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BIG INTEREST IN LAND CASE

Supreme Court Decision in O. & C. Suits Attracts the Entire State of Oregon

MILLIONS INVOLVED

Next Move Will be Action of Congress Regarding Disposition of Property

106,563 ACRES IN COOS CO.

Which Land is Said to Be Worth Over \$60,000,000—Attorneys Have Much to Say on Subject

There is much of local interest in the decision of the supreme court in the O. & C. railroad land case as many in this county have filed on the land. The next step will be the action of Congress which will be watched with great interest.

The decision of the supreme court denied the forfeiture to the government of lands of the Oregon & California land grant affects a territory in Western Oregon that is larger than some Eastern states. It is approximately 60 miles wide and nearly 100 miles long. There are 2,674,454.17 acres involved. A. W. Lafferty declares the land worth at least \$30 dollars an acre. This would make its total value \$82,233,635.10.

In Two Grants This land was given to the railroad in two grants. The larger one was on April 10, 1869, and was for the construction of a line from Oregon to California. There are 2,008,771.73 acres in this tract involved in the suit.

Most in Douglas Of this, 8120 acres are in Multnomah county. The largest tract in any one county is 616,843.14 acres, in Douglas. The land is distributed among the other counties as follows:

Table with 2 columns: County, Acres. Includes Washington (2,452.18), Yamhill (27,120.20), Polk (37,017.79), Clackamas (89,162.07), Marion (30,256.06), Lincoln (15,906.00), Benton (53,626.99), Linn (61,966.23), Lane (299,606.00), Coos (105,563.36), Curry (7,844.64), Jackson (441,791.15), Klamath (43,015.00).

Smaller Grant The smaller grant was passed May 4, 1870 and was for the construction of the line to McMinnville. The decision involves 65,682.44 acres in this tract. It lies in these counties:

Table with 2 columns: Counties, Acres. Includes Clark, Wash. (292.50), Columbia, Ore. (17,678.83), Tillamook, Ore. (29,741.00), Washington, Ore. (15,480.00), Multnomah, Ore. (927.90), Yamhill, Ore. (1,563.11).

WHAT REAMES SAYS U. S. Attorney Gives His Opinion Regarding Case Unfiled States Attorney Clarence Reames is quoted as follows in a Portland paper regarding the case: "By the decision the railroad company is prohibited from making any further sales of the property until such time as congress shall by some appropriate legislation provide some manner for the disposition of the lands."

MR. CAMPBELL COMMENTS General Manager of Southern Pacific Is Interviewed D. W. Campbell, general manager of the Southern Pacific, who arrives

SEE POLITICS IN IT

ATTACKS ON JUDGE COKE BELIEVED PART OF PLAN

Friends Claim That Campaign to Forward J. W. Bennett For Place Being Launched Friends of Judge J. S. Coke see in the recent malicious and untrue personal attacks being made on Judge J. S. Coke a political move which they claim will become more evident a little later on.

They claim that it is part of a move to try and detract from the popularity and esteem which Judge Coke enjoys wherever he is known to make possible a campaign in behalf of J. W. Bennett for Coke's place on the Circuit bench.

Mr. Bennett has made no formal announcement of his candidacy as it is a little early as the election is more than a year distant. It is said that this explains the bitter attacks and misrepresentations being made in the recent Port of Coos Bay fill and the Pine street matter.

IS TO BE EXAMINED

WILL DECIDE SANITY OF MRS. SUSAN HEIM AT COQUILLE

Deputy Sheriff Laird Takes Her To County Seat—Mr. Heim Asks to Have Complaint Made

Deputy Sheriff W. C. Laird said this morning that he had a complaint against Mrs. Susan Heim and that she was to be examined as to her sanity and therefore left on the stage with the woman in charge. County Judge Watson stated that he knew nothing of the complaint and that any warrant on an insanity charge should be issued through him. He said he knew nothing of the affair.

Mrs. Heim on Monday afternoon appeared before Justice Penneck and swore out a warrant against Joseph Hauser charging him with assault and battery. The two people next morning came into court and the charge was withdrawn.

Mr. Heim came to Judge Penneck a day or so ago, according to the judge, and asked that a complaint be made out to have his wife examined as to her sanity. He was referred to the district attorney. Mr. Heim stated they have two children and that he has been divorced for nine years from Mrs. Heim but that she refuses to leave the house. He told the judge that she drinks sometimes and once threw a bottle at him.

POLICE TO ENFORCE THE MOTOR LAWS

Is It Up To Local Officers to Look After Violations of State Rules

For the benefit of the different communities of Oregon Secretary Ben. W. Oloett has issued the following statement: From many sections of the State the attention of this office is repeatedly directed to alleged violations of the "motor vehicle laws," violation of the "motor vehicle laws," the impression prevailing that the Secretary of State is vested with the enforcement of the same. Such is not the case. This office is not vested with police powers. Its duties are only to register motor vehicles and chauffeurs as proper applications are filed.

Under this law Sections 26 and 27 it is made the specific duty of all police officers, sheriffs and constables, within the limits of their respective jurisdictions, to enforce its provisions. Violations of such law should, therefore, be directed to the attention of the local police officers.

here this evening was interviewed about the suits at Corvallis as follows: "I am glad to note that the railroad has won the suit, and I believe great credit is due W. D. Fenton, of Portland, who prepared the brief that I consider was largely responsible for winning the case. The case has been in the hands of the company's California legal department and Mr. Fenton, and I am not conversant on the subject. I had not come to the company when the case was started and am not familiar enough with it to make a statement."

Big Masquerade on Skates at the Rink Thursday night. Three Grand Prizes.

CARRANZA TO KEEP UP FIGHT

Will Not Agree to Truce With Villa Pending Discussion of Peace by Leaders

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ARMY AT CAPITAL

Forces Are in Suburbs of Mexico City and Zapata Men Are Defending

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TO SPARE CITY HORRORS

Wants to Take Capital Without Making Civilians Suffer Pain of Battle—Carranza Orders General Not to Use Unnecessary Force

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Friends of Prof. Todd here are anxious to learn whether he suffered any loss in the earthquake. From reports it seems that the entire city was damaged.

PATRIOTISM SHOWN

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VILLA CLAIMS CITY

Says He Occupies Place Supposed Oregon Had Captured

EL PASO, Texas, June 24.—A private message dated last night at Agua Calientes and signed by Villa was received here today and stated Villa still occupied that city. A previous message from Oregon stated he had captured the city.

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The new Secretary of State was in receipt of many congratulatory messages, among them a letter from his predecessor, Mr. Bryan, who expressed the wish that success might attend him "personally and officially."

SHOCK FELT TODAY

SLIGHT EARTHQUAKE TREMOR AT EL CENTRO REPORTED

Ruins Shaken up But No Damage of Extent Has Done the City.

SAVE WATER SYSTEM

LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 24.—J. C. Allison, of Calexico, the engineer in charge of the irrigation system of the Imperial Valley, reported today that with the exception of a few minor accidents the water situation was normal.

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VISITS COL. HOUSE

PRESIDENT WILSON SEES HIS INTIMATE FRIEND TODAY

NEW YORK, June 24.—President Wilson, en route from Washington to his summer home at Cornish, N. H., stopped off today to Roslyn, L. I., to spend the day with his intimate friend, Colonel E. M. House, and to receive at first hand the latter's impression of the war situation in Europe as it affects the United States. Colonel House, recently returned from Europe, greeted the President warmly. No part of the conversation was divulged.

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BALFOUR-GUTHRIE MEN WITH WAITE

John Shepard Eells, of Portland, and R. E. MacLeod, of San Francisco, who are with F. B. Waite, are representatives of the Balfour-Guthrie Company, the large English concern, which has extensive interests in America, and especially in Oregon. Besides the shipping, realty and export and import business, they do a big investment business. Some time ago it was reported that the Balfour-Guthrie Company was figuring on the L. D. Kinney property on Coos Bay and the visit of the representatives of the company here now revives it.

This afternoon they are inspecting the Smith mill. They will probably leave Saturday.

ENGLISH STOP AMERICAN BOAT

Claim That Steamer Neches Carried Cargo from Country Hostile to Great Britain

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CHARGE IS DENIED

Merchandise Aboard Must be Unloaded and Thrown Into Prize Court.

VESSEL CHANGES ITS NAME

Norwegian Steamer is Stopped by Germans and is Fired Upon on Charge That She Was Sailing Under False Name and Flag

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CHANGES NAME

Norwegian Vessel is Fired Upon As a Result

CHRISTIANA, June 24.—That it is dangerous to change the name of a ship in war time is the moral drawn by the Norwegian shipping Gazette from the attack upon the Davanger by a German submarine. The Davanger formerly was named the Ceylon and the latter name appeared in the ship's papers. The captain of the submarine stopped the Davanger and demanded the vessel's name and nationality. He also asked for the ship's papers. When he observed the conflict in names he declared the boat not only was sailing under a false name but under a false flag. He gave the crew 15 minutes to go and then fired upon the steamer.

NOTE SENT TODAY

UNITED STATES TELLS GERMANY ABOUT FIVE CASE

Insist Sinking of Vessel Violated International Law and Prussian-American Treaty

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 24.—The reply of the United States to the last German note regarding the case of the American ship William P. Frye was dispatched to Berlin today. It reiterates the contention that the sinking violated the international law and the Prussian-American treaty and asks reparation without reference to the prize court.

CHECK ITALIANS

AUSTRIANS APPEAR TO HAVE CHECKED INVASION

Rome Claims that Attacks of Austrians Have Been Repulsed at Several Points

LONDON, June 24.—Rome states that Austrian attacks at several points were repulsed. Apparently the Italian invasion of Austria is checked. Reports from the Franco-Belgian front indicate the battle of Arras has subsided. Both sides claim minor successes. There is little activity on Gallipoli peninsula.

Picnic Yesterday.—Aboard the Alice H the Coos Bay Women's Club went up South Coos River yesterday and visited at the Hatchery, the Maze, and at Goodwills. They ate their lunch at the Crosses' Nest on the A. P. Owen farm. There were about 24 women in the party and several children. The picnic was given in the interest of a permanent rest room.

FOUGHT TO LAST

RUSSIANS PUT UP BITTER FIGHT AT LEMBERG

Lines Were Broken by Various Sections of the Austro-Russian Armies

BERLIN, June 24.—The details of the taking of Lemberg though still meager, show that the Russians resisted strongly to the very last. Before the city fell the armies under Von Mackenzen and Arch Duke Ferdinand had driven wedges deep into the northern section of the Russian line cutting this line in two. Under pressure from the northwest and following artillery bombardment by General Boehm-Ermoli, the Arch Duke captured the district by breaking the Russian center which was supported on Lemberg. At the same time Von Mackenzen pressed steadily on the enemy who were in full retreat along the line from Lemberg to Rawa Ruska. Boehm-Ermoli pursued the Russians to the northeast and east of Lemberg.

PUBLISHES AGAIN

PAPER SUSPENDED IN BERLIN COMES OUT TODAY

Statement Made That United States Ships Arms and Munitions of War to the Allies.

BERLIN, June 24.—The Tages-Zeitung, publication of which was suspended Monday by the German authorities, re-appeared today. The suspension order was issued, according to the general understanding, because of a criticism of the United States by Count Von Reventlow. In today's issue, however, the Count refers to the reports of the peace conference to be held in Switzerland, supposedly at the instigation of President Wilson, and adds, "Meanwhile are voyaging from the United States floating arsenals and ammunition depots for Great Britain, France and Russia. And at the same time President Wilson demands that a sure and unimpeded journey be guaranteed the floating arsenals."

OFFICIAL DETAINED

FORMER GERMAN COLONIAL SECRETARY DELAYED

Vessel is Held by British and Nothing Has Been Heard from Dr. Dernburg

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GERMANS WILL ATTACK WARSAW

Troops Are Being Transferred to Make an Attack on the Polish Capital.

BERLIN, June 24.—A dispatch from Amsterdam says the Germans, following a victory in Galicia, have already made preparations for another attempt to capture Warsaw. It says the German troops have already been transferred to the Bzural front, west of Warsaw.

ONE MORE VICTORY

General Von Linsingen With Army Finally Succeeds in Crossing Dniester River

RESISTANCE WAS STRONG

Fall of Lemberg is Being Followed by a General Retreat on the Part of Russian Forces—Czar's Army Driven Eastward.

CROSS DNIESTER RIVER

Austro-German Forces Fight Back Russian Soldiers

BERLIN, June 24.—Further victory for the Austro-German forces in Galicia was announced today at army headquarters. The army of Von Linsingen, which has been meeting with stubborn resistance from the Russians along the Dniester River, has finally succeeded in crossing the river.

The fall of Lemberg is being followed, according to statements by a general Russian retreat. In the Lemberg district the victorious Teutonic forces are driving the Russians eastward, while to the West the Russians are falling back from the country northwest of Przemyśl, near the Russian border.

TORPEDO A CRUISER

British War Vessel Struck But Reaches Port—Damage Reported Not Great and Boat Travels Under Her Own Steam.

BERLIN, June 24.—Wireless to Sayville.—An official announcement today says a German submarine attacked on June 20 a British armored cruiser off the Firth of Forth, Scotland. The cruiser was hit by a torpedo, but the effect could not be ascertained by the crew of the submarine. A dispatch from London last night conveyed the official announcement that the British cruiser Roxburgh was struck by a torpedo June 20. The damage was not serious and the cruiser proceeded under her own steam.

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Big Dance and Basket Picnic in Simpson's Pavilion, Sunday, July 4.