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# WILL HAVE TO DISGORGE

(Santiam News.) It has been known for years that large bodies of government lands were being illegitimately acquired by corporations and syndicates. Nor will this absorption cease so long as there is an acre of available public land left. In fact that time seems now upon us. Public lands at all desirable are almost unattainable by the honest settler.

This being a fact it is nonsense to lock the stable door after the last poor old crowbar has been stolen. The thing to do now is to recover to the national domain these millions of acres of which the people have been despoiled.

Railroads which have been granted bodies of lands and which have constructed their roads as required by the terms of the grant should be protected in their holdings. Likewise wagon roads which actually built wagon roads—not trails—have legally acquired their properties. But railroads that hold their lands by virtue of the lieo land law, and wagon road companies which built mere trails, hold millions of acres of the public domain to which in equity they do not possess a shadow of a title. Also land syndicates and individuals who have obtained valuable timber lands through hiring dummies to file upon the same and who hold a title obtained through fraud and misrepresentation should certainly be made to disgorge. These lands that are wrongfully and fraudulently held cost the holder not to exceed \$2.50 to \$3 per acre, and that acquired with lieo land scrip, but a few cents.

At the risk of becoming tedious, a little explanation of how the lieo land law originated is in order. These big transcontinental railroad companies through their lobbies at Washington, obtained the passage of the law. The lobbies then secured the establishment of government reserves and, strange to relate, these reserves were always so marked out that large bodies of worthless lands belonging to the railroad companies were included. For these absolutely worthless lands the government issued lieo land scrip to the companies. This scrip could be had upon any government lands in any state through which the particular railroad had trackage. Through this infamous law the Northern Pacific Railroad company has secured millions of acres of the finest timber lands in Oregon. Other large land holding

companies have operated through dummies to secure large bodies of school lands at a cost of \$1.25 an acre with an additional trifle to the dummy.

Taking all of these holdings together, and which are held for speculative purposes, fully one-half of the territory of Oregon is held by these high financiers. As all of the public lands in the state, national or state, have been absorbed as above stated, the question now is, what can the state or nation do about it? Ought a vested right obtained through trickery or fraud be held sacred?

Law and equity holds that the rights of the public are superior to those of a corporation or individual. Even when the individual or corporation honorably and honestly holds lands required by and for the good of the public the lands are taken by the payment of, not what the holder demands, but what a board of appraisers says the property is worth. This being true, these high financiers who have gobbled lands from the state and nation in square miles and townships, ought not complain if they receive their money back and are dispossessed. If some law should be enacted by congress and the state legislature to repossess the nation and states of all lands held for speculative purposes, everybody in the nation, save the guilty holders, would say "amen." Of course the honest settler, whether it be upon government or state lands, should not be disturbed, for the object of recovering these lands to the state and nation is that they may become the home of industrious, home-loving citizens. The federal government should pursue a similar policy towards corporations that have fraudulently obtained coal lands.

The public domain rightfully belongs to all the people; likewise does the coal and oil within the bosom of the earth, and the public is defrauded whenever individuals or corporations are allowed to gobble them up at a fraction of their value. The day of reckoning is not far distant when all of these matters of a fraudulent character will be righted. Every man or corporation who obtains lands, either agricultural, mineral, or timber, and honestly complies with the law regulating the sale of them should and will be protected in his holdings; but every individual, corporation or company who secures his holdings through trickery, fraud, or in any way neglecting to

comply with the law, should have his holdings declared forfeited and the same should revert to the state or nation.

The nation or state would do no wrong nor an injustice should these lands which have been secured by fraud be reclaimed. Individual who commits a fraud of this character or causes it to be committed, should consider himself most fortunate if he is not caused to undergo a term of imprisonment in addition to losing his ill-gotten holdings. The law placing a limit for which a man can be prosecuted for offenses of this character is but a shield for rascals to be prosecuted for offenses of this character is but a shield for rascals to hide behind. It should be repealed. Even when these lands pass into the hands of a third party the holder should be held responsible, for it should be his business to know whether or not the land has been secured from the government according to law.

Whenever the rights of the public have been trespassed upon, any acquired rights of the individual should give way if necessary to restore and make good any loss to the public. Unless this principle is carried out a premium is offered for individual rascality by the state or nation. Our law makers and law executors should look first to the rights of the public and then to the rights of the individual.

## LAST BOND CASHED

Former Governor Moody Turns In Relic of Nez Perce War

The last bond outstanding issued by Oregon on account of the Nez Perce Indian war was cashed in the state treasurer's office yesterday by former Governor Z. F. Moody.

The bond was for \$9 and was issued October 17, 1878, bearing interest at 7 per cent. Attached to the bond were coupons for interest amounting to \$2.85. The state called these bonds in 1883 and it is believed that this was the last outstanding one.

At the time Oregon issued the Indian war bonds, Mr. Moody was engaged in the general merchandise business at The Dalles and this was issued in payment of supplies furnished the state.

### Evening Things.

Farmer Ridgeback—You've put me ter a lot uv trouble, yeou pesky young robber. I've be'n laying fer you fer a week.

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### COMPANIES ORGANIZE.

Articles of Incorporation Granted Enterprises Backed by Oregon Capital.

Articles of incorporation were filed by the Portland Tool Works; incorporators, W. Irving Spencer, Charles F. Machen, Patrick Dowd; capital stock, \$4200.

The Hood River Apple Growers' Union filed supplementary articles of incorporation, increasing the capital stock from \$1000 to \$2000.

Articles were filed by the Embody & Bradley Company, of Portland; incorporators, C. W. Embody, H. L. Bradley, F. Wilmot; capital stock, \$10,000.

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