Retracement of the Township Line between 3 and 4, South
Range 9 West, W. M., Tillamook County, Oregon

In 1879, Henry Meldrum, under Contract No. 301, dated September 13, 1878, ran the exterior lines of Township 4S, Range 9W, for the purpose of subdividing 7 sections in the southwest portion. In the process of this survey, he established the northwest and northeast township corners.

Samuel Caudle, under Contract No. 364, dated August 12, 1880, retraced the line between T3 and 4S, R9W, for the purpose of subdividing T3S, R9W. Not being able to locate the corner to Townships 3 and 4 South, Ranges 8 and 9 West, as established by Meldrum the year before, he began at the corner to Townships 3 and 4S, Ranges 9 and 10 West, and ran east retracing Meldrum's line. He finds "... old corners on the south boundary in such position as in some instances as to enable me to close my surveys of subdivisions within limits."

He accepts some of Meldrum's corners and establishes others (S 1/4 corner of 32, corner to 33 and 34 S 1/4, Section 34, corner to 34, 35, and S 1/4 of Section 35) in order to close his survey. At Meldrum's 1/4 corner to Sections 35 and 2, he is "... unable to find any trace of a line farther, I run on same course ..." and establishes a new corner to 35 and 36, the south 1/4 corner to 36 and another corner to Townships 3 and 4S, R8 and 9W. He then runs the East line of T3S, R9W, before beginning his subdivision.

In 1884, Henry Meldrum appears again on the scene to subdivide T3S, R8W. He begins at the corner to T3 and 4S, R8 and 9W, as established by Caudle, and runs East between T3 and 4S, R8W. He made no mention of his 1879 Township corner.

Charles Branson, under Contract No. 687, dated June 9, 1898, finished the subdivision of T4S, R9W, and apparently closed on Meldrum's line as he calls the corner to Section 35, 36, 1, and 2 a fir post. Caudle placed a stone at his position for this corner. Branson retraces the North line of Sections 1, 4, 5, and 6. As he passes the original 1/4 corner to Sections 32 and 5, he does not indicate if this is Meldrum's or Caudle's corner.

William B. Douglass, Examiner of Surveys, under Special Instructions dated May 7, 1906, retraced the South line of Section 35, T3S, R9W, for the purpose of...