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THE MERGER CASE

No case in the United States Supreme Court, since the famous or infamous Dred Scott case in 1856, has attracted so much attention or had to consider and decide on points of such vital importance to the liberties of the people, as the case of the United States against the Northern Security Company, generally called the "Railroad Merger case," a decision in which was rendered last Monday, March 14.

In the Dred Scott case the material point of issue was whether the constitution of the United States carried the institution of human slavery into unorganized territories, or in other words slavery was a national and not a local institution. The court held that slavery was national and that was a Democratic court.

In the case decided day before yesterday the point at issue was whether the law of Congress forbidding combinations in restraint of trade among and between the states, commonly called the John Sherman act, is constitutional, thus denying the power of the national government to prevent combines and trusts detrimental to and in contravention of the masses of the people by the creation of monopolies in the transportation or any other business. The Supreme Court may now be called a Republican court as six of its members who took part in the merger case are Republicans and three are Democrats.

On the final vote five, all Republicans, voted to sustain the anti-trust or Sherman act and destroy the railroad combine,

and all three of the Democratic judges and one Republican voted for the point contended for by the combine.

In view of the votes of the Democratic judges of the Supreme Court, who are doubtless permeated body and soul with the logic and fundamental doctrines of Democracy and their proper application to the business of the country, it looks as though those belonging to that party, with ordinary intelligence, should cease their assertions that the Republican party is the bulwark of trusts and combines.

Melville Weston Fuller, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, was born in Augusta, Maine, February 11, 1833. He graduated from Bowdoin College in 1853, attended lectures at Harvard Law school, was admitted to the bar in 1855 and began the practice of law in Maine, was also associate editor there of a Democratic newspaper called The Age, removed to Chicago in 1856 where he practiced law until President Cleveland appointed him Chief Justice, April 3, 1888. Prior to his appointment he served for two years as a Democrat in the Illinois legislature and was a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in 1864, 1872, 1876 and 1880.

This shows a pretty good Democratic record, and evinces that he knows what the "time honored principles" of that party are. Yet he voted on March 14, 1904, as Chief Justice of the United States to sustain the great Railroad Trust, the Northern Security Company.

Ordinance No 284 Series of 1904

An ordinance providing for the extension of the water system of the City of La Grande and the purchase of material therefor.

The city of La Grande does ordain as follows:

Section one:—That the Water Superintendent of the City of La Grande is hereby directed under the supervision of the Health, Sewerage and Water Committee of the Council of said City to extend the water system as follows to wit: The construction of a four inch main as follows: commencing at the intersection of Second and B Streets thence East along B Streets to 4th Street thence North along 4th Street to K Street and join on the K Street main. Also the placing of fire hydrants at the corner of B & 4th Streets, 4th & E Streets, 4th & G Streets, 4th & I Streets. Also commencing at intersection of 4th & P Streets, thence South to N Street; thence East along N Street to Eighth Street and join to the Eighth Street main. Also the placing of fire hydrants one at the corner of 4th and N Streets; one at Sixth and N Streets. Also commencing at intersection of 4th and P Streets; thence South to N Street; thence East along N Street to Eighth Street and join to the Eighth Street main. Also the placing of fire hydrants at the corner of 4th Street and N Street, and at the corner of Sixth Street and N Street.

Also commencing at the intersection of Washington Ave and Spruce Streets; thence East along Spruce Street to Jefferson Ave; thence North along Jefferson Ave to Greenwood Street and join to the Greenwood Street main; Also the placing of fire hydrants at corner of Jefferson Ave. and Spruce Streets and at the corner of Jefferson Ave and S Streets. Also commencing at intersection of Monroe Ave. and North Depot Street thence North along Depot Street to Osborn Street thence East along Osborn Street to North Greenwood Street thence south, along North Greenwood Street to S Street. Also the placing of fire hydrants at corner of North Depot Street and Osborn Street, North Greenwood and Osborn Streets and North Greenwood, and S Streets.

Section Two:—That the Health, Sewerage and Water committee of the council of said City is hereby directed to solicit for sealed bids for the furnishing of material for the extension of said water system as set forth in Section One of this Ordinance and shall let the

contract for the furnishing of said material to the lowest bidder and enter into a written contract with such lowest bidder for the furnishing of said material, provided, that said committee shall have the right to reject any and all bids.

Section Three:—That this ordinance shall be published in the La Grande Morning Observer for one issue thereof and shall be in full force and take effect from and after the 17th day of March A. D. 1904. Passed by the council of the City of La Grande, Oregon, on the 9th day of March A. D. 1904 by six members voting therefor.

Approved this March 12, 1904,
J. D. SLATER, Mayor.

Attest: H. T. WILLIAMS,
Recorder of the City of La Grande,
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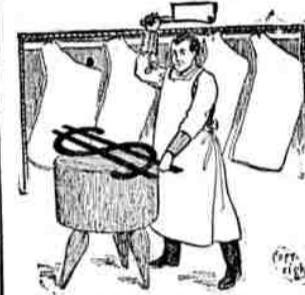
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