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## WATER COMPANIES ARE SUED

### Oregon Trust and Savings Bank of Portland Fails

**DOORS TO OPEN**  
**SAFE DEPOSITORS**  
It is Made That Assets Equal Liabilities—Carrying Tremendous of Home Telephone Stock to Be the Cause of Trouble.

They are said to hold \$1,400,000 stock of the Home Telephone Company, upon which they find it impossible to realize at this time. They have for some time been trying to negotiate a loan upon that security in the East, and failing to succeed in this an application was made to the Portland clearing house. Their committee upon investigation advised that the doors be closed and a receiver appointed. This was done, and ex-Auditor Devlin has been appointed as such. This bank has been plunging to some extent, and it is not thought that the failure will in any way affect any other bank in Portland, but it is understood that the unfortunate concern is interested in several country banks, which may be affected later.

### HUNDREDS OF MOORS KILLED

Tangier, Morocco, Aug. 21.—Six hundred Moors have been killed here. The Jews are barricading themselves in their shops against attack.

The reason you cannot see the comet in the evening is because at that time it is in a comatose condition.

### STATE BRINGS SUIT AGAINST IRRIGATION COMPANIES

**Sues to Set Aside Contracts Made With the Columbia Southern and the Three Sisters Irrigating Companies For Failure to Carry Out Contracts.**

As a result of the governor's visit last week to Eastern Oregon, a suit has been filed by the state of Oregon against the Columbia Southern Irrigating Company, the Three Sisters Irrigation Company and W. A. Laidlaw for the abolition of the contracts between the irrigation companies and the state land board and for the recovery of large sums of money from W. A. Laidlaw, which had been collected in the name of the Columbia Southern Irrigation Company when that firm was really solvent of which money he has since rendered no account. The state land board had made a contract with these companies several years ago on certain representations made by the companies that these irrigation companies would have the right to reclaim state land within certain districts, provided that water was sold only to actual settlers, and that certain other conditions were complied with. The company, as it is alleged in the claim, made statements of their water rights which were fraudulent in every respect. The Columbia Southern Irrigation Company claimed to possess rights to 20,000 miners' inches in Tumalo Creek, and gave minimum flow of this creek as 208 cubic feet per second, and the maximum as 3496 feet per second. The real maximum flow of the stream, it is alleged, is only 185 feet per second with a minimum of 50 feet, the average flow being about 150 feet. The complaint also alleges that all companies are now practically insolvent and that they are doing no construction work whatever, and are only used as a name under which fees are collected. The state asks that the contract with the companies be abolished and that arrangements be made with other companies for the reclamation of the land, and that certain officers of these companies be called to account for moneys which they have collected, and of which no account has been rendered.

### TRACE SWAG TO CHICAGO

Chicago, Aug. 21.—An arrest before nightfall is expected in Chicago, in connection with the robbery of \$25,000 from three mail bags en route from Denver to Chicago, on the Burlington. A package directed to a person in Chicago, and supposed to contain part of the booty, has been traced through the postoffice.

**Says Labor Is Scarce.**  
Omaha, Aug. 21.—The scarcity of labor in the West is acute. Harriman lines, owning its own mines, is ordering coal from Australia. The Japanese in some of the Harriman mines are getting as high as \$75 a month.

**Government News Cut Off.**  
Chicago, Aug. 21.—The government is unable to reach but two points in the Northwest for the board of trade weather reports. None have been obtained from Canada and the Northwest. Officials of the union are indignant at the report of their weakening, and declare that they are stronger than ever. Officials of the companies claim they are doing business all right.

**Aged and Delicate.**  
New York, Aug. 21.—Christian Scientists gave out a statement this afternoon by Dr. Hamilton, the New York alienist, who appeared in the Thaw trial declaring Mrs. Eddy was "an aged woman, of delicate constitution, but with no visible symptoms of insanity or nervous disease."

**Suggests Arbitration.**  
Governor Chamberlain today sent the following message to President Roosevelt:  
August 21, 1907.  
The President, Washington, D. C.:  
I respectfully suggest your intervention and the appointment by you of a board of arbitration in settlement of differences between telegraphers and companies throughout the country.

GEORGE E. CHAMBERLAIN,  
Governor.

### ROBBING SMALL BOYS

**Western Union Worse Than a Common Highwayman**  
A soulless corporation setting at naught the fundamental laws of right and justice, to deprive a hard-working lad of over a third of his meagre earnings so that arbitrary rules might be observed is the story of little Al. Gafferty's dealings with the Western Union Telegraph Company, at Portland.

The boy who was employed in the messenger department of the company when his companions decided to strike for higher wages, determined that he would not be a "scab," and accordingly walked out with them. When the youngster, who is one of the smallest messengers in the city, went to draw his money for labor performed the previous week, he was fined two dollars for failing to report on Sunday and forty cents additional for not turning in his badge on time. Instead of the six dollars to which he was justly entitled and for which he had labored, Gafferty was handed \$3.60.

The boy, whose earnings contribute to the support of a family, was heartbroken over the loss, but realized that he, a tiny lad, could not hope to cope single-handed with an organization with \$40,000,000 of watered stock. The little fellow made his way to the office of Judge Reid and told his story. Attorney Graves happened to be in the office at the time and gave the youngster a note to Manager Dumars of the telegraph company, calling his attention to the fact that the proceeding was unlawful.

Receiving no satisfaction from the company's representative, Gafferty at last laid his case before Patrolman Ed. Burke, who has been on duty on Third and Stark streets. Burke called on Manager Dumars with the request that Gafferty be given a "square deal."

"That's not the law," he said. "You can't hold out the money from the boy."  
"Look at those rules up there," replied Dumars, pointing to a placard on the wall. "Those are our laws and they go." And with a laugh the trust representative returned to his desk.—Umpqua Valley News.

### STANDARD MAKES ANSWER CLAIMS INNOCENCE

**Says the Company is Conducting a Business of Great Moment to the People and in Absolute Obedience to the Laws.**

New York, Aug. 21.—The Standard Oil directors have issued a pamphlet to employes and stockholders relative to the fine of \$28,240,000 imposed upon the Indiana company, a noteworthy feature of which is the company's declaration of absolute innocence of wrongdoing in any of the prosecutions lately instituted against it, and particularly so in the Chicago-Alton case.

The pamphlet says:  
"If the judgment in that case is allowed to stand, the company would be compelled to pay 50 times the value of every carload of oil carried over the Alton road during the two years at an open 6-cent rate, a rate used over three competing railroads for 10 to 14 years.

"The trial judge refused to allow proof that a 6-cent rate was a legal rate. He insisted that 18 cents was the only legal rate for oil, when nobody ever paid it, and when this was shown in, did not apply to oil. To the higher courts we must look for that calm judgment which will rescue the rights of citizens from the field of public clamor and domain of



**SYDNEY OLIVIER.**  
Who has succeeded Sir Alexander Swettenham as governor of Jamaica and is also a poet and essayist.

vindictive politics. So persistent an adroit has been the warfare waged with the overpowering authority of the federal administration against the Standard Company that it has been difficult to get a fair hearing before the public or in a larger portion of the press, the latter being away alike by the socialistic outcry from below and the political pressure from above.

"The company is conducting a business of great moment to the prosperity of the American people in absolute obedience to the soundest principles of business and to the spirit and letter of the law. The attacks upon it of the kind described are aimed at the nation's industrial mercantile life."

**Defeated the Natives.**  
London, Aug. 21.—The Sultan's troops defeated a great force of natives, according to Tangier dispatches. Their villages were burned and looted.

### NORMAL SCHOOL BOARD

**Adopts Resolution That Drain and Monmouth Can Run Only On Absolute Donations**

At the meeting of the normal school board of regents yesterday the following resolution was adopted:

A resolution was adopted that the schools at Drain and Monmouth shall not be operated until the "funds are available by absolute donations." The remainder of the text of the resolution is as follows:

"Resolved, That the action of the former board of regents in electing officers and teachers of the Oregon state normal school at Monmouth is hereby annulled for the reason that no appropriation is available for the support of said school, and

"Resolved further, That the executive committee be and is hereby instructed to request the chairman of the board to call a meeting of the board for the employment of faculty and teachers for the schools at Monmouth and Drain whenever the conditions of this resolution are complied with."

E. Hofer introduced a resolution recommending that the committee on courses of study hold a conference with the presidents of the agricultural college and the University of Oregon in order to secure harmonious co-operation in the development of the educational system of the state. The matter carried and will doubtless prove fruitful, since the state university maintains a department of education giving courses in the philosophy of education and higher pedagogy, and the agricultural college maintains a summer school.

Another resolution was passed providing for the leasing of the state normal school grounds or buildings. The text of the resolution is as follows:

"Resolved, That, in the event that the board of education of Drain and Monmouth school districts desire to lease the state normal school grounds or buildings, or any part thereof, for the purpose of conducting public schools that the executive committee be empowered to make such lease, if, after consultation with the attorney-general it is found that such use of the property can be made.

Those present at the session of the board of regents were: Governor Chamberlain, Superintendent J. H. Ackerman, W. B. Ayre, of Portland; Stephen Jewell, of Grants Pass; E. Hofer, of Salem; A. L. Briggs, of the Drain normal school; President E. D. Resler, of the Monmouth state normal, and Secretary C. L. Starr.

### AFTER KING CARLOS

Lisbon, Portugal, Aug. 21.—An extensive plot to assassinate King Carlos and the Premier of France was discovered through the explosion of a bomb in a tenement district of the city. Thirty rebel plotters were arrested, taken secretly aboard ship and held in irons. They will be given a secret trial, and will probably be executed in confinement.

### Dr. J. F. COOK

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## CHICAGO STORE

PEOPLES BARGAIN HOUSE

### The Outlet Sale is Continued

THIS WEEK. ALL GOODS SOLD AT MANUFACTURERS' PRICES. LOOK FOR THE YELLOW TICKETS WHICH MEANS FOURTH AND ONE-HALF OF A SAVING ON GOOD PURCHASES. THE BIG BOOM STILL CONTINUES—THE PEOPLE WANT THE STORE THAT GIVES THEM THE BEST VALUES.

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- 500 25c SUN BONNETS, OUTLET SALE PRICE 9c.
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- HUNDREDS OF LADIES' NEW COATS, SUITS AND DRESS SKIRTS, NOW ON SALE AT MANUFACTURERS' PRICES.
- PAIR BEST 10c HOP BOVES, OUTLET SALE PRICE, PAIR 6c.
- WE ARE OFFERING SWELL NEW SILKS AND DRESS GOODS AT MANUFACTURERS' PRICES.
- STAINS OF NEW GOODS AVAILABLE OVER THE STORE AT MANUFACTURERS' PRICES.
- THOUSANDS OF ARTICLES ALL OVER THE STORE GOING AT THE SAME LOW CUT PRICES THE MANUFACTURERS' OUTLET SALE STILL CONTINUES
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- FANCY PLAID DRESS GOODS, OUTLET SALE PRICE, PAIR 19c.

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