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JOLTS AND JINGLES By Ad Brown

The fact that a leading suffragette is named Porritt shows her real place is behind the tea table.

The magazine Life offers \$100 for the best title to a picture they publish. Among acquaintances were four who sent "Old as the Pyramids" and two who sent "The Nihilists." Too bad they can't all win.

Looks as if that prize fight is doing a lot for the argumentative powers of the Medford youth.

Uncle Epp says: "Many prize fighters acknowledge they are makin' history."

History may repeat itself, but it is always to another crowd of listeners.

A recipe for currant buns starts, "At night mix half a cake of yeast, etc." Who wants currant buns if he has to stay at home nights to make them?

A Suggestion: Why not leave the red, white and blue lights on the Commercial Club building until the next Fourth of July?

Our Sensational Crusade: Dear J. & J.—Count me in on the anti-sidewalk sprinkling crusade. A neighbor lets his go all night, and whenever I come home late I have to walk in the mud or get soaked. It seems to me your reform is big enough to get on a political platform. It is the burning (or drenching) question of the hour.

"The manufacturers of shoe machinery have been indicted. Well, what boots it."—R Spinkevintz.

As for Dick Jones, he failed to bring home the Chick-(en).

Nell lived up to his name. Did you get it? If not read it again.

An Exiled Westerner: Say, I wonder why I ever packed my duds and journeyed here.

Must have been a sort of fever. For the East that made me queer. For a feller sure is looney, Or else just a plain dern fool, Who would leave the mountain country, Where the nights are always cool.

Where the skyline's like a switch-back. And the nights are always cool, And the air you breathe's the purest You can find on God's footstool.

Now I walk around the city, Where the air is full of smoke, And I curse the evil spirit Who has left me stranded, broke. I don't like a thing about it, And I'm wishing I could go Where the people aren't all acting Like there's nothing left to know.

Where's the skyline's like a switch-back. And the nights are always cool And the distances ain't measured With no blooming two-foot rule.

OKOBOJ HOTEL BURNS; TWO DOMESTICS PERISH

DES MOINES' Ia., Aug. 5.—Two domestics are believed to have burned to death today in a fire which destroyed the big Okoboji summer hotel at Lake Okoboji near here.

Guests who filled the hotel jumped in panic from the windows when the structure blazed. It is thought they were all saved.

Haskins for Health.

A FIVE TO ONE SHOT.

GENERAL MANAGER O'BRIEN of the Southern Pacific has announced that his company will build a new railroad from Eugene to Coos Bay.

The announcement probably follows an attempt by local people to construct a railroad and is a repetition of the tactics employed so long to keep Oregon bottled up by scaring out bona fide builders.

In Roseburg bets are being made at 5 to 1 that the railroad from Eugene to Coos Bay will never be built by the Southern Pacific. It can be built from Roseburg with only sixty-five miles of railroad, as against 125 from Eugene and a long tunnel, but the Southern Pacific won't build either unless forced to.

Five to one is a good bet against the Southern Pacific ever building any new lines in Oregon, save as in the Deschutes canyon, to block some real builder.

A few years ago, Mr. O'Brien announced a railroad from Drain to Coos. A bluff was made on starting construction—enough work done to scare off competition, and then work ceased.

Last year, when there seemed a prospect that an independent road would be built from Grants Pass to the sea, Mr. O'Brien announced that the Southern Pacific would build a line. It killed the rival road—but no road has been built by the Southern Pacific or will be, unless Hill builds from Medford.

It is not so long ago that Mr. O'Brien announced the building a railroad through Malheur Canyon across central Oregon from the east. It is still on paper, and likely to stay there, along with other Harriman system extensions.

A Eugene paper says that Mr. O'Brien "will never allow his word to be jeopardized." It is to laugh.

THINGS WE WANT TO KNOW.

A MILLION and a half dollars is a large sum of money—though not any too large, and probably not large enough, to construct all the permanent roads Jackson county needs. But before the people are asked to vote upon the expenditure, it is but right that the public be fully taken into confidence by the county court, the methods of construction outlined, the specifications adopted and the routes chosen for permanent improvement be made known.

It is true that everyone thinks he understands road building and that there are fifty-seven varieties of roads already in Jackson county, few of which are upon right lines of permanent road building. It is true that people who do not understand conditions and others too ignorant to understand and still others with irons in the fire will find fault and criticize. But no matter what the results—this is to be expected.

This paper favors good roads and large expenditures for them, but it thinks it a mistake for the county to attempt to build roads itself, and a mistake for the county to make large expenditures for road building machinery. Roads should be contracted according to approved specifications and the specifications lived up to. Let the contractor furnish the machinery and stand its wear and tear and loss.

Without a doubt the county court will express itself satisfactorily upon all points at issue and the progressive people of Jackson county can pull unitedly for a system of permanent highways.

TRAIN STRIKES WOODVILLE MAN

Jerry McCoy, Merchant, Walks In Between Baggage Truck and Approaching Train and Is Knocked Down by Engine.

Jerry McCoy, a merchant of Woodville, was knocked down Saturday a. m. by a Southern Pacific northbound passenger train shortly after 9:30 o'clock and is pronounced by two physicians as slowly dying.

McCoy was at the station expecting to take a southbound train for Ashland. When the northbound train approached the station, McCoy took two grips in one hand stood at the end of an express truck which was standing alongside the track and about 18 inches from the rails. Just as the engine sped up at this point, McCoy walked in between the express truck and train, and was hit in the back by projecting parts of the engine, knocked down, thrown on his back and lay gasping.

What the motive was in his peculiar action is not known, as the train he expected to board was not due for three quarters of an hour.

COMMUNICATIONS.

To the Editor Mail Tribune: Allow me to ask through your paper how much is Medford benefited by the what is termed the best people attending a prize fight, or how much is social reform benefited by taking part in a fight between labor and capital, as they both appeal to mans brutal nature. Come on with your answer, you who call yourselves teachers.

S. KEMPTHORNE, Pacific Phone 6362.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Aug. 5.—One woman was fatally and two seriously shot here today in a riot between striking garment makers and the workers imported to take their jobs.

SUNSTROKE SLAYS 1000 IN BERLIN

Terrific Heat Wave Sweeps Over Germany—Water Shortage General Throughout Empire—Much Suffering and Discomfort.

BERLIN, Aug. 5.—Sunstroke has caused more than 1,000 deaths in this city alone during the terrific days heat wave which has swept over Germany. Hundreds of other deaths are directly traceable to the high temperature. Many persons have suffered heart failure while bathing. Others died from gastritis and typhoid, caused by the shortage and poor quality of the water.

The water shortage is general throughout Germany, many cities being unable to supply water for more than a couple of hours a day. In Berlin street sprinkling has been curtailed and every effort is made to stave off actual want.

NOTICE TO BRIDGE CONTRACTORS.

Sealed proposals will be received by the county court of Jackson county at his office in the court house at Jacksonville, Oregon, to be opened August 28, 1911, at 10 a. m. for the construction of a concrete bridge across Bear Creek in the city of Medford, Jackson county, Oregon. Plans and specifications are on file in the office of the county court also in the office of W. W. Harmon county road master in the court house at Jacksonville. All bids must be accompanied by a certified check for 10 per cent of the bid. The court reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Signed.

J. R. NEIL, County Judge.

CHICAGO—Prevalence of the two diseases "wildwestitis" and "armythere" is indicated by the disappearance from their homes of 68 Chicago boys within the last two weeks.

MRS. LANGLEY HAS COLLAPSE

Young Widow Who Murdered Husband Becomes Hysterical and Grand Jury Investigation Is Postponed Until August 10.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 5.—Because the grand jury investigation has not been completed the preliminary hearing of Mrs. Annie Gaffney Langley on a charge of having murdered her husband, James Langley which was scheduled to be held before Police Judge Deasy this morning, was postponed until August 10.

The young widow, accompanied by her mother, arrived at the court house garbed in deepest mourning. Just as she was about to enter the court room she became hysterical and was taken into an adjoining room in a state of complete collapse.

After being revived sufficiently to walk into the court room, the girl's case was called. Assistant District Attorney Roch urged the postponement, and Judge Deasy agreed.

Mrs. Langley was carried quickly from the building and taken to her parents' home in an automobile.

NOTICE.

There will be a meeting held on Monday evening, August 7, at 8 o'clock in the office of J. W. Dressler in the Mail Tribune building to decide whether or not the business men will support a fair this fall.

A. W. WARE, Chairman.

CHICAGO—Brass bands and vaudeville having failed to draw people to the First Congregational Church at Maywood, Rev. Percival Barker, who inaugurated the innovation, has announced his resignation, effective October 1.

COPPER KING GREEN DEAD

Owner of Copper Mines Dies in Mexico—Long a Dominant Figure in Copper Industry—Began Life Penniless but Ended It Wealthy.

CANANEA, Mex., Aug. 5.—Col. W. C. Green, the well-known copper mine owner, died here from an attack of acute pneumonia. Green was recently injured in a runaway, several ribs being broken.

He was born in Westchester county, N. Y., in 1851, and came west at an early age.

Death came shortly after the arrival of a corps of physicians and nurses who were rushed here by special train and automobiles from El Paso. The doctors bringing large supplies of oxygen with them, left the special at Naco, Arizona, and covered the last 60 miles in automobiles driven at top speed over the desert. The oxygen was administered at once but failed to accomplish its purpose.

Green had long been a dominant figure in the copper industry, rising from a penniless prospector and rancher to the head of properties producing more than 100,000,000 pounds of copper yearly. During the 1907 panic he lost control of the Cananea properties which he had developed, but managed to retain a large portion of his vast fortune.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Canton restaurant proprietors Chas. Hong and Lin Jog have dissolved partnership. Restaurant was sold to Chas Hong and all money was paid August 2nd, 1911. Signed, 118 CHAS. HONG.

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