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MAN WAS BORN TO MUSTLE.

He is of few days; but quite a plenty.

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SOME silver republicans are trying to popularize themselves under the misnomer of Lincoln republicans.

THE story of a 10-pound eagle carrying off a 42-pound pig inexplicably reminds us of William J. Bryan and the Democratic party.

ONE hopeful sign among our Filipino brethren is the clamor for schools and books. Over \$40,000 worth of books have been distributed in Luzon to the new American schools. Education follows the flag.—Eugene Register.

IT is reasonably safe to predict that if Oom Paul's people trek to the United States they will not struggle up to McKinleyism.—Rochester Herald.

IT is positively safe to say they will not make a bed-fellow of the Aguinaldo party, which talks for political effect only.

HAS anyone heard anything about free soup houses lately? That is one industry that the Republican administration has killed completely, but you do not hear any of the Democratic organs commenting on the fact. What is the matter with another four years of such things?

THE proposition to divide Jackson County on the line between townships 36 and 37, is a fake more pure and simple. If the present population must struggle to meet the current expenses of the county organization, and pay the interest on the debt, another county carved out of it would cut but a sorry figure in trying to sustain itself.

W. R. HEARST, publisher of the San Francisco Examiner and New York Journal, is spoken of as good vice president timber on the national Democratic ticket. Should he be so fortunate as to be nominated the blue and red of the American flag would need fixing to a bright yellow. Hearst has been running "yellow" journals so long that to him yellow has become the national color.

APRIL 1, 1896, when the Republicans took hold of the finances of the country there were \$1,528,629,563 in circulation. April 1, 1897, showed \$1,660,000,645 in the hands of the people. April 1, 1898, the circulation was \$1,756,058,646. April 1, 1899, it had increased to \$1,927,864,942, and on April 1, 1900, it stood at \$2,021,254,506. Any Bryanite who can extract comfort from these figures is welcome to all he can get.

IN THE past third of a century the population of the United States has doubled, but during the same time the area devoted to wheat in this country has trebled. In that time we have increased our production of wheat twice as much relatively as we have increased our population. It is impossible for this to ever happen again. It is not probable that from this time on the area devoted to wheat will increase as rapidly as the population. This holds out a promise for a gradual upward tendency in the price of wheat. A few years of dollar-wheat, however, would run the production of wheat in the United States up to a thousand million bushels per year.—Rural Northwest.

IT is gratifying to learn from Senator Simon that it is almost certain the canal bill will pass at the next session of congress. Since the commerce of the Pacific coast has assumed such proportions it has come to be a national necessity, and its construction cannot be long delayed without material injury to the business interests of both east and west. It is needless to attempt to stay longer the west-rn course of ommerce. The Pacific ocean is

destined to be the greatest commercial body of water in the world. Upon its broad bosom will be borne the products and manufacture of every civilized nation. The teeming millions of the orient, now just awakening to the refinements and luxuries of the new world, with all its manufactures, inventions and labor saving devices, will create a demand which only an immense tonnage can supply. Unless the canal is built the east cannot share in this world wide commerce except at great disadvantage. It is the one internal improvement which seems indispensable and should be completed with the least delay possible.

A NEW YORK state newspaper man, who has been fifty years in the harness, says:

"The fifty years has been passed with a world of experience and the accumulation of two or three comfortable fortunes; with many joys and very few sorrows; making many enemies and a legion of loving friends; if he had his life to go over again he would still be a printer—the greatest and most useful calling."

There is no questioning the world of experience. No newspaper man would dispute his word had he said several worlds, but the accumulation of two or three comfortable fortunes is what staggers a fellow. The average man of the newspaper herd is endeavoring to accumulate one fortune—and in this nine-tenths of them have failed. The making of enemies is quite to be expected—yes, and friends, too. A newspaper man will have them both, and in a ratio equal to his deserved merit. THE MAIL knows full well that the enemies it has made are as bitter as it were possible for them to be, and it knows, too, that its friends are the most loyal—the kind of fellows who forget a man's faults and remember only his good traits. Yes, after twenty-three years in the harness the conclusion reached is that we, too, would be a printer if we had to commence life over again.

IT MUST be discouraging to the calamity leaders who have been preaching untold disaster to the country for the past several years, to witness the miserable failure of their predictions in the increased prosperity abroad in the land. The wails that went up from the alleged crime of '73, and the death and devastation to follow, with anarchy and bloodshed redhanded and unrebuked, failed to appear, and demoralization and danger have not stalked as devouring evils over the scattered wreck and ruin of general bankruptcy. But there is a greater and more alarming menace still confronting the country. Imperialism is blooming like a deadly nightshade all over the land. It is fostered and protected in high places, and found flourishing on every highway and byway. It is as prolific and dangerous as the Canadian thistle and bids fair to overrun the country. Who but the prophets of evil will throw themselves into the breach and stop this vicious growth? Who will stay the tide that sweeps on an on to the breakers of business and national destruction? Nobody, alas! but the calamity prophet who is always a martyr to a good cause, but never wins, while the country moves along serenely as though he did not exist. And thus it will ever be.

Bids Wanted.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Board of Directors of school district No. 49, of Jackson County, Oregon, until 12 o'clock p. m. on the 30th day of June, A. D. 1900, to furnish forty cords of dry, sound, body, black oak wood, four feet long, cut from green timber, and split so as not to exceed six by eight inches in size, and forty cords of dry, sound, body, red fir wood, four feet long, cut from green timber, and split so as not to exceed six by eight inches in size, delivered and corded in the woodhouse on the school grounds in said district, in the Town of Medford, on or before the 20th day of August, A. D. 1900.

All bids must be accompanied by a bond equal to the amount of the bid, and conditioned that the bidder will furnish wood strictly in accordance with the requirements of this notice, in case his bid be accepted.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

J. R. WILSON, Chairman.

Attest, Garl T. Jones, Clerk,

—The Boss has a soda fountain with soft drinks of various descriptions in connection, also nuts of all kinds, tropical fruits and cigars. When in Jacksonville, call.

MEDFORD'S CELEBRATION.

Biggest Affair Ever Put Up In the Valley.

Prof. Nelson Will Ascend 5000 Feet In a Baloon and Drop from It Hanging By His Teeth to a Parachute.

There is not the least doubt in the world but that Medford will celebrate in a style grander and more elaborate than any celebration ever put up in the valley. A program has been prepared that will astonish us all.

The day will open with a salute to Old Glory so loud that the Filipinos in their distant land will enjoy it with us. The timbers of Roxy Ann will be shivered, and these American citizens of ours on the Pacific coast and in our new eastern possessions will rejoice that they are American citizens and entitled to crack all the fire crackers they have a mind to.

There will be a short intermission following the earth quaking salute, in order that time may be given for the grand parade to form.

About the hour of ten the Medford band—fifteen pieces—will play music and the procession will begin its move, and the day's entertainment will begin its unraveling of scenes interesting and pleasant to look upon. The parade will be made up of the Goddess of Liberty car, with Miss Lillian Barr as Goddess, followed by the Angel of Peace, chariots, floats, the high school band and John Hardin's callithumpians. The committees in charge of the parade are putting forth every effort to make this the grandest exhibition ever presented on the streets of Medford.

At the grounds, near the school house, the exercises will take place. There will be opening music by the bands, oration by Hon. G. C. Brownell, the Declaration of Independence will be recited by Miss Mae Merriman. These exercises will be interspersed with vocal music by Medford's celebrated Choral Union, consisting of fifty of our best gentleman and lady singers.

In the afternoon there will be a pulling contest, a tug of war, horse races, foot races, and several novelty races.

A game of ball will be played by Eagle Point and Medford teams, for a purse of \$50. This will be an interesting feature of the day's program as the teams are evenly matched and there is no little amount of strife between the teams for the honors of victory.

Prof. Nelson's balloon ascension and parachute jump will take place during the afternoon. This will be a feature worth going many miles to see and will be something entirely new to many of our people. He ascends five thousand feet in his balloon and then drops from it to the ground, his descent being made with a parachute, to which he clings with his teeth while dropping a distance of from two hundred to five hundred feet, before the parachute opens.

There will be music by two brass bands. There will be the largest display of fireworks ever seen in Southern Oregon.

There will be a bowery dance all day. There will be a Firemen's dance in the opera house in the evening.

Everything is being done that's possible to make this celebration the best one ever presented in this part of the state.

There are no celebrations this year in any other towns of the valley, which fact ought to insure us an immense crowd.

For Sale or Exchange.

Ten barrels of Kentucky straight whiskey, just from U. S. bonded warehouse, eight years old. Will sell cheap for cash or exchange for desirable real estate or mining property. Address, "Kentuckian," care of MEDFORD MAIL.

All the political news in THE MAIL.

Cheap Wheat—

Makes cheap flour. There is no flour made that's better than our "New Process." We are selling it at \$12 per 1000 pounds, 65 cents per sack.

A. A. DAVIS & Co., Medford, Oregon.

—Spring trucks for spring household moving. Wells & Shearer.

F. K. DEUEL & CO.

We Put on Sale **To-day, June 8,**

250 pairs of Ladies' Oxfords, in black and tan. They must be cleared out by July 1st. If price cuts any figure,

THESE BARGAINS WILL NOT LAST

a week. Be sure to ask to see them when in the store.

You'll Find Our Prices All Right.

F. K. DEUEL & CO.

GOIN' A-FISHIN'? ...



Of course you are. These nice, warm days just make a fellow want to shoulder a pole and go after 'em—now, don't they?

How's Your Fishing Tackle?

Does it need any replenishing? If it does, come in and let us show your new goods. We've got everything a fisherman can want—split poles, all prices, 16 and 18-ft. bamboo poles, fine assortment of flies, artificial bugs and insects, lines and reels, baskets, bait boxes, "bait flasks," etc.

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Everyone who has Stock, or keeps a Cow, needs

Galloway's ... Waste-Proof Feed Box. For feeding stock hay and straw.

BECAUSE It is a FOOD SAVER. As the food is all consumed within the box, there is practically NO WASTE. Each box will feed four head of cattle at a time, and costs about ONE CENT for each cubic foot of space contained within it. The boxes are strong, durable, self-supporting and easily moved. The stock run to them as will. Every box used will SAVE four time its cost in one season; count your cattle and see how much you could save by using these boxes. It is BETTER, CHEAPER, and MORE CONVENIENT to use than any other feeding device. If there is no agent in your locality, send Two Dollars to the patentee and get a RIGHT to make and use, good for a life time. A cut with full directions for making, accompanies each right. Requires no skill—anyone can make them.

FRANK GALLOWAY, Patentee, Central Point, Oregon

The Boss Rabbitry D. L. DAY,



Bonnie Bell Lady Smith

Painter and Paper Hanger.

Twenty-five years' experience; let me make a bid on your work.

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From the best imported blood. Our pedigrees contain Yukon, Lord Briton, Sir Styles, Banbury, Commodore, Napoleon and Unicorn. I am prepared to furnish a limited number of top-top exhibition specimens.

At stud: My choice imported buck, LORD ROBERTS. Fee \$5.

W. H. SMITH, Prop., Grass Valley, Calif. Member N. B. H. Association.

—See J. R. Wilson for all kinds of Plano machinery.

Market Report.

The following are the prices paid by our merchants this week for farm produce. This list will be changed each week as the prices change:

Wheat	47 1/2
Oats	50
Flour	\$1.30 per 100 lbs
Barley	81.10 " "
Mill Feed	80 " "
Potatoes	81 " "
Eggs	124 per doz
Butter	174 per lb
Bacon, dry	034 " "
Bacon	10 " "
Hams	15 " "
Shoulders	09 " "
Lard	10 " "
Hogs live	04 1/2 " "