK PILED UP FOR JURY

INVESTIGATING BODY TO PROBE SHORT-LIVED RATHSKELLER.

Wallace Murder Case Also Will Be Considered and Charge Against Mayor May Be Taken Up.

The grand jury is to assemble at 10 o'clock Monday morning, with a mass of new work. Hints are made that other material as yet uncovered will be added to the list. With a legal period of life extending till the first Monday in September, the incumbent body gives promise of being the hardest-working grand jury in the history of the judicial district.

The first purpose in calling the jurors at this time is that they may investigate the short existence of the rathskeller in the basement of the Yeon building. E. J. Hanbury, ostensible proprietor of the place, was arrested under an indictable charge of maintaining a nuisance and the jury is expected to investigate what assurances were given Hanbury before he opened the place. They also are expected to inquire into the delay of the police in closing the place and the destruction of the docket after Hanbury was arrested.

Several alleged felonies have come up from the lower courts since the grand jury took its recess, most important being the murder of Ray W. Wallace for which Willard O. Tanner is now held to answer, with Hazel Erwin, his consort, held as an accomplice, but not under formal charges. A confession made by the girl to the effect that she plotted the murder which Tanner executed, has been substantiated by Detectives Vaughn, Litherland, Epps and Hill who have traced down the details of her story wherever possible. They have failed to find Wallace's watch, which the girl said she threw away in Salem, but the ground where it is said to have lodged has been mowed and raked in the interim.

Whether the girl will be taken before the grand jury as a witness has not been determined. By her own statement she was the prime mover in the crime from the start and cannot be granted immunity. Without her statement, say the prosecutors, there is sufficient evidence to warrant an indictment.

Wall District Attorney Cameron will not discuss the question, it is probable that another attempt will be made to obtain a true bill against Mayor Rushlight, Chief Siver and others, under the nuisance statute, for conspiring to injure public morals and decency by attempting to bribe Deputy District Attorney Collier. The official already are indicted for an attempt to

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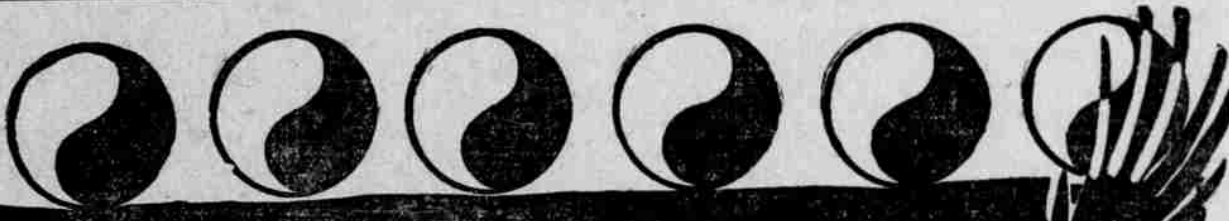
ROAD WILL BE WIDENED

Dangerous Crossing of Railway Track to Be Made Safe.

OREGON CITY, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—As a result of the efforts of the Clackamas County Automobile Club and the County Court, the Southern Pacific Railway Company will widen the county road between this city and Parkplace, at the intersection with the railroad. This is a dangerous railway crossing and several serious accidents have been narrowly averted there. A conference between Judge Beattie, C. C. Oregon, and E. T. McBain, M. D. Latourette, C. W. Risley, and H. G. Starkweather, representing the auto club, was held today.

The promise of the company to make the improvement is due largely to the organization of the automobilists of the county, and it is believed that the club will accomplish much more for the benefit of not only its members, but all persons using the county roads.

to improve this thoroughfare, 60 feet wide, with hard surface from the south city limits to connect with the hard-surface improvement on Jersey street. The power company will be given an exclusive and perpetual right of way for street railway and electrical purposes, and has given the Council assurance that it will not object to the condemnation for street purposes in consideration of this provision. C. B. Russell, H. W. Bonham and K. C. Couch have been appointed as viewers. This improvement will complete a hard-surface thoroughfare from the business center of Portland to the foot of Burlington street in St. Johns, Francis I. McKenna having given assurance that the connecting link between the city limits and West Anna street in Portland will be hard surfaced by the time Dawson street is completed, as he owns the major part of the land lying between the two points.



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