

MAN - BORN TO HUSTLE. It is a few days, but quite a plenty. Subscription \$1.50 PER YEAR

Taft sees hope of peace in Cuba, says a dispatch. United States war vessels with their big guns are wonderful peace makers.

Mr. Bryan reserves the right of all great minds to change, and beats previous records by turning a double-back somersault in changing.

The Standard Oil Co. stands liable for \$147,000 in fines for violation of the law. Why not put the job of collecting the amount in Heney's hands?

S. A. D. Pater's forthcoming book will be among the "six best sellers" if there is anything in free advertising—and here is where he gets some more.

When the President commences intervening in Cuba with General Funston an intervenor there will be sudden and complete cessation of revolutionary talk and action.

Doubtless Bro. Watterson wishes he had kept still about Bryan when he started home from Europe. Unsayings things one has said is always more or less embarrassing.

It is announced from Portland that "factionalism" in the Republican party is dead. Yep. Must be so, but better put a heavy weight on the corpse. It might rise again.

Ashland must be easy. Why Grants Pass, the only town in the valley that will stand for a merry-go-round more than three times in a season, fell to the forger, who fooled merchants and a real estate man of the grants city and got away with it, and jalled him right away.

The confirmed inebriate had been duly admonished and the saloonmen warned not to allow him to enter their places of business. "Spoke its raining, and a fellow ain't got no place to go," said the C. I. "Better get soaked outside than inside," replied the judge.

The undertakers will endeavor to have a law passed forbidding a man to remarry until he has paid the funeral expenses of his former mate. Entirely unnecessary. Just publish the fact. No woman is going to take chances on having to put up for burying her predecessor.

Marie Oreelli would have us understand that she doesn't like Americans because we are given to chasing the dollar. It is just like this, Marie, we are obliged to chase the dollar, and the obligation will probably persist until some scheme is devised that will induce the dollar to chase us.

An exchange gives this illustration of the practical working of the new system of spelling: An editor decided to try "fonetic" spelling in his paper and the experiment seemed a success until he got the following: "Dore Sir—I have tuk yore paper fur leveer yeres, butt if yew kant spel any better than hev bin don't fer last to muntis yew ma jest stoppit."

Did you notice it? When Mr. Bryan emits an utterance that causes the "interfered" to throw up its collective hat and howl itself hoarse, that is the leader speaking the voice of the party. When he says something that brings forth a groan of disapproval, that is Mr. Bryan, private citizen, speaking and hasn't anything to do with party policy. Great scheme, isn't it? It catches them where the darkey's wap couldn't carry bait.

Wouldn't establishing a protectorate over Cuba be a blessing to Billy Bryan. It would attract attention from his government ownership gymnastics, and for political purposes would be equal to the Filipino question. The poor, liberty-loving Cuban patriot, deprived of the privilege of sneaking around in the brush, coming out occasionally to burn a farm house or take a pot shot at his neighbors. Just think of the opportunity to spout ringing sentences about "sacred liberty," etc. The crown of glory, cross of gold speech wouldn't be in it at all.

Senator Bailey has the system. As a private citizen and a lawyer his services are open for engagement, monopoly business preferred. As a United States senator his services are dedicated to the people and monopoly practices condemned. Quite a convenient arrangement. The monopoly lawyer knows just when the anti-monopoly senator is going to lead for the ribs or swing for the jaw in time to sidestep, and vice versa, the senator can always talk when the pie counter is open for business in time to get a front seat. But suppose the opposing elements should get mixed in their dates and the senator should and one of those terrific oratorical blows get around after the good things has all been served. Perhaps the thought. It is too painful to be considered.

For sale—Several thoroughbred Cotswold bucks. C. M. Swanson. 38-3

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To Insure Water Supply.

In order to secure an ample supply of water for use in the several irrigation projects now under way and contemplated, the Jackson County Improvement Co. has matters under way looking toward the use of the waters of Four Mile lake for that purpose.

School Notes.

Under the direction of Supt. Signs and Prof. Snodgrass, of the science department, steps are being taken to work up a geological and mineral cabinet for the use of the high school science classes.

JACKSON COUNTY. PURELY PERSONAL. R. B. Dow made Ashland a business trip Saturday.

Ashland is troubled by the deprecations of bo bandits, who seem to have a penchant for swiping large quantities of fruit. The work of the Gold Hill Canal Co. has been suspended for a time, pending the settlement of the injunction suit filed by the Condon Water & Power Co.

JACKSON COUNTY BANK Capital FULLY PAID IN CASH \$50,000.00 Earned Surplus, \$30,000.00

Probate Court. Estate of Peter Wilson, deceased. Order appointing John Rockland, Henry Dunn and John Wyatt appraisers of said estate in Benton county.

See Us for Fruit Jars, both Mason and Economy Jars Monroe & Miller The Popular Grocers

make Jackson county his future home. Judge Hanna and District Attorney Reames left Sunday evening for Grants Pass to attend the Josephine circuit court.

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One of the causes which contributed largely to the excellent reputation our fruit has in the markets of the world and the high prices realized therefor is its keeping qualities.

Each Thought Other Dead.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Sept. 24.—After having mourned each other as dead for nearly five months, each believing that the other had been killed in the San Francisco earthquake,

"Beverly of Graustark" In the next issue of this paper will appear the opening chapter of "Beverly of Graustark," by George Barr McCutcheon.

Medford this week and was a pleasant caller at this print shop. Albert Simpson, Southern Pacific freight operator, returned Saturday, accompanied by his bride.

When in need of strictly high grade goods go to the Clean Grocery CRYSTAL & MOREY Exclusive Agents for the Celebrated Diamond "W" Canned Goods

SCHOOL BOOKS AND SUPPLIES AT HASKINS' DRUG STORE. Ward Whiteside left Sunday for Portland, where he will take a course in a business college.