

SAY FEDERAL RATE LAW IS LAWFUL

United States Court of Appeals Sustains Demurrer Against Southern Pacific in Lumber Rate Case

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 30.—Judges W. B. Gilbert, W. W. Morrow and Erskine M. Ross, sitting in the United States court of appeals here today, virtually upheld the constitutionality of a federal rate law which gives the interstate commerce commission the power to fix railroad rates when they sustained the demurrer to the injunction suit of the Southern Pacific and threw the suit out of the court.

EVERYTHING AUSPICIOUS FOR SUCCESS OF FAIR

Preparations are completed and everything looks auspicious for a highly successful fair, even the weather is acting in a becoming manner. Fruit and stock exhibits are coming in daily, and everything points to a fine display. Interest in the race program is running high. A number of fine steeplechases are here from Grants Pass, and it is the general opinion that Medford will have to go some if they get their share of the money.

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EUROPEANS NOT TRUSTED BY AMERICAN BANKS

CHICAGO, Sept. 30.—James R. Fort, president of the First National bank, who returned from Europe today, said: "Europeans believe that the world-panic of last autumn was caused by our banking system and that there is no insurance against a recurrence of the trouble until the banking system is reformed. I agree with the Europeans."

INDUSTRIAL OUTLOOK IS IMPROVING

Student of Industry Says That There Will Soon Be Enough Work and to Spare For Idle Hands

Wilbur R. Holmes, political editor of the Deaver Republican, who is visiting with his sister in the Applegate, is spending a considerable portion of his time in looking over the Rogue River valley, studying industrial conditions. Mr. Holmes is a deep student of both the industrial and political phases of the government, and anything he has to say regarding general conditions is of interest. In speaking of the United States at this time he said:

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ENGINEER ROBERTS MAKES HIS REPORT; RECOMMENDS THE FISH LAKE PROPOSITION

Engineer Roberts Tuesday night made his report to the city council regarding the various propositions submitted to the city for sources of municipal water supply. The report recommends for quality "a slight advantage for Wasson canyon on account of isolated watershed," for quality "a material advantage for the Fish Lake company on account of certainty." The cost "about equal" and concludes with: "My recommendation is that you take up with the Fish Lake company's proposal, paying for only such amount of water as the pipeline is able to carry, say 250 inches."

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DEBS MAKES APPEAL FOR ASSISTANCE

"Red Special" Is Having Hard Time to Stay on Tracks—Must Have Money Immediately or Stop

NEW YORK, Sept. 30.—In an effort to keep the "red special" with E. V. Debs on the track, members of the socialist party are today making a desperate effort to replenish the funds of the social party.

ROCKEFELLER DODGED PACIFIC & EASTERN

Evidently fearing that should he stop in this city there would be an attempt made to unload the Pacific & Eastern railroad on him, William Rockefeller passed through this city this morning, his special hitting only the high joints as it sped away to the southward. A number of local people gathered at the depot to get a glimpse at the brother of the great oil magnate, but were disappointed.

WILL ISSUE BULLETIN ON CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Or., Sept. 30.—The university will issue in a short time the second number of its bulletin on correspondence study courses. The correspondence work last year met with so encouraging a reception and the demand for it was so great that this department has been greatly strengthened and many new courses are being offered. It is believed that 200 students will enroll for this work between now and the first of February.

ELECTRIC TRAIN CLASHES WITH DELIVERY WAGON

KENNETT, Cal., Sept. 29.—An electric train on the tramline at the Mammoth mine collided at 6 o'clock last evening with Byrne & Kiely's delivery wagon, in which were the driver and four accommodation passengers. The wagon was smashed, the horses were slightly injured and the passengers escaped injury by jumping.

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JERVIS, N. Y., Sept. 29.—The drought on this way has caused a queer thing to occur. Highway commission-ers in the county districts repairing the roads with crushed stone are both surprised and alarmed. The dressing is blown away by the lack of rain to hold it down.

TEDDY MAY STUMP FOR HIS OLD PAL

Rumor Has It That President Will Visit Pacific Coast to Advocate Taft's Candidacy For President

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—The rumor here today that President Roosevelt will visit the Pacific coast late in October accompanied by Judge Taft has created considerable discussion.

GOT 10 CENTS IN ONE WEEK IN GRANTS PASS

The Salvation Army has deserted Grants Pass for Medford—no, not for the reason that the moral tone of that city has materially improved during the past few months, but because of the fact that there are no funds to be collected in that city for the purpose of carrying on their work.

LEAVE CITY OF BOSTON MILLIONS FOR ITS PARKS

BOSTON, Mass., Sept. 30.—To establish a fund to insure the perpetual maintenance and care of Boston Common and other parks the city of Boston is made residuary legatee in the will of George F. Parkman, which in addition provides for bequests of hundreds of thousands of dollars to Boston and other educational and charitable bequests.

SPRING WATER FROM HYDRANTS IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Sept. 30.—Dr. Joseph P. Behm, director of the city laboratory, addressing the Chicago section of the American Chemical society, said that highly recommended table waters from several springs contain more bacilli than does the water in the city mains.

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