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### IS IT YOUR GIRL?

Fathers and mothers:  
If you have a young daughter, this picture—which is no fancy one—is for you.

It is after curfew. The maistries loaf on the sidewalk and wait on street corners. Here they come down the street arm in arm—two young girls with fresh rosy faces. Abundant brows of hair fall down their backs. Pretty little gowns come to the shootops. They are school girls and in their early teens.

Somebodies darlings! says the Seattle Star.  
There is no chaperone and no escort. The girls are out alone and the hour is rather late. Watch them. Eyes are not modestly dropped when the eyes of the passer-by is fixed upon them, and yet the eyes of the girls are not bold eyes. Is there just a hint of swagger in the gait as they pass some young man? Is it only sweet innocent girlhood that appears in attitude and pose or is there something added?

As you watch these young girls something hideous grips your heart.

A couple of smart young men—knowing young men—follow the girls. Young men and young women are strangers to one another, and yet there is some sort of Freemasonry between them. The glances of the young men are bold. The eyes of the girls are not timid as they turn them backward with the hint of a smile. Flip-pant words are exchanged—

God help them; those slips of girls are on the edge of a precipice!

But what can one do? If their natural guardians are not there to protect, what right have you to interfere? Here and there may be found a brave spirit whom a great will move to stay and warn and take the risk, but such Good Samaritans are few.

And so the young girls, infant women with fine passions and powers of womanhood, thinking to tread the primrose path of dalliance, go down to ruin.

Whose fault is it?  
Is it the fault of the girls? Who sent them out into night or permitted them to go unprotected? Who failed or neglected to warn them of temptation? Who supposed when they had dressed their girls as well as the neighbor girls their duty was done?

There is only one answer to these questions—Father and Mother.

What does your girl know about the abysses beneath her feet if you do not point them out? What does she know about the associations tends to cheapen? How can she prize herself as she ought when her parents do not prize her enough to protect her from danger? How will she know the world's estimate of herself when she does not realize what she is doing?

Think a moment.

Your young daughter is social in her instincts, and must and will have society. But she has not your experience. Perhaps she is pretty, and therefore in more danger. She may be a little vain, and craves admiration. She steps over the line unwittingly. Have you held her confidence in order that you might let her see things through your experienced eyes?

Do you care what becomes of your little girl?

Of course you do. Should she go wrong it would break your heart. But you are neglectful or "easy." You have a sort of theory that it is a poor kind of girl that cannot be trusted out of one's sight. It depends upon what sort of parents she has, upon her teaching, upon the girl. And while you hold to your theory of ignorant trust, the little daughter may fall into the hands of a villain.

Is it your daughter?

The Coos Bay Harbor, North Bend's new weekly newspaper is at hand. It is a neat and newsy six column, eight page paper devoted to Coos Bay interests, and starts out with a good advertising patronage. It is ably edited and should succeed. Here's hoping that the Harbor may ever be sheltered from the stormy blasts of adversity and failure.

### Musings.

Referring to Rockafellar and Vander-bilt the New York World says Chicago University has discarded the doxology and the following has been substituted:  
Praise John from whom oil blessings flow.

Praise him oil creatures here below:  
Praise him oil of ye heavenly host;  
Praise William some, but John the most.

Experience out side the Mormon church has taught that one wife is enough for any man.

It is an old saying that there is no rest for the wicked. Mr. Bryan has already begun to reorganize the democracy.

There have been many machines to save fine gold, but a fortune is awaiting him who will invest a machine to catch fleas.

When a man makes a mistake he usually follows it up with three or four before he recovers his balance.

No wonder Ex-Governor Goer is offended. He was sued instead of indicted for land fraud irregularities.

It is every man's opinion that his wife puts too much stress on the doctors kindness, considering that it costs \$2 per

One of the most tragic thoughts that enters into an engaged girls head is that some day that she and he will be just like other married folks.

When it comes to compiling ponderous state papers President Roosevelt will have to try again if he beats, in volume at least, the late message of our Governor Chamberlain.

Did you take a day off and read the Governor's message?

Some kind friend has sent us two special copies of Portland's big German paper, the "Deutsche Zeitung," bearing the date of Jan. 12, 1905. We came near being stricken with lock jaw by briefly perusing the columns of this esteemed contemporary. Its awful Dutch!

An Indiana clergyman, when preaching on cleanliness mentioned that he had seen a brass monkey in Indianapolis set up in a store with a cigarette in its mouth. It was automatically arranged so that when the cigarette was lighted the monkey would draw in the smoke and puff it out again. The works stopped on one occasion and the monkey was taken apart to discover the cause, when the works were found to be clogged and in a filthy condition. The moral was drawn thus: "If smoke from a cigarette will stop the works of a brass monkey, what will it do for you?"

### A Queer Co-incident

Just now Cottage Grove is embroiled in a red-hot school controversy resulting from the discharge of Miss Van Shively as teacher in the high school on the ground that she did not possess the required certificate to teach. Miss Shively afterwards found and produced the missing certificate and seeks to recover a years salary from the board. This, in brief, is the grounds for the controversy.

The last issue of the Cottage Grove Leader contained a red-hot discussion of the local school question over the name "Taxpayer" but the chairman of the board, whose name is L. F. Woolley

Verily, the Southern Oregon winters become more and more Italian each year.

The Republican legislature of Missouri sounds queer, but it's a fact and is coming in for its full share of notice.

The Baltic fleet ought to be able to get back home without any more desperate adventures with the fishing smacks.

Congress and the Japanese-Russian war cannot expect to attract much attention while the Oregon legislature is in session.

The Republican margin of 82 to 60 in the Missouri house of representatives is the most promising thing in the state's outlook at present.

In modern warfare a fort is of very little service. It can be approached from above and below, as well as from the four points of the compass.

Port Arthur has fallen, and the high tension of interest there is over. For a permanent excitement there is nothing like a Colorado election.

Here in Southern Oregon the meadow lark, robin red-breast and blue birds are with us all winter. Southern Oregon is good enough for them the year round.

"The United States," says the Chicago Tribune, "will soon be the centre of commerce." Every provincial American believes it is already the centre of the universe.

Not content with a world's fair, the city of Portland has stepped in front of the spotlight with a municipal scandal, says the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Yes, following in the footsteps of St. Louis.

Mr. Woolley, who has sued Editor Conner of the Plaindealer, will probably get all he is entitled too—\$10,000. However, if Dr. Conner should have to pay that \$10,000 he wouldn't notice it.—Myrtle Point Enterprise.

After studying the Douglas county total valuation of property table, the editor of the Drain Nonpareil has come to the conclusion that "we are mighty poor in Douglas county or else have a host of tax-dodgers."

Governor Chamberlain's message to the legislature was presented Thursday. It took up two and one-half pages in the big dailies and was remarkable only for its great length. Brevity is not one of the Governor's virtues.

The best politician who has struck these parts for some time is a man named Heney. He even has Mitchell and Hermann going. Heney is said not to be an angel himself, but that does not give wings to the other fellows.—Woodburn Independent.

Gov. Pennypacker has picked another peck of prickly peppers by pitching into the press as an institution. There are many men of a single idea, but only one of the Pennypacker variety.—Globe-Democrat. Our esteemed contemporary has evidently not yet heard from Roseburg.

The Roseburg Plaindealer has recently been sued for \$10,000 damages by F. W. Woolley, chairman of the school board, who alleges to have been damaged to that extent by an article appearing in that paper signed "Taxpayer" the real author of which the management refuses to disclose. If everybody that imagines they are injured by newspaper attacks could secure a judgment for such a sum of money there would be no newspapers in a short time.—Jacksonville Sentinel.

# JACK ROGERS FOUND DEAD

## BULLET WOUND IN BREAST

Suicided in Pilkington's Blacksmith Shop in Roseburg, Sunday Night.

Upon opening his blacksmith shop at about 7 o'clock this morning J. O. Bristow, a partner of Wiley Pilkington in the blacksmith business, was horrified to see the lifeless form of a man, whom he soon identified as Jack Rogers, lying on his side in front of the business office door, his hand stained with blood.

He soon reported his findings to Coroner Twitchell and others and after a brief examination the body was removed to the undertaking parlors.

A bullet wound was located in the left breast just below the heart and blood-stains were observed on the wall in the business office of the shop. Rogers had evidently suicided and after shooting himself, being familiar with the place, evidently stepped to the tool box in the room where some knives were kept, opened the box, evidently with the intention of finishing his destruction with a knife, but these weapons had been removed, the dead man's movements being traced by blood-stains, which were found on and in the tool chest, which led to the above conclusion. Death resulted soon however, after the shooting and he fell prostrate while leaving the business office.

Upon examination of the clothing of Rogers a .38 calibre Colt's revolver with one empty cartridge was found in his hip pocket where he had apparently placed it after firing the fatal shot. Fifty cents in silver was also found in his pockets, and an umbrella was lying on the floor by his side.

Persons residing in the vicinity of the

blacksmith shop claim to have heard a report of a gun between three and five o'clock this morning, some maintaining that they heard two distinctive reports.

Rogers came here several years ago and has been following the vocation of timber cruising for some time past and had worked in this capacity with or for Gardner and McCrossen, who we understand, are now detained in Portland as witnesses in the land fraud cases, they having lately been found guilty of defrauding the government by changing section corner stakes.

Rogers was the owner of both a timber and homestead claim, but had lately sold the latter and had squared up most or all of his debts about town, which is supposed to have required about all he received for his homestead. He was slightly addicted to drink and was said to have been drinking considerably of late. He spent a good deal of his time about the Bristow and Pilkington blacksmith shop, having some knowledge of the business himself. He was therefore familiar with the place and it is thought entered the shop on this fatal occasion from a rear door which was never locked or barred.

There are those, however, who suspect foul play and Coroner Twitchell has been diligently working on the case all day and will hold an inquest late this evening or Tuesday morning.

Rogers was between 35 and 38 years of age and so far as known, was unmarried.

### Lewis and Clark Fair Notes

Fernis's exhibit at the Lewis and Clark centennial will be worth \$200,000. Vermont's building will be a reproduction of the old Constitution House of 1777.

Great Britain will occupy 3000 square feet of exhibit space at the centennial. Hungary will have an exhibit worth \$30,000. The exhibit will occupy 2000 square feet of space.

Costa Rica will make a fine display of coffee, hemp, cocoa and other products. The display is valued at \$20,000.

An interesting attraction for women will be the display of the latest frocks from Paris in the French section of the Manufactures building.

Egypt and Morocco will make a combined African display. The exhibit will cover 2500 square feet and its value will be \$25,000.

The hatching of chickens will be shown the general public. All exhibitors of incubators will be required to make their displays operative, and at stated hours the crowds will be invited to come and see the chickens break their shells.

The piling and flooring work on the Trail and Bridge of Nations is now completed, and the government peninsula can now be reached by this route. The bridge spans 2000 feet of water and is the longest bridge ever erected at an exposition.

The art display will be of fabulous value, representing more money than will be expended in building the exposition. There will be a few paintings worth at least \$100,000 each, and the aggregate value of the display will be millions of dollars.

### Drain News.

A poultry association is to be organized in Drain.

Circulars have been posted calling for bids for carrying the mail between Yoncalla and Skelley, twice a week.

Mr. Griggs, at Comstock, is plowing land which will be planted to corn in the spring. (Eastern papers please note.)

Work on the flume from Kellisher to Drain is being pushed rapidly to the front, about 15,000 feet of lumber being used daily in its construction.

E. L. Meacham now has possession of the Commercial Hotel and the house has undergone many improvements. A bath room has been installed on the second floor and water pipes have been put in the wash room, kitchen and laundry, making it much more convenient. The big water tank furnishes plenty of water for all purposes, not the least of which is protection from fire.

John Henry Mumpower was born July 13, 1836, in Washington county, Virginia, and died January 4, 1905. He left Virginia when about 5 years of age and moved to Missouri. When about 16 years old he left there and crossed the plains as a teamster. He made two or three trips and finally settled in the Willamette valley about 1853, later coming to Yoncalla. He took up a homestead one mile north of Leona in 1873. He was married to Margaret Ward in 1875 and there were five children to bless the union, two sons and three daughters. His only sister, Mary Ann Skidmore, died about three months ago. He has one brother in Missouri, still living, and one half sister.—Nonpareil

### When General Lane Dodged.

Editor Grants Pass Herald: On reading in your paper of the 28th it is reminiscent of General Joseph Lane in the mines of Siskiyou county, California in 1850-51. I am reminded of an anecdote my father used to tell us children when I was yet a small boy, which is as good on General Lane as the knot-hole experience. At the battle of the City of Mexico, General Lane observing that some of the Indians regiment were dodging bullets, he instantly gave the command "no dodging!" Just then a cannon ball whizzed by his head so close that the general dodged perceptibly. Some of the Indians boys laughed right out, whereupon General Lane commanded: "Indians regiment, dodge the big balls but never mind the little ones!" W. J. Wixson.

### The Soaker's Lament.

This infernal prohibition is a sideshow of perdition, For it keeps a fellow winkin' He could go 'way back and die, Not a drop to wet me guilts, Not a glass with booze to fill it, Not a chance to even smell it, Since the town went dry.

Out and in these doors was swingin', Down the drinks we was a-singin', And the glasses was a-ringin', In the days gone by; But them doors stand shut and winkin' At me as I pass, a-thinkin' 'Embarassin' is drinkin', Since the town went dry. Yes, them doors stands winkin', blinkin' As I pass, a-thinkin', thinkin' Of them good old times of drinkin' In the days gone by. Oh, my soul is rillin', rillin', And the probi's soul is smilin' 'Cause the liquor's all a-spillin' Since the town went dry.—Corvallis Times.

### Railroad Notes.

The S. P. is building a new section house at Divide.

Thos. Casey, the night operator, has been transferred to the Willamette valley and C. M. Cady of Roseburg takes his place at the station here.—Drain Nonpareil.

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## THE SUICIDE OF GEORGE W. DRURY

YONCALA, Jan. 15.—The horrifying news that George W. Drury, of Fall Creek, had committed suicide by shooting the top of his head off with a rifle was brought to town today and the following particulars were made known. When his daughter returned from a social dance in the neighborhood about midnight, she found the lifeless corpse of her father lying on his bed with his brains scattered about and his rifle still between his knees. The dent of the iron on the floor showed the effects of the recoil when it had been touched off by the deceased. The bullet entered at the right eye, and he must have leaped forward and pulled the trigger and the force of the shot threw him back upon the bed, and death must have been instantaneous. Mr. Drury's wife had died 10 or 12 years ago and his family

## GENERAL STOESEL STAYS WITH MEN

NAGANAKI, Jan. 14.—General Stoessel arrived here from Port Arthur today on a Japanese transport. Governor Arakawa, with the chief officials of the port, went aboard the transport and received General Stoessel, his wife and staff, who were shortly transferred to land. Stoessel was attired in a gray military overcoat and wore his sword. He slowly wended his way up hill to the bungalow where he will be quartered. Dozens of Russian officers saluted their late commander as he passed.

had grown up. He had several sons, a married daughter and an unmarried one with whom he lived. The only known cause of his rash act was his objection to his daughter going to a dance, which was passed off as of no particular moment.



George Periolat with "Over Niagara Falls."

## CONFESSED MURDERERS OF PAT DUNN

ASHLAND, Jan. 13.—Frank Kelly, who was arrested near Crescent City on suspicion, has confessed to the murder, together with Harry Brown, of Arcata, of Pat Dunn, Kelley, who lives in Chehalis, Wash., seems not to realize the enormity of the crime, and acts as though half-witted, but Brown is evidently a desperate customer. The two men laugh and sing together in jail and jest about the murder, which was a particularly cold-blooded and atrocious one. Dunn, the victim, was an old storekeeper, who lived alone in his isolated cabin. His head was crushed by blows with an ax and a heavy club. The men say that they had learned that Dunn, who was a widely-known man, had much gold in his cabin. They went there and found two miners with Dunn. These they told that two good men were needed at the Monumental mine, and the miners set out at once to secure employment. Brown and Kelley then attacked the old man.

Brown claims to have a home and relatives in Humboldt county, California, and Kelley says that his parents live at Chehalis, Wash., and that he has an uncle named Felgate, employed in the San Francisco mint.

# FARMERS' NEEDS

## GRASS SEED

Now is the time to sow your field seeds. I have just received a large supply of Alsike, Red and White Clover, Alfalfa, Timothy, Orchard, Blue Grass, Etc.

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## GREETINGS OF THE NEW YEAR

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