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## SCORE ANOTHER.

Nine years ago today The Journal made its first appearance in the world of trouble and cinch bugs. On that day it let out its initial yell in an effort to uplift humanity, the county and a neighboring crop of sad faced pumpkins. Since that memorable day, when the earth trembled, it has cut several sets of teeth, the price of subscription and a few politicians, and continues to grow, to have birthdays and take on age year after year. The age habit is a bad one, but can't be helped among the stronger members of humanity. It grows on a newspaper the same as on every male person, and time doesn't cure it,—one instance in which time is short.

But with increasing age as The Journal grows older, it has gathered some wisdom. It has learned that almost everything in this office that glitters is gold, although there are many days when the glitter turns into a shiver upon close investigation. But the greed of gold and the pace that kills are two things of the least importance in the life of a newspaper and The Journal is no exception to this rule. Faith, hope and charity are the goddesses upon whose muscular and sun burnt shoulders the foundation of all great things are built, and The Journal has faith in its subscribers, hope in their failing memories and charity for their delinquencies. Could anything be more magnanimous?

There are no promises for the forthcoming ninth year of The Journal's existence. Church fairs, religious meetings, fires, murders, suicides, the weather, better eggs and cheese will all receive favorable mention whenever consistent with the good of the community. The Journal is here to stay and, like the cobbler, will be faithful to the last.

## AN ODE TO AUTUMN.

"Alas! The crimson glory that touched the forest trees is but the hectic flush that presages death. Autumn stands alone upon the misty hills and silently watches the veiled splendor of the brief pageant as summer gathers up her robes of glory and like a dream of beauty glides away, and as the Old Man would say:

"The corn is cut and in the shock, the seed is on the hollyhock, and the summer girl has changed her frock.

"The housewife counts her cans of fruit, the hunter sallies forth to shoot, the football fiend begins to root and Legislatures think to loot.

"The buckwheat cakes will soon be here and sorghum lasses, too, will cheer, and o'er the children's faces smear its sticky mess from ear to ear.

"The nuts are falling in the wood, the squirrels store their winter food, the pumpkin pies are now so good.

"The possum's in the 'sion tree the coon dog holds a jubilee, across the field the rabbits flee as coming danger now they see.

"The bird dog hunts the timid quail, but strikes the frightened rabbit's trail; the burr's got in the horses tail and the autumn wind begins to wail.

"The apple butter stews and biles, the thrifty housewife stirs and smiles as she reflects upon the piles of fruit she's canned in different styles.

"Now put away our peek-a-boo, the open work we rubber through, or autumn winds will charge on you and turn your tander pelt all blue.

"Farewell straw hats and open hole, farewell my gauzy underclothes, the truth we're nearly froze.

"Bring out the heavy winter wear, with moth balls nestling here and there, polluting the surrounding air with smells to make a preacher swear.

"The watermelon's had its day, the ice-cream freezer is put away, the oyster stew is now at bay and all are ready for the fray."—Pittsburg Democrat-Lever.

Railroad magnates have ways more subtle and peculiar than those of Bret Harte's "Heathen Chinese," and there are those who see the workings of these manipulators even in such an avowedly antirailroad project as the portage railroad, which is to be built by the State of Oregon around the dalles in the Columbia River, thus opening this stream to navigation. That such move would be a severe blow to the O. R. & N. and would force a reduction in freight rates has long been contended by those opposed to railroad monopoly and proved by the strenuous opposition to the measure put forward by the Harriman interests. Now it is claimed the Northern Pacific "egged on" the portage road for just such purpose. Those who argue to this end have no hesitancy in stating their case and giving grounds for their allegations. First and foremost they point to recent manipulations in Wall Street railway stocks as indicative that warfare is on between Jim Hill and the Harriman people. Secondly they point out that if the Northern Pacific wished to strike a blow at the rival Northwest road—a blow that would count and that would admit of no retaliation in kind—no better plan could be followed than to insure construction of a short portage that would throw open a waterway paralleling that rival road for almost its entire length. Another strong point in the argument of those who would attribute the portage road to other than genuine desire to aid the struggling farmer, is the fact that not at any time was there indication that any contractor but A. J. McCabe would secure the work. The president of the McCabe Construction Company, of which A. J. McCabe is the representative, is Joseph McCabe, of Walla Walla, who is also general manager of the Washington & Columbia River Railroad owned and operated by the Northern Pacific.—Telegram.

To run a newspaper all a fellow has to do is to be able to write poems, discuss the tariff and money questions, umpire a base ball game, report a wedding, saw wood describe a fire so that the readers will shed their wraps, make \$1 do the work of \$10, shine at a dance, measure calico, abuse the liquor habit, test whiskey, subscribe to charity, go without meals, attack free silver, defend bimetallism, sneer at snobbery, wear diamonds, invent advertisements, overlook scandal, appraise babies, delight pumpkin raisers, minister to the afflicted, heal the disgruntled, fight to a finish, set type, mould opinions, sweep the office speak at prayer meetings, stand in with everybody and everything—Centre Ok. News.

President Roosevelt's message of nearly 20,000 words is in keeping with the usual verbose methods used by the heads of the nation at different times to convey their ideas on public questions to the congressional mind. But what a decided relief it would be if at some future date a president should write a message containing perhaps only 2000 words with all the details left out and his views on economic questions clothed in proportionate terseness to the rest of the message.

### Production of Quicksilver.

California, Texas and Nevada are the only States in the Union that produced quicksilver during the year 1903. California mines yielded 30,526 flasks, worth \$1,330,916. The production of quicksilver in Texas amounted to 5029 flasks, valued at \$211,218. Nevada could claim only 65 flasks as the year's output. The total production for the three states was

35,620 flasks of 76½ pounds each, valued at \$1,544,934. This was an increase in quantity of 1329 flasks, and in value of \$77,986, as compared with the 34,291 flasks, valued at \$1,467,848, which constituted the production of 1902. A notable incident during the year was the publication by Prof. William B. Phillips, director of the University of Texas Mineral Survey, of a carefully prepared statement in regard to considerable extensions of the area in Texas where quicksilver is found. It is evident that quicksilver mining in

Texas should increase for several years before reaching the maximum. The average price for quicksilver, per flask in San Francisco during the year 1903, was \$45.29. During each of the last ten years the amount of quicksilver imported into the country has been small. The quantity imported during 1903 had a value of \$1,065. The quicksilver exported during 1903 amounted to 17,577 flasks, valued at \$719,119, of which 10,722 flasks worth \$446,846 were shipped from the port of San Francisco.

## CHRISTMAS DANCE

Friday Evening, Dec. 23rd.

A Good Dance, First Class Music, and an enjoyable evening is assured those attending this dance.

## P. A. A. C. Hall

Dance Tickets \$1.00

## LEAP YEAR BALL

Given by the members of the Ladies Annex Social and Athletic Club, in the Club Hall, on Friday Evening, December the 30th, 1904.

### General Committee

MRS. JENNIE KING, MRS. CLARA WILSON, MRS. JULIA LYTLE, MRS. BLANCHE MICHEL, and MISS GERTRUDE SHARP.

### Reception Committee

MRS. ROVA BRINK, MRS. MARY HOWARD, MISS PEARL VANDERPOOL.

### Floor Committee

MRS. AMANDA ELKINS, MRS. LULU ROSENBERG, MRS. LAURA BIGGS, MRS. MAY J. WIGLE and MISS MAUDE VANDERPOOL.

### Music Committee

MRS. ETHEL EDWARDS and MRS. LILLIAN FOSTER

### Lunch Committee

MRS. LINA LIPPMAN, MRS. MATTIE ELLIOTT, MRS. FRANCES SMITH.

Lady Spectators 25 cents. Dance Tickets \$1.00

## FAIR

Given by the Ladies Aid Society of First Presbyterian Church at Belknap's Hall, Saturday, December 17, 1904. The Fair will be open to the public at 7 P. M.

### At The Apron Booth

You will find Big Aprons and Little Aprons from the daintiest white to the Cook Apron. Ladies and Childrens Clothes.

### Fancy Work Booth

Will have articles for all the young men and his sweetheart Also the Bachelor, which will not only beautify the home but yourself as well.

### At The Art Studio

You will find handsome Pictures reproductions from the best artist at Exceedingly Low Prices.

### At The Fish Pond

The very best fisherman will be found and can show you the best fishing of the season.

### The Japanese Bazaar

Will look after the inner man and will serve the Hottest Tea and Sweetest Cake. But don't.

### Miss The Coffee Booth

The Ladies in charge will give you Coffee like your Grandmothers used to make.

### The popcorn Booth

Will be conducted by Beautiful Maidens, can tell that is sure to please.

Come along and bring your money. Bring your money to the Fair, Then the Ladies will raise and call You blessed in the many days to come.

The proceeds of the fair will go to furnishing the First Presbyterian Church of Prineville. An admission charge of 10 cents will be made at the door. All are cordially invited to attend.

## WURZWEILER & THOMSON



Our Fall showing in Dress goods is the most complete we have ever had and these include many new pieces of fine Block Dress Fabrics seldom found in the so called up-to-date stores

Shirt Waists, Rain Coats, Jackets, Skirts and Collarettes reign supreme here—All in the Season's latest styles and fabrics

Get Cash Checks with each Purchase

They are worth money to you

PRINEVILLE'S GREATEST STORE

### Additional Locals

G. M. Cornett and family left Tuesday for Shanks where they will spend the winter.

Mrs. C. H. Erickson was over from Bend for a few days this week on a visit.

We have it from reliable sources that a gentleman by the name of Frank Johnson, representing Eastern concerns, has been in the Stein Mountain section during the past two weeks contracting the 1905 wool clip and that several wool growers have agreed to sell their wool for 15 cents. This is considered a very good price; but some contended it would go higher next spring and therefore refuse to contract. One advantage of contracting now is that sheepmen are paid from 3 to 5 per cent down and have that much more money toward expenses between now and shearing time. This is quite an item in some instances and helps many who would otherwise have to borrow money.—Burns Herald.

### Confectionery

We are agents for Lowmy's Fine Confectionery, the best Candy made. All size packages 10 cents to \$1.00 each.

### The Winnek Co.

Headquarters for Santa Claus

The old residents of this section of Oregon predict that snow in plenty will fall within the next few months. They base their predictions upon the fact that the present Fall weather is almost identical with that of the year in which the "double winter" occurred, now nearly twenty years ago. That year the Fall was a long dry one, with heavy fogs during the early part of December. On about the 20th of that month snow began to fall, and it remained until late in February, to be followed ten days later by another snow storm. That was the year in which the great losses in stock occurred, but a repetition of those disasters, is not feared, as they resulted from the lack of hay, the range being good and little preparation being made in those days for feeding stock.—Ashwood Prospector.

### Lost His Money.

FOUND.—A piece of money. Owner can have same by proving property.

The Winnek Co. Headquarters for Santa Claus.

The above local appeared in the Journal last week. And in consequence we have had a number of applications for the piece of money. There has been a number of pieces of money lost during the past week and we have done our best to make good to the people at every opportunity. A day or two after the local appeared a small boy came into the store his toes protruded through his shoes, his pants misbed the top of his shoes by several inches, showing his ankles exposed to the wintry winds, the sleeves in his coat torn, the buttons of his vest, an old hat with holes letting his hair stick through, his little fists first one then the other rubbing his eyes, the tears rolling down his cheeks, his mouth drawn up with cold and sorrow as he realized his loss. Coming to the office he said, "Mr. Winnek I lost that piece of money."

"Where did you lose it my boy?" "I lost it trading with your competitor," he said.

And so with the rest after looking over our large and varied stock all agree that they have lost money when they trade elsewhere than at

The Winnek Co. Headquarters for Santa Claus.

### Meat, Vegetables, Produce

A Complete and Choice Line of Beef, Veal, Mutton, Pork, Bacon, Lard and Country Produce Kept on hand at the

## City Meat Market

FOSTER & HERRIGAN, Prop's.

Prineville, At The Old Stand Oregon.

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A Stock of Farm Machinery always on hand

## Hints For Christmas

### For The Children

Kid Doll, Bisque head, Jointed ..... 45 cents to \$4.00  
Linen Pictures Books ..... 10 to 50 cents  
Horns of all kinds ..... 10 to 25 cents  
Iron Toys, Mechanical Toys ..... 25 cents to \$3.00  
Building Blocks, Card and Novelty Games ..... 15 to 50 cents

Candy for Children, Special for Christmas, 15 cts. a pound

### For the Grown Up's

New Books in all the new designs of binding silk and leather. Toilet cases, Manicure Sets, Shaving sets, Cuff and Collar boxes, Necktie and Handkerchief boxes, Fine Stationery, Gold Pens and at prices within the reach of all.  
Christmas Tree Ornaments ..... 10 and 15 cents each.  
We have Perfumes as good as offered elsewhere for 75 cents an ounce, for 50 cents. We have better at 75-85 and \$1.00 per ounce. We have them in bulk and fancy packages. In Silverware we have Rogers Knives, Forks and Spoons, Salad Sets, Berry Spoons, Pie Knives, Cold Meat Forks, Napkin Rings, Salt and Pepper Shakers and numerous other Silver Goods. We offer exceptional bargains in Carving sets for this season.

A nice present for this season is a years subscription to some good magazine. We are the agents for all.

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