

LAND GRANT ISSUE BEFORE HIGH COURT

Attorneys for Railroad and for Government Heard and Heney Files Brief.

JUDGES ASK QUESTIONS

Company Contents Ferris-Chamberlain Act Does Not Give Value, Because Company Has Been Put to Expense.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 8.—Argument of the Oregon & California land grant case was begun in the Supreme Court today and will be concluded tomorrow.

After argument had begun, Francis J. Heney, an amicus curia, presented a brief in the case as representative of the applicants, Mr. Heney having been employed for this purpose by S. A. D. Piter.

Mr. Dunne in his argument insisted that the grant to the railroad company was complete and absolute and had been so held by Supreme Court in its first decision.

In answer to questions from the bench, Mr. Dunne said the Ferris-Chamberlain act did not give to the railroad company all the value to which it was entitled under the granting act.

One of the judges submitted to Mr. Dunne a question whether the railroad company would not be fully compensated under the Ferris act if it received \$2.50 an acre, provided the court should find it was entitled to cut the timber.

Amount Declared Insufficient. Mr. Dunne said that even under those circumstances \$2.50 an acre would not be adequate compensation because the railroad company has been paying taxes and bonds for the value which it administered.

Mr. Smythe in his argument followed the lines laid down in the Government brief.

Mr. Heney in his brief sets up the contention that the Ferris-Chamberlain act is invalid because it attempts to take private property without just compensation and for private use and also without due process of law.

FOOD ISSUE IS SERIOUS

PRUSSIAN CONTROLLER SAYS FAMINE IS NEAR.

Misuse of Bread Tickets on Shocking Scale Blamed for Exhausting Stocks in Germany.

LONDON, March 8.—The Prussian food controller, Dr. Georg Michaelis, made in the Prussian Diet yesterday what the Koelnische Zeitung calls a serious speech on the food situation.

He indicated the possibility that all surplus stocks of grain would be exhausted and that very radical measures were needed to enable the people to hold out until next year.

"We have in the third year of the war," the food controller is quoted as saying, "discovered that among all sections of the people the general feeling is not one of that endurance for which we have been famous as a human nature, but it is highly deplorable and may have most serious results."

"We have not perceived in the towns that stern supervision which is absolutely necessary in the distribution of bread tickets, entailing grave consequences as regards our stocks. Bread tickets have been illegally used on such a shocking scale that our entire reserves were exhausted. So, when potatoes failed and bread was ordered as a substitute, there was none available. Flour has been similarly reduced, owing to similar irregularities in the mills."

Dr. Michaelis concluded by urging

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From Two Grand Medicines in Spring. You know that physicians often give two prescriptions, perhaps more, or medicines to be taken together, or alternately or at different times.

One reason may be that the medicines are "incompatible"—do not agree when closely mixed in taking—or that desired results cannot be secured by one medicine alone.

The most successful combination Spring medicine treatment that we know of—because perfectly "compatible" and productive of the best results—is in Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pepton Pills. The former thoroughly searches out and expels impurities from the blood, while Pepton Pills give the powerful tonic—they literally "put iron into your blood."

Hood's Sarsaparilla should be taken before meals and Pepton Pills after meals—patients taking them so report the benefit is four-fold—prompt, positive, permanent. Both these medicines are economical and pleasant to take.

BELL-ANS Absolutely Removes Indigestion. One package proves it. 25c at all druggists.



View of One of Spacious Rooms at the Dartford School, Where Women Recruits Are Being Instructed.

For the first time, as far as is known, women have been accepted for military service. The recent announcement of the British government that women would be accepted for military service as cooks, waitresses for the army has met with ready and willing response.

Their pay will be 10 shillings a week with full board and lodging. Special huts and canteens are being equipped for them. The training at Dartford includes general cooking, the use of field ovens, waiting and carving. The course lasts about one month.

The utmost severity to remedy the shortcomings while there was yet time. Some of the mills would have to be closed and the municipalities deprived their autonomous powers.

"The selfishness of the agrarians," he said, "is the cause of the high prices. The war would long since have been ended if everybody had to suffer hunger equally. The present meat ration is insufficient. To withhold such a necessity from the people in the interest only agrarian tariff is damnable."

MEMBER OF BERNSTORFF'S STAFF IMPLICATED IN PLOT.

Payment of \$60,000 to Foment Rebellion in India Ordered by Dr. Zimmermann, Evidence Shows.

NEW YORK, March 8.—Evidence that Dr. Chakrabarty, a Hindu physician, and Ernest Bekunna, a German chemist, received more than \$60,000 from Wolf von Igel, a member of the staff of Count von Bernstorff, ex-German Ambassador in the United States, on the order of Dr. Alfred Zimmermann, German Foreign Minister, with which to foment a rebellion in India, was reported tonight to have been presented to special Federal grand jury here.

The information was contained in papers confiscated in the Government's raid on Von Igel's offices in Wall Street, while seeking evidence in the plot against the Welland Canal.

The Zimmermann order was obtained by Dr. Chakrabarty in the Summer of 1912, when he went to Berlin to interest the German Foreign Office in his Indian rebellion, according to the Government agents.

4000 DIE IN RABBIT DRIVE

300 Business Men and Farmers Near Caldwell Attack Pest.

CALDWELL, Idaho, March 8.—(Special.)—It is estimated that more than 4000 rabbits were killed during the annual rabbit drive in Caldwell, Idaho, by farmers of the Deer Flat section and business men of Caldwell Wednesday. Approximately 300 persons took part in the drive.

TWO THIEVES SENTENCED

Joe Martinez and Otto Warkentin Each to Serve Three Months.

Joe Martinez pleaded guilty before Circuit Judge Gantenbein yesterday to the theft of raincoats and tools from a section-house of the O-W. R. & N. Ave. was sentenced to three months in the County Jail.

Otto Warkentin, 19, who with two younger boys, stole the automobile of C. W. Merritt, pleaded guilty and was sentenced by Judge Gantenbein to three months in the County Jail.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect the Head Because of its tonic and laxative effect. Laxative Bromo Quinine can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head. It is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature on box 25c.

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SHIP PLANT TO BE ENLARGED

New York Company Begins Construction of New Vessels.

NEW CHEAP TYPE EVOLVED

Thousand Motor Vessels of 1000 Tons Each and Which Can Evade Submarines Can Be Turned Out Yearly, Is View.

NEW YORK, March 8.—A plan whereby tonnage can be created in this country has been devised by H. Huntington Clark, an American engineer, according to an announcement here tonight before a joint session of the Automobile Club of America, the Aero Club of America and the Motorboat Club of America.

The new type of vessel, it was said, could be built in great numbers quickly, at small cost, and by men of little skill. The vessel would be machine-smokeless and of diminutive size and would have such low visibility as compared with the great steel ships now afloat.

It is estimated that 1,000,000 tons, or 1000 vessels of 1000 tons each, with a speed of nine knots, could be built at a cost of \$100,000,000 in a year. These boats would be 185 feet over all with 25 feet beam. The same amount of tonnage could be built for \$150,000,000.

Mr. Clark's plan is to utilize all of the coastwise waterways, and now have a capacity of 250,000 tons a year. To enlarge these plants, it was asserted, would require nothing more than the fitting of additional barge or bank, the laying down of more cheap wooden ways and the setting up of additional lumber planting and sawing machinery.

SHIP PLANT TO BE ENLARGED. New York Company Begins Construction of New Vessels. NEW YORK, March 8.—The New York Shipbuilding Corporation announced today that it is increasing by approximately 50 per cent the capacity of its plant at Camden, N. J.

STATE CONTRACTS ARE LET Improvements on Buildings Awarded by Board of Control.

BAKER, Or., March 8.—(Special.)—The elders of the Presbyterian church had received a letter today from Rev. William Westwood, D. D., formally accepting the call extended him by the Baker congregation.

JOHN SPARGO TO LECTURE Economist and Author to Appear Here March 13, 14 and 15.

John Spargo, economist and author, who is visiting the Pacific Coast, will lecture at the University of Oregon on March 13 and 14 and at the University of Idaho on March 15.

ALBANY COUNTY STOCKMEN ELECT.

ALBANY, Or., March 8.—(Special.)—Permanent organization of a cow-feeding association in Linn County was perfected at a meeting held here yesterday.

WED 50 YEARS, Plan Honeymoon. PHILADELPHIA, March 1.—Fifty years of wedded life was celebrated recently by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Gorman at their home, 1679 Dyre street, Frankford, Children, grandchildren and other relatives, more than 100 in number, were present at the celebration.

JEWISH RELIEF SUMMARIZED. NEW YORK, March 8.—The central committee for the relief of Jews suffering through the war announced tonight that it had collected and distributed \$1,067,896 between October 3, 1914, and February 15, 1917. The money came from 29,843 donors, from every corner of North and South America and Canada.

Friday Specials for Economical Shoppers

A Friday Special Women's Nobby Spring Coats at \$4.95. A Friday Special Dainty Crepe Kimonos at 97c.

Hundreds of Bolts of Beautiful and Dainty Laces. Our Buyer, While in New York, Was Fortunate in Securing a Great Lot of Beautiful and Dainty Laces at Unusual Price Concessions—At Friday's Sale You Profit Accordingly.

Extra! For Friday! Men's Shirts at 95c. Extra! For Friday! A Sale of Stamped Gowns at 69c. Extra! For Friday! A Sale of Jewelry at 39c.

A Decided Bargain in Fine Bungalow Aprons. Smart Shoulder and Middy Styles in 48c. Well-made garments of standard quality percales, cleverly designed and neatly finished.

Extra! For Friday! 200 Boxes of Writing Paper at 19c. Extra! For Friday! Bleached Muslin at 10c Yard. Extra! For Friday! Curtain Scrims at 9c Yard.

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Advertisement for Roberts Bros. Third & Morrison. The store advertises various goods and services, including clothing and home furnishings, with special prices for Friday.

ARMY MAN STIRS

Colonel McAlexander Says Every Man Should 'Prepare.'

Progressive Business Men's Club Is Told Criticism for Nation's Defense Lack Should Be Accepted by All Men.

GUARD SYSTEM ALL RIGHT

Nobody wants war, but we Americans are not afraid of war if it comes.

"Our duty to our own Government, to ourselves, is to arrange our affairs, so train ourselves that we will be prepared at all times for any invasion."

Self-Criticism Needed. "After there was a call to arms and our National Guard was sent to the Mexican border, we heard many criticisms of the conditions of the men, physical and otherwise."

"The burden must be carried equally by the son of every mother. It must be better disciplined, and



Only Today and Saturday

"Female of the Species" Pictures the Uneven Struggle by a Beauty of Bohemia Against a Lily of the Ballroom. "His Stars and Bars" Is a New 2-Reel Mack Sennett Keystone Comedy Riot.

Advertisement for Columbia Pictures. It features the film 'Female of the Species' and 'His Stars and Bars'. The ad includes the Columbia logo and contact information for Security Storage Co. at 1916 Model Piano, 109 4th St., at Washington St.