CONGRESS ASKED TO STOP DISSOLUTION

Californians Plan Appeal Over McReynolds' Head in Pacific Railways Cases.

VIOLATION OF LAW DENIED

Contention Made That People of Oregon and California Would Suffer — Case Dropped by Olney After Inquiry.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Feb. 28.—It is probable the attention of Congress will be called in the near future by commercial bodies of California to the suit which has been brought by the Attorney-General of the United States to dissolve the so-called merger of the Southern Pacific and Central Pacific. The suit was brought by the Attorney-General against the protests of citizens and commercial bodies of California and Oregon. The Railroad Commission of California has vigorously opposed the suit, and if possible will intervene to present additional facts against the disintegration of the properties.

The defense to the suit of the Attorney-General will be based on the contention that there is no violation of the Sherman law; that whatever combination there is was effected prior to the enactment of the law; that the lines are not competing lines, and that California and Oregon would suffer heavily from any dissolution.

Case Dropped by Richard Olney.

The legal points which will be presented to the courts are as follows:

The same question was raised by Richard Olney in 1894, but after looking into the matter he concluded the Central Pacific and Southern Pacific were not associated in restraint of trade.

The Central Pacific, Southern Pacific of California, Southern Pacific of Arizona and Southern Pacific of New Mexico were constructed through one treasury, operated by one organization and practically under one common ownership since the beginning.

The Southern Pacific leased all of Central Pacific lines April 1, 1885, for 99 years; lease was not terminable by the Central Pacific. It is apparent that the Southern Pacific Company was owner as lessee of the Central Pacific lines before the passage of the Sherman antitrust act.

One is not restricted from building lines competing with its own lines.

In the second place, as the Central Pacific, once divorced from the Southern Pacific, is almost sure to become the ally of the Union Pacific, the Ogden gateway, which now is closed to competition between the Union Pacific and the Gould lines, will remain closed. If the Central Pacific remains a part of the Southern Pacific system it is possible that the Ogden gateway will be reopened.

Various others discussed the probable effects of the Government's suit, if it is successful.

"Through Traffic Essential."

Clyde B. Aitchison, a member of the Railroad Commission, said that it is essential to the future prosperity of the state to maintain through traffic between Oregon and California. With two separate railroads handling the business, not only the through service may be interrupted, he explained, but the through rates may be eliminated.

Frank B. Miller, chairman of the Commission, said that he had consulted many business men, and that they feel almost unanimously that the proposed dissolution will injure them.

Both Commissioner Aitchison and Mr. Teal declared that neither the State Railroad Commissions nor the Interstate Commerce Commission has power to compel the railroads to maintain through service.

Governor West declared that he is in accord with the movement to prevent the dissolution, if the Government's action will be harmful to the state, and offered the services of his office, if required, to make the intervention effective.

CUP IS USED AS WEAPON

Pupil Knocks Teacher Down With Sanitary Drinking Vessel.

MOSCOW, Idaho, Feb. 28.—(Special.)—Using his "sanitary drinking cup" as a weapon of defense when he was threatened with punishment by Oakley Hall, principal of the Troy public schools, Ellsworth Skeen, a 14-year-old sixth-grade pupil, instigated yesterday what is termed by those who witnessed the set-to as a knock-down and drag-out, as a result of which he was before Judge Morgaredge in Probate Court today, charged with incorrigible delinquency.

Almost the entire sixth grade in the Troy schools was summoned to Moscow as witnesses and the hearing lasted several hours. The court reserved its decision.

It is said that young Skeen has been almost unmanageable for some time and that as a means of making of him a law-abiding citizen Professor Hall was about to inflict some sore of bodily punishment, when his approaches were momentarily impeded by the above-mentioner earthen cup, which struck him in the face, and led to the schoolroom fracas complained of.

HOMESTEADS ARE GRANTED

Five Portland Persons Among Those Given Rights in Siuslaw Forest.

EUGENE, Or., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—The applications of five Portland persons for homesteads in the Siuslaw National forest have been approved by the surveying crews. They are:

Miss Marion Stowe, 120 acres; Miss Hattie Hyde, 130 acres; Lewis Clark, 120 acres; John E. Muller, 161 acres; C. R. Palmerton, 40 acres. Aside from Portland residents, the applications of the following have been approved:

William H. Murray, Falls City, 54 acres; Frank Lightfoot, Newberg, 120 acres; Charles E. Nicholson, of Marshfield, 152 acres; Viola Wright, 20 acres, and George A. Melvin, 79.55 acres, both of Denzer; W. C. Brooks, Alpha, 118 acres; George A. Lewis, Florence, 160 acres; John D. Adams, Mohawk, 18 acres.

Prosser Merchants Organize.

PROSSER, Wash., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—The Prosser Retail Business Men's Association perfected its organization last Thursday night. The object is that the business men may protect themselves from fake advertising schemes, fake solicitors and grafters. W. S. Jenkins was elected secretary-treasurer. A business men's banquet was given Thursday.

REBEL COMMANDER WHO FLOUTS BRYAN'S REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ABOUT BRITON

GENERAL VENUSTIANO CARRANZA.

BRYAN TURNED DOWN

Carranza Refuses Demand Concerning Briton's Fate.

OWN DIGNITY DEFENDED

"I Am Supreme Chief of Constitutionalist Army," Says General, and Adds Letters Should Be Addressed to Him.

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if the same were presented to him by a duly authorized representative of the British government; but he, nevertheless, in his capacity as supreme chief of the Constitutionalist army, upon learning of the case of the British subject, William Benton, has ordered an immediate investigation of the facts of the case and requested telegraphic information from the local authorities at Chihuahua, asking them to send him a full report on the case, which he has not yet received.

"Mr. Carranza's attitude in the Benton and Bauch cases in not accepting the representation made by the American Government in the case of a British subject and his reply at once with deep interest to the representations made to hiu through a duly authorized representative in the case of an American citizen goes to prove clearly that what Mr. Carranza desires is to have the national dignity and his position as supreme chief of the constitutionalist army respected, but at the same time he does not wish by any means to elude representations made to him in due form and according to international law."

Bauch Incident Lamented.

General Carranza's reply to Mr. Bryan's request for information on the Bauch case reads:

"I have the honor to inform you that I have today telegraphed to the competent constitutionalist authorities requesting them to inform me in detail concerning facts mentioned in the telegram referred to and as soon as I shall have positive information to convey to you I will do so at once.

"Please believe, and I beg of you to so inform the Department of State, that I most sincerely lament this unfortunate incident and that the department may rest assured and have confidence that my attitude now, as always, will be inspired by absolute respect for the lives and properties of foreigners and for international law."

In the course of a more lengthy explanation of the Benton case General Carranza says:

"I shall be only too pleased to consider any representations made in the case of the British subject, William Benton, provided, of course, that may be made directly to me by a representative of the British government.

"I wish, however, to call especially your attention—in order that you may so inform your Government—that yours is the first direct representation made to me in the Benton case, since all of the representations made in this case so far have been made to authorities of the constitutionalist government, who only have been dealt with, although I am the supreme chief of the constitutionalist army, according to the declaration of Guadalupe of March 26, 1913. And it is, therefore, only to me, as I have repeatedly stated on various occasions, that foreign governments or their representatives should address representations regarding matters of international character."

DEATH LAID TO COWBOYS

Autoist Declared to Have Succumbed to Injuries Caused by Animal.

SAN JOSE, Cal., Feb. 28.—The Coroner's jury in Gilroy declared that the death of Oscar Jacobs, the Gilroy capitalist, who dropped dead while driving his automobile through that town yesterday, was due to the criminal negligence of the vaqueros in the employ of Miller & Lux.

The verdict says that death was caused by dilation of the heart caused by injuries received from a wild cow driven by employes of Miller & Lux.

POLITICAL TRAP IS SET

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to restrain because of possible simultaneous appointments.

Anglers Take Request.

John Gill, representing the Multnomah Anglers' Club, asked that the Commission stock the bays and rivers of the coast with striped bass eggs. Superintendent of Hatcheries Clanton was instructed to confer with the club regarding the proposition.

State Biologist Finley reported that 500 pairs of Hungarian partridge had been obtained and would be distributed throughout the state in a few weeks. He was authorized to prepare a statement showing the expenditures from the game protection fund and the results that had been accomplished during the past year.

Mr. Clanton was instructed to take two carloads of blue back salmon from the Bonneville Hatchery to Wallowa Bay. State Game Warden Evans submitted a budget of $49,950 for game patrol for one year. Clanton submitted a budget of $16,500 for the Columbia River salmon hatcheries and Finley asked for $25,000 for the biological department. Master Fish Warden Opsund was informed that $4500 should be sufficient for patrol work on the Columbia River. The heads of departments were instructed to submit itemized budgets to each Commissioner for consideration before action is taken at the next meeting.

SHIPPING TO BE AIDED

MR. REDFIELD WOULD MAKE SAFE ROUTE TO ALASKA.

Secretary of Commerce Urges Action to Give Territory Fullest Benefit of the Railroad System.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Feb. 28.—Secretary Redfield, of the Department of Commerce, has indicated the purpose of his department to do what it can to facilitate water communication between Alaska and the Pacific Coast ports so that when the Alaska Railroad is completed the northern territory will derive the fullest possible benefit from its transportation system.

"It is not sufficient," he said, "to have a railroad in Alaska unless you can get to it safely, and there is no way of getting to it from our own shores save by water. Consequently it becomes of great importance that the coast of Alaska, and especially the harbors, shall be provided with proper lights and buoys. This means that a good deal of surveying work has yet to be done by the Coast and Geodetic Survey and that a good deal must be furnished yet in the way of aids to navigation on the part of the Bureau of Lighthouses, both of which are parts of the Department of Commerce.

"Therefore we are asking Congress now for some more vessels for the coast survey in order that this surveying work may be expedited, and we are also requesting of that body funds sufficient to take further steps in the lighting and buoying of the shores in order that when the surveys are complete the dangers may be marked that navigation may become safe."

NEW CROPS PROJECTED

COAST ARTILLERY AT VANCOUVER, WASH., MILITIA MOVE.

National Guard Officers of State Take Up Proposal With Business Men After Investigation.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—A company of oast Artillery orps will be organized in Vancouver if a requisite number of men can be found to enlist. Adjutant-General Fred Llewellyn and Major William E. Mclure, of the National Guard of Washington, have been here investigating conditions and seeking prospective maneuver grounds.

At the Vancouver ommercial lub last night a meeting was held at which the proposition was taken up. The officer also spoke, telling what will be necessary to effect the organization. Those who enlist will be required to pass an examination, and there is a possibility of their being paid a fraction of what the regular troops get, officers to receive from 5 to 10 per cent of officers' pay. The state will build an armory in case a company is organized here.

The two officers visited olonel George S. Young, of the Twenty-first Infantry and post commander, today, and were assured that the Coast Artillery Corps could have the full use of the drill and parade grounds, and that competent instructors could be secured when needed. He will co-operate in every way with the National Guard. The Government target range at Proebstel can also be used by the militia.

Mother Loses Suit for $250,000.

OMAHA, Feb. 28.—After a trial lasting four weeks, the jury in the suit of Mrs. Nellie Paul for $250,000 damages against Arthur D. Brandeis, whom she charged with contributing to the delinquency of her son, Clarence Risley, returned a verdict today for the defendant.

HARVESTER TRUST ASSAILED BY BORAH

Senator Says Perkins' Defense Is Natural, After Making Profit of $5,000,000.

POLICY CALLED "INHUMAN"

'Repulsive Scenes' at Plants of Company Declared to Arouse Interest in "Altruistic" Motives of Backers.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—W. E. Borah, Senator from Idaho, in a letter to George W. Perkins, organizer of the International Harvester Company, made public tonight, accuses Mr. Perkins of defending "one of the most unconscionable and shameless monopolies in this country—the harvester trust—because he made $5,000,000 out of the deal."

Senator Borah's letter is in reply to one from Mr. Perkins criticising the remarks of the Senator at the Republican "get-together" dinner at Columbus, O., last Thursday, in which the Idaho Senator said that Mr. Perkins and the Progressive party defended monopoly.

"Shameless," Says Senator.

Mr. Perkins wrote to Senator Borah saying that he did not believe, as he had been represented as believing by the Senator from Idaho, that monopoly was a good thing.

"Immediately after denying that you believe in monopoly," Senator Borah said in his reply, "you enter upon a most vigorous defense of one of the most unconscionable and shameless monopolies in this country—the harvester trust. You and I and thousands with me simply differ as to what constitutes a monopoly. This combination which as I understand you organized and out of which you took, as I am informed, between five and seven millions or dollars, was a monopoly and intended to be a monopoly. A scheme or plan by which one man can impose upon a great multitude of people of this country the burden of a great fortune is a monopoly. You do not think so. Well, that is natural, for you got the five millions."

Treatment of Employes Scored.

Another characteristic of the Harvester Company, the letter said, is the "inhuman way in which it worked and treated its employes. The perfectly repulsive scenes which those who visited its works were permitted to witness," the letter adds, "would cause one to wonder where its chief financial backer and most powerful director deposited his altruistic impulses and his unspeakable emotions for humanity in general when he visited his plant."

Senator Borah refers to testimony before the state factory investigating committee of New York as to this plant to show that women employed got as low as $5 and $7 a week.

"When your attention was called to this," he adds, "you are reported as saying 'this night work has been made necessary largely by the Government's perfectly unreasonable attitude toward large corporations.' Now, sir, if you will take into consideration the tremendous fortune which you took out of this combination, the oppressed and distressed condition and poverty-stricken wage of its employes and your crisp and cynical comment, it ocurrs to me that you not only have here all the characteristics and working of monopoly, but you have its utterly unfeeling master who is always willing to defend his position and to deny that he is engaged in such practices, while at the same time wrenching every dollar from the employe and consumer that an ingenious mind can contrive to get hold of."

PEEPE'RS SLAYERS FREED

STUDENTS SAY THEY SHOT TO FRIGHTEN GIRLS' ANNOYER.

Man Found Dying in Yard by Cornell College Professor—Coroner's Jury Exonerates All.

MOUNT VERNON, Ill., Feb. 28.—Four Cornell College students were relieved by the Coroner's jury here tonight of all blame for the death of Howard Manning. A bullet fired by one of the students to frighten Manning, who had been caught peeping into the windows of the girls' dormitory last night, struck him and killed him. The four students, Owen Lovett, Homer Trimble, Paul Buznbark and Albert Andrea, recently were deputized by town officials to watch for the man, who has been annoying the young women students.

The men saw Manning climb a fire escape on the dormitory last night. When they appeared he jumped and ran and they followed, shooting in the air as they ran. Manning disappeared in the darkness. A little later Professor H. A. Mills found him in his back yard, dying.

Manning's mother said tonight that her son, who was 25 years old, enlisted in the Army a year ago and deserted and came back home September 1. She had hidden him in her cellar since that time and he had left his hiding place only at night.

CARD PLAYING PROHIBITED

New Ordinance at Albany Stops All Games of Chance in Public.

ALBANY, Or., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—Mayor Curt today signed the ordinance passed by the Council this week prohibiting the playing of cards in public or engaging in other games of chance. Opponents of the new law at once began the circulation of referendum petitions.

The new ordinance has stopped card playing in billiard halls and the shaking of dice on the counters of cigar stores.

Wilson to Dine Underwood.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—As a tribute to the work of Oscar Underwood, of Alabama, as Democratic leader in the House, President Wilson will give a dinner at the White House on March 9 for the majority leader. Many members of Congress will be invited.

Poison Taken by Mistake.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—Mrs. William Howard, who took bichloride of mercury tablets yesterday, recovered today. Mrs. Howard states the tablets were taken by mistake. She went to the medicine chest to get some headache tablets and in th darkness got the poison.

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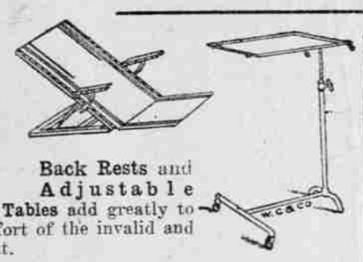

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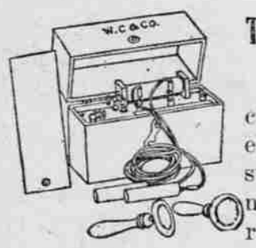

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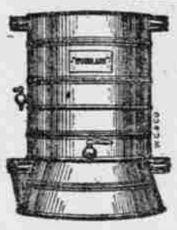

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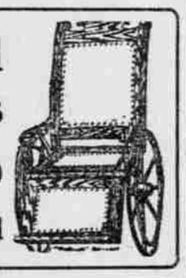

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BREMNER'S SEAT ISSUE

NEW JERSEY CONGRESSIONAL VOTE APRIL 7 IS IMPORTANT.

Election of Successor to Late Cancer Victim Causes Administration Democrats to Exert Energy.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Feb. 28.—Considerable political interest centers around the special congressional election to be held in the Seventh New Jersey District April 7.

This is the district formerly represented by Mr. Bremner, the Democrat who died of cancer after taking the radium treatment. Ordinarily this contest would be of little importance, but New Jersey is the President's home state, and the Administration is very anxious to secure the election of a Democratic Congressman, for it is felt that a Democratic victory at this time would be the best indication that the Administration retains its popularity in New Jersey.

Mr. Bremner was elected last year by a majority of 3300. His district was normally Republican, but was lost in 1912 by reason of the split in the Republican ranks. Nominations will be made by primaries on March 24, just two weeks before the election. The Administration is preparing to send some of its best speakers into the seventh district to make a whirlwind campaign. Every Democratic member of the New Jersey delegation in Congress will be sent upon the stump, and several Cabinet officers will also make speeches.

BOY BANDI TIS SENTENCED

Previous Violation of Parole Costs Five Years in Prison.

OAKLAND, Cal., Feb. 28.—Orrin L. Phillips, the 21-year-old leader of a band of boy bandits, was sentenced today to serve five years in San Quentin prison. Probation was denied because it was shown that he had violated that privilege following the theft of an automobile. It was while on probation that he turned bandit.

Philips and five other members of his band were arrested in Berkeley a month ago following a series of robberies. Three have been sent to state reformatories.

Myrtle Creek Gets Lodges.

ROSEBURG, Or., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—At a meeting of delegates held here today it was decided to hold the annual convention of Douglas County Oddfellows and Rebekahs at Myrtle Creek on April 26. A special train will be chartered and it is expected that fully 200 members of the order will go to Myrtle Creek from this city.

Roosevelt Discovers Crater.

RIO JANEIRO, Feb. 28.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt and his party have arrived in the vicinity of Jose Bonifacio, after having traversed the hinterland of San Luiz de Caceres. The party discovered a crater hitherto unknown. All are in excellent health.

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