

Ludicrous things happen these days, and Alger's posing as an anti-trust man is one of them.

What is the Attorney General for, if a lawyer, rather than a soldier, is so badly needed for secretary of war.

Tilden's old war cry—"Turn out the rascals"—is certainly applicable to the War Department, if to no other branch of the government.

The State Dental Association of Connecticut has publicly branded Gov. Lonsbury, of that State, as a liar. Some men regard that epithet as equivalent to a blow.

The suspicion is growing that the administration is playing politics with the Alaska boundary dispute, and that the government of Canada is assisting at the game.

Humph! Mr. McKinley is also a victim of the anti-newspaper fever. He ordered that no newspaper men be allowed on the special train that carried him from Washington to Lake Campden.

They say that Narragansett Pier hasn't kept up its reputation for the most shapely bathers, this year, but, of course, that had nothing to do with the Senators, who are working on the republican omnibus bill, removing from there to Manhattan Beach.

The military censorship of Gen. Otis, at Manila, has the full support of the administration. Let that important fact be kept in mind by those who believe in restoring this government to its original functions and that the people have a right at all times to know what their servants, who happen to hold office, are doing.

Councilman R A Miller showed us a letter he received from an engine company this week quoting prices on fire engines. Mr. Miller thinks an engine could be arranged on the trucks of the hand power engine we have that would work and the cost would not exceed \$500. If such an arrangement could be made it would be a good move.

The latest gossip has it that Mr Root is to become secretary of war merely as a stepping stone to becoming secretary for the colonies, when congress provides for the latter. Congress hasn't provided for that position yet, and it may never do so, as public sentiment against the maintenance of American colonies is steadily increasing.

In 1884 W C Byrd planted some turnip seed on the Rutherford place and when people found that they grew and did well they thought it immense. Everyone in Harney Valley was praising that "garden." There has been a wonderful change since then. We now raise everything including fruits of all kinds. The soil around the lake has been found to be the finest for sugar beets in Eastern Oregon.

Range Horses Wanted

Men well informed as to the situation will not be the least surprised to read the following letter addressed to the Breeder's Gazette by one of the best known commission salesmen at the Union Stock Yards at Omaha:

"Will you please advise us how best to go about it to get some trade in Western branded horses? Our native horses are becoming so scarce that we must try to get some Western horses to supply the Eastern demand."

"Yes, we're hunting for horses."

they will hunt harder yet. The range can supply thousands of horse, tens of thousands for that matter, but only a small proportion of them will be available for the trade on account of its exacting demands. But those who have placed good draft and coach stallions on their ranges and have secured size and bone ought not to have difficulty within the next few years in marketing the best of the product, to be scattered over the East. Note how that supremely silly prejudice against the brand is fast dissolved away in the stress of small supplies. Time was when a branded horse could not be sold to foreigners or even to the United States Government. Last year the quartermaster divested themselves of this childish prejudice, and the foreign buyer will most certainly happen upon a time when a brand will not stay his bids.

But look the situation fairly in the face: The farms of this country cannot supply the horses that are demanded. Dealers are reaching out into the range country—a country from which they professed to believe for years that no good could come. This is the shortage that has been foretold—and those who predicted it were not prophets, either. They simply reasoned from known facts; they reached conclusions that were patent to those acquainted with the situation. The Gazette regrets that the farmers of the country are not prepared to meet this profitable demand; it rejoices that no blame for this lamentable condition attaches to it.

Hembree-Smith.

A very pretty wedding took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Geer in this city today at noon, the contracting parties being J. L. Hembree and Miss Letty Smith. The ceremony was solemnized by Rev. J. C. Templeton in the presence of only the immediate relatives, after which a most elegant lunch was served. The bride was dressed in white organdy, and carried a large bouquet of flowers, the groom appearing in conventional black.

Mr. Hembree is one of the general merchandise firm of J. L. Hembree & Co. of the Narrows and Riley. He has been a resident of this county since boyhood and established an enviable reputation as an honest, straightforward young man and is universally liked. Miss Smith has been one of our most successful teachers who has a sweet disposition and many accomplishments.

We were called to the phone this afternoon, and the first thing we heard was the pleasant voice of Mrs. Geer saying: "Hello Times-Herald! There has been a wedding up here and you are wanted immediately as Mr. and Mrs. Hembree are going to leave in a few minutes." We lost no time in getting up there and found the happy couple in the sitting room where we chatted for sometime and Mrs. Geer served us with tea cream and cake. After giving John some good advice we started to take our leave when we were handed a box of cake labeled "Mr. and Mrs. Julian Byrd." Upon removing the lid we found this card: "Compliments of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hembree."

The happy couple left for their future home at the Narrows this afternoon and as they passed the Times Herald office we threw an old pair of shoes at them and wish ed them good luck and a prosperous life, which is also the wish of all their acquaintances.

A Picnic.

A goodly number of our citizens and their families spent Sunday on section 31 two miles below town, where they had a genuine old-fashioned picnic dinner under the shade of the willows. It was an ideal day, the wind blowing just enough to prevent the mosquitoes from bothering and of course all had a good time. The time was spent in fishing and hunting and having a good social time. They returned in the evening well supplied with game but very few fish.

Col. G. W. Hayes caused the only exciting incident of the day by driving into a ditch and breaking his carriage. It was impossible for us to get the names of all those attending.

Base Ball Tournament

At a meeting held last Saturday evening W. A. Geeran was elected manager of the club and Geo. W. Hayes, N. Brown, Dr. Horton, J. C. Welbourne and H. E. Thompson were appointed to a committee to select funds for the proposed tournament to be held here next month.

It is now an assured fact that the tournament will be held and participated in by Canyon City and Burns. The amount of money raised up to this time is not sufficient for Prineville and Lakeview teams to come such a distance for, although J. C. Welbourne informs us the committee has raised about \$300 up to last night and it is thought the amount can be raised to \$500 with a little more canvassing.

Should all these places participate, however, and an entrance fee charged together with gate receipts, etc., good purses could be hung for not only the base ball games, but other field sports as well as a hand contest. The latter would be a very attractive feature and one that could be of great benefit to all.

Another meeting will be called in a week as the finance committee has finished canvassing at which time a program and other definite arrangements will be made.

We are glad to see the interest taken in this matter among our business men, which assures it a success.

Commissioners Court

Commissioners court in an adjourned session yesterday transacted the following business:

In the matter of repairing the Drewsey bridge, A. I. Johnson & Bro. submitted the best bid \$475 and awarded contract, clerk instructed to notify them to appear on Aug. 12 to enter into written contract and give bond.

The bid of T. C. Barnes to grade the Stanellif lane for the sum of \$544 being the lowest and best bid the contract was awarded him. The contractor must furnish a bond in the amount of \$1088. Bond accepted.

J. T. Barnes having submitted the best and lowest bid for grading the Potter swamp lane for \$198.94 the contract was given him. His bond was fixed at \$398 which was furnished and accepted.

Bill of Chris Laekman of \$10 for cleaning out sink hole at the jail allowed.

An Earthquake

W. E. Albersson is ever from Alford and informs us that those at the jumper ranch and vicinity were very much excited last Saturday afternoon from being shaken up by an earthquake. There were two shocks lasting for sometime, shaking the house so much that water was spilled out of the buckets the men on the moving machines also felt the shock.

There was a noise like distant thunder which appeared to come from the ground. This is the first thing of the kind felt in this county that we have any knowledge of and seemed to be in that particular vicinity only, as Mr. Albersson says it was not felt at Alford.

Oregon Literature

Wear in receipt of the Centennial Edition of Oregon Literature, by J. B. Hough, professor of Rhetoric and English Literature in the Agricultural College at Corvallis. It is a nice manual and contains a list of pioneer journals and authors and a catalogue of the contributions to Oregon Literature which adds to its importance. The manual also contains pictures of Col. E. D. Baker, Sam L. Simpson, Louis A. Bank, Joaquin Miller, Minnie Myrtle Miller and others.

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Want no Railroad

Sheriff John McKinnon of Harney county, in company with W. Johnson, a citizen of Burns, the county seat, brought an insane patient to Salem this week, the trip costing the state \$220, says the Oregonian. Burns is distant from the railroad 150 miles, and is thus the most remote from rail facilities of any county seat in Oregon. "The people of Harney county have no railroad," said Mr. Johnson, "and they don't want. Money is more plentiful with the few there is of us than if we had a railroad. Besides this the railroad would bring new settlers to crowd our sheep and cattle off the ranges. We believe in letting well enough alone. A great deal of livestock has left Harney county for the east this year. The ranges are still badly overstocked and a good many more sheep and cattle might be spared without detriment to the pastures."

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