

PLAYMEN WRITE ON TOPICS OF INTEREST

\$2.50 PER ACRE ROAD'S SHARE

Not Even Timber on Grant Belongs to Company, is View.

PORTLAND, Or., Oct. 30.—(To the Editor.)—A significant statement was made a few days ago by the Southern Pacific Railway Company, in its annual report concerning the Oregon & California land grant. The report says "It (the railroad company) will insist upon the observance of the condition that the full value conferred by the granting of the land shall be secured to it."

The foregoing are the primal and controlling features of the entire decision. Such being the case, then what will give the railroad the full value conferred by the granting acts? It must be conceded to be the enforcement of those acts as interpreted by the Supreme Court decision. Then let us analyze each of the propositions determined by the court.

If the original covenants are enforceable covenants, as stated by the court, then they can be enforced by the railroad company as well as the Government.

Our second proposition that the court held that the railroad company took legal title to the property, we think cannot be denied. Such being the case, then it must be admitted the railroad is in position to make rules for the disposition of such lands, but only such as will reasonably carry out the terms of those original covenants.

We come then to our third proposition, i. e., that the railroad company accepted the legal title burdened with covenants, and with such reasonable rules and regulations as Congress may enact for the disposition of such lands in conformity with those covenants.

Since the decision of the Supreme Court relegated to Congress, the establishing of rules and regulations for the disposition of the lands in conformity with the original covenants, it practically excludes every other question. To inject other questions into the discussion only tends to confusion.

Our fourth proposition that the railroad company in its annual report seems to carry the impression that the railroad got whatever was in the lands, is not correct in the case. It simply got the legal title restricted in value to the company of \$2.50 per acre, together with such benefits as the covenants afforded.

My term of employment with East-coast and its committee has come to an end, and my purpose in correcting the impression that Mr. Davidson's letter to the public has given is that of one whose interests are that of an appraiser.

H. F. Davidson is not only interested in the growing of apples, but in securing contracts for apples in various parts of the Northwest. Mr. Davidson has the advantage of his competitors among the big jobbers in New York City in the respect that he is a Western man with Western sympathies and a Western reputation for honesty and square dealing.

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Mr. Davidson, as well as any other retailer, who deals in apples, should be through one of the few large firms who deal in Northwestern apples in carload quantities. These large jobbers in turn sell a large proportion of their stock to small jobbers and large retailers, who always buy in less than carload quantities.

It is my contention that the apple industry of the Northwest is doomed to disaster until some of these interested parties are dispensed with. A large proportion of the final price that the apples bring must be returned to the grower.

As far as the large cities in the East are concerned, I would eliminate the rather high commission which the big jobbers, like the California orange and lemon shippers have done. I would place men like Mr. Davidson in the great clear-cut markets where the oranges and lemons, and many other fruits are now sold at daily public sales, and have them sell direct to the little jobbers and large retailers. I would make buy f. o. b. in carload quantities, or go into the auctions and buy in competition with the large retailers, at less than carload jobbers, of whom there are hundreds.

The auction charges of 1% to 3% per cent adds to Mr. Davidson's or some other agent's charge would not be great, and the distribution, as conclusively established by the experi-

ence of the Californians, would be greatly widened. More dealers would handle box apples because they would have an equal chance in the buying.

There is a popular fallacy among the growers that the fruit put up at auction in these cities must be sold at the "buyer's price." Mr. Davidson, if he represented shippers at auction sales, under the present existing rules, would have the privilege of withdrawing all but 20 boxes in the case the highest bid were not high enough.

It is not my contention that the growers individually should adopt the system suggested, but that there should be a general movement in this direction under the guidance of a growers' council, and such great associations as the North Pacific Fruit Distributors, the Spokane Fruit Growers Company, the Hood River Association and the Northwest Fruit Exchange.

ARTHUR M. GEARY.

MOTHERS MAY REMEDY EVIL

Children Should Be Taught to Oppose War, Etc.

DEB, Or., Oct. 29.—(To the Editor.)—In answer to Mrs. F. D.'s letter of October 29, "Motherhood Losing Its Glories." This woman depairs of motherhood, asking why a woman should wish to bring a child into the world to be shot down as a soldier, to be exploited by those in power, or to be one of the army of unemployed. We cannot refute a word she says; and is it not enough to make us all despair? Yet in spite of all, we must not, despair.

Motherhood should bring their children into the world to remedy just such conditions. How? By teaching those very same children that the object of life is the cultivation of strength, intelligence and beauty, to promote justice in the world and to foster the growth and development of human nature.

They should teach the sacredness of life, that life is above all so-called "honor" and "patriotism," that nothing can be honorable or patriotic that is not based on life. That to kill for their country can never be right, can never benefit their country, and makes their country a country of murderers; that to kill, take life, is always murder; it makes no difference whether the killing is done by a German, Englishman, Russian, hangerman, Kaiser or King.

All truly great men and women strive to live to give and to express life; by life I mean the essence of life, life in its highest. The fundamental truth which men as Roosevelt, the Kaiser and other like militant spirits is that they give life a greater life, and themselves and their country. Of course, they think that the "others" are all wrong. Each one of us has his own self, soul, to defend, the greatest and dearest of all defenses against our own self. Mothers should teach their children that it can never be a right to die, or even to be killed; death can never lessen the greatness of a life, but it is always wrong and therefore a disgrace to kill. "Thou shalt not kill" means, simply, thou shalt not kill without conditions or qualifications.

It is the right of every man, woman or child, to live, to be free, to be of common sense, has Roosevelt, or any other man, or body of men, to kill a German, a Turk, a Japanese, a Mexican or an American? Are we Americans not starving, enslaving and killing thousands every day with our political, economic and religious wars? We need mothers that are big and brave and intelligent enough to teach their children that the enemy within is far more to be feared than all of the enemies without. Let the mothers teach their children to prepare for the real enemies to defend their souls.

And now the half-way peace party, the militant party, wants to add \$502,482,214 to our country's armaments, to kill both body and soul. Yes, yes! We need mothers, many mothers, to teach their children that children are the crime and folly of such things. The greatness of life is the abundance of life that one has, and no nation can add to its greatness by killing other nations. Rome tried it, Germany, the best "prepared" nation in the world, is trying it. But better a Belgium than a Germany. And even though Germany wins in the present slaughter, unless she can learn to live with the curse of Rome.

The world never needed real mothers more than it does now. It needs mothers that can see and study the great vital questions of the day: Birth-control, self-control, the land question, the tax question, the right to strike, to open up the unlimited resources of life, the real wealth of nations. It is by far more important to study and teach these things to our children than it is to teach them to shoot straight, or even to walk straight; teach them to be straight, to be true to their own consciences, to defend their own acts, but to defend their own acts, that is their responsibility, to defend their own soul.

Self-Defense. Know thyself. Against the world defend thyself. Thyself against the world, in defense of thyself. Thyself against the wall and none can harm thee. Place thy honor in thyself, honor thyself, and all of the world cannot dishonor thee. Pass through the flames of hell, strike the lightning and the east, then defend thyself against a million foes. Before thyself all must be vanquished and thyself all must be vanquished.

Self-defense is the first, last and only law of the Holy Spirit. Defend thyself and thou canst do no wrong! Self is thy soul and thy soul is one with all. Oh, brother, know thyself. JULIAN P. SCOTT.

SUNDAY CLOSING IS OPPOSED

Belief Expressed That Preachers Are Back of Entire Movement.

PORTLAND, Oct. 30.—(To the Editor.)—The Oregonian appears an article by R. G. D. trying to make out that Sunday laws are not religious laws. Will R. G. D. explain why the day he wishes to close is a day of rest? Is it not because some of the preachers are behind these Sunday laws? Can he explain why a certain day is chosen to close over a day-law trials? Can he refer to any Sunday law that is not fathered by preachers? Can he refer me to one single instance of a preacher, for the sake of the poor, overworked people, having backed a law which proposed a rest for Saturday afternoon or any other day but Sunday? Can he refer to one single Sunday law which does not refer to the first day as being "the Lord's day"? Does he not advise that Kellahe's seller was more guilty than Roberts the buyer? Isn't Roberts the buyer, who caused Kellahe to sell, the one who is more guilty?

which was the day of rest? And for how many years? He says, "those who would not should not interfere . . . with those who rest." Did Kellahe's sales interfere with R. G. D.'s rest, or with Roberts, who testified that he went miles out of his way to spy on Kellahe?

The man who cannot compete on equal terms, he says, "must perish." God so loved the world that he gave his Son, that whosoever believed on him should not perish. But this man so loves the world that those who do not agree with him must perish.

The writer of the article woefully mixes holidays with holy days in the sake of carrying his argument. It is optional to close or not on "holidays." Most people do without being forced. But it is not optional to close on Sunday, the church day. R. G. D. and his kind will see that we do or go to jail. Yet his ancestors came to America for the very liberty which this their descendant tries to take away from them.

Paul says in Romans II: "Thou art inexcusable, O man, whosever thou art that judgest another, wherein thou judgest another, thou condemnest thyself; for thou that judgest doest the same things." How true this is; for while R. G. D.'s soul is pained because Kellahe works on Sunday, he himself keeps his rest day holy by doing his noisy lawnmower and doing other chores, whether he disturbs our rest or not.

The Savior's precept was: "If a man hear my words and believe not, I judge him not." R. G. D. has this mixed and makes it read: "If a man hear my words and believe not, fine him, jail him, let him perish."

A sorry "business" to be in, forsooth! H. W. O'H.

CANADA YET HAS MANY MEN

Victor at Victoria Finds Business Dull but Not Depressed.

VICTORIA, B. C., Oct. 29.—(To the Editor.)—A newspaper reports of conditions in the countries at war at the present time are rather unreliable, and as I wanted to take a trip to Canada I decided to start out and find out a few things for myself, so I left Portland and came first to Victoria, B. C., where I am at the present time.

Business is naturally rather dull but not depressed. Shipping is active, and there is apparently a lot of traveling. This city is a sinecure for the jitney, as I believe there are more than 200 miles of the best paved and laid out streets to be found anywhere. The places of amusement are doing a good business, playing to full houses. The most noticeable feature to a stranger here is the large number of men to be seen on the streets and in the camps; they seem to be everywhere and recruiting is in brisk trade. There is no lack of young men willing to join the Canadian expeditionary forces. This was impressed on me by a circumstance that I have mentioned with my own eyes. A Canadian officer, recently returned from the front after having been wounded in the trenches, obtained permission from the Canadian Government to raise a regiment for overseas service, and he immediately came to Victoria for that purpose. He has inside of him more than the full number of men, over a thousand, all equipped and officered.

When I first saw this contingent I was away from here composed mainly of young men from the city and men close at hand. Now the men who are used to living a military life in the logging camps, mines, mills are having a chance. I witnessed a parade of this regiment I mentioned. It was a very surprising sight to me, for the impression before that most of the young men had gone. No, they have not all gone and it seems that they are more to come. A number of old soldiers, old in experience in military matters, not in age, are coming back to the colors, and make excellent instructors for the new men, who quickly pick up the main essentials of being a good soldier, as they are men who, by their mode of living, are used to be quickwitted and resourceful.

When I left the States I was not very strong in favor of the business men's strike, even if it has killed an American. I am now a strong supporter of the strike. The business men, and from the way they are equipped, it is evident that the business man makes a good officer. Of course I mean a successful business man.

There is a spirit of good fellowship between officers and men, which does not clash with discipline or respect. I suppose, mainly to the fact that everybody seems bound together by one common cause—a sense of duty to their mother country. Right here I saw a number of men in military conversations with civilians and soldiers. I have never heard one remark against the individual enemy.

A few remarks on the welfare of the ordinary soldier would not be amiss. They are well paid, getting \$1.0 a day for a private, well fed (I can attest to this), and well clothed. Some of the Scotch regiments here are equipped with their full Scotch uniform, kilts, gleaming sporrans, and which supplies books, stationery, concerts, banks the men's money, looks after their civilian clothes, etc. I believe the place is the best in the world for a soldier to live in. You Y. M. C. A. people in Portland would probably like to know this, and believe me, the soldiers would appreciate what is being done for them. R. A. BLYTH.

JACKRABBITS ARE DISEASED.

Sale in Portland Markets Is Criticized by Writer.

FORT ROCK, Or., Oct. 28.—(To the Editor.)—Why does the Portland City Board of Health allow jackrabbits to be shipped to Portland for the purpose of being sold to unsuspecting people to eat? They talk about keeping down disease and yet they allow these diseased rabbits to be shipped in there by the thousands.

People in Central Oregon will not eat them. If people of Portland could see them they would be horrified. They do, dying of disease, and see them running about with sores on them they would surely not eat them. Besides the state is used to destroy them. I surely hope when I go to Portland this Fall that I will not see the markets full of jackrabbits.

WHY REMOVE HAT IN ELEVATOR? Correspondent Thinks 'Too Much Deflection Fails Elevator Boy.



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NO DEMOCRATS ARE WANTED

Republican Wants Every Party Member to Win Converts.

PORTLAND, Oct. 30.—(To the Editor.)—We always have hard times under Democratic administration. Who has forgotten 1892 and also the good times that followed the ascendancy of the Republican party again in 1896? Through the discomfiture of some and big mistakes of others, we are now living and going back again under Democratic rule, under which we are now living, and once more who is not feeling deeply the hard times we are now living with now? One batch of hard times ought to be enough in any one man's life, but some of us are getting the second batch. It has and is being demonstrated beyond the shadow of a doubt that Democratic Administrations never bring prosperity to this country, every body everywhere knows it, hence, as the people in 1896 rose up in arms and turned it down, we should follow their example in 1916 and turn them down once for all and bring good, prosperous times throughout the United States by defeating that old foe with overwhelming majority a year from now.

Republican votes which can be made with little effort under present conditions. Nothing comes without effort. If every good Republican will go to work and follow this suggestion, never giving up until result is obtained, not only will the Republican party win next year and good times be assured, but the Republic will be saved by a majority, and every one helping it to win will justly share in the glory of helping the country at large to good, prosperous times once more. A REPUBLICAN.

DIFFICULT TASKS NECESSARY.

Natural Activity Regarded More Important for Children.

PORTLAND, Oct. 30.—(To the Editor.)—Commenting on Mrs. Stoner's methods of education, we are glad to note the adverse criticism by Dr. J. Allen Gilbert as a qualifying suggestion. The lively, companionable spirit of older people with children is found in every home, and a good teacher will find the child's mind as is best able to receive. But the difficult tasks, mental and physical, and a certain restraint are necessary and desirable, though always less important than natural activity and spontaneous growth. A WOULD-BE MOTHER.

CONVENTION BINDS MAN, TOO

"Miss Rose" Not Only One Who Is Unable to Find a Mate.

PORTLAND, Oct. 30.—(To the Editor.)—The contribution from the pen of "Miss Rose" to the columns of The Oregonian relative to "Finding the Home-Making Man" interested me, and perhaps it is not amiss to give the man's views on the subject.

In the first place, the right-thinking man is not impressed favorably by either fine clothes or "street-walkers" when looking about him for a mate, for the former denotes extravagance and the latter a lack of all the things which are essential to the home-making spirit.

I think every normal man wishes a home and the love of a good woman and children, but it seems just as hard from his viewpoint to find a woman who will measure up to his requirements in the matter. There probably are just as many lonely men as there are lonely women, but the men are, of

EVIDENCE BEING SOUGHT

POLICE COMB CITY FOR LATE LODGING OF BURGLAR SUSPECT.

Grappler Brady Recovers "Jimmy" From River, Where Thrown by Man Caught Riffing Trunk.

Portland police are combing the city to find the late lodging of John Macklin, caught rifling a trunk in the Eden Hotel Friday and captured after a chase of several blocks by Harbor Patrolman Gilliland, for they believe that they have a dangerous burglar in the person of Macklin.

City Grappler Brady yesterday fished the river, where Macklin was seen to have thrown some articles, a steel "Jimmy" of latest and most efficient design, said by Police Captain Buty to be one of the finest yet found on a burglar in this city. The detected skeleton keys were found near the same spot Friday, where they were thrown by the running burglar.

Macklin was well dressed, but every mark of identification had been removed from his clothes. He admitted that the name he gave was not his true one, but said that it "would do" and refused to tell the police whence his name or where he had stayed since he arrived in Portland. The detective hope, if his lodging is found, to recover many articles stolen.

MacCabee Officers in Installation Made for Women's Benefit Association.

Mrs. Minnie E. Smith, past commander, installed the following officers of the Women's Benefit Association of the MacCabees, October 31: Lieutenant commander, Mrs. Mae Baker; past commander, Mrs. Beatrice Little; record-keeper, Mrs. Florence Chambers; lady-at-arms, Mrs. Myrtle Gebert; chaplain, Mrs. Sophie Swan; sergeant, Mrs. Marcus; sentinel, Mrs. Ditchburn; picket, Mrs. Campbell; captain of

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