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### SUPREME COURT RESPONSIBLE FOR TANGLE

A close examination of the decision of the supreme court of the United States in the forfeiture of the Oregon and California land grant cases impels one to the belief that that august body went as far as it could to avoid deciding anything whatever. It unwound more red tape and unlearned less sound common sense than was ever done in any case ever before it. It practically decided nothing, and all it did do was to still further entangle the situation. It decided the lands were a gift in praesenti, and that the railroad company had a title in fee simple—with strings on it. It decided that congress had given the company these lands as an aid in constructing its road and provided that it must sell the lands, at not more than \$2.50 an acre and in quantities of not more than 160 acres to any individual. Then it unrolled its red tape and said that while the company was compelled to sell the lands under the terms stated, it did not have to sell them until it got ready, which means that if it never got ready it would not have to sell them at all.

And after declaring the lands belonged to the railroad and could not be taken away from it, these same wise ones held that the whole matter should be handed back to congress and that that body could do what it pleased with the lands. If the lands belonged to the railroad in fee simple as the courts said they did, then congress with all its powers is not big enough or strong enough to take them from the company without condemning them and paying what they are worth.

In the light of that decision, if Brandeis is all his enemies claim he is, he might still be an improvement on the court. All he has been accused of is taking the opposite side of a case after having been employed on the other. In the land grant case the United States supreme court took both sides at once and decided in favor of both and of neither.

If the railroads complied with the terms of the grant the lands are theirs. If they did not, by what reasoning can even so august a body as the United States supreme court confirm title in them?

Yet this is what it does. It holds the gift was made absolutely but with conditions subsequent with which it says the company need not comply.

Senator Cummins' principal objection to Brandeis as a justice of the supreme court is, that while he was employed to represent the shippers side of the rate case by the interstate commerce commission, he admitted that the railroads should have more revenue "thus strengthening the railroads, and weakening the shippers' case." Mr. Brandeis was not employed by the shippers, in that case but by the commission. He was the commission's attorney not the shippers lawyer, and to certain questions asked him by the commission he frankly replied as the truth compelled, gave his client, the advice it sought, and made truthful answer. What other answer could he make to the commission that employed him when asked a direct question? Or if the question was not asked directly would he have had him withhold from the commission things he as its attorney believed it should know?

The Oregonian discussing the naming of Rublee for the federal trade commission by President Wilson says among other things, "If Gallinger who fought Rublee because he is personally obnoxious was wrong, what about Chamberlain of Oregon who stood with Gallinger?" The answer is dead easy. Chamberlain was just as wrong in this case as was Gallinger, and in most other cases probably more so. Our George is not always right just because he is, or claims to be a democrat. The above statement is respectfully referred to the editor of the Oregon City Enterprise.

Biologist Finley advocates the killing of all cats because some of them kill birds. Of course Finley is justifiable in this because birds are his meal ticket. The same thing might be said for the cats.

The supreme court just now is causing both the old parties no little worry. The republicans want to get a man off the bench and the democrats want to get one on.

### LINING UP IN BATTLE ARRAY

The big republican pre-convention show opens at Chicago today. Chairman Charles D. Hillis of the National central committee arrived today from New York, his secretary beating him to the scene of their coming work by a day. John D. Wright, who has charge of the Root campaign also arrived today and at once got busy opening head quarters for his candidate, New York's favorite son. Senator Week's managers are also on the way, and the Fairbanks boosters are already on the ground and arranging for the big battle.

"It is going to be the most enthusiastic convention ever held in the history of the party," said John Eversham, secretary of the republican congressional committee, adding, "when the whole matter has been talked over the delegates will just tear the roof off with enthusiasm."

There is a consensus of opinion that there is to be open and bitter war between the Hughes and Roosevelt factions, each being, as one expressed it, "determined to eat each other up."

It seems the vote in Oregon so overwhelmingly for Hughes, has caused the efforts of the Roosevelt faction to be concentrated against him. They recognize in Hughes the man most to be feared, and will concentrate their fire on his camp. They feel that with Hughes out of the way it will be easy running for the Colonel. This means their first attack will be for the purpose of getting him out of the Colonel's way. It also means that the Hughes backers will know they have been in a fight and this before it is over.

It is only twelve days until the spectacular battle begins. And while it may soon be over, it looks at this time as though it might be the start of a political Verdun. Anyway, from now until the selection is made, Chicago will be the center of the world so far at least as the politicians are concerned.

Dr. Waite yesterday testifying in his own behalf, told of his weaknesses and criminal instincts when a boy admitting that he cheated at school examinations and was a thief. The defense is undertaking to show by this that his craze for money was responsible for his poisoning Peck, in order to get his millions. Just how this can help Waite, it is difficult to see, for that is just what he is charged with doing. The fact that he was an "ornery" boy is not sufficient to excuse him for being a criminal as a man.

The California strawberry shippers could easily sell twice as many berries without using any more boxes by the simple expedient of turning the boxes over and filling the swindle of the lower two thirds of them instead of using the berries as a sort of frosting for the containers. The sealer of weights and measures has a fine large field open for the display of his energies and the prevention of some hundreds of thousands of cases of petty larceny by the dishonest Californians.

The statement that Von Buelow, Germany's ablest statesman, is to be appointed ambassador to the United States indicates that Germany is quite willing to listen to peace proposals. It also indicates that in spite of the harsh criticisms of the German press, that in the supreme moment when the final settlement comes, Germany will turn to the United States and President Wilson as her best and most dependable friends.

The Oregonian says: "A justice of the supreme court should never get on the bench by a strict party vote." If this is correct, by the rule of "e converso," no justice of the supreme court should ever get off the bench by a strict party vote. This leaves Brandeis and Hughes in the same boat.

Portland is cheerful over the present weather realizing that it can't rain all the time even in Oregon, and that if it rains until it is time for the rose festival, it may possibly be clear for part of that week.

About the most broadly humorous thing seen in print lately is the calling of Portland's alleged detectives, "sleuths."



### GLORY OF WAR

The war is aging; it has been raging for nearly two long years; and what's the showing? An endless flowing of human blood and tears. Oh, tell the story of martial glory to captains of marines! Go forth and wander, in Europe yonder, and see what glory means! Go count the legions, in those red regions, of men whom war made blind, in blackness groping, and done with hoping for light they'll never find. Behold the shattered and torn and battered remains of once strong men, who looked for glory in meadows gory, and ne'er shall walk again. The war is sending its cripples wending back to their ruined farms, to beg, to borrow, to mourn, in sorrow, their missing legs and arms. This is the glory of which the hoary old harpers like to chant; but it's more charming to stay home farming, and rear the cabbage plant.

### State Treasurer Talks To University Class

T. H. Kay, state treasurer, explained the duties of his office this morning, to Prof. F. G. Young's class in state administration in Guild theatre, Mr. Kay has served several terms in his present capacity and has received the republican nomination again this year.

According to his figures, the treasurer's office collects \$3,000,000 annually and it costs \$100,000 to run it. The treasurer is paid \$100,000. "Previous to ten years ago before guarding laws were passed, the funds loaned by the treasurer constituted a great 'graft'," said Mr. Kay. "Today more than \$4,250,000 is received and disbursed each year, but today all monies must be paid out only on a warrant."

"The following amounts are paid out to the various institutions and works of the state: \$225,000 to O. A. C.; \$280,000 to the University of Oregon; \$37,000 to the month normal school and \$230,000 to the state road funds. All together \$910,000 is expended."

"The state of Oregon is the most economical in the union. Two years appropriation in Oregon was \$6,000,000, Washington has 50 per cent more people and her appropriations for the same amount of time were \$20,000,000."

Mr. Kay's office has charge of collecting inheritance taxes which aggregate from \$50,000 to \$100,000 annually.

"I believe in an inheritance—graduate tax," he declared. "All money which is not wholly earned should be taxed."

Mr. Kay says that he will recommend to the next legislature that weight and measure department be transferred to the railroad commission. Mr. Kay says that many large so-called over the office of the state treasurer and that separate divisions should be made for them.—Oregon (C. of O.) Emerald.

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### Monmouth News

(United Press staff correspondent) Monmouth, Or., May 26.—On Tuesday afternoon a very pretty party was given at the home of Mrs. Pittman, who is guardian of the Willamette campus girls organization in Monmouth. The party was given in honor of the thirtieth birthday of Fannie Steinberg who is one of the most active members of the campus girls' organization, and who had received sufficient honors to be promoted from a "wood gatherer" to a "fire builder" which entitled her to the silver camp fire bracelet. With Miss Barbara Steinberg as assistant hostess, the afternoon was spent by the playing of many new and interesting games after which refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served. During the lunch each camp fire girl made a wish for the honored guest. Every one of the girls went home with the determination of winning the proper honors which would entitle them to the camp fire bracelet.

During the past two weeks the training school has adopted a new plan which is very pleasing to both students and parents. Each day the school serves each one of two warm articles of food to all of the students who bring their lunches. The food which consists of substantial such as soups, meats, hash, eggs, etc., is prepared and served by two Normal school students, Miss Burns and Miss Hudson. About forty-two students enjoy this new feature and only a charge of one cent a day for each child is made which helps to cover the expense of the food.

Monmouth high school is making preparations for a baseball game with Beuna Vista to be played on next Saturday afternoon at the latter place.

The Athena society of Monmouth

high school will have a special meeting of both Miss Parkers' and Miss McAllisters' sections tonight at eight o'clock in the high school building. The program which has been prepared by certain members is to be a surprise to the other members. Every member is urged to be present as this meeting will be the last time the girls' literary society will meet this school year.

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### Hayesville Items

Hayesville, Or., May 26.—The young people of the community planned a very pleasant surprise for the school teachers, Miss Rotieau and Miss Patterson, on Tuesday evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Willis when a crowd walked in unannounced and proceeded to make themselves at home. The evening was spent in music and games after which ice cream and cake were served, and the guests departed at a late hour. Those present were Messrs. John Albert and Fred Steetler, Francis Wilkoff, Albert Walfmeyer, Frank and Joe Pitts, Oscar Noren, Mark and David Saucy, Clarence Ingersol, Joe Teel, Mr. Wheeler, Mr. Cochran, Paul and Clark Ritchey, Rudolph Hansen, L. T. Reynolds, Paul Gronke, S. Willis, David Willis and Mont Christopherson; Misses Lottie McAfee, Mabel King, Ruth Saucy, Mabel Starr, Christopherson.

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Miss Lottie McAfee spent the week-end at Mill City as the guest of Miss Anna and Martha Denny.

J. W. Pennie has moved into his own place over near the Silverton road.

Mr. Stites who was operated on last week, passed away May 24th at his home here. It was found he was afflicted with cancer. He leaves a wife and six children.

### Bethel News

(Capital Journal Special Service.) Bethel, Oregon, May 26.—M. J. D. Clark is taking the roof off his barn. The new roof will be a later model and will not look so much like a hop-house.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Johnston are moving into their own place. Mr. and Mrs. George Hain are going onto a ranch on the garden road.

Emil Sundberg has joined the O. N. G. and has already been doing some stunts with the rifle.

The Geer base ball team will play a return game at Central Howell next Sunday.

Herman Doney started for California last night. He goes to live with a sister in the northern part of the state.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Crothers made a call at the Clark home Sunday.

A picnic was held at the school house Sunday afternoon to celebrate the end of school. Home made ice cream was served to the assembled hosts. A feature of the entertainment was a ball game between the boys and the girls of the school.

### MAUNA LOA ACTIVE

Honolulu, May 26.—Mauna Loa volcano has resumed its activity after a brief lapse. The lava flow is progressing two miles daily. At last reports it was destroying a grove of mahogany trees. The flow is 400 yards wide.

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