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SOUTHERN PACIFIC'S BAD PREDICAMNET

The edict of the supreme court that the Southern Pacific and Central Pacific properties must be separated is a body blow to the Southern Pacific company, and unless there is some modification to the court order the effect will be far reaching.

To the uninitiated, it is a little bit difficult to understand just why it has been necessary to maintain the Central Pacific organization during the past 22 years. The stock is owned by the Southern Pacific and so are the bonds, making in reality one property owned by two distinct corporations, and so intermingled that to separate them would in effect be like selling a leg or two and possibly some of the ribs of a horse and then attempting to operate it by two owners. For instance, from Portland to the California line, it is Southern Pacific; from the California line south for a hundred miles or so, it is Central Pacific; the Sacramento shops, the largest in the west, are Central property; the Natron cutoff, extending from Weed into the Klamath country with Eugene as he eventual destination, is a Central proposition.

According to the supreme court order all of the Central Pacific property must be sold, and if this is carried out it means that it must pass to competing ownership and physical separation of the two properties.

While the lease of the Central Pacific became operative 37 years ago, the supreme court holds that it became void when the Sherman act was passed several years subsequent to that time, on the ground that the Sunset route on the south is competitive with the Ogden route on the north.

Both have in reality been operated as one system with no possible view that they would ever be separated so that to do so at this time would be the biggest and perhaps the gravest problem in the history of railway affairs.

Receivership for this gigantic system would mean stagnation until the project is finally adjudicated and this might take years.

The selection of E. E. Paddock as chairman of the Polk county republican organization is recognition of long and faithful party service on the part of Mr. Paddock.

SOCIAL AFFAIRS OF THE PAST WEEK

Miss Katherine Arbuthnot was hostess for a delightful "afternoon" on Saturday last, her guests being about 25 student teachers who have taught under her supervision during the past school year. Several entertaining games had been planned by the hostess, which with music and conversation passed the hours most pleasantly. Miss Arbuthnot served a delicious lunch just before her guests returned to Monmouth.

On Friday evening last the Auction Bridge club packed baskets, with plans for a picnic across the river, but the weather man decided otherwise and it had to be an indoor affair. The Woman's club room was tented for the occasion and after the serving of a delicious dinner, several games of bridge were played. This being the last meeting of the club for the year, scores were added and the winners for the past winter, Mrs. Asa B. Robinson and A. L. Thomas, were given seats of honor. Guests of the club were: Misses DeVore, Arbuthnot, Burroughs, Houx, Mrs. Madge Gaston and daughter of Portland, Mrs. Glenn Oakley of Roanoke, Vir., Lee Robinson.

The home of Mrs. McHenry Smith on F street was the scene of a pleasant family party on Sunday last, when Mrs. Smith celebrated her 77th birthday. The occasion was the more enjoyable because of the fact that several members of the family has been separated for some time. Herbert Smith, a son, and Mrs. Roy Bingman, a daughter, who with her husband and three children has been residing at Filer, Idaho, have recently returned to Independence, and enjoyed the day with their mother. Ernest Smith and wife of Salem were also present, Mr. Smith being a state employe in that city. A well filled dinner table with covers laid for nine, absorbed the attention of the family for some time and was followed by a pleasant afternoon on the broad veranda. Mrs. Smith, whose 77 years rest lightly upon her, is a great lover of flowers and passes much time at work in her garden, the many beautiful blossoms giving proof of her skill and care. Altho having reared a family of 10 children, Mrs. Smith lives most of the time alone and keeps the home as a "central station" where the children may come when the occasion permits.

Complimenting Mrs. W. J. Clark, previous to her departure for Forest Grove, Mrs. George Carbray delightfully entertained a number of ladies at her home Monday afternoon. During the afternoon little Naomi Hewett, with Miss Opal Hewett as accompanist, sang "Peggy O'Neil,"

responding to an encore with a selection which pleased her hearers equally as well. Mrs. Claire Irvine by request, sang "Mother Machree," always a favorite and doubly so when sung by Mrs. Irvine. A portion of the afternoon was passed on the shady lawn where a delicious lunch was served at tables seating four. Guests were: Mrs. Clark, honor guest, Mesdames Hibbs, Hays, Thomas, Robinson, W. H. Walker, Claire Irvine, Davis, Ellen Davis, Kimball, Conkey, O'Rourke, Mattison, Hewett, Childs and Miss Childs.

The Woman's club held its annual election of officers Wednesday afternoon, the following officers being elected: President, Mrs. Edwin Nissen; vice president, Mrs. Sherman Hays; secretary, Mrs. Thomas Clifford; treasurer, Mrs. J. S. Robbie. Mrs. Asa B. Robinson, who went as the club's delegate to the State federation at Tillamook, gave an interesting report of the meeting. This is the last meeting of the club until fall.

Miss Prudence Gray entertained a number of her girl friends with an afternoon party at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. A. J. Richardson, Monday afternoon. The young people enjoyed games on the shady lawn and did full justice to the dainty lunch served by Mrs. Gray in the dining room. Guests present were Vesta May Townsend, Helen Byers, Helen Knott, Naomi Hewett, Luella Reynolds, Alice Skinner and Evelyn Davis.

Mrs. John Dickinson was hostess for a delightful afternoon on Wednesday last with Mrs. W. J. Clark as honor guest. The rooms were lavishly decorated with roses, huge bouquets of these fragrant beauties filling every available nook. After a pleasant afternoon of conversation and fancy work the guests were invited into the dining room, where Mrs. Dickinson served a delicious luncheon. Here, as in the living room the roses were everywhere in evidence, a bowl of beautiful La France buds and blossoms forming the center piece on the dining table. Guests were: Mrs. Clark, honor guest, Mesdames Hibbs, Thomas, Porterfield, Kutch, Eakin, Childs, Davis, and Misses Childs, DeVore and Burroughs.

HIRAM WOOD TIES KNOT AT 56th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert McElroy celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary at their home a short distance east of Salem Sunday, June 11th. Mr. and Mrs. McElroy are respectively 75 and 73 years old, and were married June 7th 1866, in Fulton county, Ill., and came to Oregon in 1883. Three children were born to this union: George, William and Charlie, all residing in Salem, and seven grand-children, and seven great grand-children. Both Mr. and Mrs. McElroy are retired ministers of the gospel, having spent a great many years in the service and in spite of their advanced ages still take an active part in religious affairs.

Besides the members of the family many relatives and friends gathered to join with them in celebrating the happy occasion, in all about 40 people were present. George Curfman, brother of Mrs. McElroy, who is now in his 80th year, together with his granddaughter, Miss Ferne Curfman, came all the way from Illinois to join in the celebration. Mr. Curfman has the distinction of being the oldest employe in point of service of the T. R. & W. R. R., having spent 49 years of continuous service without a request for pass or foreign line or layoff. Mr. Curfman is also a veteran of the Civil war, having served four years in the union army and was during that time 138 days under fire, engaging in many important battles including Vicksburg, Shilo, and he saw action in all the confederate states, except Texas and Florida.

After an excellent dinner, the company greatly enjoyed several musical selections rendered by the different members of the McElroy family, several of whom are accomplished musicians. They were ably assisted on the violin by Mr. Fox, a neighbor. The wedding ceremony was again solemnized with Hiram Wood of Independence officiating.

Among the relatives present were: Mrs. Stella Hamer, Mr. and Mrs. Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. L. Norton, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Patterson, George Curfman, Mrs. Marshal Suver and daughter Nora, Miss Ferne Curfman, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. McElroy, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McElroy, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Singer, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McElroy, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Pettyjohn.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Knowlton of Salem, district supervisors of the Yeomen, attended a meeting of the Independence organization Wednesday night. At the conclusion of the work, there was a social session and refreshments were served.

117 GRADUATE FROM NORMAL

Exercises Marking Close of Year's Work Are Nicely Carried Out.

Monmouth—The concluding exercises of commencement week were held Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock when 117 members of the senior class were awarded the standard normal diploma. The commencement address was given by Dr. E. O. Sisson of Reed college who spoke on "The Education of an American Citizen." Dr. Sisson said he considered teaching the most important of all the professions. "We have just begun to realize in this country the truth of Plato's statement: Education is the principal business of the state," he said. "The most important thing to teach is the meaning of American citizenship. There has been too much loose talk about '100 percent Americanism'; we must have more real, human, vital, spiritual, Americanism in our schools," said Dr. Sisson. He deplored the short length of service of the average teacher and urged the graduates to stay with the profession. A teacher in his fifth year is merely on the threshold of his real power and ability, he said.

Musical selections were rendered by the normal school glee club, under the direction of Miss Helen Moore, and by Mrs. J. S. Landers, soprano. A total of 164 students have been graduated during the year. In addition to these one hundred have been granted elementary teaching certificates.

Last Chapel Exercises
The last chapel exercises of the year, held Tuesday morning, were attended by many alumni and friends of the normal. The principal number on the program was an address by President Landers on the significance of the chapel hour, in which he stressed its devotional character. Mr. Landers explained that the normal, like most private institutions and some state schools, has regular devotional exercises. He said: "There can be no success in teaching without the fundamentals of Christianity. Human life is a unity, and we cannot educate and omit the religious side. Every normal being is irrevocably religious. Some men do not seem to fit into the religious scheme, but it is because they did not try. Your religion is not measured by what you believe, but by what you do. The best religion is the one that makes you the happiest, strongest and most useful."

Talks were made by W. G. Beattie representing the faculty, by Mr. Kratz '87 for the alumni, and by Miss Dorothy Taylor for the juniors, and Miss Leone Barger for the seniors.

Attractive music was furnished by the normal glee club, and Miss Aldrich sang beautifully. A considerable portion of the program was given over to student exercises and consisted of original class and school songs, presentation of the key in a unique stunt, and concluding exercises on the quadrangle of the campus. In these the pergola in front of the laundry plant was presented to the school by the seniors and the bird bath by the student body.

Literary Numbers Given
An interesting program was given in the afternoon by Miss Godbold's class in literary interpretation. The numbers were given: "Where Ignorance is Bliss," Mary Geor, "From a Far Country," Lavina Galloway; "Cy Whitaker's Ward," Florence Boire; Poems, Katherine Peterson; "Out to Noev' House," Catherine Enright; "Furniture an Apartment," John Dickson. The poems in dialect given by Miss Peterson and John Dickson's number were particularly well given. Miss Helen Michelson pleased with a vocal solo, "Cradle Song," and "Angels' Serenade" (Braes) was beautifully rendered by Edith Griffiths (cornet), Gertrude Roger (violin), and Jennie Peterson (piano).

FRANK C. PATTERSON

Frank C. Patterson, whose death occurred at Salem on June 2nd, while enroute from his home at Twin Falls, Idaho, to Dallas to attend the Patterson family reunion, was a former Polk county resident. He was 56 years old, a son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Patterson of Independence. He had resided at Twin Falls for the past three years and was in the employ of the H. F. Norton company. He was taken ill at Salem with pneumonia, and death ensued after only a few days' illness.

Beside his father and mother, Mr. Patterson is survived by a wife and small son, eight brothers and one sister.

Burial was made in the Odd Fellows cemetery at Independence.

RECITAL BY PUPILS MRS. LOTTIE HEDGES M'INTOSH AT M. E. CHURCH

The pupils of Mrs. Lottie Hedges McIntosh will give a recital at the First M. E. church, Thursday evening, June 22nd, at 8 o'clock. The program:

PART I		
Piano (Six Hands): "Yellow Jonquils"	Johanning	
Bessie Plessinger, Alice Baker, Muriel Wilson		
Vocal Solo: (a) "The Friendly Star"	Minturn	
(b) "Kitty Mine"	Old English	
(c) "Oats and Beans"	Miensner	
Harry Goldman		
Piano Solo: "Woodbine Schottische"	Strenbogg	
Ethel Hennagin		
Piano Solo: "Butterfly Band"	Rowe	
Dale Wood		
Piano Solo: "May Basket Party"	Emerson	
Britta Burch		
Piano Solo: "Over the Top"	Rolfe	
Horace Clark		
Vocal Solo: "There are Fairies at the bottom of our garden"	Lehmann	
Evelyn Maille		
Piano Solo: "Imps and Fairies"	Wolpaw	
Helen Knott		
Piano Solo: "At the Races"	Anthony	
Carroll Smith		
Piano Solo: "Flittings of the Past"	Kinkel	
Dorothy Ray		
Vocal Solo: "Just a Little House of Love"	Wood	
Margaret Zielesch		
Piano Solo: "Mazurka Caprice"	Cesana	
Lucille Cooke		
Piano Solo: "Galop de Concert"	Blake	
Evelyn Kurte		
Trio: "Song of the Sea-shell"	Rowe	
Dorothy Wood (Violin) Winona Wood (Saxophone)		
Dale Wood (Piano)		
PART II		
Vocal: "The Valley of Switzerland"	Wilmotte	
Sunshine Chorus		
Piano Solo: "Harp at Midnight"	Aubert	
Lennie Burch		
Piano Solo: "Voice of Spring"	Anthony	
Rosa Chamberlain		
Piano Solo: (a) "Happy Meadow Lark"	Cesana	
(b) "Finger Frolics"	Ludwig	
Evelyn Maille		
Piano Solo: "Wood Nymphs Revels"	Cesana	
Helen Plessinger		
Vocal Solo: (a) "The Gypsy Trail"	Galloway	
(b) "Love Sends a Gift of Roses"	Openshaw	
Lola Morgan		
Piano Solo: "The Butterfly"	Merkel	
Mary Lou Myers		
Piano Solo: "Nearer My God to Thee" (Variations)	Lewis	
Mila Grant		
Trula Grant		
Muriel Wilson		
Violin Solo: (a) "Narcissus"	Nevin	
(b) "Oriental"	Cui	
Ruth Dickinson		
Piano Solo: "Maiden's Dream"	Heins	
Maude McEldowney		
Piano Solo: "Song of the Swallows"	Bohn	
Alice Baker		
Piano Solo: "Dance of the Stars"	Godard	
Ruth Tetherow		
Piano Solo: (a) "Grotesque March"	Sinding	
(b) "Buona Notte"	Nevin	
Bessie Plessinger		

WEEK'S DOINGS IN HIGHLAND COUNTRY

Paul Scott came near having a serious accident last week, when one of his horses dragged him across the yard and into the stable. In unharassing, his foot became caught in the harness and the horse suddenly starting, gave him no chance of freeing himself. However, he was not seriously hurt.

Several attended the Odd Fellows picnic in Rickreall on Saturday. The cloudy and cold weather kept many home and the attendance was small compared with past years. Those noticed from here were D. P. Stapleton and family, Hattie Jones, C. B. Forbes and the McElmurrys.

Mr. and Mrs. Gale Alexander, Mrs. Rose Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stapleton and son were guests of an uncle in Salem Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. McElmurry and son, Henry, attended a large sale south of Salem on Wednesday.

J. Jones and Charles Bennett are members of a brass band which was recently organized at Monmouth.

The berry season is on and pickers can be seen in the strawberry patches of L. C. Rulifson, J. Jones, and Fred Featherstone. The season will be shorter this year on account of lack of rain, but the berries are fine.

An invitation is extended through the Highland Sewing club to all farmers and their families in this community to join in a tour to the Oregon Agricultural college, June 17th. This tour is conducted by the Polk County Farmers' union. They assemble at Monmouth at 9 a. m. and pass through Independence en route to Corvallis. Each family is to carry a lunch and coffee will be furnished by the college, where a big feed will be participated in at noon. The program consists of crop work to be observed, horticulture and soils.

Last Saturday, a party of fishermen went over to the Siletz for the week end. They were Howard House, James Stapleton, Oscar Peterson of Parker, and a friend from Monmouth.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Rulifson entertained on Sunday the former's parents and sister from Salem.

The Jack Stapletons and Gail Alexanders, with Mrs. Rose Evans and Don Dickinson are planning a five day trip to Pacific City in the near future.

George Dickinson and family started Thursday morning for Washington to visit Mrs. Dickinson's sister.

Mrs. Rose Evans will spend next week with her son and family in Albany.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Schneider were Joe Berry and family of Hopville Mr. Amlicott of the Mountain States Power company of Independence. Mr. Berry is driving a new car.

Miss Mae Clemo, who has been teaching at The Dalles during the last year, is here to spend her vacation at the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. F. S. Clemo.

C. A. McLaughlin went to Portland yesterday to attend the funeral of the late Jules Pineus.

W. B. Huggins, Art Black, Dean Craven and Karl Kolb left Sunday night on a fishing trip to the Deschutes country.

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