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HOMICIDE AT ASHLAND
Man Shoots His Wife's Family -
Kills Himself and Child.
At Ashland on Friday, William Monroe, a laborer, shot his wife, 2-year-old child, mother-in-law and sister-in-law with a 32 calibre revolver, and then put a bullet in his own head, dropping dead instantly.
A few days ago Mrs. Monroe filed an action for divorce against her husband, and pending the trial, which was set for Saturday in the circuit court, she was given possession of the child. Following the beginning of the suit Monroe came to his wife's home one morning, and on pretense of seeing the little one, abducted her. Officers were at once put on his track and in a few hours recovered and restored the baby.

Merlin Items
W. J. Powers was in Grants Pass on business Monday.
J. P. McConnell is teaching at Glendale. He returns home Saturdays.
Miss Lora Pommill is attending school at Grants Pass, having graduated from Merlin schools.

PLACER ON COYOTE CREEK
Plant to Be Installed on Promising Property.
F. D. Milton of Ashland, and W. S. Lora of Portland, who, together with J. W. Thomason, are owners of the Blue Channel Mining & Development Company, are making arrangements to have a hydraulic plant put in on their claims in Robinson Gulch on Coyote Creek in the Wolf Creek district.

Among the late arrivals of new goods at
Bannard's Big Furniture and House Furnishing Store
are
Axminster and Velvet
CARPETS and RUGGS
A large line of new styles Porteries, Fine Pictures, Picture Frames and Mouldings and the whole stock is most complete. Come and see it you cannot afford to pass it by.
Goods Sold on the Installment Plan
FURNITURE REPAIRED
A. U. BANNARD
Opposite Western Hotel.

Prince Herbert Bismarck, son of the "Iron Chancellor," died on Sunday at Friedrichsruhe in Germany at the age of 55. Independent of the fame of his father, Prince Herbert was a distinguished man with a brilliant record as soldier and diplomat.

Reports from the Russo-Japanese war are to the effect that the comparative quiet which has prevailed during the past week has been rudely broken. The Japs have begun another fierce attack on Port Arthur and almost simultaneously another great battle has begun at Mukden between the forces of Oyama and Kuropatkin. It appears that the Japs have more advantage than was the case in the Liao Yang battle in which they gave the Russians such a severe defeat.

Recently the Courier has received advertising propositions from Portland firms which compete directly with our merchants in various lines of business. We declined to consider the offer because we believe in patronizing our resident merchants, the men who are among us and of us, who pay taxes in this county and who are personally interested in the welfare and development of our district. The Courier believes in patronizing the home merchant in preference to all others and in the building up of local business and industry and will reserve its space for the resident business man who is in preference to a competing foreign advertiser, the prospect of a few dollars from the latter not being sufficient to turn the scale in his favor.

WORK AT THE OPP MINE
Quartz Mill and Machinery Soon to Be Installed.
Work on the big quartz mill for the Opp mine began Monday and a force of 25 men are employed in blasting off the rock and doing other work on the foundation at the building. About 100,000 feet of lumber has been purchased of the Jackson County Lumber Company and the Iowa Lumber Company and it will soon be delivered. The offices building formerly occupied by the Iowa Lumber Company was purchased and is to be moved to California street near the Whipp building and will be used as an office for the company. Dr. Reddy and Mr. Opp have been in San Francisco this week purchasing the machinery for the mill and rails and ore cars for the mine. F. E. Willett, who is construction superintendent, is rushing work and will increase his force to 40 or more by another week as it is the intention of the company to have the new mill in operation in 90 days. -Jacksonville Sentinel.

Rich gulch near Jacksonville, said to be the scene of the first gold discovery in Oregon, in 1851, is to be worked this winter with pipe and machinery by the Bivens brothers. The gulch paid an ounce a day to the man in early times and has been worked in a desultory manner from those times till the present.

Fall Styles of Shoes
Our SHOES are made especially to our order. Best of materials and first-class workmanship. Not the trash you see advertised at half price. Our prices are the lowest at which such goods as ours can be sold anywhere.
BOYS' SHOES
GIRLS' SHOES
MEN'S SHOES
WOMEN'S SHOES
SOLE AGENTS
The "Crossett" Shoe for Men \$3.00 \$3.50
The "Ut & Dunn" Shoe for Women \$2.50 \$3.00
The "Queen Quality" Shoe for Women, \$3.00
E. C. DIXON,
Dry Goods and Furnishings.

NEW DISPLAYS COME IN
Mining Exhibit Constantly Increasing in Size and Excellence.
Among the new displays received this week at the Mining Exhibit building, are a lot of fine looking ore from the Carr mine on Footh Creek, several large pieces of crude graphite from Swede Basin and some specimens of cinnabar from Picket Creek. New displays are being received from time to time and the exhibit is constantly increasing in size and excellence.

Woodville Items
Mr. Taylor was in Grants Pass on business.
Mr. Moore was in Grants Pass on business.
Mr. B. Carter was in Grants Pass on business.
A. A. Davis, from Medford, was in town Wednesday.
Mr. Geo. Estes went to Grants Pass Saturday on business.
Mr. P. Lovick was in Grants Pass Thursday on business.
Mr. Smithline was in Grants Pass Wednesday on business.

The tragedy occurred at the home of Mrs. Oscar Garner, Monroe's wife's sister, a little house in Railroad Addition, where Monroe had followed his wife and her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Dunlap. The latter Monroe blamed for much of his domestic trouble. Entering the house he first fired at Mrs. Dunlap and then at his wife, who sought to protect her mother, and then he directed his attention to Mrs. Garner, who made an outcry. After wounding each one of them he picked up the little daughter, who apparently to carry it away, when some motive prompted the infuriated man to pick up the little girl and fire the bullet which penetrated it through the forehead behind the left ear and fell dead on the floor. The little girl died on Saturday. There is no doubt but that Monroe had brooded over his domestic difficulties until he became unbalanced, and his life and the lives of those near him were in jeopardy. It is not allowed to keep his child, for whom he professed the greatest devotion and love and which he stole away from its mother a few weeks ago, keeping it until the court ordered it into the mother's custody. Divorces instituted by the wife, was pending at the current term of the superior court.

Waldo Items
George Elder, our amiable clerk at Dickson's store, is so busy that he dare challenge that good natured laugh of his. The big mule teams of the Smelting Co. are ornaments to our highways. The loud whistle of the Fallkams smelter makes us prompt. Everything is going up. Waldo: wood cutting has got up to \$1 per tier for 18-inch wood, and teaming \$4 per day; labor from \$2 up. Fallkams has petitioned for a saloon and will doubtless get it. Much depends on the man who runs it, as to the good or harm it may do in this vicinity.

Board of Equalization.
The Board of Equalization for Josephine County, Oregon, will meet at the office of the County Clerk, Monday, Oct. 3rd, 1904, at 9 o'clock A. M., and will remain in session each successive day for one week. All parties interested are requested to appear and examine their assessment for the year 1904, and have all errors corrected, if any there be, as no corrections can be made after the adjournment of said board. W. H. FALLIN, Assessor of Josephine County, Oregon. Grants Pass, Sept. 13, 1904.
New Fall and Winter Tailored Hats, all the latest the market affords at Mrs. Reiskopf's.

WILL BE LIVELY MEETING
Oregon Development League
Will Hold Sessions Here Friday.
Considerable interest is manifest in the meeting of the Oregon Development League which will be held here on Friday, September 23. There will be two sessions, one in the afternoon and one in the evening. A large attendance is expected from all the Southern Oregon towns. Roseburg will send 40 delegates and the towns of the Rogue river valley will have a good representation. Addresses will be given by able speakers and the meeting will be full of life and interest. The Oregon Development League now has a membership of some 35 organizations with the united object of stimulating the progress of our state. The meeting will be held at the opera house.

Wilderville Items
Mr. Wynnet preached at Wilderville Sunday night.
Mr. Evans preached at Wilderville Sunday at 10 o'clock.
Mr. McGalliard of Merlin, made a short visit to Grants Pass. Mr. Harrington of Grants Pass, preached at J. Hookings at 4 o'clock Sunday.
Mrs. Ellis has gone to her home in California, after visiting her relatives for the last two months.
J. W. McCollum got his finger cut off of a glass jar breaking in his hand.
H. Hocking, Adam Cart and the three Sams brothers went out on a three days hunt. Won't the game suffer?
A good many are having colds, think if we would have rain enough to settle this dense smoke, everybody would feel better.

Provolet Items
Elmer Hays of Grants Pass was at Provolet Tuesday.
W. M. Sisson of Provolet was at Grants Pass Monday.
Ed. Etts and wife of Applegate were at Grants Pass Tuesday.
Dr. J. F. Lewman of Provolet made Grants Pass a business trip Friday.
George Lewman and Ernest Chapman of Trinity county, Cal., who have been visiting with relatives and friends at Provolet, left for home Tuesday.
The new church at Provolet is under full headway now. It is being built by Rev. E. Badger of Provolet.
The candy party given for the farewells of G. F. Lewman was largely attended by friends and relatives who had not seen him for 15 years. His stay was short, but greatly appreciated.

CLASSIFIED ADS.
WANTED.
WANTED-To invest \$500 to \$2500 and services in a good legitimate business. Address H. G., Care Courier.
WANTED-Ladies and gentlemen to board at Smythe's. Everything new, clean and up-to-date. 114 E Street.
SITUATION wanted by experienced camp cook and baker, German, Julia Krieten, care of Patsch, southwest corner Sixth and J street.
PASTURE
GOOD PASTURE for horses or cattle, near town. M. W. Wheeler.
FOR SALE.
FULL BLOOD registered Holstein bull. Address J. H. Croston, Grants Pass.
FOR SALE-2000 Cedar posts.-L. R. Akers, Grants Pass.
FOR SALE-The entire belonging of S. F. Cass, deceased and E. L. Moss, or E. L. Cass. Inquire of Joe Moss, or E. L. Cass.
FOR SALE-Nearly new 308 Swayne Riley combination rear sight, ivory bore from sight. Price, \$20, cost \$25. Inquire R. H. Harrison, N. 3d street.
FARM FOR SALE-Two miles from Merlin, 100 acres-about 50 acres of good bottom land, 25 acres in cultivation, small house and barn and about 50 acres under fence, balance of land suitable for orchard or pasture. For further particulars address W. M. Crow, Merlin, Oregon.
200 ACRE ranch, good prairie and abundance of water for irrigation, beside bottom land, 25 acres in cultivation, good range country, two dwelling houses, big barn, every thing complete, well sheltered from frosts, good mining prospects, one-half mile north of Tunnel 9, price \$2,500 inquire at this office.

STREAMER JESSIE BURNED
Klamath Lake Boat Lost But Will Be Replaced.
The steamer "Jessie" Capt. T. J. Staton, plying between Klamath Falls, Pelican Bay, Odessa and Klamath lake points, was totally destroyed by fire last Tuesday, according to reports brought into Ashland Friday night by the Pelican Bay stage. The loss is estimated at \$2700 with an insurance of \$1500. The "Jessie" was on the way from Klamath Falls to Pelican and upper lake points and had put in at Eagle Point to wood up. There were no passengers aboard the boat on the trip up and Capt. Staton and his engineer, comprising the regular crew of the steamer, had gone after fuel some 75 yards away. When they returned the whole vessel was aflame and nothing could be done to stop the progress of the fire. The "Jessie" was 38 feet long and was built by Capt. Staton early in the year. She has been doing considerable business in carrying passengers during the season. It is stated that Capt. Staton hopes to build a new and better boat for next season's traffic.

LA GRANDE A CLOSED TOWN
Sunday a Quiet Day in Eastern Oregon City.
Sunday was a quiet day in La Grande, all saloons and all cigar stores being closed for the first time in its history. Drug stores were only open for a short time. The order by County Sheriff Pennington went into effect. It was strictly enforced, and no trouble of any kind has yet arisen from it in La Grande, and as far as known, the same conditions prevailed throughout the county. Besides the 22 saloons closed in La Grande, there are three closed at Union, three at Elgin, and one each in the towns of Cove, Imbler, Summerville, Island City and Hilgard.

City Council.
A special meeting of the City council was held Tuesday evening with Mayor Gilkey presiding and Councilmen Williams, Hair, Reiskopf, Smith and Carter present.
A petition for the widening of the streets of C street, between Fourth and Sixth streets, was granted.
The ordinance assessing costs of sewerage from blocks 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 was read the third time and passed.
Saloon license was granted C. E. Gentrner, agent.
The city of Grants Pass solicited bids for lighting said city as follows: For nine 3000 watt power arc lights and 50 or more 32 candle-power incandescent lights with a stipulated price for all additional lights. All bids to be placed where desired by committee on light.
It is desired that bids be submitted for both one year and five year contracts. Bids will be received until 5 o'clock p. m. October 20, 1904, at which time all bids will be opened. Right reserved to reject any or all bids.
The following bids were allowed:
J. D. Houck, hauling hay \$ 1 00
O. C. Beal, labor on streets 27 00
R. H. Gillilan, labor 59 00
Dick Patrick, labor 24 50
Reiskopf & Neas, blacksmithing, 29 50
Gorton & Trout, feed 30 95
Rogue River Coal & Lumber Co., 30 00
Hair-Biddle Hdw Co, mds. 172 72
W. E. Stacy, hay 138 25
A Splendid Troupe.
Gorton's Minstrels will come to the Grants Pass opera house, Thursday evening, September 29. Besides the distinction of being the oldest minstrel organization traveling, the company is also said to be one of the best numbering among its performers such well known people as Welby and Pearl, Gorton and Lee, Miss Cleone Pearl, Fell, James Logan, the Mandis troupe, Crescent City Sextette, the wonderful Farou Trio, and many others of ability. Especial attention has been given to the selection of the vocal content, comedy and high class special acts have been liberally provided, and as usual with this company, the instrumental music will be of the highest order. A grand parade will be given by the entire company at 8 o'clock. Reserved seats at Horning & Depuy's. Circuit court convenes Monday.

Real Estate Transfers.
M. E. and Mattie E. Moore to H. C. and Nellie L. Dixou, Lot 3, in Block 25, O. T. S.
H. B. Miller to J. O. Booth and Joseph Moss to Frank Weitzman, Lot 1 in Block E, H. B. Miller & Co's New Addition.
H. B. Miller, J. O. Booth and Joseph Moss to E. K. Reed, Lot 4, Block B, H. B. Miller & Co's New Addition.
The above sales were made through the Real Estate agency of Joseph Moss.

NOTICE
County Treasurer's Notice.
There are funds in the treasury to pay all warrants protested to April 5, 1899. Interest will cease from this date.
September 15, 1904.
J. T. Taylor,
Treasurer of Josephine Co., Ore.
Notice
On the 24 day of August, 1904, my wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Smith left my bed and board, without cause or provocation, and I will not be responsible for her acts or any debts she may incur in my name.
W. J. SMITH, Selma, Oregon.

FOOT BALLS
AND
BASE BALLS
Buy them now and save money. We want to close them out as soon as possible.
Paddock's Bicycle Den
Coming Events.
September 23, Friday-Oregon Development League meets at Grants Pass.
Sept. 26, Monday-Circuit Court meets.
Oct. 3-Wednesday evening-Walter Thomas Mills in the Opera House, political address, admission free.
GRANTS PASS IS ALL RIGHT
Eight Pianos Sold Here So Far and Plenty of Sales in Sight.
It is safe to say that no town in Oregon, of the size of Grants Pass has a more discriminating purchasing public when lower grades of pianos are considered, nor a more appreciative people when the high grades are offered. We have aimed steadily at selling our best pianos and in no instance yet have we been asked to order one of the cheaper grades. In fact our best grades are so highly appreciated that we are not going to make any effort to sell cheaper ones. We do sell them sometimes. Any first class firm is compelled to have something very cheap for cases where such is demanded and insisted upon. But how much better for the purchaser it is to spend \$50 or \$100 more while it is and get a good one. We do not claim to have the best pianos in the world to the exclusion of other firms, but we do justly claim that we push our best grades harder and cheaper grades less than any other firm in Oregon. And it costs more, expense is more and profits are less. But that is how we are making our great reputation and establishing an increasing business with the very best class of people on the Pacific coast. Call at our places in L. O. O. F. Bldg. and see some very fine instruments Allen & Gilbert-Ramaker Co.
J. M. WARD, Manager, Grants Pass.
For Sale
Good milk cow for sale. In sight at this office.
A. U. Bannard-Undertaker.

Model Drug Store
Successors to Slover Drug Co.
Drugs, Stationery, Toilet Articles, House and Floor Paints.
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W. P. Fuller
Paints at cost
As long as they last.
Former price \$1.75 gallon
Now 1.45
National Drug Store
J. C. Smith, M. D., Prop.
Agents for Patrick & Co. rubber stamps.

FARMERS
Benicia Disc Plows
Will Save You Time and Money This Fall
Come and have a talk with us. Easy terms
Grants Pass Hardware Co.
JOSEPH WOLKE, Manager.
J. L. CALVERT, Secretary and Treasurer.