

GOVERNMENT WILL APPEAL DECISION

After Eight Years Southern Pacific Wins Suit Involving Oil Lands Producing Millions.

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 29.—Counsel for the government indicated today it would seek an appeal from the decision last night of Federal Judge Bledsoe which dismissed the six consolidated suits of the government involving immense oil holdings of the Southern Pacific.

The government alleged the Southern Pacific obtained 163,000 acres of oil-bearing lands in the San Joaquin valley through fraud on affidavits alleging them to be agricultural. The lands are valued at \$421,000,000.

Judge Bledsoe held that the government failed to sustain the fraud charge. He cited the following points:

The government surveyor had returned the lands as non-mineral bearing. For several years the Southern Pacific sold the lands at prices ranging from \$2.50 to \$5 an acre.

The big suit was begun eight years ago. For some years the Southern Pacific produced 10,000,000 barrels of oil annually from the land involved.

Judge Bledsoe heard all the evidence in person, in hearings held at San Francisco, New York, Washington, Los Angeles and Fresno. Sixteen thousand pages of testimony were taken.

The government contended that the Southern Pacific obtained patents on the land as non-mineral bearing with actual knowledge on the part of its officers that the land was rich in oil and non-patentable.

Sammons Advocates Preparedness; But Is Against the League

Colonel E. C. Sammons, Portland, who saw much active service in the Meuse-Argonne and other battles of the world war, declared strongly for military preparedness in an address before the Progressive Businessmen's club, Thursday afternoon, at the Benson hotel. He said that he was one of the members of the American expeditionary force does not favor the League of Nations because, first, the soldiers got enough of fighting, and second, they do not like the prospect of being called for police duty to quell troubles in foreign lands.

"The only glory of war was when we sighted again the shores of America," he declared, and again, "one of the doughboys wrote a volume when he in-

Mother Bear Kills Tourist Who Tried To Rescue Her Cub

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 28.—(U. P.)—An unknown tourist was killed by a mother bear near the Old Faithful Geysers hotel, Yellowstone National park, according to tourists arriving here.

The dead man attempted to extricate a cub which had been caught with its head in an old can on a garbage dump, the report says. The mother objected and crushed in his skull.

scribed on the side of a car, "We've paid our debt to Lafayette, who in h— do we owe now?"

Frank B. Upshaw presided.

Gov. Olcott Invites Prince of Wales to Make Oregon Visit

Salem, Or., Aug. 28.—The Prince of Wales has been formally invited to include Oregon in his tour of the United States. Governor Olcott, acting upon the request of the Portland chamber of commerce, Thursday telegraphed to Secretary of State Lansing asking that he present the invitation from the state of Oregon to the British prince.

The governor's telegram to Lansing read as follows:

"May I have the honor through you of extending from the state of Oregon an invitation to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, to make Oregon and the Pacific Northwest a part of his itinerary on his visit through the United States? Will you assure His Royal Highness that no adequate conception of the glories of America may be obtained without a glimpse of this wonderful on the Pacific Coast?"

Theatrical Strike Spreading in East

New York, Aug. 29.—(U. P.)—Stage hands and chorus girls in the Hippodrome struck just before Thursday evening's performance of "Happy Days" and the world's biggest theatre turned away through who held tickets. The Hippodrome is the twenty-third theatre to go dark through strikes here.

Prowler Disappears in Dark

Patrolman Lothrop found a jemmied window at the Lunette soft drink establishment, Ninth and Penders streets, at 1:30 this morning after he had seen a man hurry away from the place and disappear in the darkness. Nothing was molested, however. The policeman picked up a heavy chisel with which the break was attempted.

LOCAL ORPHANS MAKE MERRY AS GUESTS AT OAKS AMUSEMENT PARK

400 Happy Youngsters Partake Bountifully of Varied Entertainment and Many Good Things

Happy youngsters—more than 400 of them—took the Oaks amusement park by storm Thursday afternoon and set up a miniature kingdom of youth to carry out a highly interesting program arranged for the entertainment of the inmates of Portland's several homes for orphans, under the direction of John F. Cordray, veteran park manager, and a committee of Portland women, headed by Mrs. A. R. Mattingley.

From stem to stern of the amusement park the little folks made merry in visiting every concession along The Trail, from the chutes to the miniature railway, on the tiny cars of which the fatherless and motherless children had the time of their lives. The happy party missed nothing, and nothing was left undone that would provide enter-

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tainment for them. They held forth in a special section of the park, auditorium to witness a performance of "A Jolly Widow," by the Armstrong Polly company.

On cars provided by the P. R. L. & P. Co., the children were carried to and from the homes of the city, spending the entire afternoon at the park. During the afternoon bountiful refreshments provided by Portland firms were served to the children. These included cookies, cakes, candies and ice cream cones, supplied generously by such firms as the Tru-Blue Biscuit company, the Pacific Coast Biscuit company, the Hazelwood, the Westberry, Mount Hood and White Glover Ice Cream companies and the Pacific Coast Ice Cream Cone company, which supplied 1900 cones.

"The day was a success throughout," Mrs. Mattingley declared today. "The women who had charge of the affair were untiring in their efforts, and the park management cooperated in every way to carry out the plans inspired by Manager Cordray. Cordray said that never before in the history of the Oaks had it held such a happy and successful gathering."

Among the homes for orphans represented were: The South Portland Children's Home, the Neighborhood House, the Flower Mission and the Boys' and Girls' Aid society.

On the committee of which Mrs. Mattingley was chairman were: Mrs. G. J. Frankel, Mrs. Alva Lee Stephens, Mrs. Charles Billington, Mrs. W. I. Swank, Mrs. A. F. Fiegel, Mrs. C. J. Devereaux, Mrs. Bruce Horsfall, Mrs. E. J. Stiel, Mrs. J. F. Kelley, Mrs. Edward Palmer and Mrs. A. Bailey, each of whom took an active part in entertaining the children.

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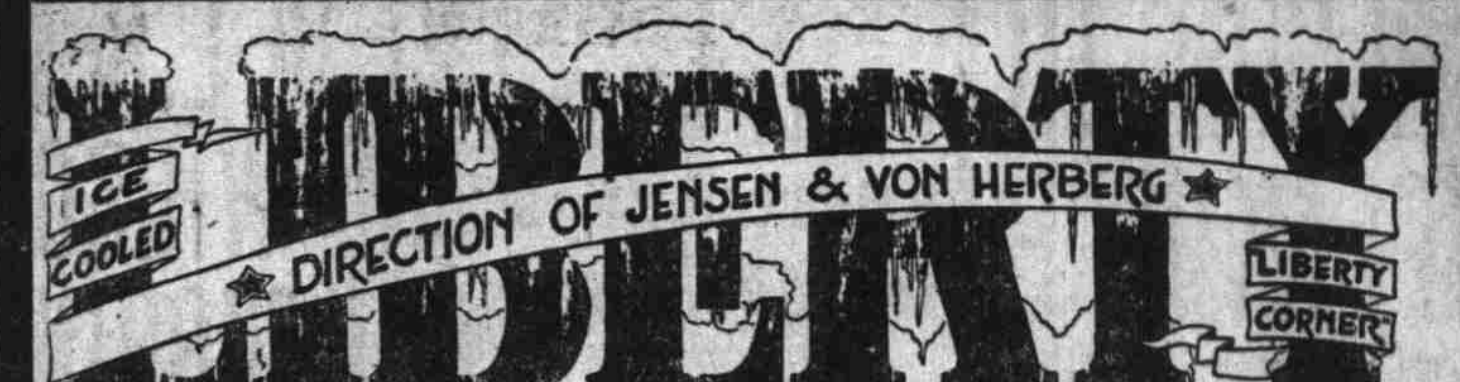


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