

ECHOES OF OLD LAND GRANT CASES HEARD

Briefs Of Government In Suits To Recover By Innocent Buyers Filed.

Briefs prepared by S. W. Williams, special assistant to the attorney general of the United States, in defense of the government in actions brought by Andrew B. Hammond, Charles J. Winton and the Booth-Kelly Lumber company to recover approximately \$300,000 said to be due because of alleged illegal contracts conveying to the plaintiffs lands formerly owned by the Oregon & California Railroad company, have been received by Attorney General Brown for filing in the Oregon supreme court.

The two cases came on for hearing together in the circuit court on demurrers filed by the defendant, and by direction of the attorney general of the United States, a memorandum was presented to the court suggesting the interest of the federal government in the subject matter of the controversies. The circuit court sustained the demurrers and the plaintiffs sued out on these appeals.

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Warrant For Deportation Of Emma Goldman Issued

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 18.—(United Press).—A warrant for the deportation of Emma Goldman, anarchist leader serving a term in the Jefferson City penitentiary, was executed last Friday, it was learned here today.

Miss Goldman has completed a two-year sentence for opposing the army draft but is being held in default of \$10,000 fine. Her release has been set for September 27.

Prisoners In Vancouver Jail Escape Over Night

Vancouver, Wash., Sept. 18.—When jailers took break fast to the prisoners at the Clark county jail here this morning they found they had four meals too many.

In the boys' judging contest of livestock at Medford recently, the Phoenix team won, which gives them the opportunity of judging in the interstate contest in Portland in November.

John Fenwick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fenwick, and Ernest Lester, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Lester, are two Hood River boys who have just arrived home after being discharged from the service.

MILLION YOUNG FISH AWAIT DISTRIBUTION

State Hatchery At Bend Is Well Stocked With Trout Clanton Reports.

There are more than 1,000,000 young trout at the state hatchery at Bend ready for distribution, according to the report of R. E. Clanton, master fish warden, covering his work for the month of August, and filed with Governor Olcott this morning.

A similar number of young trout were also found by the warden upon his recent visit to the Crooked river hatchery in Klamath county. These trout are now being fed in the ponds and arrangements have been completed to have them distributed in the various streams and lakes of that section.

While in Klamath county Mr. Clanton made an inspection of the proposed egg station location on Diamond lake and at Preak lake, also on Spring river, and plans were outlined with the superintendent in charge for next season's work. If no unforeseen difficulty arises, Mr. Clanton says the establishment of these plants should materially increase the state's output of Rainbow and cutthroat trout.

Improvements at the Oregon City fishery, under supervision of Captain Sweeney are now completed, and the workers have been transferred to Deschutes river to remove obstructions in that stream.

In an attempt to escape from an officer, John Neser, who claims to be 16, jumped from a train near The Dalles and was seriously injured. He had been arrested at Pendleton charged with theft.

Constitutionality Of Hyde Inspection Bill Is Attacked In Court

The constitutionality of the law passed at the last session of the state legislature providing that cattle hides offered to common carriers for shipment must first be inspected by a duly authorized agent of the state, will be attacked in the case of the state of Oregon, appearing in relation to Bissinger & Company of Portland, against Walker D. Hines, director general of the United States railroad administration, which is scheduled for hearing before the supreme court tomorrow.

The suit is the outcome of the railroad's refusal to accept hides consigned to Bissinger & Company for shipment to Portland from Pendleton and Eugene. Under the law the inspection of hides pertains to all counties in the state except Multnomah. It is charged that the act discriminates against certain sections of the state, namely, those counties outside of Multnomah, and consequently is unconstitutional and without effect.

Rotary Club Organized And First Directors Elected

The Salem Rotary club was officially organized at a meeting held at the Marion hotel when a number of Portland men came down to confer. The Portland visitors were taken about the city and to the fair grounds. The directors chosen at the meeting yesterday were Theodore Roth, F. B. Thielsen, F. G. Deekebach, B and H. S. Gile. Another meeting will be called at an early date to discuss plans for future work. This is the second Rotary club in Oregon.

BLOOD TONIC I SAY NUMBER 40

Frank P. Skaggs, prominent druggist, Harrisburg, Ill., writes: "Number 40 is still going good. If a customer says 'Blood Tonic,' I say 'Number 40,' as it gives the best satisfaction of any blood I have ever sold."

Fordson Dealers Will Co-Operate On Tractor Exhibit At State Fair

Both farmers and dealers will find themselves interested in the big display of Fordson tractors and implements to be put on at the fair by the Valley Motor company under the direction of Watt Shipp. For this purpose Mr. Shipp has secured the co-operation of the principal dealers of western Oregon from Portland to Roseburg, all of whom will contribute to the exhibit.

This will be installed in a special tent 35x70 in dimensions, in which will be found every type of the Fordson tractor and implement, among which one of the most interesting features will be a "cut-away" tractor showing every detail of the mechanism in operation. Experienced demonstrators will show the capacity of the machines on the grounds and plowing demonstrations will also be made on land outside the grounds. In these tests it is expected to duplicate or exceed the records previously made in Salem, and which secured for the Fordson tractor its acceptance by the state for the institution farms.

Mine Workers Convention Kills One Big Union Plan

Cleveland, Ohio, Sept. 18.—The United Mine Workers of America convention here today stood strongly against all radical organization of workers. A resolution calling for endorsement of the one big union was defeated by an overwhelming majority. This followed defeat of the proposal to have the organization withdraw from the American Federation of Labor.

New York, Sept. 18.—Liberty bonds quotations: 3 1/2's, 99.98; first 4's, 95.10; second 4's, 93.16; first 4 1/2's, 95.06; second 4 1/2's, 93.34; third 4 1/2's, 95.30; fourth 4 1/2's, 93.32; victory 3 3/4's, 99.98; victory 4 3/4's, 99.92.

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Highway improvements representing a total cost of \$18,015,000.68 are now under contract in Oregon, according to a report issued by the state highway commission today.

The improvements, together with the price bid on each follows:

- Pacific highway, 118.8 miles paving, 44.5 miles macadam, 103.7 miles grading, \$4,425,320.75. Columbia River highway, 105.85 miles paving, 69.5 miles macadam, 142.4 miles grading, \$4,104,079.21. West Side Pacific highway, 49.8 miles paving, 14.6 miles macadam, 46.7 miles grading, \$1,383,118.30. Salem-Dallas highway, 13.1 miles paving, 13.1 miles grading, \$320,742.50. Yamhill-Nestucca highway, 8 miles paving, 19.1 macadam, 17.1 grading, \$426,602.11. John Day highway, 11.1 macadam, 31.9 grading, \$339,913.65. Le Grande-Enterprise highway, 9.6 miles grading, \$42,370. Portland-Forest Grove-Mc Minnville highway, 31.4 miles paving, 6.7 miles macadam, 18 miles grading, \$817,502.50. Ashland-Klamath Falls highway, 19 miles grading, \$177,957.50. Oregon-Washington highway, 27 miles paving, \$536,076.25. Old Oregon Trail, 6 miles paving, 13.6 miles macadam, 42.5 miles grading, \$475,866.97. Baker-Cornucopia highway, 4.7 miles macadam, 27.1 miles grading, \$178,411.75. McKenzie River highway, 19.8 miles grading, \$268,136.44. Crater Lake highway, 22 miles grading, \$246,000. Flora-Enterprise highway, 13 miles grading, \$75,500. Coast highway, 19 miles paving, 8.8 miles grading, \$601,054. Mount Hood Loop highway, 12.2 miles grading, \$227,567.60. Grants Pass-Crescent City highway, 2.3 miles grading, \$62,985.35. Central Oregon highway, 36.7 miles macadam, 16.7 miles grading, \$197,947. Dallas-California highway, 2 miles paving, 2 miles grading, \$46,188.40. Ten per cent contingencies, \$1,501,250.05. Ten per cent engineering, \$1,501,250.05.

National Billiard And Pool Champions Will Be Decided By Tournaments

New York, Sept. 17.—(United Press)—Tournaments to determine the national billiard and pocket billiard champions of America will take place this fall.

The tournament for the 18.2 ball-line billiard championship will open here Oct. 20 at the Astor hotel. The entries will be limited to a field of six players with an entrance fee of \$250. The games will be 400 point affairs. The first prize will be \$2500, second \$1750, third \$1250 and fourth \$750. In addition the winner will draw an annual salary of \$4000 as long as he holds the title.

The three cushion championship tournament will be held at the Moose auditorium, Cleveland, starting November 6th. It will be contested by ten players for prize money aggregating \$4500. To the winner goes \$1500 and an annual salary of \$2400, second prize is \$1250, third \$1000 and fourth \$750.

The pocket billiard series will be held at the Parkway auditorium, Philadelphia, starting Nov. 1. Prize money runs the same as the other series with an annual salary of \$2400 to the winner.

The three champions decided in the tournament will then stage an eighteen weeks tourney for which they will receive \$100 per week and up.

Columbia University To Have Strong Aggregation

New York, Sept. 17.—(United Press)—Columbia's football candidates were called to report today by Coach Fred Dwyer.

Even better results are expected for the coming season than last year, when the eleven, crippled by losses of regulars to the army, went through the season with a lone defeat and that to the unbeaten Syracuse team.

Houlahan, Canapary and Shaw, last years back field, are expected to return to the university as well as the following linemen, Eccles and Scott, of last year's freshman team, Robison, Modarelli, Kienninger, Grace, Parks and Tower. Joe Brown, center and Jack Kennedy, end of the 1916 team, will probably be out of the service in time to train with the squad. The loss of Hobbs, last year's captain, and Halfback Collins by graduation will be felt keenly.

CHOLEERA RAGING IN RUSSIA

Novorossk, Russia.—(By courier to Constantinople)—An epidemic of Asiatic cholera is raging in this city. During the past week the death rate from the disease has averaged 150 per day. Sixty five percent of the cases prove fatal. Shore leave from ships in harbor has been discontinued. Instructions against the use of un-boiled water and uncooked food have been issued, but careless living habits of the people render them averse to precautionary measures. Physicians of the American Red Cross are treating the crews of foreign ships with anti-cholera serum and have

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