

**BANDON CASES OCCUPY SATURDAY'S EQUITY COURT**

**Divorce Granted W. O. Mathews—Gray & Gray Sue Dufort on Airplane Spruce Riving Account**

Coquille—At Saturday's session of equity court in the W. O. Mathews versus Vina Jane Mathews divorce case, a decree was granted by default. Mrs. Mathews was charged with desertion on several occasions. The couple lived near Bandon, and have a number of grown children, besides two boys, age 10 and 9, who were given into the custody of their father. Mrs. Mathews is employed as a cook at one of the Powers camps, it is said.

**Spruce Hearing Goes Over**  
In the suit of W. C. Gray and C. P. Gray versus Henry H. Dufort, Bertha Dufort and R. M. Joy, partners for the recovery of \$151.50 for the cutting of airplane spruce for Dufort, the hearing was continued.

The Gray brothers worked 20 days this summer up the Sixes for Dufort, cutting spruce, which they claim was shown to them by Dufort, and as there was no government bulletin showing the kind of spruce required by the government, the men cut dead spruce. When the bulletin finally arrived it said that only live spruce would be accepted, disqualifying that which they had cut.

The government would not accept the timber. Dufort alleging that it was because it was knotty and as the government has accepted dead spruce and the Gray brothers claim that it was because it was dead. The government inspector, Dana E. McDonald was on the stand, and insisted that only live spruce was ever accepted.

It developed in the hearing that Dufort had offered the plaintiffs \$102 which they would not accept.

Attorney Pulford of Coquille represents the plaintiffs and L. N. Miller of Bandon, the defendants.

**JUMPED BILL OF \$40 IS CHARGE**

**Seek Meldon Baker, of Bandon Who Departed for Eugene—Mrs. Nellie M. Long Files Charges**

A warrant for the arrest of Meldon Baker of Bandon has been issued on complaint of Mrs. Nellie M. Long who conducts a boarding house at 464 Market street, charging Baker with failure to pay his board bill of approximately \$40, says the Coos Bay Times.

Baker has been staying at Mrs. Long's for one month, and this morning departed, having bought a ticket for Eugene, it was learned. Chief of Police Carter wired Chief of Police Christianson of Eugene to try to locate Baker and return him. Baker's parents are said to live in Eugene.

**Providing a Necessity**  
In order to make it possible for Marshfield to get the \$20,000 appropriation which the Legislature made for the erection of an armory there, and the \$20,000 for the same purpose that is to be put up by Coos county, a company of National Guard is being organized. It seems that the Adjutant General's department has informed Marshfield that before an armory can be built there, a necessity must exist and that necessity must be a National Guard unit.

**RUSH SETTLEMENT WITH LUMBERMEN**

**Public Will Have to Pay Higher Prices Says E. E. Foss—Railroad Needs Great**

Manager E. E. Foss of the Prosper mill was here last evening en route home from Portland where he conferred with General Disque and members of the special board appointed to adjust the government contract with the mills, says the Coos Bay Times. The mill owners are now making special reports of the amount of stock, logs, and all on hand in accordance with government specifications and these reports to be in within the next few days.

Mr. Foss said that both the lumbermen and General Disque and his associates are endeavoring to make an equitable adjustment and thinks that they will be able to reach a settlement at an early date.

**Lumber Demand Good**  
Mr. Foss said that there was a good demand for lumber in regular commercial channels and a big need for it owing to the long halt in building operations and the curtailment of shipping for private needs.

However, the lumbermen must get much higher prices than prevailed prior to the war situation in order to meet the higher wages, higher costs of equipment and upkeep as well as of logs. Just how soon the general trade and public can be educated to this is the problem that confronts the lumber manufacturer. Mr. Foss says that the situation is one that has only two solutions—the public must pay the greater price or the mills will have to shut down until readjusted living conditions reduce the general cost of living, equipment and labor. However, he hopes the latter alternative will be averted.

**Need Railroad Material**

Mr. Foss said that there is a prospect that demands for material for the railroads will bridge the gap. Just now many hundreds of thousands of railroad ties are needed. These are bringing good prices, about seventy-five cents per tie on board the cars.

Specifications were out some time ago for a large amount of car lumber, some of which was originally intended for France. Whether these orders will be placed at once Mr. Foss did not know.

**World Office Handicapped**

Western World, together with a number of other business establishments, will be seriously handicapped during the coming two weeks if day power is to be shut off during that time. The Linotype and all presses in the World office are operated by electricity, and are not equipped to operate in any other way.

A. L. Mecum of Prosper arrived home Sunday from Portland where he represented the Prosper L. L. L. at the Convention. He states that out of 900 delegates only six voted not to continue the organization. Those six admitted being I. W. W.'s. They were representatives from camps in Washington.

**Too Late To Classify**

LOST—Wednesday, Dec. 11, photograph of lady. Leave at Western World office. Reward. D12fc.

**POWERS BRIDGE ALLOWED \$12,000**

**Rumor Judge Watson Will Retire From County Court to Attend To Private Business**

Coquille, Ore., Dec. 6—In response to arguments and insistence by a big delegation from Powers yesterday, the Coos county court finally agreed to provide \$12,000 in the budget for constructing a bridge across the river at Powers. The Powers bridge has been before the court for a couple of years or longer. Once \$10,000 was appropriated, but when the bids were in excess to that amount, the county court diverted the \$10,000 to another purpose.

The Powers bridge will serve about 150 families across the river from Powers, only a footbridge now giving them access to the town. In addition to this, it will straighten the Powers-Myrtle Point road, reducing its length by nearly two miles, will divert it from the hills to a level stretch across a gravel district. It will connect with the present main road by means of the Powers Logging road's bridge which the company has offered to the county as soon as it changes its logging road.

The county court intimated that if a few hundred dollars more than the \$12,000 was needed to build the bridge the coming year, it would be provided from the general fund.

According to unofficial reports here, James Watson is planning to retire as county judge before the first of the year. He has talked of such a move for some time, claiming that his private business will not permit him to continue in the office except at a considerable personal sacrifice, which he cannot afford. However, he has made no public announcement.

**DAIRY OUTPUT FOR COUNTY IS LARGE**

**Two Million Pounds of Cheese, One Million of Butter and Much Condensed Milk Produced in Year**

The total production of cheese handled by the Coos & Curry Counties Cheese Ass'n for this year up to Nov. 1st amounted to 1,626,750 pounds for which was paid \$398,939.57 to the dairymen and with the two remaining months of the year the total production will probably be brought up to \$599,000.00.

There are also three other cheese factories in the two counties which have not yet joined the association. Their annual production amounts to about 400,000 pounds. It is expected that they will without doubt become members of the association within the coming year.

In addition to the above production of dairy products there is also manufactured about 1,000,000 pounds of butter and 40,000 cases of condensed milk annually in Coos County.

Mr. A. Christensen, Sec'y-Treasurer of the Association having decided to leave soon on a trip to Europe to study dairy conditions has tendered his resignation. His successor will be elected at the annual meeting sometime in January.

**Card of Thanks**

We wish to extend our thanks to the friends and comrades for their kindness and assistance during the illness and death of our brother, A. R. Osborn.

MRS. M. O. STENERT  
MRS. M. O. STOPPLE

**Elks Prepare for Xmas.**

A meeting of all Elks is called for Wednesday, December 18, to be held at the Dr. R. V. Leep office, at 8 p. m. for usual Christmas preparations. Anyone knowing of persons in circumstances where the boys could be of service, are asked to send word by mail to Elk's Committee, Box X, Bandon.

**She Knew Him.**

"You won't object if I go on with my knitting while we talk, will you, Mr. Boreleigh? I always think that one should keep one's mind occupied."

**Santa Claus Is Coming**

OLD Santa Claus is coming—  
The time is very near—  
Before we realize it  
Old Santa will be here.

He'll bring us sleds and wagons,  
And nuts and sugar plums,  
And dolls, and furs, and dresses,  
And balls, and swords, and drums.

He'll come when we are sleeping,  
Tucked in our beds so white,  
And all the stars are peeping  
At this, our Christmas night.

He'll come with smiles and blessings  
Along the milky way,  
And stop at every dwelling  
Where little children stay.

He'll garnish trees with presents  
And, while the world is still,  
With gifts the children asked for  
Each stocking he will fill.

But, better than all presents,  
He'll bring to us again  
The heartfelt Christmas wishes  
Of "Good will unto men."  
—Martha Coleman Sherman in Chicago  
Liter Ocean.

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**THE GOLDEN RULE**

**NEWS ABOUT COOS IS READ IN THE TRENCHES**

**Melvin Solve Sends Clipping From Paris Edition of New York Herald About Our Fishing**

Western World is in receipt of a newspaper clipping from Melvin T. Solve, who is with the American troops in France. It was taken from the Paris edition of the New York Herald of October 15, and shows how news travels around the world. The clipping follows:

"Record Catches of Chinook Salmon."  
Marshfield, Ore.—Fishermen are bringing in the biggest catches of Chinook salmon recorded in this vicinity for twenty-two years, both from the standpoint of size and number. As a result fishermen are

flocking here from all parts of the country and are making unprecedented money. One fisherman recently brought in fifty salmon caught during the night, which netted him \$100. This is high boat for the season for a night's catch, but many others are averaging \$50 nightly."

Mr. Solve, who has done considerable journalistic work, says "its good publicity stuff."

**Card of Thanks**

We wish to express our sincerest thanks for the kindness and sympathy extended to us during our recent bereavement.

MRS. DALE BARROWS  
and SON

**Cash Prize Offered**

The Coos and Curry Cheese assoc-

iation is offering a \$25 cash prize for the best brand or trade mark for labeling all cheese manufactured and sold by the association. All drawings or suggestions in describing such a brand or trade mark must be submitted not later than January 1 to F. C. True, selling agent, Coquille.

**These Names Were Omitted**

In publishing the list of subscribers of the United War Work campaign last week the following names had been inadvertently omitted:

Mrs. M. J. McKenna \$5.00, Evelyn Appleby 3.00, Mrs. E. J. Helmken 1.00, Mrs. H. C. Dippel 1.00, Mrs. I. Sparlin 50c, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Rosa 5.00, Hill Williams 5.00, Mrs. E. T. Wolverton 5.00.

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