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## Resembles Monterey



This is what local experts call a Santa Cruz cypress and it will probably come as a surprise to many a resident in this area that the county has such a distinctive tree. It is smaller than the Monterey cypress and rather symmetrical when it is

young. This one was photographed a few hundred yards below the Eagle Rock lookout station and above the Locatelli vineyard at the end of Empire Grade road. This and a spot near the Davenport school are the only places it is known to exist.

## Tree May---Or May Not---Be Really Santa Cruz Cypress

**Editor's Note**—This is another in a series of articles in the trees of Santa Cruz county.

Rock Fire Lookout station, at the end of Empire Grade.

One set of experts headed Donald Culross Peattie, author of "A Natural History of Western Trees" and Fred Keast, associate Ranger, State Division of Forestry in Santa Cruz county, says that this week's tree is a Santa Cruz Cypress (*Cupressus Abramiana*).

The trees at the lookout station are rich and thick with deep green foliage. They are conical in shape and seldom higher than 30 feet. Many seemingly are growing right out of the granite rocks. The trunks are brown, stripped with thin scraggly bark.

It has also been identified as a Sargent Cypress (*Cupressus Sargentii*).

The minute flowers are either male or female and grow on different branches of the tree.

The Santa Cruz cypress (we'll be prejudiced) grows only in the Santa Cruz county mountains.

These trees are said to make excellent windbreaks.

It is found furthermore only along the stretch of Highway One near the Davenport school and up near the base of the Eagle

Each cone holds about 60 flat seeds. The tree is very susceptible to the cypress canker.

U. S. Patent No. 1 was issued in 1836 to John Ruggles of Maine on a device to increase the power of railway locomotives and to prevent the wheels from sliding.

## Meat Packing Plant Strike Ends Quickly

San Jose (AP).—A one-day strike against five San Jose meat packing plants ended yesterday with a wage settlement providing \$3 to

Rich in lush greenness, the foliage of the Santa Cruz cypress is thick. The leaves are blunt tipped. The bark is thin, gray and shreddy. Its cones are almost like those of the Monterey cypress, only instead of the green shade the Santa Cruz cones are a lustrous brown and clustered in bunches.

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● Berries ● Fruit Trees  
and **Everything** else

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