

COULDN'T GET THE BOAT TO GO TO THE OTHER END

Case Against Attorney-General of United States to Compel Him to Take Immediate Action on Oregon Lands Quashed.

The proceedings in the suit against Charles J. Bonaparte, attorney-general of the United States, filed some time ago by John R. Herrin and others, in connection with an effort to compel the sale of certain lands held by the Southern Oregon company and the Coos Bay Wagon Road company, were quashed in the United States court this morning upon motion of Tracy C. Becker, special assistant to the attorney-general, who appeared in his behalf.

Neither the United States nor any of its officers can be sued in court unless the case is out of the ordinary and the officers of the government give their consent to such proceedings. Judge Wolverton granted the motion introduced by Mr. Becker, and afterward dismissed the case against the United States.

This is a case where it is alleged that the companies holding the land, granted to them years ago, had refused to sell at \$2.50 an acre to settlers, and that the attorney-general had been requested to take some action in the matter, but had declined to do so. Subsequently the settlers filed a suit to compel Mr. Bonaparte to bring action to force the companies to dispose of the land according to the contract of the land grants.

The suit was filed in March. At that time a bill was pending before congress which made provision for the attorney-general power to act in the land grant question. Since then it has been passed and becomes a law.

Mr. Becker stated this morning that action against the Southern Oregon company and the Coos Bay Wagon Road company would be taken in time but that the attorney-general of the United States did not propose to be forced to bring suit by a few settlers when he had the interests of great numbers at heart and would do all in his power for their welfare at large. Under the circumstances Mr. Becker moved that the proceedings against the attorney-general be quashed.

Herrin and the other complainants were represented by T. S. Minot of San Francisco.

It is understood that the suits of the government against the Southern Oregon company and the Coos Bay Wagon Road company will be taken up by B. D. Townsend, special assistant to the attorney-general, and Mr. Becker, at the same time that the complaint is filed against the Oregon & California railroad are started.

THE HALF FLEES HIS COMPLAINT

Washington, June 2.—Secretary McCall's complaint, filed with the interstate commerce commission, alleges that the Adams, Northern Pacific and other express companies are gouging the government.

Los Angeles, June 2.—Leslie Virgil Snyder, a Los Angeles man who eloped with Miss Edna Spring of Colton a week ago Sunday, had his honeymoon cut short at Las Vegas, Nevada, by being thrown into jail.

Boulder, Col., June 2.—An immense crowd of people turned out this afternoon to witness the track and field meet between Stanford and Colorado university teams.

San Francisco, June 2.—As the outcome of a wrangle between the United Railroads and the board of supervisors, horse cars were again put on Market street today.

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TRAIN BRINGS FISH FROM BOTH ENDS

New Apparatus Successful in Deep Sea Fishing Off Mouth of the Columbia—Will Mean Emancipation From Puget Sound Combination.

A catch of 3,000 pounds of deep sea fish in one hour and a half is the startling record just made off the Columbia river bar by a patent beamless trawl that is being tried out by a Portland company. The trawl is known in England as the Rippon beamless trawl, and is brought to this coast by Captain Richard Obse, who controls the American and Mexican rights.

The local fish market which has usually held up to figures around fancy dressed beef prices is wobbly as a result, and it is announced by one of the two leading markets that the catch will be thrown on sale tomorrow at 8 cents per pound. The varieties of fish caught by the trawl are innumerable, and include many never before before by human eye on this coast.

The Portland company handling the trawl is composed of E. C. Barnes, a well-known canneryman and a member of the county commissioners; F. E. Kendall, manager of the American Canning company at this point; Richard Obse and C. M. Hyakell. They have three trawls now on the ground, ready for use, and in the preliminary cruise off the bar, used the smallest gear. The larger trawls have an opening 110 feet in diameter, and when in operation they fish on the ocean bed, moving at a pace of about four miles an hour, and gathering in every kind of deep sea delicacies that get in front of them.

The vessel used on the first trip was the schooner Evis of Astoria, a gasoline power boat about 30 feet long. The equipment of the vessel proved to be inadequate, and the company will be compelled to build or buy a boat for the business.

A portion of the big catch was brought to Portland this morning on the steamer Elmore, and when landed at the dock aroused great interest among river men and fish market men. At Mace's market preparations are being made to place a large quantity of the catch on exhibition tomorrow.

Other markets will handle some of the catch. Mr. Barnes said: "There are many fine varieties of fish among the catch, and some other varieties that we have never before seen. Among the known fish are five or six kinds of sole, rock cod, ling cod, red snapper, sea herring, sole and others. The trawl got a large number of crabs. The new gear is remarkably effective in fishing for deep-sea fish, and the results secured in only an hour and a half were surprising. It is possible by the use of this trawl to place the price of good, white fish so low in Portland that it will become the poor man's food, as it is in many other places east and west of here.

It is said the use of this trawl by a Portland concern means the immediate and permanent emancipation of Portland fish eaters from the Puget sound combination that now controls the fish business in Portland. At the present time practically all fish sold at wholesale or retail in Portland are shipped from Seattle by rail. In many instances the fish have been out of water so long as to be unwholesome. The trawl, when used, will bring fish to the mouth of the Columbia river and shipping them by first train or steamer to Portland will vastly improve the quality of fish consumed in this city and contiguous markets.

UTTERS THREAT IN COURT, SO ROCKPILE SENTENCE IS TREBLED

Jack Archibald, a 19-year-old youth of aggressive predilections, got a double rapid-fire sentence in Judge Cameron's court this morning. Archibald was arrested Monday night by Detectives Coleman and Price as he was on the point of following up a brutal attack on Peter Herman, proprietor of a second-hand store at 27 North Third street. Herman's testimony this morning places Archibald on a par with Jack La Rose, of gas-pipe notoriety.

Archibald worked himself into a rage Monday night because Herman refused to give him more than 25 cents for an old coat. When Herman started to call the police Archibald, he alleges, knocked him down and when on the point of completing the job when the detectives happened along.

Butler gave him 30 days on Kelly's Butte, and Judge Cameron, who was on the point of sentencing Herman to jail, stopped opposite Herman and missed in his ear. "I'll get you when my time's out, you."

"Hear that your honor; hear that!" yelled the excited Hebrew as he jumped around in his fright.

The court had heard. As a result Archibald will serve 90 days on the rockpile instead of 30.

SAN FRANCISCO CITIZENS FORM LAW AND ORDER LEAGUE

San Francisco, June 2.—An organization to be known as the Law and Order league will be formed in this city tonight by the adoption of a constitution which is the result of several preliminary meetings attended by prominent citizens. It is the intention of the new organization to call upon the citizens to join in assisting the graft prosecution.

ROSE-LADEN SKIFF ON WAY TO SEA IN HONOR OF THE DEAD

A small rowboat, handsomely constructed, neatly painted and filled to the gunwales with the choicest of fragrant roses, is slowly being carried seaward upon the bosom of the mighty Columbia, a tribute of love and reverence to those whose fate was a grave in the deep.

The boat was set adrift last Saturday—Decorated day—from the Bellwood ferry on the river. It had reached a point about 75 miles down the river. Today the tiny craft, with its tender cargo will be drifting close to shore if the strong ebb tide unless it has been caught in an eddy somewhere in one of the bends of the river.

It is believed that a man, meeting Sunday morning the boat was picked up off the west wharf of the Standard Box & Lumber company at the foot of East Ash street, drifting close to shore if it had lodged against the piling with no hope of getting away without assistance.

It was the crew of the towboat Sarah Dixon that sighted the strange little craft, and Captain Chase ordered an investigation. A bottle containing the following note explained the mystery.

"To anyone finding this boat, please pan it along, and in that way we hope to reach the ocean in honor of the sailor dead.

"Launched from the Sellwood ferry by the lady of the G. A. R., assisted by the Smith post No. 2, of Oregon. Blackmen circle No. 20, and Winslow Meade circle No. 7. Portland, Oregon, May 28, 1908."

Majority of Republican Candidate Will Apparently Be Near 3,000

Robert L. Stevens, Republican, will continue to be sheriff of Multnomah county by virtue of some 3,000 majority votes given him over Tom M. Word, the Democratic candidate yesterday.

Returns from 69 precincts, some of which are incomplete, give Stevens a vote of 3,654, while Word has been given 1,000. The surplus Republican vote with a lead of 1,554 given him in what is perhaps a trifle more than one third of the precincts. The conservative vote to suppose that the total returns will give Stevens a majority of 3,000 or more.

The contest for election as sheriff there did not seem to be the interest taken in the election by the voters as it was argued that Stevens had made a good official and it would be just as well to allow him to stay in office.

This general sentiment seems to have been expressed at the polls. There does not appear to be an particular section where the two candidates had it all their own way, but the Stevens sentiment set in at the top of the list and continued right down to the bottom, leading in nearly every precinct. Complete returns will undoubtedly give Stevens 3,000 or more votes to spare.

ROOSEVELT LEAGUE URGING SECOND TERM

San Francisco, June 2.—Members of the Roosevelt Second-Term league are endeavoring to create in California more second-term sentiment favoring the renomination of Theodore Roosevelt for the presidency by circulating badges and circulars, which have been sent by the league to California delegates to the headquarters of the second-term organization are in Chicago.

The badges are made out of celluloid, are oval shaped and show a photograph of the president, surrounded by the words "Roosevelt, 1908." "Making good," and under the picture are the words: "Roosevelt, second term." "By votes of the people."

The league urges that the convention complement the president with a renomination despite the fact that he would not accept it.

YAMHILL BOWLS AMENDMENTS OVER

McMinnville, Or., June 2.—With complete returns from 21 precincts, C. H. McKinnon, Jr., has 1,522 and Chamberlain 1,296. Hawley, Bailey, McNary and Campbell are elected with large majorities. The latter and the county representative district, Beals has 1,319 and Laughlin, Statement No. 1, 1,119. For representatives, Thirteenth district, Corrigy, Statement No. 1, 1,071. Eckman, Statement No. 1, 1,071. Bones and Jones, anti-Statement No. 1, have 1,071. This is with three precincts lacking.

With five precincts lacking and two of these in Newberg, which will give a large majority to McKinnon, the county stands: For, 1,505; against, 929. The Ruddy amendment is now under consideration by the commission, will commence work in August, and visit all important industrial centers.

The latter and the county representative of Massachusetts are to hold a meeting in Faneuil hall to protest against the deputation of the new law limiting their working day to nine hours, are said to be organizing to protest against the proposed law, unofficially, will be made in their wages.

The Central Labor council of Washington, D. C., has issued a resolution in endorsement to the movement for the passage of a law that shall prohibit the United States from contracting for any article manufactured by convict labor.

The H. C. Frick company of Pittsburgh, a subsidiary of the United States corporation, has ordered into effect a code of rules governing its mines and miners the most remarkable provision of which is the prohibiting of the use of any mine from drinking whether on duty or off.

The superintendent of immigration at Ottawa has issued a notice to the effect that the only classes of immigrants wanted in Canada at present are experienced farm laborers, farmers and their families, and men who own or purchase lands, and female domestic servants. The demand for railway labor, says the superintendent, is filled for the season.

TESTIMONY ALL IN IN MANSLAUGHTER CASE

Allagan, Mich., June 2.—The testimony in the case of Mrs. David Neely of Sacramento, California, charged with the murder of her husband, a physician for her child who died of pneumonia, was completed today and the argument was heard this afternoon. Criminal scientists packed the courtroom anxious to be present at the closing scenes of the case which they believed of tremendous importance as a precedent. They say not Mrs. Neely alone, but Christian Science, too, is interested in the case. It is expected that the case will go to the jury tomorrow.

Neely still is confident of acquittal.

BRIBER OF SENATORS HELD FOR COURT TRIAL

Los Angeles, June 2.—George N. Tichenor, former state manager of the Continental Building & Loan association, and self-confessed briber of state senators, was held to answer to the superior court today on a charge of embezzlement of \$2,800 of the company's funds. His bond was fixed at \$2,800.

Tichenor's former daughter both testified that William Cook, general manager of the association, promised to pay Tichenor \$1,800 for the senators he was able to bribe to whitewash

Report of the Financial Condition of THE BANK OF CALIFORNIA. Located at Portland, Oregon, showing condition at close of business on the 14th day of May, 1908.

RESOURCES. Loans and discounts, \$2,395,750.02; Overdrafts, 13,257.49; Real estate owned, 1,974.11; Due from banks, \$260,526.54; Cash on hand, 352,927.83; U.S. bonds, 614,854.17; U.S. Treasury notes, 658,881.02; Customers' liabilities, 89,859.08; Letters of credit, 89,859.08; Total, \$3,032,052.89.

LIABILITIES. Capital used at this branch, \$200,000.00; Individual deposits, 15,019.43; Due to banks and banks, 492,157.12; Deposits, 1,792,265.84; Certified checks, 4,513.77; Drafts accepted under letters of credit as per contracts, 93,859.08; Due to head office and branches, 185,837.90; Total, \$3,032,052.89.

WASHOUTS KNOCK TRAIN SERVICE OUT

Seventeen Overland Sections Held Up Near Butte on Northern Pacific. (United Press Leased Wire.) Butte, Mont., June 2.—Seventeen overland trains on the Burlington and Northern Pacific railroads are held up today in this section by the most disastrous washouts in the history of the Northern Pacific railroad.

Notes From the Labor World

The International Association of Marble Workers will meet in annual convention in Lowell, Mass., June 2. The body has 292 branches located in various cities in the United States and Canada.

Women will not vote in Oregon soon, judging by the result on the equal suffrage amendment in Multnomah county. The vote of the single tax, and others went equally strong the other way.

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Stoned Suspended Bank. Cleveland, Ohio, June 2.—Driven to desperation by the closing of the doors of the private bank of Cetano Tiotto, and were about to force entrance to the place when the police arrived on the scene and responded to a riot call.

Polk 200 for Chamberlain. Dallas, Or., June 2.—Six precincts out of 13 precincts, unofficial give: Chamberlain 1,121; Calk 1,013; Hawley 1,082; Henry 25.

Spider's Great Appetite. The spider has a tremendous appetite which defies all human competition. A scientist who has carefully noted a spider's consumption of food in 24 hours concluded that if the spider were built proportionately to the human scale he would eat 200 times as much food as a man, by a young caterpillar, by a sheep, and would finish up with a pile of 200 birds.



Dress by Drusilla Drew. A charming rose cocktail luncheon event was held at the home of Mrs. Blanche Irbe Kofoid...

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