

RECOMPENSE FOR OIL TO BE ASKED

Government Sues Not Only for Title to Lands, but for All Damage Done.

PATENTS BEING HELD UP

Secret Agreements With Companies Now in Possession of California Holdings Alleged in Proposed Litigation.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—A suit which will test the title of hundreds of thousands of acres of oil lands in the West, with values running into the millions, will be filed at Los Angeles, Cal., by the Federal Government within a few days.

Assistant Attorney General Knobel instructed United States Attorney McCormick at Los Angeles today to begin proceedings against all the claimants to 160 acres of oil lands in Southern California, said to be worth \$5000 an acre. Other suits will follow, all of them testing the legality of the extensive oil land withdrawal made by President Taft, September 27, 1909, when questions were raised as to the President's power to make the withdrawal.

Compensation to Be Asked.
Not only will the Government ask the courts to declare valid its title to the land, but it also will seek recoveries for all the oil which is said to have been withdrawn, the exact quantity of which must be developed by the suit. The proceedings in Los Angeles, it is understood, will be directed against all those who have claimed or still claim title to the land, those who have extracted the oil and those who have purchased it.

The Government, it was learned, will contest all claims to the land or oils which may be advanced by these corporations and individuals: Standard Oil Company, National Pacific Oil Company, Tarr & McComb, Inc., Layne & Bowler Company, Title Insurance & Trust Company, Thirty-Third-Two Land Company, Southern Investment Company, El Dorado Oil Company, King Lumber Company & Sessie Oil Company, all of California; Midway Northern Oil Company, Los Angeles; McKittick Oil Company, Consolidated Midway Oil Company, Mariposa Northern Oil Company and Mariposa Consolidated Oil Company, all of California; and Mary F. Francis, L. W. Lowell, James Bloom, William S. Kimball, Harry V. Massena, Arthur Whitfield, Maud Whitfield, James E. Stone, John W. Hoffman, M. E. Hoffman, Edward W. Charles A. Son, David S. Bachman, William R. Dunn, T. J. Green, M. F. Waite, Anna M. Waite, J. M. Danziger, Daisy C. Danziger, A. L. Well, Florence G. Well, A. B. Coulson, E. A. Wiltsie, G. G. Gillette, Sidney Smith, G. H. McKinnery, Ora E. Monette, M. J. Monette, R. P. Davis and Julius Fried, all citizens of California.

Patents Are Refused.
The Interior Department has refused to grant patents on any of the lands. There are said to be many conflicting claims among the persons who have their contentions upon placer mining locations.

An agreement, the terms of which are said to be secret, is declared to have been entered into in May, 1911, purporting to settle the conflicting claims by which the Mariposa Northern Oil Company, National Pacific Oil Company, Midway Northern Oil Company and the Consolidated Midway Oil Company received full possession of the whole tract, a quarter section of land in Kern County, California, with rights to develop the land and extract the oil. These companies are said now to be in possession of the land.

Large quantities of oil are alleged to have been sold or otherwise disposed of to the Standard Oil Company and Tarr & McComb, Inc.

The claims to the lands are illegal and the extraction of oil is said to be wrong, according to the Government.

In previous efforts of Brandt to obtain pardon, he met resistance at the hands of his former employer, who declared it his duty in defense of Mrs. Schiff to oppose all attempts to ameliorate the punishment of a prisoner who added defamation of a woman to the crime of burglary.

SNOW STRIKES THE CITY

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dinner last night intending to return down town didn't even get home in time. They didn't have a chance to start back.

Theater Patrons Lose Out.
Theater patrons who had purchased tickets for last night's performance were sadly disappointed, many of them, as they could not reach the show house in time to see even the start of the second acts.

A peculiar phase of the storm is that the snow fell heavier in the outlying districts than in the city proper. An East Water and Hawthorne avenue measurement at 10 o'clock last night showed six inches, while out at Piedmont it registered seven and a half inches.

While this storm sets a season's record it by no means establishes a precedent in Portland. There have been worse and heavier snowfalls and with more disastrous results.

Portland always expects about one heavy storm a year. This is the first of the present winter and probably will go on record as the "big snow" of the season.

Portland seemed to enjoy it. Many men and women in various parts of the city joined with the boys and girls in snowballing and in building snowmen.

POOR SUFFER DURING COLD
Associated Charities Find It Difficult to Care for All Cases.

During the cold weather there are so many cases of need coming daily to the notice of the Associated Charities that their workers are at their wits' end to know what to do to give every case assistance. The most pitiful case recently recorded is that of a young girl who has had one of her limbs amputated and is without any means to pay for care and has had to seek the aid of the association. She will soon be well enough to work at the craft at which she is an expert, but in the meantime if someone who really wants to do a really charitable act can be found to help the fund necessary for the purchase of the artificial limb, there will be great relief.

This girl is an expert needlewoman and embroiders beautifully and is willing to give her services for a home. Her case is one that will doubtless touch the hearts of the charitably inclined.

clined, for she is willing to work but is severely handicapped.

Another case that is most distressing is that of a widow with six children, some of whom are sick with scarlet fever. The oldest is a boy of 16, the only support of this family. He has been making \$6 per week and now is quarantined.

Donations for these people are to be sent to the Associated Charities.

SLEIGHS USED AT VANCOUVER

Civilians and Soldiers Pelt Those Enjoying Rides in Snow.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—Sleighs are enjoying the snow which is falling.

George McKee, Seth Thornton and George Wefel, in a sleigh, today ran a gauntlet of civilians and soldiers on Main street, who threw snowballs. Children are building snow forts.

At least five inches of wet, heavy snow has fallen and it continues. The weather is not cold and there is no wind, but it is feared that a cold snap may turn the water to ice and break fruit trees down.

FARMERS ARE NOT ALARMED
Snow Falls Two Inches Deep at Town of Carlton.

CARLTON, Or., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—Snow began falling here last night and fell all during the night and today, melting almost as fast as it fell until this afternoon, when the mercury fell several degrees and at 4 P. M. there were two inches of snow on the ground.

The farms in this section are all well supplied with feed and are in a position to withstand a heavy storm.

RAIN MELTS ALBANY'S SNOW
Five Inches of "White" Falls During Entire Day.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—Five inches of snow fell here today, the snowfall continuing almost without interruption all day. At 3 o'clock this afternoon the snow changed to rain. With rain falling the snow is melting rapidly tonight.

The temperature remained almost stationary.

Astoria Has Snow Storm.
ASTORIA, Or., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—A heavy snow storm commenced here about 4 o'clock tonight.

A cold east wind is blowing, but as the pilots report a southeast wind outside and the barometer is falling fast a change is expected before morning.

FRANK W. OSBURN IS DEAD
Eugene Banker Succumbs After Several Months' Illness.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 17.—Frank W. Osburn, for years a heavy stockholder and an official in the Eugene Loan & Savings Bank, died in his apartment at the Hotel Osburn this morning at the age of 60 years, after several months' illness.

He was stricken with paralysis last Spring and since that time had been unable to attend to any business. He was born in Crawford County, Pennsylvania, and came to Oregon by way of the Isthmus of Panama in 1866 with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Osburn. They first settled at Portland, then went to Albany and soon afterward came to Eugene, residing here continuously.

Mrs. Osburn was Miss Addie Bristol, of Walla Walla, Wash. She was married to Mr. Osburn in 1881. There is one son, Frank Wade Osburn, who is now a Lieutenant in the United States Navy, being a graduate of the Annapolis Academy with the class of 1902.

Mr. Osburn became engaged in the drug business with his father when quite young and later succeeded him in ownership of the store. He afterward became a bookkeeper in the Bank of Oregon, which later became the Eugene National Bank, and afterward the Eugene Loan & Savings. He advanced to the position of vice-president, which office he held at the time of his death.

He was an ex-postmaster of Eugene, having served under Cleveland from 1885 to 1890. Mr. Osburn served several terms as a member of the Eugene School Board. He was a member of various branches of the Masons and the local lodge of Elks and United Workmen.

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The voice was that of a Conservative Deputy, the Marquis Albert de Dion, who when the uproar had somewhat subsided started afresh:

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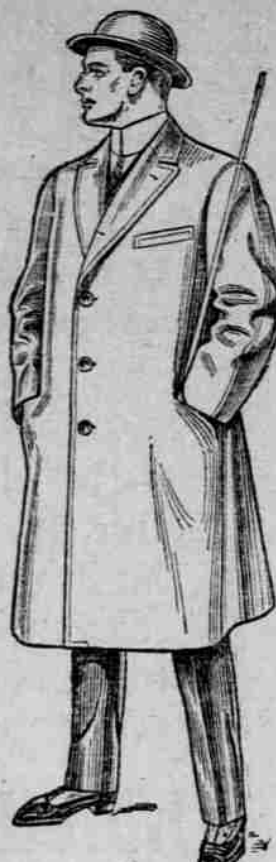
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SEARCH MADE FOR RADIUM
Federal Government Believes Metal Is Stored in Rockies.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Apparently convinced that the Rocky Mountains constitute a storehouse for radium, the most precious of all metals, the United States bureau of mines proposes to increase its force of radium hunters in that section.

The Civil Service Commission announced today that examinations would be held February 24, next, to supply the demand of the bureau for junior chemists in radio-activity.



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Candidate Sends Challenge, Explanation Follows.

Views Oppose Socialism

New Executive Is One of "Immortals" and Career as Lawyer Is Noteworthy for Fact Clients Get No Bills.

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crowded the galleries. The news was greeted with cheers.

Duel Is Averted.
The incident between Poincare and M. Georges Clemenceau, ex-Premier, arose out of a letter sent by the ex-Premier to M. Poincare, the contents of which were considered offensive by M. Poincare.

The Premier promptly sent his two seconds to ask for an explanation. During the proceedings of the National Assembly George Clemenceau made a satisfactory explanation to M. Briand and M. Klotz, who had been sent to him. The incident was, therefore, considered closed.

Deputy A. De Monzie and Paul Boncour, ex-Minister of Labor, also quarreled in the corridors of the palace of Versailles, as a result of which M. De Monzie sent his seconds to M. Boncour.

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