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**CIRCUIT COURT DOCKET**

Cases for Consideration During the Present Term.

**CRIMINAL**  
State of Oregon vs John Knapp, information charging the pointing of a gun at another person; A. E. Reames attorney for plaintiff.

**ACTIONS AT LAW**  
T. B. Cornell vs Florence Ranzau, action for money; H. D. Norton for plaintiff, R. G. Smith for defendant.  
A. C. Hough vs English Canadian Co., action for money; R. G. Smith for plaintiff, W. C. Hale for defendant.  
J. A. Tate and R. S. Bratten, vs Oscar Beer, action for money; R. G. Smith for plaintiff, A. C. Hough for defendant.  
Alice H. Calver vs John Randle, appeal from justice; court H. D. Norton for plaintiff, R. G. Smith for defendant.  
E. B. Pickel vs John R. Harvey, action for money; W. I. Vawter for plaintiff.  
Henry J. Fisher vs Pacific Pine Needle Co., action for money; A. C. Hough for plaintiff.  
William P. Wilson vs B. E. Meredith, action for money; H. D. Norton for plaintiff.  
S. A. Vance vs The Mountain View Copper Co., action for money; R. G. Smith for plaintiff, H. D. Norton for defendant.  
Grants Pass Banking & Trust Co., vs Old Channel Mining Co., A. C. Hough for plaintiff, action for money.

**SUITS IN EQUITY**

James Little, plaintiff vs F. H. Osgood, defendant, suit to quiet title, W. C. Hale and A. C. Hough for plaintiff, R. G. Smith for defendant.  
S. W. Smith vs Nellie Smith, divorce, R. G. Smith for plaintiff.  
Illinois & Josephine Gravel Mining Co., vs Harry Bailey, suit to quiet title, H. D. Norton for plaintiff, R. G. Smith for defendant.  
A. C. Hough vs A. W. Fox and James O. B. Gunn, suit to quiet title, A. C. Hough for plaintiff, W. T. Muir for defendant.  
W. I. Sweetland vs Grants Pass New Water Light & Power Co., W. C. Hale for plaintiff, W. T. Muir for defendant.  
P. A. Smith et al vs A. J. Sherwood et al, foreclosure of mortgage, W. C. Hale for plaintiff.  
Jans H. Adu, vs C. C. Taylor Guardian vs Theo O. Naucke et al, suit to quiet title, H. D. Norton for plaintiff, Colvig & Cannon and A. E. Reames for defendants.  
F. Fetsch vs Lucy Perron, equity, H. D. Norton for plaintiff, W. C. Hale for defendant.  
Ellen F. St Louis vs Henry E. Booth, R. G. Smith for plaintiff, W. C. Hale for defendant.  
Elizabeth Grove vs F. F. Grove, divorce, H. E. Hendricks and R. G. Smith for plaintiff, H. D. Norton for defendant.  
O. S. Goodnow vs Wm H. Emerson and R. G. Smith, foreclosure of mechanics lien, C. E. Maybree and W. C. Hale for plaintiff, H. D. Norton for defendant.  
Elvira D. Hay vs W. J. Hay, divorce, R. G. Smith for plaintiff.

**WATCHEES GROW ON TREES**

**Strange Fruit Borne by Cherry Tree at Placer.**  
One day last week George Howard, the young son of Mrs. L. N. Browning of Placer, climbed up into the top of one of the cherry trees on the Browning place for the purpose of picking the fruit. Besides the many luscious cherries with which the tree was loaded, he found a strange sort of fruit hanging on the tree, which filled him with surprise and delight. At a distance of some 20 feet from the ground, he found a silver watch apparently growing on the tree, suspended by a buckskin string in place of a stem. George was naturally elated over his find, for it is not on every bush that a boy may find a watch growing.

**COPPER OF SLATE CREEK**

**Ingram-Ramsey Mine is Making First Rate Showing.**  
Ingram & Ramsey are continuing the development work on their copper prospect in the Slate creek country. This is one of the most favorable appearing prospects in Southern Oregon, both in extent and excellence of the ore. The assays give values from 2 1/2 to 17 per cent copper while much of the rock is of the higher grade. The greatest depth at which the ore has been tapped is 50 feet. The property is situated mainly on Butcher Knifely gulch, a tributary of Slate creek. This is a district in which mineral discoveries of value were never made prior to this copper discovery and many of the miners and prospectors considered it "off the belt" and barren. Years ago the prospectors in this country had their eyes open for gold alone and it is only in comparatively recent years that the copper fields of Southern Oregon have been recognized as having value. Competent judges consider the Ingram-Ramsey property as one of the most promising in this portion of the state.

**A HIGH DIVING FELINE**

**Portland Cat Drops From Sixth Story Window Unhurt.**  
A large Angora cat fell out of a sixth-story window of the Perkins Hotel and lives to point a moral if not to tell the tale. The animal is a valuable specimen of the feline tribe, and belongs to Mrs. Fred Cann, of Seattle, who is stopping with her husband at the hotel. Many prizes and blue ribbons gained at various exhibitions demonstrate to the unbelieving the pedigree and general merit of the cat.

**A FREAK SUMMER SEASON**

**Such is the One We are Now Experiencing.**  
The present summer is one of the driest on record as, with the exception of a few light showers, no rain has fallen for the past two months. As a consequence, the grain and hay crops will be light, though still far removed from being a failure, a word of which Southern Oregon hardly realizes the meaning as applied to crops, as so complete a failure has never been known here. The fruit crop will be good. Another peculiarity of the summer is the cold weather which has prevailed recently. While eastern cities are suffering in the oppressive heat, the people of Southern Oregon have been shivering more than they really enjoy in the middle of summer. On the morning of July 7, a regular November fog covered the valley in which Grants Pass is situated and a fire was about the most comfortable thing imaginable.

**A SILVER CREEK PLACER**

**New Mine to Be Fitted With Hydraulic Equipment.**

Carr & Terry, the Galice miners, have purchased the Bradford placer property on Silver creek and will proceed to develop it and fit it with hydraulic equipment. This ground occupies a position that makes it peculiarly favorable for a hydraulic enterprise. It is situated on a bench about 150 feet above the creek bed, the sheer walls of the creek bank offering an opportunity for a dump that is unlimited and everlasting. Todd creek, one of the larger tributaries of Silver creek, furnishes a water right of unusual excellence and the steepness of its course makes plenty of pressure available with a ditch of only moderate length. The ground has been worked to some extent by hand and prospects well, yielding good values, though the boulders are too numerous and heavy for operation without hydraulic equipment. One of the favorable characteristics of this ground is that it is the first bar below the falls and the canyon. Above the falls, the creek has proven rich and the position of this ground justifies the assumption that a large quantity of gold must have collected there as the gravel was swept down the course of the stream.

**CALIFORNIA FORESTRY**

**Timber Matters to Be Closely Studied in Sister State.**

With the intention of fixing upon a proper forest policy, California has undertaken this year, with the help of the Bureau of Forestry, a comprehensive and detailed study of its forests. The State legislature recently appropriated \$15,000 for the study, the condition being that it should be carried out by the Bureau of Forestry, and that the Bureau should bear half the expense.

The State desires to know those facts about its forests that will guide it in passing wise forest laws. It desires to know, for instance, what disposal should be made of the state forest lands, what should be done to regulate the cutting of timber on them, how forest fires may best be restrained, whether tree-planting in denuded areas will pay, etc.

The task of securing all the information necessary for a forest policy for California the Bureau of Forestry has begun this summer. The work is of such magnitude that several years will be required to complete it, but valuable and suggestive results will be secured each year.

The work has been begun on a large scale. Six men are now examining public lands in the State to determine what parts of them are suitable for national forest reserves, and similar studies will be made of lands for state reserves. A study will be made of all lands owned by the state in order to determine the uses to which they may best be put, who should administer them, and what sort of administration they should have. A forest map of California will be made, showing the location of all forest areas and distinguishing between the different kinds of forest. In connection with the forest map will be a study of important trees in order to learn with exactness the commercial range of the valuable species. An investigation will be made of the effects of lumbering on the forest in order to determine what ought to be done to cut-over lands. It is of great importance to know what happens to the land in different parts of the timbered regions after it is cut over by the lumberman—whether it comes up again in timber or whether it becomes waste land.

The effects of fire on the forest, especially after lumbering, and what may be done by the state to prevent fire are subjects that will take a long time to work out. In September, E. A. Sterling, of the Bureau, will try to determine what is the cheapest and most effective method of protecting from fire land that has been lumbered.

The Bureau will also make a study of the chaparral lands of Southern California in order to learn whether it will pay to plant them with timber trees. A very interesting question has been raised as to whether chaparral—which includes a great variety of scrub trees, such as manzanita, scrub oak, valley mahogany, and scrub cherry—will retain the moisture in the soil as well as timber trees. Chaparral grows denser than timber trees, and often reaches a height of 20 to 30 feet and a diameter of 16 to 18 inches. L. C. Miller, who has charge of this work, is now making a study of the conditions under which chaparral grows in the San Gabriel mountains, near Pasadena, where the Bureau has been planting pines and oaks for several years.

The results of these separate investigations will be gathered together by William C. Hoags, of the Bureau, who has general charge of the California work, and will be presented to the State in a formal report, accompanied by maps.

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**Union Church Services.**  
A large congregation attended the union service at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening. The sermon was given by Rev. E. L. Fitch, presiding elder of the M. E. church, South. Special music was rendered and a solo by Mrs. Gault was one of the very enjoyable features of the service. On next Sunday evening, the services will be held at the Newman M. E. church and the speaker will be Volney B. Cushing of Bangor, Me.

Prof. F. E. Young occupied the pulpit at the Newman M. E. church last Sunday morning. Rev. J. W. McDougall being absent holding quarterly meeting at Myrtle creek.

**BROKE OUT OF THE JAIL**  
Norris-Rowe Employees Rescue Comrades at Baker City.  
A big jail delivery occurred at Baker City, about 11 o'clock Thursday night. Norris & Rowe's circus was in town Wednesday and about sundown several of the employees of the circus and some negro tramps were arrested on a charge of attempting burglary in the Vendome hotel, in that city.  
Just before the circus train pulled out, about a dozen of the employees, armed with crowbars stolen from the railroad tool house, broke open the city jail where their companions were imprisoned and all got away on the out-going train, which was just then leaving. An alarm was given by a negro who was in the jail for drunkenness, he being the only prisoner who did not escape.

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