

We are inclined to believe our worthy president is correct in his having dropped from the coin of the realm the statement "In God we Trust." Until we have better evidence that our people trust in God more than they do in the yellow metal, we do not believe in publishing on the face of the coin a falsehood so apparent. Again we say: "Hocher president."

We wish to call attention to the programs which will be presented by the pupils of the high school and lower grades of the north St. Johns school this afternoon. We trust as many of the friends and parents of the pupils of this school as may find it convenient will be present on this occasion. It is the least that is due to the enterprise of our young people and their instructors that they be honored by the presence and close attention of the parents of the district.

After being accustomed to hard money it is rather odd for western people to use paper money. The merry chink of the yellow and silver boys are not to be compared with the soiled and crumpled clearing house certificates. Outside of the unsightliness and easy losing qualities of the rag money it will buy just as much as any other kind. But nevertheless the great majority of Oregon people will be glad when the gladsome ring of the coin of the realm is again heard in the land in its erstwhile quantity.

Mr. Gesler of Calif Bros. furniture store on Jersey street handed us Tuesday a copy of the Hastings Banner the county paper of Hastings, Michigan. It is a newsy, well patronized paper of twelve pages, and gives evidence of a prosperous, enterprising community. There is in it a well written, enthusiastic account of a visit to Portland and vicinity by one of the editors, W. R. Cook, which proves him a close observer and having an unbiased judgment. Mr. Cook is an old friend of Mr. Gesler and visited him while here.

The divorce mills are still grinding with increased regularity through Uncle Sam's domain. If the number of divorces continue to increase as has been the case during the past ten years marriage will become a farce and a legal cloak for depravity and licentiousness. In the highest class of society it is getting to be the case that unless a woman has had two or three husbands she is liable to lose caste with other members of the society. Polygamy as practiced by the Mormons in the past and which raised such a storm of indignation is certainly no worse than the state into which the country is now drifting.

A new danger now confronts the young ladies addicted to the use of chewing gum. Last week an 11-year-old girl of Mount Tabor was taken to the hospital suffering from appendicitis. An operation revealed the fact that a quantity of that mixture supposed to be composed of equal parts of horse and dog meat saturated in a solution of sugar and melted rubber and commonly called chewing gum had lodged in the patient's appendix. This should serve as a timely warning against retiring with a wad of gum in one's eating apparatus. The old method of pasting the composition on the bed post and giving it a chance to rest over night is much the safer if not the most sanitary way.

In another column will be found a communication from "A Subscriber." That part of the communication referring to Portland people coming here to dispose of shop-worn goods of prices above those asked by our merchants for new goods we can most heartily commend. We do not think it just to our home merchants for our people to patronize these transients, nor would we accept advertising from such concerns if our advertisers would occupy the space necessary to make their own wares known to our people; but when they cut down their advertising space and take ads out because of a slump in the business, we will have to hedge with every fly-up-the-creek that comes along.

We are about to lose the big dredge boat Chinook from the government moorings, according to the announced plans for that vessel. The boilers will be replaced with new ones and the boat put to work at the mouth of the Columbia. This is what should have been done two years earlier. It is too bad to have so many thousands of dollars of the government's money tied up in a fine vessel like this one, without earning a cent for two or three years. The more so since it takes several thousand dollars for salaries of those who have to care for the vessel while inactive. If our senators and representatives were compelled to make good this loss to the people greater care would be taken to keep such property of the people earning them something.

HOME PATRONAGE.
We are very glad that at least one of our subscribers has taken us at our word and has the courage of his convictions and expressed himself upon this question, which we consider one of vital interest to the city. While there is more truth than poetry in much that he says under the caption of "Anent Home Patronage," there are some points in which he, like the rest of us is lame.

It is commendable to be economical. That is one of the cardinal virtues of successful commercial and social life. But to draw the line at and define what is economy is where there is room for great diversity of opinion. Admitting that there is the difference in prices as he states in his article it is economy to go from St. Johns to Portland, spend a half day, ten cents in car fare and do the hardest half day's work of the week to save 65 cents, which would be all that would be saved on the articles enumerated by our "old subscriber?" Is not the half day worth more than that to you? If you went over town would you always buy as large an amount of supplies as this? Suppose you bought twice as much would it be economy? Hardly, even though this saving was the only factor to be considered, which it is not.

Do you know that when you go to Portland for your provisions you are contributing to the support of that city by robbing your own? Do you know that the merchants of that city do not pay one cent to the support of St. Johns? Why then not patronize the merchants here who help pay the taxes that provides protection to your own property, who invest the profits of their business in getting better goods, greater variety, larger supply, and in erecting new residences and store buildings, thus increasing the value of your own property, building a greater, better, more beautiful and prosperous city? These are factors that must be taken into consideration and they far outweigh the mere pittance saved by the little transaction. We will admit that there may be some excuse for the transient dweller here, if he has an idle day, to go to Portland and make a purchase, for he might possibly be ahead fifty cents or a dollar, but it is beyond the pale of logical argument that it is profitable for the home owner here to do so, because he will lose more good money in the transaction than he gains.

While we say this much in favor of our merchants, because we know we are right in our position, and we would rather be right than to be even a member of the school-board, we must say that our merchants are in a great measure to blame for the conditions indicated by our "Old Subscriber." They do not let our people know what they have for sale. We believe they can sell as cheaply and put as good goods on their shelves as can any merchant in Portland. They can also have remnant sales and bargain days which would keep out the cheap John fakirs which occasionally come in and sell shop-worn, defective goods to our people for more than they are worth and in many instances for more money than a good article of the same kind could be purchased for of our own dealers.

Why not do this? Why not meet Portland on her own ground? Why not make bargain days? Why not tell the people what you have to sell? It will cost something to advertise, it is true, because a decent paper cannot be printed for nothing, and a paper that has nothing of interest in it but the ads, is not worth the paper it is printed on for an advertising medium. But the best spent money a merchant puts out is that which he pays for good, live ads. Ads that tell what you have. Not simply a line or two that says "Bill Jones sells socks" or that "Sam Slick is a shoemaker" but an ad that will list your wares. If our merchants would use a title of the money devoted to advertising by Portland houses for the same purpose here, there would not be any trading in Portland by our people, but there always will until they do, for people will go where they know they can get the goods. That is our view of the question, and it is now open for debate. We would be glad to hear the merchant's side of the question, for there are able writers among them, and if there is any argument against trading in your own town or supporting your own merchants and home paper we would be very glad to know them.

Mrs. W. E. Niles of Milwaukee, Ore., visited Mrs. G. Ward yesterday.

Mrs. Raymond Lee, who has been very ill the past two weeks is reported out of danger.

The little child of A. McCallum, who has been ill with the scarlet fever is said to be out of danger.

The sympathy of their many friends go out to Mr. and Mrs. Scott Wagner in the loss of their little one buried yesterday.

The petition of the resident Masons of St. Johns to their home lodge in Portland to organize a lodge in St. Johns has been granted and application to the supreme lodge of the state for a charter will be made at once. All Master Masons requested to meet in Bickner's hall Wednesday evening, November 27 at 7:30.

A Proud Officer.
Municipal Judge Esson is as proud as a little speckled pullet and all because the new furniture recently ordered has been placed in his office. This was the most needed improvement in the city hall since its occupancy. The judge had a little 2x4 desk to do all the work of the city recorder on. He has five books, some of them nearly as large when open as a blanket, and this one little mealy desk was all the space that was available.

Now, things are different. There has been installed a fine double desk with a shelf through the center, the desk sloping each way from beneath the shelf. This is for the use of the recorder and upon this desk he has his books open for convenient use during the business hours of the day. Between this desk and the office door there is another long flat desk two feet wide, both desks being of a height convenient for use when standing. The latter desk, some eight or ten feet long, is for use of visitors at the office and whenever any record is wanted the recorder can place the book on this desk where free access can be had to the records.

When we asked the genial recorder who the workman was that perpetrated the job, he replied that E. B. Holcomb did the carpenter work but that he put the varnish on himself. We always knew he was a smooth little cuss, but we would never have accused him of resorting to varnish if he had not told us. He had recently returned from a most delightful wedding, however, and possibly his mind wandered somewhat and he meant that he placed the varnish upon the furniture. In any event the wood work shone as brightly as did the popular official. We congratulate Brother Esson, and hope he may have the pleasure of using this furniture until it becomes old and needs a new coating of varnish or better, new desks.

Experiments With Cement.

University of Oregon, Nov. 14.—The Department of Engineering of Oregon has begun a series of exhaustive tests on the strength and impermeability of concrete for building purposes and for the construction of dams and reservoirs. The ordinary waterproof concrete is mixed in the proportion of one part of cement to two parts of sand and four of stone. If, through electrolytic action, induced by the addition of a small percentage of clay, alum, or other agents, the approximate proportion can be changed to the ratio of one to three to six, it can easily be seen that a large saving can be made in the cost of materials, since the cement is the expensive part of the wall. Certain experiments already made have tended to show that concrete so mixed has both greater strength and greater impermeability. To determine whether or not this is true, some three or four hundred tests will be made, extending through the year, with varying definite amounts of electrolytic agents added. Each sample will be submitted to a water pressure test of from forty to one hundred pounds to the square inch, in addition to the regular compression tests. The department of Chemistry is cooperating, and the most thorough work possible will be done. C. A. McClain and J. W. McArthur, of the department of Engineering, will have charge of the tests.

Since the University has at present no money available for the carrying on of such work, the expenses will be borne by the men in charge.

Washed Our Office Windows.

The habitues of the front office of this establishment wear eye-shades because of the condition of the glass plate front, having been cleaned and polished so smoothly that a fly has to hang on with his teeth when he stops to rest on the surface of the windows. It is a great saving in electricity and when Tom Monahan came around to read the meter it was all we could do to keep him from taking a monkey wrench and giving the wheels an extra turn or two. He thought we certainly were on to the combination and had reversed the gearing and run the machine backwards. The stunt was the work of the new member of the tribe who recently came down from Hood River. After getting in the winter wood, putting in the crop of strawberries, grubbing out the timber land of the new ranch and other labors on the place there was so much of that Hood River energy left that as a matter of safety we were obliged to use the office front as a safety valve in order to protect the other members of the tribe and even now we always leave the door open when we go home that we may have a well defined line of retreat in case of emergency.

A Reliable Remedy for Croup.

Mrs. S. Rosenthal of Turner, Michigan, says: "We have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for ourselves and children for several years and like it very much. We think it the only remedy for croup and can highly recommend it." For sale by St. Johns drug store.

Mighty Nimrods on Nehalem.

The following communication which explains itself was voted by Holmes Lodge, K. of P. for publication as a matter of news in the Review:

Yankton, Ore., Oct. 30, 1907.—Brother Knights of Holmes Lodge, St. Johns, Ore.—Greeting: Three of your esteemed brothers recently visited this section, John R. Kerr, Andy Kerr and K. C. Couch, and feeling sure their native modesty would not permit them to narrate their experiences while here, I take this opportunity of assisting them that they may lose none of the glory due to such nimrods.

They arrived here a few days since loaded for bear and could scarcely wait until I could arrange to accompany them as guide. We finally started for the head waters of the Nehalem and had not got beyond the last ranches, when Brother Couch caught sight of a Jersey heifer feeding on the hillside. Before we could stop him after he called us to halt, bang went his gun and down the hill went bossy, tail in air, bawling towards home. A few minutes later, while we were debating what to do, up the hill charged a big Irish mountaineer brandishing a four-foot shalalay. When he saw us he yelled: "Ye murtherin' spalpeens, phat for are ye shootin' me cattle? I'll take this wattle and knock the spots av yez, I will." Brother Couch explained that it was all an accident, that he thought it was a deer, that he didn't know it was a calf. "Howly mither of Moses," replied the man, "A deer is it? I'll make it dear for yez when I get the law on yez, ye blackguard." But here Brother Couch asked him what the heifer was worth. "Twenty-foive dollars, and it is kilt she is intorely," replied the mountaineer. Brother Couch held a consultation for a minute with Brother John R. Kerr and that gentleman placed two sawbucks and Brother Couch a V in the wild man's hand and we went on down the road by the farm house. There we saw bossy quietly chewing her cud as if nothing was wrong, except for an occasional erratic kick with her foot towards a white streak along her side where the bullet had grazed her skin. Brother Couch looked at the calf and then at Brother Kerr, but noticing the nervous manner in which the big Irishman handled his stick said nothing about renigging.

We proceeded up into the wilds and camped where we thought to have good fishing. In the morning before it was hardly light the boys were out with their guns while I got breakfast. Presently I heard rapid firing near camp, then a yell and the boys running through the brush for camp. Thinking they might be in trouble I grabbed my rifle and started to meet them. A few steps brought me in sight of them coming, Brother Couch clearing the ferns and buck brush every jump with a Roosevelt smile adorning his features and about 30 feet ahead of John R. and Andy who kept yelling for him not to hurry. When they all got to me and got their second wind I learned that they were being chased by a bear.

We took the back track and picked up their guns and hats as we went along until we came to a small clearing, when the boys, who had been lagging behind came up and pointing to a black object on the other side said: "There it is." It was a little lighter by that time and I laughed as I told the boys they had become scared at a black stump. This stumped them, and we went across to the other side where we found they had been firing at a stump while Brother Couch explained that he saw it first, that Andy shot and missed, then he shot, and then Andy and John R. both shot and the bear started for them. We found that one of the shots had struck a charred limb on the stump which rolled off and made them think the bear was after them.

We caught enough trout to flavor the bacon we took along for lunch and arrived home without further adventures. The boys all declare they had a lovely time but Brother Couch says it costs like fury to create an Oregon calf, and when they left here Brother Kerr was having difficulty in getting Brother Couch to divy up on the expense, declaring that he would bring the matter up before the lodge. Yours for a good time, Dionysius, the Guide.

And now the good brothers are going to take it out of Dionysius' hide.

A Good Liniment.

When you need a good reliable liniment try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It has no superior for sprains and swellings. A piece of flannel slightly dampened with Pain Balm is superior to a plaster for lame back or pains in the side or chest. It also relieves rheumatic pains and makes sleep and rest possible. For sale by St. Johns drug store.

Special.

The services at the Baptist church will continue till Sunday evening. Considerable interest among the unconverted. Rev. E. A. Smith has preached with much earnestness and pathos. Come and bring your friends to these meetings. E. A. Leonard, pastor.

Cochran's Decoy Deserted.

A party of local sportsmen, consisting of Sam and Thomas Cochran, C. A. Wood and several others, took a little duck hunt the first of the week. Just to jolly the wild ducks a bit they induced four tame ones to accompany them and act as decoys. But the wild boys were wary, they had seen tame ducks before and knew they were not to be trusted. So despite all the wiles and artful tricks exercised by the seductive and educated birds not a webfoot could be attracted within gunshot. Sam Cochran's beautiful drake then began to get excited. The wild blood inherited from its ancestors and which had been lying dormant within it began to assert itself and with a quack of delight it swam out and joined its brethren. The last view of Mr. Drake showed it majestically swimming down stream with a thousand or more birds following closely in its wake. The hunters bled silently returned to town with less ducks than they had taken with them.

Thanksgiving Program.

The following program will be rendered at the high school building this afternoon at 1:30:

- HIGH SCHOOL.**
Song—America, by School.
The Proclamation of President Roosevelt—Lester Crosby.
The Puritan Thanksgiving—Mary Cooper.
Recitation from Hiawatha—Elizabeth Stalter.
Character Sketch in Costume—Arthur Clarke.
Recitation in Costume—Ruth Crouch.
Customs and Fashions of Old New England—Lulu Hollenbeck.
Recitation, The Pumpkin—Bertha Jensen.
Song—Girls' Chorus.
Recitation, The First Thanksgiving—Eva Clarke.
The Indian Guest at the First Thanksgiving Feast—Mabel Crosby.
A New England Story, adapted from Mary E. Wilkins—Ermon Wheelock.
Autobiography of a Pumpkin—Emery Gilmore.
Autobiography of a Turkey—Cecil Magone.
Recitation—Ellen Vierhus.
Autumn in Literature—Ethel Crosby.
Scene, "The Courtin'" from Lowell—Howard Brice, Lowell Alderson, Anna Brice.
NORTH ST. JOHNS SCHOOL.
Song, Thanksgiving Day—School.
Class Exercise, The Jolly Pumpkins—Third Grade Boys.
Recitation, An Autumn Thought—George Downey.
Carn Song—Fourth Grade Pupils.
Class Exercise The Escaped Turkeys—First Grade Boys.
Recitation, Jack's Thanksgiving Pie—James Crouchley.
Exercise—Three Little Puritan Maids—Second Grade Girls.
Song, Over the River—Third Grade Pupils.
Concert Recitation, The Little Cooks—First Grade Girls.
Recitation, Give Something Away—Rupert Holcomb.
Song, Little Sunbeam—Mary Baldwin, Alice Baldwin.
Class Exercise—Five Third Grade Boys.
Recitation, Elsie's Thanksgiving—Lola Murphy.
Song—Thanksgiving at Grandpa's—Second Grade Pupils.
Concert Recitation, People in Glass Houses—First Grade.
Song, Thanksgiving Time—School.

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FOR SALE—Household furniture, full beds, half beds, chairs, dressers, stove, cooking utensils, etc. 803 Richmond street. 2-pd.
LOST—Between railroad cut and Cooks grocery a gold belt buckle. Finder leave at this office and get reward. 2-p.

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