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JUDGE WOLVERTON'S DECISION.

Probably no suit of recent years has been watched with more interest than that of the United States against the Oregon & California railroad, which was recently decided by Judge Wolverton in favor of the government.

The case involves the title to 2,373,000 acres of land in Oregon. This land was granted by act of congress at various times to the company on certain conditions. These conditions the railroad company (now known as the Southern Pacific) has failed to meet or has broken in various ways.

The decision of Judge Wolverton is not final as the case will be appealed to the United States court and it may be some time before it is finally settled.

It is hoped the outcome will show that the railroads do not own either the government or the people.

The Right View.

"I view the state of Oregon as a large business proposition," said Ben W. Olcott, the new secretary of state. "If private business cannot be conducted where harmony does not exist, no more can public business."

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THE DRAW-BRIDGE CASE.

People generally in the county have been very much interested in the efforts of the county court to lessen the inconvenience to bridge traffic by prescribing certain closed periods for the bridges across the Willamette. These periods were chosen in the morning and evening when traffic was heaviest on the bridges.

The county authorities and the government officials have come somewhat into conflict in the matter and to settle some questions suit was brought against Judge Cleeton and the county compelling them to keep the river traffic always open.

The case has just been decided by Judge Bean in the Federal court. The decision seems to be against Judge Cleeton. Of course, the government is not going to surrender any of its rights either specifically or implied no matter much the public is inconvenienced.

The county court, however, believes that while it has lost a technical point, that of prescribing a closed period, has in reality gained considerable by the decision of Judge Bean. It believes it is given the right to refuse to open the draw to boats if the traffic on the bridge warrants it.

The situation, even with this privilege, is growing more and more intense every day, as both the river and the street traffic are rapidly increasing.

The ultimate solution of the problem is doubtless one or more tunnels under the river.

The cutting of burned cedar poles has become quite an industry in Coos and Curry counties. Last year an experimental order was given for the burned over piling by the Santa Fe railroad. The timber was found to be satisfactory and there is a big demand for it. There are large quantities of burned over cedar in the forests of the coast counties and it has been found still serviceable even 40 years after the trees were killed by fire.

The Oregon Mining Congress, that meets in Portland May 16-18, will bring together a large number of men interested in this industry. Many parts of the west will be represented. It is intended to arouse greater interest in mining, an activity that has been neglected to a considerable extent in this state.

The signs of awakening among Portland suburbs are very noticeable. Mt. Scott district is planning for three floats in the Rose Festival parade. Secretary F. W. Jobleman, of the Civic league, says that Mt. Scott people have awakened as never before to the importance of making an elaborate showing. Our plans are so far arranged so that Mt. Scott certainly will be placed on the map. We have the people and the enthusiasm and hope to equal, if not eclipse, any of the suburbs of the city.

A new alignment of good roads forces was made during the past week at a meeting in Portland when steps were taken to organize a state wide good roads association with county branches. The former Oregon good roads association was dissolved, after all its affairs had been wound up. By means of the organization it is expected to secure co-operation throughout Oregon to accomplish its objects. Sentiment for good roads legislation will be aroused.

The Appeal, a newsy little paper which has just started in Milwaukee, Oregon, by S. A. Thomas, appears for the first time among our exchanges. The Outlook wishes Bro. Thomas success in his new undertaking.

THE WORK OF REFORM

Edited by Rev. F. M. Burch.

Real estate in and around Gresham is evidently "looking up." Has it ever occurred to you how, when a prospective buyer is in sight, while great emphasis is always placed upon our material advantages and our churches and schools; no mention is ever made of our saloons? I wonder why?

Eastern land buyers are investing where the best schools are to be found, where strong churches exist, where the moral atmosphere is cleanest; but their interest in a locality always wanes in proportion to the number of saloons it contains. Why?

They know that their children will be safer, taxes will be lower, business will be better, life will be more pleasant in a locality that is without saloons, and long ago they learned why.

Shall the W. C. T. U. be Revived? What has befallen the W. C. T. U. organization of Gresham? The brewery forces are still at work, the barrels arrive in our little town regularly, the vendors of intoxicants still hold forth at the old stands; but our little temperance organization is sleeping.

Cannot something be done to awakening a new interest in the organization? The Woman's Christian Temperance union has been one of the greatest factors in the great temperance reform movement which is steadily smothering the brewery fires of our land. The struggle still needs the women of Gresham.

There is an attendance of bright faced boys and girls at our public schools which might well be the pride of our citizens; but a large per cent of those boys will have to go to the bad and a great many of those girls will be compelled to lead unhappy lives of the drunkard's mill will have to close its doors, for want of a grist. How many boys, can you spare from your home?

Under any circumstances, mothers, you cannot afford to evade your responsibility in regard to the liquor traffic. The fight is growing in intensity with each year and the battle is not won until King Alcohol is completely dethroned. You are needed more today than ever before.

Wet Prosperity.

With apologies to the "hogs and corn" jingle.
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To buy more rum
To make more drunks."

Guaranteed Eggs.

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Poultry Notes.

It is claimed there is no dead capital in the poultry business. This is true provided the poultryman keeps everything up to a high state of efficiency. As in any other business there should be nothing that is not paying a profit, however small.

A little flaxseed mixed with the morning meal will make the plumage shine.

Milk is excellent for laying hens, as it contains the constituents of the white of eggs.

Whitewash is better than paint on the poultry house for the reason that it costs less and has a purifying influence as well.

It pays to feed the young fowls liberally until well grown. Once stunted and they never regain their vigor even by the most careful feeding.

If an abundance of good sharp grit is constantly within range of the fowl the many ailments that spring from indigestion may be prevented.

One bad egg is enough to lose a good customer.

Poultry for the orchard and the orchard for poultry.

Tarred paper in the nest boxes will keep out lice.

It is harvest time all the year round in the poultry yard.

The male hatched from an egg of the best-laying hen is likely to produce a strain of layers.

Young men and old men, too, should learn the truth that the only real, lasting pleasure in life comes from being actively busy at some work every day, doing something worth while, and doing it as well as you know how. The more we appreciate this fact the more we will be able to make the most of our lives.—Polk County Itemizer.

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Treating Potatoes for Scab.
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The best remedy is to soak the seed potatoes for an hour and a half in a solution of one pound of formalin to forty gallons of water. The solution should be mixed in a barrel and the potatoes put in a gunny sack and lowered into it.
After being treated they should be spread out for a few hours to dry when they are ready to be cut and planted.

Klamath Falls is turning its attention to beautifying the city and its environs. Efforts will be made to have property owners plant shade trees and improve the appearance of the community in other ways. The west is getting pretty well over its frontier days and is generally interested in adding to its attractiveness wherever possible.
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