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JOLTS AND JINGLES By Ad Brown

Kermit Roosevelt is hunting sheep. He's apt to get somebody's goat.

What's a daughter, so to speak? Prestige is the goal we seek.

We can't be but feel skeptical about the free lemon amendment to the wool bill.

Again Those Lights. Dear J & J.—Another week rolls by and those red, white and blue lights are still up.

As for our sprinkling reform we already hear a great improvement has taken place.

President Taft will start the Panama exposition. He is about the biggest attraction in the business.

Jack London says Jim Jeffries never was a fighter. Can this be the same London who wrote that dope before the fight?

Speaking of names, we read of a man named Dill who got into an awful pickle.

Exit Press Agent No. 1, enter No. 2.

Somebody wire for Elbert Hubbard.

Or Roosevelt.

Speaking of names see hops jump.

COTTON BILL MADE UNFINISHED BUSINESS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—The cotton bill today was made unfinished business in the senate with no opposition.

A revision of the metal schedule offered by Senator Cummins as an amendment will be acted upon when the bill comes to a vote.

PALM GARDEN ABOARD NEW PACIFIC STEAMER

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—A palm garden on the bridge deck is one of the innovations on the new Pacific liner Shin Yo Maru of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha.

Consul General Anderson at Hong Kong reports that the vessel has been completed and will start on its first trip across the Pacific from Kobe on August 26.

The Shin Yo Maru, which will be on regular between Hong Kong and San Francisco has 21,650 tons displacement, is 570 feet long, 62 feet wide and its steam turbine engines develop a speed of 21 knots per hour.

All of the latest improvements and appliances have been provided for the comfort and convenience of the passengers.

TOLEDO-SILETZ RAILROAD TO BE BUILT AT ONCE

TOLEDO, Or., Aug. 12.—Officials of the Toledo-Siletz Railroad and Navigation company stated today that work on the Siletz division of the proposed line from Toledo to Dallas, Or., is to commence within 60 days.

It is expected that the line will be completed within a year after actual construction work is started. The capital stock of the line is placed at \$1,000,000.

Haskins for Health.

MAKE HASTE SLOWLY.

THE Mail Tribune is sincerely interested in good roads. It regards the movement as vital to the future welfare and progress of the county. Yet it believes that time should be taken to carefully outline the proposed program, to ascertain just how much money is needed, what it is needed for and to then ask the required amount.

One thing is certain, full and definite information must be forthcoming for the voters, not only as to routes, but as to methods and means of construction, where and how the money is to be expended.

A leaf can be taken from the experience of California counties. In San Diego, when the good roads agitation started, three of the wealthiest citizens volunteered to act as an advisory or supervisory road committee. They sent to the federal good roads department for an expert, who mapped out the highways needed, made preliminary surveys, prepared specifications and estimates of cost.

Jackson county can secure the same assistance from the government or from the National Good Roads Association at nominal cost. There is enough good citizenship to volunteer assistance to the county court. We believe that the people will cheerfully vote the needed money, once convinced that the money was to be properly expended in scientific permanent construction.

The size of the proposed bond issue need not frighten anyone. A million and a half dollars for a county assessed at \$36,000,000 is not too much. Estimate as to cost, however, should govern the size of the issue.

A single California county, Los Angeles, has issued \$10,000,000 road bonds. Another, Sacramento, issued \$6,000,000. San Joaquin county issued \$1,890,000 and sold all about \$600,000, getting as premium \$105,711. Other counties in California have done likewise.

The state of California has voted \$38,000,000 for state highways, in addition to county expenditures.

Pennsylvania is soon to vote on a bond issue of \$50,000,000, for good roads, and all accounts are that it will pass.

Alabama has voted bonds for \$1,230,000.

Colorado proposes an issue of \$10,000,000.

Connecticut, by bonds, taxation and otherwise is spending \$7,000,000.

Maryland, with a bond issue of \$5,000,000 and local revenues, is to expend \$6,250,000.

Massachusetts, by legislative appropriation, licenses and other income is to spend \$3,300,000.

New Jersey, from appropriations and otherwise, is expending \$3,800,000.

After a bond issue of \$50,000,000, New York spent last year \$2,500,000 in state aid and another \$2,500,000 from local taxation, and this year appropriates \$7,000,000.

These are a few instances cited from states that have awakened to the value and necessity of good roads.

The county levy for roads this year will approximate \$125,000. Six per cent interest on \$1,500,000 will be \$90,000, which would leave \$35,000 for maintenance or sinking fund, without any additional taxation.

THE THIRD CHEEK SLAPPED.

GRANTS PASS, as predicted, promptly found a third cheek for the Southern Pacific to slap and the white flag now flutters above the chicken hearted belligerents who so jauntily defied the railroad by bringing suit to force open crossings on streets.

The railroad sent a surveyor to Merlin and announced that the terminal was to be moved from Grants Pass. Panic-stricken the city council at once met and voted to stop the law suit and accept the previously rejected proposal made by the company—to amicably surrender and eat humble pie.

Everyone admires a successful bluffer and all hats are doffed to General Manager O'Brien. But why doesn't he carry out his announced intention and move the terminal from Grants Pass? The reasons all hold good.

What more fitting place for the terminal could be selected than Medford? A vigorous red-blooded town that always gives the railroad a square deal and fights hard for its own rights?

Why two terminals in the Rogue River Valley? Move the shops and division headquarters to Medford, the logical point. It is a common sense proposition that must appeal to every hard-headed railroad man.

Why not, Mr. O'Brien?

A SATURDAY ISSUE.

HEREAFTER the Mail Tribune will be issued Saturday evenings instead of Sunday mornings, making the paper a straight six day evening paper.

Those features which have made the Sunday Mail Tribune so popular, will be included in the Saturday issue which will be enlarged to correspond to the size of the present Sunday paper.

The change is made in accordance with the expressed wishes of many subscribers, to accord with the desires of many advertisers and for business reasons.

THE ABYSMAL BRUTE.

JACK LONDON, novelist, socialist and several other ists, is out in a Medford interview with a defense of pugilism, which is a very clever advertising stunt.

Says Mr. London: "I am sorry that I missed Battling Nelson. Old friend of mine. I like Nelson, named him the 'Abysmal Brute' after his seventeen-round fight with Britt at Coloma several years ago. But did not like it at first, but we got together and talked it over, and he came to appreciate the term. I called him that as a compliment."

Strange, but "the Abysmal Brute" is the title of Jack London's latest novel, published in the September Popular magazine now on sale and stranger still, the hero

of the "Abysmal Brute" who quit the fighting in disgust, is made to tell what may be presumed to be Mr. London's real sentiments concerning a sport crumbling throughout its own rottenness.

The deadly parallel is interesting.

(Jack London in Medford Sun.) "I would rather be heavyweight champion of the world—which I never can be—than king of England, or president of the United States, or Kaiser of Germany."

Jack London made this remark without a word, without show, and smiled his sincerity. His eyes carried the conviction of his preference to be the primeval man of nerve and muscle and stamina. "Of all the games it is the only one that I really like. Yes the game is going. But I hope that there will remain some arena to which I may go during the remaining days of my life."

Is it possible that Mr. London's Medford interview was "programmed" by a "business man" with an eye to the sales of the "Abysmal Brute"? Or was it merely the ravings of a real abysmal brute?

MAY GET THAT SPRAY FACTORY

Representative of Company After Visiting Local Groves is Enthusiastic—Will Look Over Orchard Districts North.

est orchard district in the world," stated Mr. Cushman Saturday after two days spent in local groves "and I am very much pleased with it. The attention to detail is marvelous. If I find that we can cover Oregon from Medford a factory may be erected locally by our company."

More than pleased with what he found in the orchard district of the valley, G. R. Cushman, representing the Thomsen Chemical company of Baltimore, will probably recommend to his company that a factory be established in the valley for the manufacturing of sprays for orchard uses. Mr. Cushman intends to look up the orchard districts to the north and it may be that soon the Rogue River valley will be shipping its sprays out instead of in as at this present time.

"This is beyond a question the finest orchard district in the world," stated Mr. Cushman Saturday after two days spent in local groves "and I am very much pleased with it. The attention to detail is marvelous. If I find that we can cover Oregon from Medford a factory may be erected locally by our company."

PRICE OF BEEF TO SOAR STILL HIGHER

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—Prices of beef that have been steadily soaring during the last two weeks are to be raised again. Local retail dealers say the next advance will put the selling price of meat above the high water mark of last fall. Pork loins have jumped from 10 to 15 cents a pound while the wholesale price of hind beef quarters is 14 cents.

WENDLING BUYS HUGE FORESTS ALONG SIUSLAW

EUGENE, Or., Aug. 12.—Milling experts of the Wendling-Johnson Lumber company of San Francisco, which has just purchased 800,000,000 feet of Siuslaw timber from private owners, paying \$655,000 cash for it, left today to inspect the new holdings that lie along the route of the proposed Eugene-Coos bay extension of the Southern Pacific.

The company it was learned today, likewise have options on 500,000,000 feet of timber in the same district. When completed the deal will be the largest ever consummated in Lane county.

MILK KING PASSES UP DIVORCE PROCEEDINGS

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Aug. 12.—Whether Gail Borden's indifference to his Elinor's suit for divorce spells collusion or not will be determined at a special hearing of the case Monday. Judge Houser, before whom the case is being tried, has summoned the condensed milk king to be present at that time, when he will be closely questioned regarding a pre-arrangement with his wife.

Borden went to Catalina island when the hearing opened, instructing his attorneys not to advise him of the case's progression, as he was not interested.

Haskins for Health.

GLAVIS BEGINS NEW SERVICE

Former Special Agent Becomes Secretary of California State Commission on Conservation—Refuses Comment Until He Sizes Up Work.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Aug. 12.—Louis R. Glavis who was discharged from the interior after he had caused the disclosure of alleged frauds in the Alaskan coal claims implicating former Secretary Ballinger, arrived here today to take up his duties as joint secretary to the California commission of conservation to which he was recently appointed.

Dressed in an ordinary blue serge suit and Panama hat, tired from eight days traveling from Portland to Chicago and back to California, the young man who caused the downfall of Ballinger seemed an unassuming reader for a job that for the discussion of national questions.

He refused to say anything about the Controller Bay fracas, and President Taft's explaining message.

"As for the work I am to do here in California, I shall have more to say when I have found out what my duties to be", Glavis said. "I was chief of field division, department of the interior, for California and Nevada, during part of 1908 and 1909, so the land here is not altogether new. For many years, of course, I have been intensely interested in the conservation of our national resources and it is a real pleasure to continue that work in California."

"Generally speaking, the principal purpose of conservation is to secure the greatest possible development of natural resources with the least possible waste under such regulations as will prevent monopoly. The purposes, it would appear, are carefully prepared for in the acts under which we are to work here in California."

STEP TAKEN BY SENATE TO RATIFY PEACE TREATIES

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—A report favoring the arbitration treaty with Great Britain was adopted by the senate committee on foreign relations. This is the first step toward the ratification of the treaty recently signed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—Investigation of the high cost of living was begun today by the United States department of commerce and labor. The facts developed will be sent to congress for action.

Where to Go Tonight

THE IKIS THEATRE HERE THEY ARE Harvey Reed and Alfrey Sisters. The Lady, The Tad, the Coon. In one big screen.

THE BUTTON BUSTERS In the greatest of all comedy acts, one big laugh maker from now to fall of curtain—they were retained in Portland at Pantages theatre for five weeks.

STILL ANOTHER JORDAN AND GERVAISE Operatic Singers in Character changes and original scenic effects.

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