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RAILROADS WIN CASE OVER \$700,000,000 OIL LANDS TODAY

United States Supreme Court Sustains Title to California Holdings.

GOVERNMENT TOO SLOW IN ATTACKING CLAIMS Decision Against Intervenor and Government Can't Cancel Conditional Patents

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 22.—The transcontinental railroads won their fight for title to some \$700,000,000 oil lands when the Supreme Court today held void a clause in the patents making the land revert to the government if found to contain minerals. The court held that the patents were irregular but that they could not be attached collaterally by other claimants, but could only be set aside by direct attack of government.

Burke Case Involved. Today's decision was in the case brought by Edmund Burke of California, who claimed the right to land now held by the Southern Pacific on the ground that it should revert to the government because oil had been found after the issue of patents to the railroads. Inasmuch as all transcontinental railroads have similar lands, they came into the proceedings.

The court held that if the land should revert to the Government because it later was found to contain mineral, a question would arise whether those who long ago purchased farms from the railroad had any rights. The Government has a separate suit, distinguished from the case today, to cancel patents to oil lands still held by the railroads.

ALL BOATS SAFE.

No Lives Lost in Chicago Draft in Lake Michigan Storm Sunday.

CHICAGO, June 22.—All boats caught on Lake Michigan in yesterday's storm have been accounted for. The Charlotte R. and Anama reached port today after an exciting experience.

WILL WED AN EARL.

NEW YORK, June 22.—Advices from London announce the engagement of Miss Edyth Havemyer, daughter of the late Henry Havemyer of New York, to the Earl of Euston. The duke is sixty-four years old and Miss Havemyer is thirty-one.

181 BODIES IN MINE RECOVERED

Victims of British Columbia Mine Disaster Brought to Surface Today

HILLCREST, B. C., June 22.—The discovery by the rescuers of fifty bodies in one of the tunnels of Mine No. 20 of the Hill Crest Collieries today brought up to 181 the total number of recovered dead at the mine which was wrecked by the explosion Friday. Eighty grave diggers worked all day in the little mountainous cemetery and by night it is expected that the greater part of the former male population of the mine colony will be resting there.

TWELVE LOST ON SMALL BOAT

Craft Carrying Twenty Goes Down in Oswego Canal—Licensed for Ten

SYRACUSE, N. Y., June 22.—Investigation of the launch accident which resulted in the drowning of twelve persons in the Oswego Canal last night is being made by the coroner. There were twenty passengers on board and the craft was licensed to carry only ten. Seven children and three women were among the victims. Only one child was saved.

A man who uses a Times Want Ad once, needs no further argument.

TELLS ABOUT BUTTE FORMS A NEW UNION

Second Officer of Storstad Testifies at Empress of Ireland Probe

QUEBEC, Can., June 22.—Second Officer Reitzert, of the Storstad, took up the story of the Empress of Ireland tragedy when the Government Commission began the second week of its investigation of the recent disaster on the St. Lawrence River. He said that he took charge of one of the boats lowered from the Storstad and rescued fifty persons from the water on the first trip. Knute Tonder, a sailor on the collier, said the Empress was on the port bow of the Storstad when he first saw her. He could tell by vibrations of the propeller, he said, that the Storstad's engines had been put astern. Forty-seven unidentified persons who perished were buried today.

WILSON RAPS FORM LETTERS

President Discusses Psychological Business Depression in United States

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 22.—Discussing the so-called psychological business depression with callers, President Wilson said he had no quarrel with any persons or corporations who desired to express either to him or to Congress their own opinions on business conditions and anti-trust legislation, but contended that the systematic circulation of form letters and telegrams protesting against the new legislation was open to criticism.

LARGE SUM SENT TO CONSCIENCE FUND

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 22.—Secretary McAdoo received today \$630 contribution to the conscience fund from an anonymous person in Burlington, Ia. Nearly half a million dollars has found its way back to the Government in that mysterious fashion since Madison's term.

FOUR NARROWLY ESCAPE INJURY

MISS AGNES RUSSELL, MR. AND MRS. FRANK HAGUE AND E. P. LEWIS IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT.

Miss Agnes Russell, aged 18, book-keeper for the Pioneer Hardware Co., E. P. Lewis and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hague had a narrow escape from death or serious injury when an automobile in which they were riding went over the embankment on the Coo Bay Wagon Road near Miner's Mill about 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Miss Russell and Mr. and Mrs. Hague are now at a hotel in Myrtle Point suffering from a nervous shock. They were badly shaken up, but not seriously hurt. Mr. Lewis returned to the city on the noon train and went immediately to his office. He says that the other members of the party will probably return to the city tomorrow.

Lewis says the machine was not going at a high rate of speed when it ran over the embankment. According to his story the machine settled on a pile of brush near the roadside. Miss Russell and Mr. Hague were thrown out of the machine and were severely shaken up with a few minor scratches.

Lewis and Hague succeeded in getting the machine on the road again and the trip to Myrtle Point, 14 miles from the scene of the accident, was completed. At Myrtle Point the party went to the hotel, where they spent the night.

Lewis says that the roads between here and Myrtle Point were never in a better condition than they are now and that they are especially inviting to motorists. "But," added Lewis, "I don't want to take another automobile ride for some time to come. Why, I was actually afraid to ride in the machine from the depot to town at noon today."

KERN TO RUN. E. H. Kern, of this city, is an independent candidate for the office of county surveyor.—Coquille Sentinel.

BUTTE FORMS A NEW UNION

Men Secede From Western Federation and Steer Clear of I. W. W.

BUTTE, June 22.—With preparations going rapidly forward for a permanent organization of Butte mine workers union, the body created yesterday by secessionists from the Butte miners' union of the Western Federation, a feeling of hope pervaded the business interests that the community may yet escape from further business stagnation as a result of labor's internal strife. President McDonald's statement that the new union had nothing to do with the Industrial Workers is the basis for the optimistic opinion. President Meyer of the Federation is still hopeful that the secessionists will return to work.

ONE KILLED IN RANGE BATTLE

Cattlemen and Sheepmen in Deadly Encounter Near Goldendale, Wash.

GOLDENDALE, Wash., June 22.—News of a battle between sheep and cattlemen in which one was killed and two seriously wounded reached here from Wabkiacus today. Sheriff and two physicians rushed to the scene in an auto. Employees of Leo Brunne, a prominent sheepman, were called from their tent on big Klickitat River at midnight by masked men. The sheep stampeded to the timber and were slaughtered. A night attack was made on the same camp about ten days ago, a tent being fired into and a number of sheep slaughtered. The authorities here fear a war has been started which will be hard to check.

TURKEY FEARS GREECE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 22.—The Turkish government has protested against the proposed sale of the battleships Mississippi and Idaho to Greece by the United States.

AUTO ACCIDENT TO GRAND JURY

Investigation of Death of Delos Davenport—Coroner's Jury's Verdict.

(Special to The Times.) COQUILLE, Or., June 22.—The auto accident which resulted in the death of Delos Davenport Friday night will be investigated by the Coo County grand jury, according to Justice Stanley who conducted the coroner's inquest in the case. The coroner's jury consisted of R. Saunders, C. C. Strang, J. A. Brockman, Lee Goodman, Wm. Oddy and O. A. Mintyne and they returned substantially the following verdict: "We find that Delos Davenport came to his death by being thrown from an automobile and his neck broken; also that said car was being driven in a careless manner by Joe Schilling, Jr."

Boys Not Drinking. Jarvis and Rose, who were in the car at the time of the accident, testified that they had been drinking some beer, but swore that Schilling had not been drinking, nor had Davenport. Both Rose and Jarvis were more than twenty-one years old. A bottle of liquor which they had bought in Marshfield was found hidden near where the accident had occurred. This had not been opened.

The Marshfield police officers are looking up to see where the liquor was secured in Marshfield. The liquor was found by searchers after one of the first ones at the scene of the accident had heard one of the parties in the car call to another to "cache that liquor," according to evidence furnished District Attorney Liljeqvist.

NEW HAITIEN REVOLT.

HAVANA, June 22.—The seriousness of the Haitian revolution has caused President Zamor to take the President in person. During the President's absence from the capital, the government will be in the hands of a commission which will act with the cabinet.

HUERTA AND CARRANZA MEN TO MEET AT NIAGARA FALLS

WATER CASE IS NOW DISCUSSED

City Council Will Consider It Tonight—Commission Refers Request.

The water question will be brought before the Marshfield City Council this evening to be thrashed out. The Oregon Railroad Commission has referred the Coo Bay Water company's request for an extension of time in which to make the improvements ordered by the Commission to the City Council.

Saturday evening the water company called a number of the Councilmen into conference and requested them to grant them more time in which to make the improvements and wanted them to approve certain alterations in the proposed work. Councilmen, Doll and Cople were present and so was J. N. Teal of Portland, attorney for the company, and R. H. Corey, J. W. Bennett and J. H. Flanagan.

The company wants to divert the new mains from the reservoir to the city from the Perham Park route to Commercial avenue and then branch off north at Eighth street. They also wanted to change the route of the main to South Marshfield. They also wanted to change the reservoir site. It was stated at the meeting that the company was now arranging to expedite the work and that they could complete the improvements by September or October.

Rate Question. The Council will probably delve into the rate question this evening, as the detailed copies of the new schedule have arrived.

Around town, parties who have been figuring out the proposed increase are protesting vigorously against it and claim that there is nothing to warrant such charges.

INSTALL OWN SYSTEM.

South Marshfield Residents to Have Water Supply of Their Own.

Mr. Hale, I. S. Smith, F. A. Tiedgen and Mrs. Smith, living in South Marshfield west of Tenth street, are installing a water system of their own. They have secured a ten-year lease on a big spring on the Southern Pacific Heights and will pipe the water from there, about 1800 feet, to their places. Mr. Hale recently put in a pipe from the First Addition main of the water company, but can get water only a few hours a day and the others are in a similar predicament. The spring is said to be a fine one and will supply them with ample water and pressure.

COPPERFIELD MAYOR IS SHOT

HENRY M. STEWART SHOT BY UNKNOWN ASSASSIN—THINK SALOONMEN'S WAR HAS BEGUN THERE.

COPPERFIELD, Or., June 22.—Henry M. Stewart, former Mayor of Copperfield, who was removed by Governor West last December, was shot and probably fatally wounded by an unknown assailant today. It is believed he may be a victim of a saloonmen's war.

TO SELL BATTLESHIPS

President Wilson Would Sell Old Ships to Greece.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 22.—President Wilson told inquirers today he was supporting a provision in the naval bill to sell the battleships Mississippi and Idaho to Greece. He has been assured that the battleships will not be used in an immediate war.

CHANGE ALASKA TROOPS

Four Companies of 14th Infantry Will Relieve 30th There.

SPokane, Wash., June 22.—Four companies of the Fourteenth Infantry departed from Fort George Wright for Seattle, where they will embark on the transport Buford for duty in Alaska. The men will be distributed among the various Alaska posts and the transport will bring back the men of the Thirtieth Infantry.

Endeavor Made to Have Them Agree on Man for Provisional President

MEDIATORS THINK THIS WILL DECIDE

Huerta Delegates Agree and Carranza Expected to Abide by U. S. Wish

VILLA DENIES CLASH

TORREON, June 22.—Rumor that Gen. Angeles has been proclaimed provisional president General Villa and General Chao had been executed were denied by Villa. Villa said that he had heard nothing of Angeles' dismissal from Carranza's cabinet.

NIAGARA FALLS, June 22.—As the government has invited representatives of Carranza and Huerta to meet at an informal conference here with the hope of bringing about the pacification of Mexico, the Huerta delegates informed the Americans that they were willing to deal with the Constitutionalists in this way.

NIAGARA FALLS, June 22.—Actual negotiations between representatives of the two fighting factions in Mexico in an effort to agree on an individual for Provisional President is the latest plan which the mediators have evolved for a solution of the Mexican problem. Just how the two element will be drawn together remained a secret today, but it became known that strong pressure has been brought to bear upon Carranza through the American government and that the mediators here persuaded the Huerta government to come into the plan.

REBEL DELEGATES CHOSEN

Villa and Carranza Said to Have Approved Man Sent to Conference

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 22.—Indications here today were that the coming three Constitutional representatives would open a way for informal negotiations between those forces and American representatives at Niagara Falls. That the mediators themselves will welcome anything the American delegates can do with the Constitutionalists was assured here in official quarters. The three new delegates en route here, who are said to have the approval of Carranza and Villa, are Fernando Calderon, Alfredo Brocanda, and Leopolda Espenosa. It is believed that Calderon will succeed Rafael Zubaran as chief representative of the Constitutionalists in Washington.

CYRUS DOLPH PASSES AWAY

Prominent Portland Capitalist and Attorney Succumbs Today.

PORTLAND, Ore., June 22.—Cyrus A. Dolph, a prominent capitalist and attorney, died here. Complication and old age was the cause of his death. He was 74 years old and came to Portland in 1862.

SUGAR CASE DECIDED

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 22.—The United States Supreme Court refuse the State of Louisiana to enjoin the Secretary of Treasury from continuing to grant imported Cuban sugar twenty per cent preferential below the reduced sugar duties of the Underwood tariff law.

OIL CASE DECIDED

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 22.—The Supreme Court today upheld the pipe line of 1906 placing all interstate pipe lines under Interstate Commerce Commission regulations, as Constitutional, but not applicable to the Uncle Sam Oil Company because it is not a common carrier.

ELKS NOTICE.

All Elks, members of Marshfield lodge, and all visiting brothers, with their wives, sisters, mothers or sweethearts, are expected to attend the annual birthday party dance Wednesday evening without further invitation. By order of THOS. B. JAMES, Secretary.