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The Cross State Road Case

A LEGAL "test" case of gigantic proportions is slowly being fought out in the courts. It costs today in the hands of the three federal judges in Portland. We refer, of course, to the suit of the railroad company brought against the Oregon Public Service Commission and the Interstate Commerce Commission in an effort to set aside a decision of the latter body ordering the construction of the much talked-of cross state railroad.

To the parties involved this suit is a great deal more than a test case but in its effect it is just that. If, when the matter is finally fought out up through the supreme court of the United States, the order of the Interstate Commerce Commission is upheld the interstate commerce act will have a brand new sharp tooth in it. On the other hand, if the order is finally denied, paragraph 21 of section one of the act may as well be crossed off. This section of the act clearly states that the commission has the power to compel a carrier to extend its "line or lines."

All of the railroads in the country are watching the outcome of this legal battle and are lending what support they can to the companies directly involved. If the constitutionality of this extension clause is upheld it will undoubtedly be applied in other regions.

The cross state line will be a valuable thing to Oregon. At the present time freight to and from the central portions of Oregon must move a long distance north or south before it begins or ends its journey. This extra haul of freight costs money and higher rates mean that our portion of the state, for instance, does not have as easy access to eastern markets as we can and should have as the result of the building of the cross state line. A significant argument made by the attorneys for the commission is that the territory to be crossed by the new road is the largest area in the United States not now served by a railroad.

It is too bad that the pioneer railroad builders did not live long enough to see their dreams for the development of the Oregon empire realized. This cross state line was in the original plan. It is apparently sound railroad as a development project for the other projects of those early builders certainly proved to be sound.

This case will not be settled finally as the result of the decision now pending but this decision will be an important link in the chain for it represents a key point in the battle. If the matter is carried on up to the supreme court months and months, possibly years will be required to actually settle the matter. It is not at all likely, though, that the railroads will be content with any adverse settlement short of a decision by the supreme court.

Oregon Editors' Opinions

(From Hay Times)
YESTERDAY this paper carried a long list of people arrested and fined on liquor charges. Publicity of this kind is never desirable either for individuals or communities. We trust that we shall not be forced to give out such information very often, but it will be our policy to give all, great or small, the same opportunity to set their names in print.

"The Giant That Is New York"

Those who never visited that wonder city of the new world, New York, will gain a very clear picture of it if they study the pictures which appear in the November issue of the National Geographic Magazine. All who have spent some time in the metropolis will have a lively interest in these illustrations both because of their memories of its scenes and its life, and for the broad perspective it gives of Manhattan island, where "men crowd as birds fight for standing room on ocean rocks."

There is one splendid airplane photograph taken from over the harbor below Beloe's island which bears the famous Statue of Liberty. It shows the "mountainous" masses of masonry, one at the tip of the island in the financial center, the other in the Grand Central station district below Central park, the great retail trade district of the city, Brooklyn, the piers on the Jersey side of the river and the

acres and acres of buildings, which cover the island are pictured. Another aerial photograph gives a closer view of the towering structures clinging to the tip of the island just above Battery park. From great masses of stone and steel tower shafts pierce the sky. One cannot but wonder what might happen if Jove in some fit of temper shook this island with his heavy boot, toppling its proud towers to earth. Or one may speculate on what ruins there may be here some fifty centuries hence for the planet to exult and ex-amine.

There is only one New York, thank the Lord for that. It is indeed a monument to our American civilization. It typifies our interests and our energies. It is the nexus of our life: Commercially, politically and artistically.

(Medford Mail-Tribune)
Enemies aren't such a bad lot. They never give you an encouraging pat on the back when you need a saving kick in the pants.

(Albany Democrat-Herald)
A combined vegetable and fruit canner is Albany's greatest need, as it would give the farmers an opportunity for profitable farming. Every Albany business man should hear J. O. Holt, manager of the Eugene Cooperative cannery, speak at the chamber of commerce luncheon tomorrow.

(Astorian-Budget)
Yesterday there were as many cars parked at the country club as in mid-summer and the course swarmed with players of both sexes. A warm sun and no wind made the outdoors inviting, and a big part of the population accepted the invitation. This was the second 7th. Tell this to your eastern snow-bound friends.

NEW SHRUBS TO GO IN STREET TRIANGLE

Planting of a new set of shrubbery in the triangle at the intersection of Jackson and Winchester streets will begin at once. It was decided by the Lions club at its meeting last night. Contract for the shrubs was let to C. E. Meyer, who was the lowest bidder for the work.

The design of the plantings was prepared by Ben Ringo, landscape gardener at the Soldiers' home. Mr. Ringo will also assist in putting the shrubs into the triangle.

Lions expressed, by a vote of the club, their appreciation of the help given by the California Ocean Power company in erecting the large Christmas tree at the corner of Cass and Jackson streets.

E. V. Moran entertained the club with two cornet solos, one of them his own composition. He was accompanied by Mrs. Myrtle Williams on the piano.

NAVY SENDS HELP TO STRICKEN MEN

(Associated Press United Wire)
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11.—The destroyer Proctor was rushed from the Mare Island navy yard today to render sick relief to the captain and another officer of the Oceanic and Oriental Navigation company's freighter, Golden Horn.

The Golden Horn, enroute from Hongkong to San Francisco, was about 600 miles off San Francisco and due here Saturday morning. The commander, Captain R. W. Deschamps, was operated on December 9 for appendicitis and has been seriously ill since, although a wireless from the ship's officer today said he was feeling better.

KILL PLOT AIMED AT CHINA'S RULER

(Associated Press United Wire)
KHI-KIANG, China, Dec. 11.—President Chiang Kai-Shek left here unexpectedly today for Nanking to direct the government's military campaign against communists and bandits. Hankow advisers said authorities had uncovered an alleged communist plot to assassinate the president upon his arrival in that city. A raid on communist headquarters there was said to have uncovered 300 spurious passes which would have admitted the holders to a welcoming ceremony planned at Hankow.

STRIB FAVORED TO DEFEAT GRIFFITHS

(Associated Press United Wire)
CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—W. L. "Young" Striding of Mason, Ga., and Jerry "Left" Griffiths of Sims City, Iowa, completed their battle plans today to their ten count fight in the Chicago stadium tomorrow night.

The Sims City fighter apparently is in the best shape of his life and according to a majority of his guessers he will need to be Striding, who is still a 2 to 1 favorite, chiefly because of his greater experience and harder punching. Griffiths, however, was accused of a chance to outpoint his better ranked foe. Griffiths scored his victory while Striding sealed his.

A new capacity crowd of around 20,000 is expected, with a gate of about \$10,000.

Editorials on News

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CAN be said with absolute certainty? Whatever progress or make in the future toward the solution of the problems that now vex us, will be made because of the excellence of SOMEBODY'S brain.

POLLY AND HER PALS

ILL BE GLAD WHEN WE'VE DISPOSED OF ALL PA'S POSSESSIONS AND CAN START BUYING HIM NEW ONES FOR CHRISTMAS!



MAY I BE OF ASSISTANCE HON. MA'AM? YOU SEEM TO SEARCH FOR SOMETHING!



Maybe I'm Wrong

By J. P. MEDBURY

A SECOND STORY MAN was riding on a Pullman train the other night and climbed in all the upper berths from force of habit.

Efficiency Experts—The farmer who wouldn't buy the mule because the owner wouldn't stand back of him.

Take It or Leave It—The younger generation seems to think the human race is neck and neck.

Momentous Moments—When a snow meets a read hot mama.

Vital Statistics—Marriage is something that begins where love leaves off.

You're Right—Many a man who's wearing a toupee is keeping it under his hat.

Pitiful Cases—The fellow who found woodchicks in his artificial leg.

Auto-Suggestion—What this country needs is fewer cars and more parking places.

American Tragedies—The North-west mounted policeman, who was drowned while trailing his man through Venice.

Our Own Vaudeville—Manager: What's the home detective act missed up about? Assistant Manager: He tried to throw his shadow out of the hotel.

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Talks on Health

By DR. R. S. COPELAND

WHEN mother and infant are so fortunate as to depend on breast feeding, the future of the child is bright. But when it is necessary to resort to artificial feeding, new troubles come along. Then the mother must know just the best thing to do.

When weaning time comes for the baby, cows' milk forms the basis of the diet. Pasteurized milk is sure to be safe. The only substitute is certified milk of the best kind, milk from a clean dairy or unquestioned standards, promptly delivered.

Unfortunately, there are times when it is not possible to get cows' milk. In case of a milk strike, if one is traveling or if for some other reason dependable and safe cows' milk cannot be had, dry milk, milk powder or evaporated milk may be used.

Valuable Assets

These preparations are made from fresh cows' milk. They contain all the natural ingredients of milk except water. One method of manufacture depends on powdering the liquid milk over revolving rollers, heated to a high temperature. This heat is quite sufficient to dry up the water at the same time leaving the solid elements.

Dried milk is good for many purposes. It is practically sterile, its composition is not altered by heat. It is valuable as an addition to baby foods, formulas, when a concentrated food is desired.

Dried milk is easily digested because they are sterile they have advantages over fresh milk. The product comes from an unquestioned source of course the dried milk is more expensive than the fresh milk and are not likely to be used when good fresh milk is available.

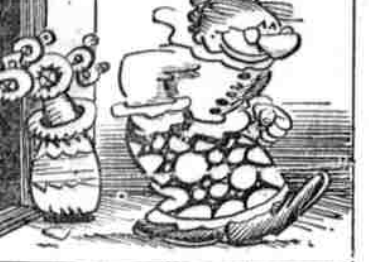
Fresh milk possesses untamable qualities that make it of paramount importance in the baby's diet. But the good food habits made of the dried milk can be cultivated by giving the infant either pure or tomato puree, and if necessary, cod liver oil.

We have to be careful to protect the babies from rickets and con-

Pine.—Adv.

Paw's Got the Combination

WELL, THE SOONER WE CAN STEAL HIS SLIPPERS THE SOONER WE CAN BEGIN HIS CHRISTMAS SHOPPING!



THEY'RE NO TIME LIKE THE PRESENT, POLLY, I'LL SWIPE, WHILE HE SLEEPS!



Around....

The County

By R. R. WOOD

At this time of the year when many people are interested in holiday shooting events for the turkey and feasts of marksmanship are being heralded, perhaps a story of some of the good shots of the pioneer days and the Indian campaign might not fail to be of interest.

It is said of one of the famous shots of the seventies and eighties that at one time he was at St. Paul, Minn., attending a fair. This was during the Hayes administration, and the President and Mrs. Hayes were the guests of honor that day. Dr. W. F. Carver, whom writers have heralded as the world's greatest rifle shot, was giving exhibitions of his marvelous marksmanship. According to the story covering that particular day's sports, Mrs. Hayes handed an attendant a 25-cent piece and sent him to the field with instructions to ask Carver if he would not shoot a hole through the coin for her, as she wanted to preserve it as a keepsake. Carver agreed to do this, and remarked that he would not only shoot a hole through that coin, but that the bullet would enter the piece so as not to damage the rim. The coin was tossed into the air, a whiff of the wind blowing at the time carried the "target" aside toward the box where Mrs. Hayes was seated with a group of friends. The rifle shot rang out as the twelfth piece whirled through the air and it landed fairly in the lap of the first lady of the land. She picked it up, and lo, the rifle bullet had gone through the dead center of that coin! Readers of this story may believe as much of this as they please, but the fact remains that those old-time rifle shots were able to hit a squirrel in the eye at 100 yards.

Right at this point is where A. E. Smith, 83, a pioneer of 1864, who has an ox team across the plains in that year, comes into the story. Mr. Smith, now a resident of Oakland, was 16 years old when he came to Oregon with his parents.

Little shooting was a pastime with the men and boys of those days. The only guns they had were the old Kentucky muzzle-loaders. After reaching Oregon the Smith family lived in the Looking glass valley a short time, then moved to Oakland, settling near Fair Oaks, on the Calapoopa. This was in 1865. Mr. Smith has lived in this section of Douglas county since that time. He had become an adept with the rifle, and "shoot ing matches" were often indulged in by men and boys. While this pioneer never had a chance to shoot a coin into the lap of any first lady of the land, feats of

marksmanship by him were not infrequent. He was able to send one bullet after another into the same hole made by the first shot by his old muzzle loader. The wind, the glint of the sunshine on the sights of his rifle, came for consideration when shooting in contests, and these played a big part in his successes. The ability of this pioneer to shoot straight remained with him all through his long years of activities in Douglas county as a farmer and stockman, and, although now 83, he is yet able to see farther through the sights of a rifle, and straighter than most men who are skilled shots of the present.

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