

PORTAGE SUIT IS ON

Board Directs Attorney-General to Begin.

EASTERN OREGON VERY ANXIOUS

Engineer Hammond is Informed That People in That Part of the State Will Raise \$50,000 if Necessary.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 22.—(Special).—The State Board of Portage Railway Commissioners held a meeting today and formally directed the Attorney-General to begin proceedings against the O. R. & N. Co. to condemn a right of way for the portage road over a portion of that company's right of way near Celilo.

He was told that the Eastern Oregon people are so anxious to have the road built that they would be willing to raise \$50,000 or more if necessary in order to secure the construction of the road and the consequent reduction in freight rates.

SOUTHERN METHODIST CHARGES.

Bishop Morrison Makes Announcement at Knoxville Conference.

ROSELBURG, Or., Sept. 22.—The annual session of the Columbia conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South closed here yesterday. Work of this conference shows a marked increase in membership and a healthy growth financially and in church building during the past year.

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SCOTT CLAIM COMPROMISED.

A. & C. R. Pays for Death of Engineer in Wreck.

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CIRCUIT COURT AT ASTORIA.

Philking Boy Exonerated—Freel Pleads Guilty to Forgery.

ASTORIA, Sept. 22.—(Special).—Not true bills were returned in the Circuit Court by District Attorney Allen this afternoon in the case against Lorenzo Philking, the boy accused of the malicious destruction of property, and Israel Mattson, accused of assault with a dangerous weapon, and the charges against them were dismissed.

ROBBERY AT ASTORIA.

Thief Entered Several Residences at Independence.

INDEPENDENCE, Or., Sept. 22.—(Special).—Independence was visited last night by burglars. The houses of Dr. O. D. Butler, Dave Calhoun and Professor Simpson were entered and all the loose change taken from the gentlemen's pants pockets. At Dr. Butler's they cleaned his purse leaving a small Masonic souvenir in his pocket which he has carried for years.

UNNATURAL FATHER'S CURSE.

Pronounces Malediction on Judge and Jury.

FRESNO, Cal., Sept. 22.—Judge I hope that God will curse every person that had a hand in sending me, an innocent man, to prison. I hope he will curse them and their offspring. I am innocent, that is all I have to say.

KLAMATH TIMBER LAND POOL.

Albany People Enter a Combine to Keep Up the Price.

ALBANY, Or., Sept. 22.—(Special).—The large number of Albany people holding timber claims in Klamath County have determined to pool their claims. This is done to prevent scattering sales at low prices. About 150 people have already entered the combine, and the next officers and a board of directors will be elected.

stable pieces of timber by outside men, thus preventing the purpose of the pool, which is to sell the entire tract at once, the new organization will purchase claims of any who are not able to hold until the desired price may be obtained.

RACE TRACK PAID BEST.

State Fair Directors Find a Balance of \$3500.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 22.—(Special).—After paying all bills, the State Board of Agriculture finds that it has on hand a balance of \$3500 as net proceeds of the recent state fair. The accounts of the several departments have not been made up, but it has been ascertained that the race track was the most profitable feature.

DYNAMITE ON THE TRACK.

Attempt Made to Wreck Train on Montana Road.

HELENA, Mont., Sept. 22.—When the stub train which runs from here to Logan to connect with the east-bound express reached the point about a mile from Helena early this morning the wheels of the engine exploded a dynamite cartridge attached to the rail. The lights in the engine were extinguished and many windows in the forward cars were broken and passengers shaken up. The rail was shattered, but the train passed over the point in safety.

Frenchie Killed a Chehalis Man.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Sept. 22.—(Special).—Today's papers contained word from Manila under date of September 21, stating that Private O. E. Barnett was killed September 20, in an engagement with Moros on Toros Lea, Luzon, in the Philippine islands, who attacked the entire party of a detachment with which Barnett was out. The priest was himself killed during the action.

Deer Plentiful in Mountains.

ALBANY, Or., Sept. 22.—(Special).—There are many deer in the mountains of Oregon this season than in years before. Parties going out from Albany are continually returning with a large amount of venison as the result of their prowess. It is not only the deer but also the antlers of three or four men to return with a record of 15 or 20 deer for the trip, which already keeps the hunters within the provisions of the law.

To Arrange for Educational Exhibit.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 22.—(Special).—The educational committee appointed to superintend the collection of an educational exhibit to be sent to the St. Louis Exposition in 1904 has been called to meet in Portland next Friday evening to map out a plan of work. This committee was appointed by Professor G. Young, of the Lewis and Clark Fair Commission, who is superintendent of the department of education. The committee consists of: F. G. Young, Superintendent of Public Instruction; H. Ackerman, County Superintendent; H. S. Lyman, Astoria; Professor J. Burnham, Portland; Superintendent J. C. Zinsler, Oregon City; Superintendent J. P. Nowlin, Pendleton; and Professor H. D. Sheldon, Eugene.

Dog Is a Chattel.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 22.—The United States Circuit Court of Appeals has today announced its decision in the case of a dog, which was a subject of larceny. P. C. Burkul, a resident of Rancho, Alaska, has appealed to the court from a decision of United States District Judge J. C. Johnson, who in a long opinion sustained the action of an Alaskan Justice of the Peace who committed Burkul to jail for the alleged theft of a dog valued at \$31.

Nasty Mess Stirred Up.

ASTORIA, Sept. 22.—(Special).—Investigation by the officers into the circumstances concerning the case against Frank Adams, the waiter, who is being held to await trial on a charge of rape, has unearthed a most disgusting and sordid story. This afternoon a man named John Stoola, who has been employed as a "swamp" in the Louvre saloon, was arrested on the charge of committing immoral acts with the same young girls and others. He has made a signed confession, the contents of which are vile and disgusting in the extreme. The case will probably be reported to the Circuit Court within the next few days.

New Cannery at Skamokawa.

ASTORIA, Sept. 22.—(Special).—At least one new cannery will be erected on the Columbia River during the coming winter and be ready for operation at the opening of the next fishing season. It will be located at Skamokawa and be built by H. A. Seaborg, Charles Shubbe and Seattle parties who are their associates.

Hand Crushed by Traction Engine.

CORVALLIS, Or., Sept. 22.—(Special).—Richard Scott, a prominent young farmer of this county, son of a well-known fish stock breeder of the same name in Clackamas County, lost his left hand yesterday afternoon while working with a traction engine that was in motion on the hand came in contact with a cog wheel. The laceration that resulted ground the fingers and main portion of the hand almost into pulp. Physicians appointed the member at the wrist joint.

Owns All of Franklin Mine.

BUTTE, Mont., Sept. 22.—Advice received in this city says that R. P. Chattin, who is the possessor of two-thirds interest in the Franklin Mine, at Pine Idaho, one of the best-known properties in the state, has purchased the remaining third interest owned by E. C. Towne, H. G. Wynman and F. F. Wynman, all Idaho men, for \$100,000.

THREAT OF DEER SLAYER

DEATH FOR OFFICER ATTEMPTING HIS ARREST.

Game Warden Baker Will Go After Southern Oregon Hide-Hunter—Pheasant-Shooter Fined.

ALBANY, Or., Sept. 22.—(Special).—State Game and Forestry Warden J. W. Baker was in Albany today and made the first arrest of the season for violation of the game law in Linn County. Hugh Brandon, of Halsey, was the victim. Brandon was seen with a Chinese pheasant in his possession on September 11. Today Brandon pleaded guilty in Justice Risley's court and paid a fine of \$15 and costs.

Mr. Baker stated that violations of the game law were scarce in the Valley. In the mountains of Southern Oregon, however, many deer are being slaughtered for the hides. In one instance a San Francisco firm has employed men to secure deer hides, and several hundred hides have already been shipped, while more are being secured all the time. This wholesale slaughter of deer is made much easier because of the large number of deer in Southern Oregon.

J. K. COGSWELL HERE.

Has Carload of His Favorite Red Polled Cattle at Portland Fair.

The pioneer Red Polled cattleman of the West has his favorite Red Rubies on exhibition at the Multnomah Fair grounds this year.

No finer bred stock is to be found at Irvington Park in Red Polled cattle than those belonging to Mr. Cogswell.

On the whole, Red Polled cattle, wherever they may be, are second to no other breed as shown by the many prizes awarded them both in the East and West.

At the Pan-American Exposition, Mayflower #925 was the second best cow in the Model Dairy Test, exceeding in butter all Jerseys, all the Holsteins and all the Ayrshires; her five-year-old milk yield being 52,574 pounds, and \$300 in butter above cost of the prize of \$1000 cash as best farmer's cow and calf of any breed at the International Stock Show 1902.

The three-fourths quarter-blood Red Polled cow, Lady, belonging to Mr. Cogswell, from scrub foundation, made 54,377 pounds of butter in one year at present above cost of feed of feed of \$6.31, besides a good calf.

Since Mr. Cogswell has introduced his herd at Western fairs, they have captured many prizes, and those here will in all probability get another before long.

Mr. Cogswell, more commonly known as L. K., is not a stranger on the North Pacific Fair circuit, nor are his cattle unknown in Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

There is no more potent animal to dehorn cattle and to improve their dairy and meat-making qualities than the Red Polled bull. In this connection it is well to state that Mr. Cogswell has the largest herd of Red Polled bulls west of the Rockies.

It is a known fact that the Red Polled bull is the best animal to rear at this conclusion and will be glad to hear that Mr. Cogswell has a number of first bulls here that he is going to dispose of.

Mr. Cogswell states he will leave Portland for Yakima, thence to his home in Chehalis, Wash.

L. K. Cogswell, the Red Polled cattle breeder, of Chehalis, Wash., at the recent Oregon State Fair sold to A. D. Hale & Son, of Tangent, Or., one bull and four cows. He also delivered to L. F. Marra, of Salem, one cow, and one bull to Rex E. Horn, manager of the Land & Cattle Company, Klamath County. He sold for October shipment, one bull to A. A. Nichols, of Dayton, Or.

to the authorities that he would kill the first man who came into the mountains to arrest deputy Wardens in that section. However, Mr. Baker will go to Southern Oregon tomorrow and will arrest the deer slayer before returning to the Valley.

CHARGED WITH CRIMINAL LIBEL.

Ex-Mayor of Oakland Will Also Be Sued by Merchant.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 22.—Out of a recent strike battle at Oakland, in which ex-Mayor R. W. Snow, of that city, and A. Goldman, a prominent Oakland merchant, played leading roles, has come the filing of a criminal libel action in the courts of this city, in which ex-Mayor Snow is named as defendant and Goldman signs as the complaining witness. Goldman declares that he will once institute a civil action to recover \$5000 for alleged defamation of character and will in addition sue for \$700 alleged to have been advanced Snow when he was making his campaign for mayor. The grounds for the criminal libel complaint sworn to by Goldman before Police Judge Fritz this afternoon lies in a communication in the form of a bill which Goldman alleges he received from the ex-Mayor of Oakland. The bill charges Goldman with \$1000 "for services as special attendant during fits of temporary insanity." There is credit given to Goldman for the balance of \$200. Goldman says there is absolutely no truth for the statements made in the bill.

BAD MEN IN COLFAX JAIL.

Rob Stores and Fight With One Proprietor for Booty.

COLFAX, Wash., Sept. 22.—(Special).—After robbing three Colfax stores and having a fever fight with the proprietor of one, Jack Quinn, Gus Peterson and Harry White, Irish, Swede and English, respectively, and believed to be professional burglars and ex-crooks, were arrested here today by Sheriff Canutt and his deputies and the stolen plunder recovered. All are lodged in jail to await trial. Peterson had been released from the County Jail less than two weeks ago after serving a sentence for shop lifting at Rosalia.

TO RECLAIM LAKE COUNTY LAND.

Land Board Approves Contract Covering a Large Tract.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 22.—(Special).—The State Land Board has entered into a contract with the Portland Irrigation Company, of which Edwin Mays, of Portland, is president, and C. H. Ball, secretary, for the reclamation of a tract of 12,667 acres of arid land in Lake County. The estimated cost of reclaiming the land is \$10,000, or a trifle over \$1.45 per acre. The annual cost of maintenance is placed at \$1.50 per acre per year.

Bear Killed in Tillamook.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Sept. 22.—(Special).—A black bear, weighing about 300 pounds, was killed yesterday morning within the city limits of Tillamook after he was chased by Charles Wells and Bert Mages to the back of D. E. Goodspeed's house and in the thick brush near the slough the dogs came across the bear and a desperate fight took place for nearly an hour. The bear then climbed a tree where the hunters could get a shot at it, and there ended his life. His game is very plentiful in Tillamook, this year.

Rancher's Terrible Accident.

Son on Way for Aid is Chased by a Black Bear.

SOUTH BEND, Wash., Sept. 22.—(Special).—Joseph Rocky, a prominent rancher of Sunshine, was brought here last night with a jagged hole over two inches deep into his left lung and he is not expected to live. He was thrown from his horse and fell on the sharp point of a broken limb which pierced his lung. With his hand pressed over the wound from which the blood was spurting he walked a mile to his house and fell in a faint in his doorway. He was dragged by his horse quite a distance and was thrown by his feet getting tangled in the reins.

SUICIDE OF CAPTAIN NEEL.

Accused With Disease, He Put a Bullet in His Head.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Sept. 22.—Captain H. J. Neel, who has resided in this city for the past four years, shot and killed himself today. He had long suffered various afflictions of the body, and was partially crippled. He entered a gunstore this morning, asked to look at some revolvers, and selected a second-hand one. He asked if it was loaded, and on being informed that it was, he started for the door, but before reaching it placed the weapon to his head and pulled the trigger, dying instantly.

STOOD LONG TIME IN LINE.

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CHAUTAUQUA OFFICERS ELECTED.

Financial Report Shows Society in Good Condition.

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der the terms of the arid land law passed by the Legislature of 1901, for the purpose of accepting the provisions of the Carey law, an act by which the United States Government gives to the state 1,500,000 acres of arid land whenever the land has been reclaimed. According to the terms of the contract, the Portland Irrigation Company must reclaim the land at its own expense, and secure the return of its money through sales of the land.

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