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Sen. Chamberlain Presents Bill Laying the Foundation for Equitable Settlement.

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Washington, Dec. 13.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL.)—In presenting a bill that eliminates speculation in the Oregon & California grant lands, at the same time recognizing the right of the state, the land grant counties and the national treasury to share in the proceeds from sales of valuable timber, Senator Chamberlain has laid the foundation for solution of the big Oregon land problem on a basis of recognition of all interests.

The bill recognizes the interest of the Southern Pacific in these lands as 25.50 an acre, and no more. It points out in its preamble that in the grant act of 1863 congress was authorized, having due regard for the rights of the railroad, to amend, alter or repeal the act making the grant. The bill of the Oregon senator proceeds under this authority to amend.

**Agricultural Land for Settlers.**

It provides the method whereby land suited for agriculture may reach the hands of actual settlers, as contemplated by the granting acts, and prescribes how the railroad, having broken the covenants of the grant, shall let go upon receiving 15 per cent of the proceeds from the sale of the acre to which it was limited by previous congressional legislation.

The Chamberlain bill, both as to its legal angle and the policy proposed, follows the line previously indicated in these dispatches as most likely to be regarded with favor by high administrative officials. It is thought that its main objective will have the approval of officials of the departments of justice and the interior.

After providing that title to the land shall be vested once more in the United States, the bill classifies the land in three classes. First are the mineral lands, including all tracts "chiefly valuable for mining purposes."

**Timber Lands Defined.**

Next are timber lands, defined as those that are non-mineral and have a growth of timber amounting to 1,000,000 feet to a quarter section. A quarter section is defined as any four contiguous 40 acre tracts, or any number of smaller legal subdivisions together containing approximately 15 per cent of the timber. This method will heavily timbered land to be classified as "timber land."

The third class comprises agricultural lands, including all land not classified as mineral or timber.

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Timber lands are not to be disposed of until the timber is removed, at which time they will automatically fall into the third class, that is, agricultural land.

**Timber May Be Sold.**

It is provided that timber may be sold for cash to citizens of the United States, or to associations or corporations, under sealed bids, upon notice given by the commissioner of the general land office, but "as soon after the approval of this act as may be." The commissioner will designate the areas to be sold from time to time.

Sales are to be made according to the smallest legal subdivision, bids to include one or more tracts, but where more than one tract is bid upon a separate offer must be made for each tract.

All bids are to go to the register and receiver of the land office of the district in which the land lies, and to be accompanied by certified checks equal to 10 per cent of the sum offered, and when bids are accepted, balance of purchase price is to be paid in 30 days.

The register and receiver are authorized to reject bids that are greater in amount than the land expressly reserved by their decision will be to the commissioner of the land office and after that to the secretary of the interior.

**Purchasers to Get Patents.**

Purchasers of the timber will be given patents therefor, in which title to the land will be expressly reserved. The timber is to be cut and removed at any time within discretion of the purchaser, his heirs or assigns, and pending removal the land will be in possession and control of the one who buys the timber.

Agricultural lands are made subject to entry at the local office under the homestead laws, no patent to issue until the land has been resided upon and cultivated for five years and until the settler has paid \$2.50 an acre, 50 cents at the time of making application, and \$2 at the time of proof. No entry to be for more than 160 acres, or for the benefit of any person other than the settler. Provision is made to insure the good faith of the entryman.

Agricultural land is not to be subject to entry for 90 days after passage of the act, and are then to go to the first qualified applicant appearing, provided that during this 90 day

period actual settlers on the land in December 1, 1916, shall have a preferred right to enter the lands upon which they have been residing, unless such land is found to be classifiable as timber land. All such entries to be subject to contest for fraud in their inception or for failure to comply with laws and regulations.

**Fees to Be Required.**

The usual fees are to be paid for entry of mineral and agricultural land. Timber purchasers are to be required to pay a commission of one-fifth of one per cent of the purchase price, to be divided equally between the register and receiver within the maximum salary limits allowed by law.

All money received from sales of either land or timber to go into the treasury of the United States, and a special fund designated "The Oregon and California Land Grant Fund, to be disposed of as follows:

The commissioner of the land office is directed to ascertain as soon as possible the exact number of acres un-sold on the day the attorney-general proceeds from sales are to be paid to the railroad until it has received \$2.50 an acre for each.

After the interest of the railroad has been fully satisfied, the remainder of the fund shall be divided as follows: "Forty per centum of said proceeds shall be paid to the state of Oregon for the purchase and support of public schools; 40 per centum shall be paid to the respective counties in which the lands are situated, to aid in the construction of bridges, and for such other public purposes as the county authorities may direct; and the remaining 20 per centum shall be deposited in the treasury of the United States to the credit of the United States."

Moneys from the land grant fund apportioned to the state of Oregon and to the counties are to be paid to the state treasurer or county treasurers, as the case may be, in annual payments upon the order of the land office, after the closing of each fiscal year during which the moneys were paid in.

The commissioner of the land office, under supervision of the secretary of the interior, is charged with the enforcement of the act. The making of any false statement in affidavits made under the act or regulations thereunder shall be deemed to be a misdemeanor and will incur the penalty of perjury.

**SALEM PROPERTY IS LEFT BY CLERGYMAN TO MISSION IN INDIA**

Deed to Property of Value of \$8000 Left in Trust Is Filed for Record.

Salem, Or., Dec. 13.—According to a deed filed in Salem, Hallelujah Mission, of Calcutta, India, becomes the owner of some of the property of Rev. and Mrs. E. P. Kyle, who died in Salem in October.

The property, which is located in Salem and is valued at \$8000, was deeded to Emma G. Eaton, a Nazarene missionary whose home is in Pasadena, Cal., in trust for the mission.

A deed for property in Salem for African missions of the Nazarene church was also executed but has not yet been recorded.

**Mistletoe Hunter Breaks Leg.**

Salem, Or., Dec. 13.—Roy J. Anderson sustained a broken leg yesterday afternoon while hunting for mistletoe about two and one-half miles from Salem, in Polk county. He slipped from a tree.

**Domestic Corporation Dissolved.**

Salem, Or., Dec. 13.—Circuit Judge Galloway has made an order dissolving the Donald Commercial bank, which filed articles of incorporation several years ago but did not engage in business. The suit was brought to clear the books of the corporation department.

**School Championship Undecided.**

Salem, Or., Dec. 13.—The football championship of Willamette valley

high schools rests with no school, following the action of Salem in withdrawing all claim to it and Albany in withdrawing a protest that had been filed against Salem's title. The protest was on the ground that Cecil Sarff, who played on the Capital city team, was ineligible because he was 22 years old when the rules provide that no one over 21 years should play.

**Boy Won't Be Submarine.**

Salem, Or., Dec. 13.—Sergeant W. B. Schuman, of the local marine recruiting office, has written a letter assuring Morris Kanue, of Colfax, Wash., that he will refuse to "employ or hire" submarine of the navy, as suggested by the boy's father. Kanue also asked the sergeant to "whale him within an inch of his life and send him home," but the sergeant cannot comply with the whaling part of it.

**Raspberries Ripen in December.**

Salem, Or., Dec. 13.—Further evidence that raspberries can be ripened in December was submitted yesterday

by Mrs. Effie Ostermann, 1140 Court street, in the shape of a branch holding 35 big ripe berries. Another crop was picked last fall.

**Mrs. Clara Morgan Dies.**

Salem, Or., Dec. 13.—Mrs. Clara Morgan, aged 89 years, died at her home, four and one-half miles north of Salem, yesterday. She is survived by her husband. She came from Kansas to Oregon.

**Youth Charged With Attempted Hold-Up**

Snohomish, Wash., Dec. 13.—(P. N. S.)—Millard Warner, son of P. W. H. Warner, of Snohomish, is in jail here today charged with attempting to hold up Dwight Pease, a former policeman. Pease asserts that young Warner, who is 15 years old, attempted to rob him Saturday night as he was carrying home his weekly pay check.

**MRS. ALICE MILLER OF LEBANON IS LAID IN FINAL RESTING PLACE**

Funeral Services Conducted From Baptist Church—Interment in Sand Ridge.

Lebanon, Or., Dec. 13.—The funeral of Mrs. Alice Miller, who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. Alexander, Wednesday night, was conducted from the Baptist church Friday afternoon, Rev. R. F. Jameson officiating. Following the services the body

was interred in the Sand Ridge cemetery near the former home southwest of this city.

Mrs. Miller was born January 17, 1863, in Gallatin, Missouri, and came to Oregon in early childhood with her parents, settling in Coos county.

In 1882 she was married to Chas. H. Miller of Linn county. Following her husband's death in 1907 she made her home with her three daughters, who are Mrs. W. Alexander and Mrs. Ray Hicks of this city, and Mrs. Jerome Harrington of Portland.

**Ship Fir Trees South.**

Lebanon, Or., Dec. 13.—Seymour Washburn left here Thursday afternoon for Los Angeles, where he has done to dispose at retail of a carload of young fir trees for the Oregon Evergreen Tree company.

**Will Organize Trap Club.**

Aberdeen, Wash., Dec. 13.—Game Warden Essee is directing plans for the holding of a trap shoot on the Country club grounds December 31. It is planned on that day to organize the Grays Harbor Trap Shoot club.

**It's an Altogether Different Christmas When There's Music**

And So Easy Now to Make This the Most Memorable Christmas of All

Ever so many latest and best player pianos to be had actually at half price. All others, as well as baby grands and uprights, enormously reduced in the great consolidation sale now in progress.

Shelves full of fine violins, guitars, mandolins, etc., at less than wholesale prices; sheet music, studies, folios, etc., except a few contract price goods, most radically underpriced. A sale conducted in two places at the same time.

THE reasons for this great selling have been frankly stated heretofore.

Three great music house stocks are to be consolidated in one place. To do this a vast number of pianos and all sorts of musical instruments and musical merchandise must be disposed of.

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This is a music sale without precedent. There are used upright pianos at \$90 apiece, and several slightly used genuine bungalow player pianos, Autopiano player pianos and Weber pianola pianos are to be had at exactly half price. Payments of \$40 every three months secures them; in fact every reasonable offer as to terms will be cordially entertained; payments of \$10 per month will buy almost any one of the many fine instruments, and free music rolls supplied with every player piano in this sale.

We will ship pianos, player pianos and other instruments anywhere, and we unreservedly guarantee.

**"I'm Buying Just One Christmas Gift, But It Is for the Whole Family."**

**"I've Arranged for a Christmas Gift That Everybody at Home Will Delight In, Not Only on Christmas Morning When It Is Delivered, But on Every Day and Evening for Years Afterwards."**



"For our Christmas I have arranged for a modern Player Piano at Eilers Music House. We shall all enjoy ourselves. The boys can play and learn music. The girls will all play and study music, too. I can play and so can mother. We can have all the music we want whenever we want it. We won't beg anybody to play even so much as an accompaniment. With the new style music rolls we can all get around the piano and sing the old songs and the late ones, too, and, by the way, I think I have a song or two left yet myself.

"The Player Piano will help keep the boys and girls at home, too. They'll get up a song fest of their own any time they feel like it. They can kick the rugs out of the way and pile the furniture into the hall and have a dance if they want to. They'll invite their beaux and sweethearts in and we'll all have a good time. What's a home for, anyway? Ours is going to be a real home with plenty of music in it after this—it's been a house long enough.

"The Player Piano is coming for our Christmas. My goodness; I can hardly wait myself for the day to come. The Eilers people will deliver it on the minute I know, because I know they did so last year in the homes of several friends of ours.

"We couldn't get ours last year, but things are looking better for us all, now, and the prices in this consolidation sale proposition of Eilers and Graves are so low now that anybody almost can afford one.

"I can't imagine anything to give so much pleasure and entertainment to the boys and girls and even to granddaddy and to myself and to my wife as a Player Piano.

"No, mine is not a Chickering, nor one of those costly De Luxe Player Pianos that they advertise, but mine will do all that their high-priced players will do, and it is well made and well finished, and it only cost \$385.

"I gave them a deposit of \$15 and have the privilege of paying the balance at \$10 or more a month. No need of taking any money out of the bank. It is the best Christmas and the most economical Christmas ever. We got quite a bundle of music rolls, too, and will buy a few more every Saturday or so."

Don't imagine the above is merely a theoretical conversation. It is exactly what a well known grocery man said yesterday. You had better drop in at Eilers Music House, or at Graves Music Co., any morning or any evening and arrange your Christmas the same way. Depend upon it, it will make a real old-fashioned "Merry Christmas."



**PEOPLE OF RENOWN**

You can have quite a number of important people at your home on Christmas day; in fact, you can have a company of distinguished people such as was never possible before in the history of the world.

These people will entertain you in royal fashion. They will sing, play, recite, make a speech, and all of these things in a manner not surpassed.

If you want the vaudevillians you might have Blanche Ring, Billy Williams, Montgomery and Stone, Harry Lauder and a hundred more. You can have all of the great band leaders or all of the great grand opera artists, or if you want singers from the concert platform, here are Evan Williams, Alma Gluck,

Emma Eames, Gaski, Riccardo Martin, John McCormack and a hundred more. A modern phonograph does it.

**Music Room With No Music**

This is not a joke. There are dozens of homes in Portland that have fine music rooms, with no music in them. There are hundreds of pianos in Portland that might be sold.

just as well be boxed up so far as the music they give is concerned. There are thousands of men in Portland who have music in their souls and who have never had time to get it into their fingers. These good people can now arrange to exchange their almost useless pianos for one that will produce, not only music, but the finest kind of music, and that with but little practicing on the part of the operator.

It will be good news for all that such an exchange can be made without any serious loss to themselves, and that the cash "difference" may be spread over a period of three years if desired and that one need not touch the "Christmas" money at all if the exchange is made as suggested.



**A Sale of Violins**

This Maggini model violin, double purfling, full ebony trimmed, excellent finish, powerful and sweet tone, makers' certified instruments, model No. 600, made to sell for \$20. Only 19 of these fine instruments remain at a price far below the real value. While the supply lasts you can get them for \$6.80 apiece.

None to dealers and only one to each buyer. Mail orders filled if received before Thursday. Either store consolidation sale.

**GRAVES**

151 Fourth, at Morrison EILERS Building

**HALL FOR RENT**

Eilers Recital Hall, in Eilers building, for private and public meetings; seats 265 people, equipped with organ, grand piano, phonograph; rates and open dates upon application. Building Manager, third floor.

**Music Rolls Make Fine Gifts**

If you know some friend who is lucky enough to own a player piano your gift problem is as simple as the proverbial "A B C." Buy a few rolls of music. It would take columns of this newspaper to give you all the information. There are 25,000 different selections to choose amongst. And the prices range from 10 cents to \$1.75.

You can find just the thing in a few minutes or you can telephone

**Main 1433, Graves**

—OR—

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**The Best Yet! Our Christmas Phonograph Offer**

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The Supreme Achievement in Supplying Greatest Talking Machine Value at



**There Are Dozens of Other Records Included, FREE**

A tone not excelled by any \$200 instrument. A finish as fine as the costliest models—as shown in illustration, including everything complete, all for the low price of **\$87.60**

A splendid variety of records is included free; also a record album and a beautifully bound volume explaining and illustrating the principal grand and other operas, oil can, record brush, needles; free delivery at any time you say. All sold on our New Easy Payment Plan—one year's time in which to pay.

Telephone or write, or better still, call at once and let us reserve one of these or one of any other make or type ranging in price from \$10 to \$500.

**Eilers Music House**

Phonograph Headquarters, Second Floor.

**18 POUNDS OF BLOOD**

is the average quantity in a healthy adult, but it is the quality of the blood that determines our strength to resist sickness. With weak blood we find cold hands and chilly feet; in children an aversion to study, and in adults rheumatic tendencies.

In changing seasons get abundant fresh air and take Scott's Emulsion after meals, because Scott's Emulsion is a rich blood-food that will increase the quality of the blood while it warms the body and helps carry off the impurities.

When multitudes of people are today taking Scott's Emulsion to avert winter sickness, and are giving it to their children, you should not neglect its benefits. Look out for substitutes.

Scott & Bowne, Elmfield, N. J.

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**School Teachers Attend Institute**

Thirty-five Are Told at Oak Grove How to Teach Practical Agriculture in the Public Schools.

Oregon City, Or., Dec. 12.—Thirty-five Clackamas county teachers attended the local institute at Oak Grove Saturday afternoon and evening. The principal address was given by F. B. Guthrie, principal of the Estacada schools. He told "How to Teach Practical Agriculture in District Schools." Others who spoke were Lewis Reece, Clara M. Landon and Mina B. Hubbs.

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