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JOLTS AND JINGLES By Ad Brown

Daddy Gander's Rhymes. Sing a song of politics, pocketful of hope;

Four and twenty candidates writing up their dope.

When election's over, A lot of them will sigh.

Many men are wiser when election time is by.

A Washington dispatch says an admiral there shot himself in the residence.

It will take Lincoln Center, Kan., a long time to outlive the odium of having applied tar and feathers to a decent girl.

Thirty days till Christmas; Merchants, if you're wise,

You'll grab time by the forelock— It's time to advertise.

A new Mexican revolution is brewing. Down with the brewers!

Los Angeles has started a crusade against the barnyard rooster.

The Lincoln Center hoodlums say the tar was meant as a hint to Miss Chamberlain to leave the city.

Most every football player thinks he looks like the pictures in the clothing advertisements.

MEDFORD NEWS OF 19 YEARS AGO TODAY

J. W. McPherson of Griffin creek called Monday on business.

Mr. Whitehead has returned from his northern trip.

G. W. Isaacs has returned from a trip to the Willamette valley.

J. E. Shearer of Steamboat visited at the county seat the other day.

If you are unwell or experience that tired feeling, take The Mail; it will rest you.

Postmaster Grieves of Lake creek has been with us lately.

J. A. Whitman made a flying trip to Merlin over Sunday on business.

Mrs. U. Gordon of Roge river, who fell from a barn and broke her shoulder, is rapidly recovering.

Ms. C. B. Stone of Halsey has been visiting Mrs. Isaacs.

E. F. Walker has purchased three and three-quarters acres of land near Medford from Conrad Mings to \$214.

The records tell us that J. H. Faris has sold lot 10, block 13, to Vawter & Howard for \$3,400.

In the real estate transfers we find that B. Obenchain has sold to Carrie M. Houton forty acres in township 37 south of range 2 west for \$70.

Wagon roads throughout the county are said to be in good condition.

The recent rains laid the dust and filled the chuck holes made by the summer travel.

This being the case we would request those of our subscribers who can possibly haul us wood before the wet weather sets in to do so.

In company with several others, Postmaster Howard went up Salt creek Tuesday in the boat.

W. H. Bush of Ashland registered at the Grand Central this week.

Robert T. Lawton will soon open a saddlery in his building opposite Angle & Plymouth's.

This week Mr. Bennett is nursing a very sore finger, caused by a close fit between a log and the fire place.

Almost every business house in town was nicely lit up with rows of candles on Tuesday night last in honor of the victorious democrats.

Mr. Pitt, an extinct volcano in the Cascades, about sixty miles due east of Grants Pass, is said to be smoking again, says the Grants ass Courier.

C. A. Woolford, who has been in sight of it recently, says the black smoke shoots straight up in large

ANOTHER "UNLOADED" GUN TRAGEDY.

FROM Los Angeles comes the story of another death due to the "unloaded" gun. A bride of eleven days while arranging her new home playfully pointed a shotgun at her husband and pulled the trigger.

Of course there is the cry that she did not know the gun was loaded; the explanation that it had been "put down just for a little while" before it was stored away out of sight, but all the pleas, all the extenuating circumstances cannot lift the weight of horror from the shoulders of the bride whose careless hands pulled the trigger, or the sorrow from the relatives and friends of the man.

Nor can it make it any less hard to appear in a crowded courtroom on the charge of having—accidentally or otherwise—shot one near and dear to her. Yet the remedy for all this is not difficult, for it is simply the rule to keep firearms locked carefully away from careless hands.

THE LURE OF SPEED.

TEN homes in two cities, and, perhaps, many others scattered about the countryside are today overshadowed by tragedy and grief, for from each the lure of speed—that specter of modern life—has claimed one, sometimes two victims.

One home has been robbed of son and daughter, killed while "joy riding"; another is burdened by the double sorrow of the loss of a mother, and the loss of the husband's belief in her—also the result of a so-called "joy ride." In another a father has shot himself after a business failure due to the mad rush for gold, which is still another outcome of the lure of speed, and in still another of these homes the lust of excitement and the striving after social position and the luxuries of those more wealthy than they have brought about the death of the wife and mother.

We have all felt that lure of speed, born as it is of modern conditions, of the apparent opening of alluring paths to swift fame or fortune or social success, and we have most of us been tempted to join, for at least a little while, the throngs surging along those paths of fate, tempted first by the will-o'-the-wisp of ambition and later by the exultation that comes from the swift moving forward with the air stinging the cheeks and the world rushing past almost unseen and unheard.

Isn't the moderate fortune that comes with the years of maturity and after days and months of happiness and content better than the swift riches that so often are lost as fast as gained, bringing nervous prostration, financial ruin and sometimes the shadow of a prison cell into the home? Isn't it better to go through life leisurely enough to find its beauties, the little wonders of growing flowers, and gentle acts and the small happinesses that lie in every day?

After all, the whole of life is made up of little things, small happenings and dreams and hopes, and if these are forgotten and thrust aside in this mad rush after things that are really not worth while, we lose the joy of life and set our feet into the paths of tragedy and heartbreak.

volume from the snow-capped peak, and that the sight is a grand one from one of the summits at the head of Blood run.

Oregon's horticultural exhibit for the World's fair at Chicago next year, which has been prepared under the supervision of the State Horticultural society, is now nearly complete.

The following is a summary of the assessment roll for 1892, as approved by the county board of equalization at its session last week: Number acres of land, 341,785, valued at \$2,133,629; 2,858 town lots, valued at \$283,941; with improvements, valued at \$436,710; merchandise, implements, etc., \$691,989; money, notes, etc., \$859,938; household furniture, etc., \$107,424; 4,331 horses and mules, valued at \$166,292; 13,530 cattle, valued at \$148,255; 9,225 sheep, valued at \$13,773; 7,489 swine, valued at \$15,126; 362,108 acres of railroad land, valued at \$180,229.

After the deductions were made for indebtedness, exemptions and reductions made by the board, the total taxable property in the county is \$3,744,720. There is not much difference between the new assessment and the one of 1891.

Peter Devlin of Uniontown last week went to Santa Rosa, Cal., to attend the business college.

L. C. Kellogg of ortland has been paying at the rate of 65 cents per

BEATTIE SURE TO DIE FRIDAY

Governor Mann Again Refuses to Interfere in Case of Wife Murderer—Has Evidently Decided to "Die Game."

RICHMOND, Va., Nov. 18.—Governor Mann today reiterated his decision not to interfere in the case of Harry Clay Beattie, jr., sentenced to die in the electric chair next Friday for the murder of his young wife.

Beattie has evidently determined to "die game." He sits in his cell calmly smoking cigarettes, and is apparently indifferent to the near approach of death.

SAN FRANCISCO, Judge D. A. Starbuck wants to see the judicial decisions—talk 'em into a phonograph—but the board of supervisors refuses to see the point, and if the judge immortalizes his rulings on a talking machine plate he will have to foot the bill himself.

DEMOCRATS MAY SPLIT ON BILL

Representative Henry's Measure to Supplant the Sherman Anti-trust Law May Not Receive Undivided Support, as Expected.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 18.—The bill of Representative Henry of Texas to supplant the Sherman anti-trust law and furnish stronger measures for trust busting and criminal prosecution of the trust magnates is not to have the undivided support of the democrats in congress, according to reports here today.

The reports were started by a conference between resident Taft and Representative Stanley, chairman of the steel trust investigating committee. Stanley will make general recommendations in regard to trust legislation at the next session and his talk with the president is believed to augur no good for the Henry bill.

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