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## THE CIRCUIT COURT.

### What Was Done at December Term in Benton.

The circuit court of Benton county adjourned Thursday evening, after transacting considerable business of more or less importance. Judge Harris presided. The only cases of general interest were those of the Corvallis clubmen, accounts of which have already been published in the Gazette.

The docket for the term, with the disposition of the cases, is as follows:

Jas. L. Lewis vs. John McGee, taxation costs; judgment, \$33.

Palmer Ayers vs. E. W. Strong, taxation costs; settled.

William M. Howard vs. Adam Wilhelm & Sons, suit, injunction; dismissed.

Mary E. Herbert, T. M. Coon, et al vs. A. L. Coon, sale real property; no service on defendants.

George A. Houck vs. H. M. and Mary Donat, and Robert W. Black, mortgage foreclosure; dismissed on motion of plaintiff.

George A. Houck vs. George and Annie Schaffer, Edward and Agnes Donat, suit, foreclosure real property; dismissed on motion of plaintiff.

A. W. Fischer vs. J. K. Berry, action; dismissed on motion of plaintiff.

A. Wilhelm & Sons vs. Agnes C. McElroy, action; settled.

Thomas Whitehorn, et al vs. city council, et al, suit, injunction; At fault, judgment for \$708.10; \$55 atty. fees; also \$445.82 on open account; order sale of real property; costs and disbursements.

Laura Burr vs. Agnes C. and I. C. McElroy, action, promissory note; default; judgment for \$530.50; atty. fees, costs, and sale of real property.

J. A. Rycraft vs. Nina Rycraft, divorce; decree.

Emma C. Sargent vs. Harvey Sargent, divorce; decree.

Catherine Boehringer vs. O. & C. R. R. Co., et al; continued.

W. C. Covell vs. Abbie D. Covell, divorce; decree.

State of Oregon vs. Chas. M. Klive, et al; sentenced pay \$400 fine, 30 days in county jail, and costs of suit. Appealed to supreme court.

M. J. Norton vs. Nahum Norton, divorce; dismissed on motion plaintiff.

James L. Lewis vs. Spencer Bicknell, damage suit; demurrer withdrawn; 30 days allowed defendant to file answer.

Nellie Barden vs. August B. Barden, divorce; dismissed on motion plaintiff.

W. J. Moores vs. J. C. Sutherland; judgment \$52.88; atty fees, \$15.

W. J. Shipley vs. M. E. Farley; order confirmed.

J. R. Smith vs. Benton county Prune Co.; judgment \$950.00, and interest from Oct. 1904.

### Improvements in Progress.

Things are doing these days at the Strong saw mill, and elsewhere in connection with the establishment. Over near Summit a force of men are engaged in cutting several million feet of fir timber, and by use of a new donkey engine this lumber will be loaded onto C. & E. cars and brought to Corvallis. In preparation for this, workmen are now building a chute on the river bank at the O. R. & N. landing, where these cars from Summit will be unloaded and the timber sent down the chute into the river. From there it will be towed by Strong's steam launch to the saw mill for use.

At the mill, a small seven-

horse power engine has been received and will at once be installed for the purpose of operating a dynamo for furnishing electric lights for the entire mill. This will, it is thought, provide better light than is at present available, and in case of an emergency the mill would be independent in the matter, and could, if necessary, run all night.

Other improvements to be made will be the placing of two 160-horse power boilers to take the place of two 100-horse power boilers which will be removed. This is done to increase the power and capacity of the mill. The boilers are to come from Minneapolis and will soon be in position.

### Guide to Elections.

It will be seen that the campaign of 1906 really begins during the last week in December of this year, when initiative petitions must be filed if the promoters desire to file pamphlets in support of the proposed measures. The pamphlets must be brought to the office of Secretary of State Dunbar by December 30. If the promoters of measures do not desire to file pamphlets, they will have until February 3 to file petitions. It should also be explained that petitions for nominations for district officers, such as circuit judge, district attorney, joint senator and joint representatives, must be filed in the office of the secretary of state, and not in the offices of county clerks, and the dates governing nominations for state offices are explicable. The following list contains all the dates of interest to the voter and the candidate for office.

Secretary of State Dunbar and Attorney-General Crawford have examined the election laws and the following table is the result of their investigations:

Registration—  
Registration books opened by county clerks, Tuesday, January 2nd.

Registration books closed for primary election, April 10, 5 p. m.

Registration books opened after primary elections, April 25.

Registration books closed for general election, May 15, 5 p. m.

Initiative petitions—  
Number of signers required to initiate laws or amendments 7489.

Last day of filing initiative petitions, February 3.

Last day for filing pamphlets advocating measures, December 30, 1905.

Last day for filing pamphlets opposing measures, February 5.

Direct primary election—  
County clerks give notice of primary election not later than March 21.

Last day for filing petitions for placing names on ballot for state, congressional and district offices, March 30.

Last day for filing petitions for county offices, April 4.

Date of primary election, April 20.

Canvassing votes of primary election for state offices, May 5.

General election—  
Last day for filing certificates of nomination for state offices by assembly of electors, April 19.

Last day for filing nominating petitions for state offices, May 4.

Last day for filing certificates of nomination for county officers by assembly of electors, May 4.

Last day for filing nominating petitions for county offices, May 19.

General election, June 4.

### In Mad Chase.

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## WHY LIE?

### A Comprehensive List of Lies From Many Sources.

"The Devilry of a Lie" was the subject of a discourse at the M. E. church Sunday evening. Rev. Feese, on the subject of "Lies," has the following thoughts that may be of interest to our readers:

The word liar, rightly pronounced, sounds harshly. Many inventions have been contrived to avoid the grating upon our finer sensibilities by a plain, blunt use of the term. The clever distinctions are such as, he unintentionally uttered an untruth; deceived; falsified; perjured. Prevaricator is the most delicate and esthetic modification of the term that our language affords. Sometimes distinguished people are accused of evasions or equivocations.

Diplomat is another name for the "walking, breathing, living lie." These niceties are invented really to hide the monstrosity of the true character of lying. They keep pace with the onward march of progress. The word-painter does his best to cover up the ugliness of the liar. By up-to-date methods he fairly succeeds.

There are mummy liars. There are electric liars. The ancient liar is just as far behind the times as he who read by the grease dip or scrawled upon hardened mud. Lies were once uttered singly and tremblingly; now they come forth multitudinally, swiftly and boldly by patent process under the supervision and control of lying syndicates. For the protection of first-class liars a prevaricator's trust is in process of formation.

The trust will claim the exclusive right of the wireless methods. As a monster it defies everything. Its terrible arms reach over gulfs wide and deep, mountains high and steep; that various systems of philosophy may construct against its fearful encroachments. It is a gourmand, a voluptuary. Its peculiar digestive organs fairly regale in the absorption of truth. The corrupt, pure; the ignorant, wise; the coarse, cultured; the ugly, beautiful; the obscure, prominent; the young, aged—many are the victims struggling within its terrible and insatiable embrace. It is a vice exceeding all other vices in its scope and influence. Its field for operation is the broadest. At its command is the largest number and greatest variety of agencies and opportunities.

By its subtle methods it can enter where other vices meet with stubborn resistance and ignominious defeat.

Even the confident student and teacher of Christian ethics, assisted by all the hallowed influences arising from the highest research, lack of temptation, protected dignity and reputation, suffers his character to become sullied by this slimy and most infamous vice, and then soothes his wounded conscience by pleading prudence and tact authorized by most excellent judgment.

That word tact covers a multitude of lies. Great danger is encountered while exposing the liar to the world. Positive evidence is powerless to shake his hold upon it. Of course the world is shocked when a great, and exalted liar is exposed, but the lesson taught is soon forgotten. Society lies according to the latest fashion. Beauty curls her roseate lips tinted by the powdered paleness of her face, swings her gait with the elasticity of a padded form, and pleads ignorance to hide the absence of a fund of wit.

The tradesman by constant practice becomes as skillful in the art of lying as any one in profession, art or trade. "The just as good," "the only," "the below cost," "the closing out," "the underselling bargainer," "the one who never cheats," can hold his own in the field that is free for all. But the skill achieved is never published upon the winds. No one declares himself an accomplished liar. One philosopher taught to lie. People would expect nothing from him but first-class lies. He is out of date. We must not forget that the world is advancing. We have not the time to be bored by a second class affair, with a funeral procession gait and no capital. It takes capital now to do business at the old stand. Blasphemers, murderers, adulterers and thieves are few compared with the number of liars. Evidently Christianity has been turning its batteries against all other vices than lying. For lying now is undoubtedly the prevailing and most reprehensible vice of it.

This writer is calm. He will not call all men liars. He will give the benefit of the doubt. He has not the time to unmask the Dr. Jekylls and Mr. Hydres. Lying is linked with every other vice—naturally the most dangerous. It is a query whether the murderer of truth may not be guilty of as heinous a crime as he who takes human life.

The lie may ravish virtue, besmirch

purity, instigate calumny and drive a dagger to the hilt into the back of an innocent victim. The home, the state, the church are in greater peril in the presence of this dread foe than that of all the others combined. If the crusade to be the event of the hour let it be made against this hydra of monsters—the liar. The liar question is more practical than the liquor, gambling, race ground money, tariff, free trade or Panama Canal questions.

All shades of controversy pertaining to the right kind of government fade into utter insignificance when compared with that movement which will remove the liar from our borders. In all great reformatory movements this greater question seems to have been ignored or forgotten. Without hindrance the evil of lying has been busily engaged in its deadly work.

It now with ghost like approach and deathful grip is throttling the public conscience. Notwithstanding the high or low of moral and Christian education among us all suffer from its dastard consequences.

There seems to be a justification for certain classes of lives that weaken the efforts. Morality may peel forth. Once the charge of lying was made after very serious consideration. Now charges of lying come from high and low places of public and private character without the least degree of compulsion or compunction. This unquestionably betrays how common the crime of lying really is.

The liar is the horror of horrors. He smolders the sweets of the bridal chamber; commits sacrilege in the presence of the dead. He prevents the righteous intentions that are brought together in the council of nations; drives from its home the spirit of confidence, purity, sanctity, imperils the public morals—blights every hope by sinking it into such a state as eternal damnation deserves. Preval against the liar. Begin reformation where needed most. Turn the Woman's Christian Union loose on the liar. The boasted influence of the press, the music of the poet, the Rhilippic of the orator, the prayers of the saint should be turned against the liar.

### EXCURSION TO CALIFORNIA.

#### Under the Auspices of the Oregon Development League.

Secretary Tom Richardson, of the Oregon Development League, is very anxious that the state at large should be well represented on this excursion. The party, which will be composed of ladies and gentlemen, leaves Portland at midnight, January 13, 1906, stops at Sacramento, San Francisco, Palo Alto, San Jose, Paso Robles, Santa Barbara and Los Angeles. Special entertainment will accord the party at these points. The rate from Portland will be \$63 for one person, which includes three meals to be served on diner between Portland and Sacramento, and Pullman berth to Los Angeles. A rate of \$98 will be charged where two people occupy a double berth. A deposit of \$25 is necessary on each ticket to secure reservation. Section reservations will be held until December 25th. This is an excellent opportunity to visit California, as the auspices under which it is given insures a most enjoyable outing.

The excursion is to be run only provided that not less 125 persons make the trip. All communications in reference to reservations, and to the trip in general, should be addressed to Mr. Tom Richardson, Manager Portland Commercial Club, Portland, Oregon.

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