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THAT PANHANDLE CASE.

Mandamus Proceedings Instituted Against  
Union County Officials.

District Attorney Sam White yesterday morning filed papers in the case of Baker county vs. G. W. Benson, clerk of Union county. This case will determine the validity of the act of the legislature annexing a portion of Union county to Baker county, and is a mandamus proceedings against said clerk to compel him to transmit the papers and records in his office pertaining to persons and property within the annexed county.

This is what is known as a special proceeding and will be heard and determined in chambers by Judge Eakin at an early day and the status of the Panhandle determined by judicial decision.

The Union Republican has seen fit to criticize Mr. White's interest in behalf of Baker county, forgetting that it is Mr. White's duty to see that all laws passed by the legislature are enforced. Mr. White represents Baker county for this reason. The officials of Union county have refused to obey the law. It is Mr. White's duty therefore to enforce the law against all violators thereof, whether they be officials or otherwise.

Before proceeding in this matter and to determine his duty in the premises, it may be stated for the benefit of a few Union county people that Mr. White consulted Judge Eakin and his honor advised him that it was perfectly legitimate and proper to take the course he has.—Democrat.

J. P. McGuigan Manager of the Alamo.

The directors of the Alamo Consolidated Mining & Milling company met yesterday to arrange for the filling of the vacancy caused by the death of the company's president and general manager, John G. McGuigan. James P. McGuigan, brother of the deceased, was elected general manager and was instructed to

continue the work outlined by his predecessor. Plans and specifications for a 10-stamp mill will be presented at the next meeting of the board, which when approved, will be submitted to the manufacturers, who will complete the erection of a mill according to the plans. The property of the company is located within half a mile of the town of Alamo, near the Red Boy, in eastern Oregon, and is developed by 700 feet of tunnel, shaft and winze. One tunnel is 400 feet in ore. The vein, when crosscut at intervals, shows 30 feet width, panning free gold throughout. It is expected that the mill will be in operation in the early fall.—Spokesman Review.

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