

SUIT IS STARTED OVER AFFAIRS OF PRINTING FIRM

In an effort to gain control of the management of the Jolly-Ratelle Printing company, separate action was started in the circuit court today by both factions interested in the firm. Mrs. Jolly filed a petition asking that a receiver be appointed and seeking a restraining order to prevent the other members of the firm from disposing of any of the assets.

L. W. Otto, who says he is the newly elected secretary and treasurer, asks for a writ of mandamus ordering Jolly to deliver to him all papers, books, records, accounts and property of the firm now in her possession.

Mrs. Jolly claims there is conspiracy between E. Ratelle and creditors to discredit the standing of the firm and in this way cause it to become insolvent so they can buy the assets at a reduced price and force her out of the business.

In Otto's petition it is charged that Mrs. Jolly transferred her interest in the firm to Joseph Leeb and thereby forfeited her position as director and made herself no longer eligible as vice president, secretary and treasurer. At a meeting of the board of directors July 10, Otto was elected to fill the place of secretary and treasurer.

Mrs. Jolly said she did transfer the stock to another person, but that it was immediately transferred back to her.

STOCK SALESMAN STARTS SUIT; SAYS HE WAS DUFED
Charging that officials of the H. W. Dubliskie company conspired to make him a cat's paw in order to defraud the "blue sky" law, L. R. Cooke filed suit in the circuit court for \$28,787 damages against the company Tuesday afternoon. Cooke charges he was employed as a stock salesman and given stock to sell which had not been approved by the corporation's commission. He says in his complaint W. F. Morris, resident manager of the firm, had his stock salesman license revoked in order to protect the firm. This caused him to lose contracts with other firms, caused him humiliation, loss of prestige, earning power and salary, he alleges.

PETITION FILED
Petition for letters of administration of the estate of Margaret Logan, who died recently intestate, were filed today in the probate division of the circuit court by John F. Logan, the widower. The estate is valued at \$6500.

CALLS FOR BIDS
The county commissioners today called for bids for the old ferry, St. Johns, which has been inactive for some time, and which is now to be sold to the highest bidder. The boat is now moored in Fulton.

Judge Skidmore, Who Cleared Site Of Portland, Dies
South Bend, Wash., July 26.—Judge John Nathan Skidmore, 28 years old and a resident of South Bend for 51 years, died here Sunday after a protracted illness. Judge Skidmore was a landmark for old-timers here and he helped clear ground on the present site of Portland, Or., before that city was dreamed of.

Judge Skidmore was born in Lincoln county, Kentucky, in 1893, and came West via prairie schooner at the age of 10, taking six months for the journey. He lived on a part of the present site of Portland for a while and was married there. He later lived in several places along the lower Columbia river, where he served as justice of the peace. During the Indian wars of 1855-6, he joined the Oregon mounted volunteers. He moved to the present site of South Bend in 1871 and has lived here ever since. A large part of South Bend built on Judge Skidmore's original 160-acre farm.

Pierce and Herman To Debate Single Tax
Scio, Oregon, July 26.—A joint debate has been arranged here by G. R. Sutherland between Walter M. Pierce, democratic nominee for governor, and J. R. Herman, manager of the Oregon State Single Tax League, to discuss the tax question from a single tax standpoint. It will be held on Saturday, August 12, at 2 p. m.

Opera Association To Present 'Ernani'
At a meeting of the board of directors of the Portland Opera association at noon today it was decided to present the turgid Verdi opera "Ernani" at the Auditorium on the nights of November 17 and 18. Roberto Corrucci was selected conductor and musical director, and Mrs. E. L. Thompson president of the association. It was announced that the first rehearsal will be held at the Multnomah hotel on the evening of September 8.

Domestic Troubles Blamed for Suicide
Klamath Falls, July 26.—Worry over recent domestic troubles was believed to have led to the suicide of David F. Wells, 48, widely known rancher residing near Dorris, whose body, with a bullet hole through the heart, was found on a road four miles west of here by a truck driver at 1 o'clock this morning. A 35-35 calibre rifle was found nearby. The coroner took possession of notes found on the body, but their contents were not revealed. It was intimated they referred to domestic troubles.

Unidentified Man Kills Detective
St. Louis, July 26.—(I. N. S.)—Detective Sergeant Harry Lemken, head of the local homicide squad, was shot and killed by an unidentified man in an automobile here this afternoon. The slayer escaped.

OLD RESIDENT DIES
La Grande, July 26.—Mrs. Peter Nelson died here Sunday at the age of 79 years. She is survived by her husband and three children. She was a native of Denmark and had lived here 25 years.

THINK WELL
The more successful the man—the more he appreciates the value of life insurance.

Oregon Life
is creating millions in estates for just such men as yourself—who will be proud to leave adequate protection behind them.

Your family is entitled to OREGON LIFE protection.

Unmerger Would Be U. P. Domination, Dey Tells Clubmen

Unmerger of the Southern and Central Pacific means destruction of the Southern Pacific system and the establishment in its place of two third class railroads, declared Ben C. Dey, general attorney of the Southern Pacific lines in Oregon, before the Portland Ad club at the Benson hotel this afternoon.

The issue is off, Dey added, which is clearly up to the interstate commerce commission to construct in the light of the transportation act of 1920 and has only been made the subject of public altercation by the Union Pacific system through its desire to dominate the railroad situation of the Pacific coast.

Unmerger Would Be U. P. Domination, Dey Tells Clubmen

The issue is off, Dey added, which is clearly up to the interstate commerce commission to construct in the light of the transportation act of 1920 and has only been made the subject of public altercation by the Union Pacific system through its desire to dominate the railroad situation of the Pacific coast.

That the dismemberment of the Southern and Central Pacific would also mean the concentration of Southern Pacific interests from San Francisco south, leaving the Oregon lines of the Southern Pacific "cut off at the end of the line," was Dey's further assertion.

Cooler Days and Dewy Nights Serve As Check on Fires

Fires which have been raging for weeks in Oregon forests have been checked by the recent cooler days and dewy nights, although there is no chance of extinguishing them until rain falls, according to the statement from forest service headquarters this morning.

No more calls for men or supplies have been received from the fighting forces in the forest, which is an encouraging sign.

Ranger C. C. Hon telephoned Tuesday afternoon that the Boulder Branch, south of Mount Hood, was quiet, and since he could get 15 men from the highway commission, he would need no more from Portland.

Two Girls and Man Escape Attack of Coyote Gone Mad

Klamath Falls, Or., July 26.—Pursued by a mad coyote on the Frank Obenchain ranch, two girls and a man boy found safety in a tree while Obenchain dodged the crazed beast until it withdrew to the nearby hills, was the story related here today by Miss Mildred Thrasher and Miss Marie Obenchain of this city, who figured in the affair.

Both had been spending their vacation on the ranch. The coyote first pursued Miss Obenchain, who narrowly escaped its fangs by grasping a tree limb. It then turned to Obenchain, who managed to evade its snapping teeth. The animal suddenly fled, for no apparent reason, without having bitten any of the party.

Obenchain's small son was afterwards found in the very tip of a tree. He was an interested witness of his father's efforts to escape.