

25 YEARS IS TERM

Judge Bronaugh Tells Prisoner His Offense Ranks Close to Murder.

CRIME ENACTED IN COURT

Vincenzo Buono Illustrates How He Resisted Successfully and Fired Five Shots into William Mitchell.

William Mitchell, confessed holdup man, was sentenced by Presiding Judge Bronaugh in the Circuit Court yesterday afternoon to serve 25 years in the Salem Penitentiary.

Manner of Robbery Shown.

"I was standing in front of my saloon talking with a friend," said Buono. "I saw this man walking around there, but did not pay much attention to him, until he stepped up quick like this, and yelled, 'Hands up! Hands up! Hands up! I tell you, hands up!'"

Two Bullets Remain.

The friend handed over the revolver, and as the highwayman broke away, Buono emptied the contents of the five barrels into him.

PARASITE FACES ROCKPILE

Elliott Must Serve 90 Days Unless Appeal Saves Him.

Unless Ray Elliott, a North End parasite, appeals to the Supreme Court, he must serve 90 days at Kelly Butte and pay a fine of \$100.

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