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THE POINT AT ISSUE.

As a result of sending copies of the resolutions adopted by the Prineville Citizen's Business League to wholesalers in Portland and private letters written to them, the Merchants' Protective Association of Portland appointed a committee to confer with H. W. Scott, editor of the Oregonian, last Saturday and endeavored to get him to retract some of the slanderous things that paper has recently published about Prineville in connection with the Harrington-Crain affair. Mr. Scott said he could prove everything that had been published and that the Oregonian was strongly entrenched behind affidavits made by witnesses of the arrest and that the Oregonian could not and would not retract anything. George U. Piper, managing editor, was also called into the conference and took the same stand. The Oregonian editors said that they understood that Prineville people who were making the most objection to the articles were friends of Williamson. This last statement most clearly unmasks the Oregonian's motive in the whole matter and is the vital point in the unjust and uncalled for attacks the Oregonian has made on our community. Anyone who dares to retain a personal friendship for Williamson, a political enemy of the editor of the Oregonian, can hope for nothing better than to be the object of lying abuse and vituperation.

In the conference held Scott led the committee away from the main issue. The Harrington Crain episode is not the point at issue. The citizens of Prineville don't care what the opinion of the Oregonian may be of Harrington or Crain. They are not defending nor condemning the action of the city marshal. That case will take care of itself in the proper channels of the courts. The Oregonian may have affidavits to the effect that Harrington made an arrest with the aid of a "billy."

But the people of Prineville defy the Oregonian to produce one bit of proof of its lying statement that the arrest of Crain was instigated by anyone connected with the land fraud trials or anyone else; that the burning of a few tons of Crain's hay in a rented barn had anything to do with Crain being a witness at the land fraud trials; that any government witnesses need the protection of U. S. Marshals or anyone; or that the residents of Crook county uphold or justify lawlessness in any form.

It is too plain to see that the Oregonian has deliberately and maliciously told lies for the purpose of injuring in the eyes of the world Crook county and Prineville in particular simply because Williamson once lived here, and still retains the personal friendship of the people.

The people of Prineville would like to impress upon the mind of Mr. Scott that they do not care what he thinks of the Harrington matter, but that they emphatically protest against being held up as a community of outlaws because a man who testified against Williamson was arrested for drunkenness, as he has been several times before.

Two U. S. Marshals came to Prineville to protect government witnesses if necessary according to the Oregonian. They went away today and will tell anyone that their protection was not ever had been needed. Their time was spent in listening to the stories of people who saw the Harrington-Crain fight and in taking testimony in reference to school land applications. These men discovered that five days after Crain was pronounced well the Oregonian published an account that he had had a relapse and was hovering between life and death, and that as a matter of fact a few nights afterward Crain entered a drug-store by way of the back door and endeavored to secure whiskey which was refused.

Mr. Scott says that he alone is responsible, and not the merchants

of Portland, for the utterances of that paper. The load of falsehoods of which he has relieved himself within the past few weeks has been voluminous. He has again stepped down from a place of respect in which some people have held him, for the sole purpose of avenging his feelings against a political enemy. He has taken the load of abusive lies on his own shoulders. The people of Crook county defy him to prove anything except that Crain was arrested while drunk and disorderly.

So long as the Oregonian kept printing defamatory stories about the citizens and officers of Prineville and the community as a whole merchants of Portland did not see anything serious about it. Now that the Prineville merchants have taken the matter up from a business standpoint and have told the Portland wholesalers that unless some remedy is applied to stop these truthless utterances that they propose to buy their goods from some other point, the Portland businessmen have just discovered that there is a "serious" side to it. When the dollars stop coming their way it gets "serious". Prineville's wholesale trade at Portland amounts to nearly \$500,000 annually. This is what looks serious to Portland merchants. It made no difference to them how much insult was heaped on our community nor how much injury was done to business interests in Crook county through the broadcast publication of injurious lies traducing the general character of our citizens and keeping settlers from coming into this country—but it does make a difference to them when they think that \$500,000 of our good money may not come their way every year. The Citizen's Business League certainly hit a vital point when it went at the matter on a business basis.

According to the assessment summary elsewhere in this issue a gain of only two thousand acres in tillable land has been made over the year previous in the county. But as the assessment was made early last spring these figures cannot be relied upon to show the progress that has been made in this particular for the past year. Many large tracts of irrigable sagebrush lands have been cleared during the past summer under the canals of the big irrigation companies in the western part of the county and this work is still going ahead. Besides these every genuine homesteader in the county is clearing from 10 to 50 acres, while much of the deeded land in the Crooked river valley that has been unused except for grazing purposes is being cleaned up and put under cultivation. Next year's figures ought to show an increase of at least 15,000 acres in tillable lands over this year's assessment.

There are only a few days left for Christmas shopping. The Journal calls your attention to the special holiday bargain announcements of its advertisers. They are displaying for your selection high grade and honest goods and are making the fact known to you in a businesslike manner through the columns of the newspapers. The largest newspaper advertisers are as a rule the leaders in their respective lines and handle the largest share of the business, nor is there anything strange in this act. Prineville is no exception to this rule. Look up the holiday bargains of our advertisers.

WELL SIR!
 If you don't know the Difference between RIBBON & FOSTER'S Home Made Confectioneries and the other Kind—which includes about all other varieties—It's Time **YOU FOUND OUT!**

The Journal job department has just finished 400 copies of a 112-page cook book for the Church Workers' society of the M. E. Church. While the work of turning out the job has made life strenuous for the office force they feel fully recompensed for any extra effort put forth by the many complimentary things that have been remarked by the townspeople on the appearance of the book. There is much comfort in viewing work well done. The book contains a half-tone engraving of the M. E. Church and a portrait of the pastor, the Rev. W. P. Jinnett, besides hundreds of tested recipes contributed by the ladies telling how to do everything from boiling water to making a Welch rabbit. Many of the local business firms also have advertisements in its pages. It is meeting a ready sale at 50 cents per copy.

This is No. 1, Volume X. The close of each year sees the Journal with large additions to its subscription list and finds it ever in the lead with the news of the county. The management is confident that the close of another year will see great changes in the way of progress for this section and will ever be found endeavoring to keep up with the procession.

Embezzlement Case Dismissed.

The case of C. H. Erickson and Betty Erickson vs. Charles Boyd for embezzlement had a hearing in Justice J. L. Luckey's court in Prineville last Tuesday. This is one branch of the many troubles that have resulted in a dissolution of partnership of the Bend Live-stock & Produce Company, a corporation which has conducted a meat and vegetable market at Bend. The Ericksons charged Boyd with embezzling funds and property belonging to the company. Justice Luckey dismissed the case. It is understood that Erickson will lay the case before the district attorney.

J. E. Stewart & Co.
Holiday Goods

The O'Neil Restaurant and Lunch Room
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 Smelzer and Elffson
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 Ask your grocer for it and insist upon getting it. The unequalled merits of Madras Flour are its greatest recommendations. Housewives using it will not complain of poor loaves or baking failures. Madras Flour and failure in cooking are unknown to each other.
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 Other brands cost you as much or more and a lot of trouble besides. Order a sack from your grocer today. If he doesn't handle it now he will.
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 Madras, Oregon

In groceries, at the top in quality, at the bottom in prices, at GLOVER'S. For the best shoe values in town go to J. E. Stewart & Co. Everything that's good to eat is kept in season at GLOVER'S. Hazelwood Creamery Butter at J. E. Stewart & Co. All kinds of canned goods at bed-rock prices, for cash, at GLOVER'S.

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Gift Books
Holiday Goods
 Prineville, Oregon
 Go to GLOVER'S Cash Grocery for fine potatoes, bacon, ham and lard. The largest and most complete line of all kinds of dishes to be found in town is at Rideout & Foster's. We are not closing out, but we are selling groceries at closing out prices. C. A. GLOVER.
 Don't sell your eggs until you see Glover. He is always in the market and pays the highest price in cash.
 In fine Sugars, Coffees, Canned Goods, Tobaccos, Cigars and Fancy Candies, it will pay you to see GLOVER.

We are Agents for
The Royal Tailors of Chicago
 the largest Merchant Tailoring Establishment in the World.
 J. E. STEWART & CO.
 C. W. Elkins is offering a present to every cash purchaser equal to one sixth of the purchase. For further information see his large display ad. in another part of this paper.
 Our lines of clothing at \$10 and \$12 comprise clothing that is both dressy and durable. Shaped right, made right and fitted right. Dunham & Adams.
 Ladies do you know that Rideout & Foster carry a complete stock of ladies' and children's underwear and hosiery and also a fine line of ladies' lined house slippers? And do you know that you save money by trading with them?
 Just received at Rideout & Foster's, a crate of decorated Chinaware of a beautiful design. Now is your chance to get a bargain in a dinner set.

Trespass Notice.
 No hunting allowed on my premises.
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D. P. Adamson & Co.
Oriental Vases
Holiday Goods
 Prineville, Oregon

SPECIAL HOLIDAY SALE
 Rain Coats, Short Box Coats and Empire Coats at about cost. Our entire stock reduced to Rock Bottom Cash prices to clean up the lot. **\$1.75 to \$15 Each**
DECEMBER SALE
 Eiderdown Dressing Sacs and Kimonos Regular \$1.10 quality at 25c **\$1.10 1 65**
SKIRTS AT ONE-THIRD OFF
 Tailor-made Skirts all this season's make, in Broadcloths, Cheviots and Serges, in black navy blue and mixed greys.
Special Holiday Sale of Useful Presents
 Fur Collarettes, Children's Fur Sets, Fascinators, New Neckwear, Ribbons in all shades and Persian Designs, Kid Gloves, Belts, Handkerchiefs, Etc.
We Have a Fine Line
WURZWEILER & THOMSON
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The Only Place in Prineville To Buy **Holiday Presents** Is At **A. H. LIPPMAN & CO.**


A CHRISTMAS DANCE
 WILL BE GIVEN BY THE **Athletic Club and Ladies' Annex**
Monday Night, December 25 at the Gymnasium
FLOOR MANAGERS: Dr. J. H. Rosenberg, Frank Foster, M. R. Biggs, Robert Suettinger, Harold Baldwin, P. B. Howard, Bert Roller, George Summers

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 We have an exceptionally fine line of clothing that is both dressy and durable. The reason why that our clothing is giving such good satisfaction is that it is made right, shaped right, fitted right and the prices are RIGHT. Remember this when you are buying clothing and call in at our store and examine our line. Our line of clothing at **\$10 and \$12** is the best in the city. For the money and are what you have been looking for. Our Fall and Winter stock is arriving and includes the best quality in the latest patterns and styles for **Ladies and Gents' Furnishings** you to choose from at prices that are RIGHT. **Our Line of Shoes** is ready for your inspection and is as complete as any in the city. We desire to have you call and we will convince you that we are RIGHT in saying that our goods and prices are right.
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 A choice line of Candies and Nuts, also a selected line of Cigars, Tobaccos