

THE JOURNAL

AN INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER. PUBLISHED EVERY EVENING (except Sunday) and every Sunday morning...

Great duties are before me, and great songs; And whether crowned or crownless when I fall...

CITIES AND GAMBLING.

BAKER CITY correspondent says the people of that town are much pleased over the closing of gambling there.

It is impossible that the "wide open" policy should pay, even from a merely monetary point of view.

But there are weightier reasons for extirpating gambling. It is a vice. It is always associated with other vices.

A GRATIFYING SPEECH.

SENATOR KNOX made a splendid speech Wednesday evening at Pittsburg in favor of improved rivers and harbors.

waterways which shall be developed to its utmost economic possibility. Senator Knox pointed out the increased advisability and necessity of this policy on account of the Panama canal.

The Pacific coast will cheerfully stand by the Mississippi valley in any effort it may make to carry out these suggestions.

ROOSEVELT AND THE PANIC.

THE "hard times" are passing. The panic breeders can't keep the country down.

Now what will the calamity howlers have to say about Roosevelt? What tack will the big panic brewers and professional worshippers of plutocracy take?

There has been no panic proper in Portland any of the time. A bank failed last summer through bad management and reckless loans.

But how about Roosevelt? There are those even here who blame him for the stringency.

THE PIE-COUNTER STATES.

THE St. Louis Globe-Democrat, the leading Republican paper of that region, says that "the 8,000,000 Republicans of the United States will not consent to be subject to the deciding choice of the 300,000 Republicans who remain in 10 states."

A CRIME AGAINST OREGON.

THE right of the masses to participate to the fullest extent in governmental affairs has been a recent boast of Oregon.

perpetually in the public eye these past few years. Men are seeking a place where there is no political machine.

Without any thought of criticizing the railroad commissioners, The Journal published yesterday the statement that they went to the scene of the Forest Grove wreck in a special train.

Just become thoroughly imbued with the fact that Portland has by far the best location and natural advantages and opportunities of any city on this coast.

Love of Animals

By Ella Wheeler Wilcox. (Copyright, 1908, by American-Journal-Examiner.) However tenderly you may love your pet animal—doggies, pussies or marmosets—try to use good taste and common sense in the expression of that sentiment.

RAILROAD LITERATURE.

THERE ARE tainted editorials, as well as tainted news articles. A big postcard has been sent out to the press, asking news-papers to "please copy."

These are names registered among fanciers for the amusement of the people to whom they are applied. Sweetheart is a pretty word, and it seemed dragged down and cheapened by its application to a homely dog.

AN INQUIRY ANSWERED.

READER of The Journal asks why voters are required to state the party to which they belong when registering.

Duchess of Albany's Birthday.

The Duchess of Albany, sister-in-law of King Edward VII and one of the most popular members of England's royal family, was born February 17, 1851.

This Date in History.

1519—Francis, Duke of Guise, leader of the wars of the sixteenth century in France, died February 18, 1564.

Letters From the People

Portland, Feb. 14.—To the Editor of The Journal:—The argument of Judge Lowell against Statement No. 1, as outlined in The Journal's interview of the thirteenth, while extremely specious, is not sound.

As further proof of the popular understanding, I call attention to the fact that the people based their choice of a candidate in the primary nominating election, where only registered members of that party were eligible to vote.

Again the Judge argues that the election should be held only on the basis of the work of the legislature and should not be allowed to influence the vote for members of the legislature.

Answering Some Questions.

Ontario, Or., Feb. 17.—To the Editor of The Journal:—On the brink of a state and presidential election, when all kinds of confusing opinions and arguments are put forth.

Under conditions arising out of the war came into control of the Republican party a set of men that by combination and work, through the passage of laws by which the immense corporations of the present became possible.

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Small Change

A girl with money to burn can easily find or make a match. Never worry about the weather in Oregon—nor about anything else more than is irrepresentable.

The person who has a birthday only once in four years may naturally expect lots of birthday presents.

Indiana Republican politicians are all for Fairbanks, but this is no proof that they prefer buttermilk to whiskey.

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Some scientists say that in a few million years the earth will be as bad off for water and climate as the moon. We live just in time.

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The REALM of FEMININE

Humbug. It is true that the people like to be humbugged? And is it true that women are the most gullible creatures on earth?

It is not impossible bargain sales if it is not impossible revealing the information they have dragged from their victims, and if it is not clairvoyance in wildcat mining stock companies relying on women to buy their gold bricks.

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Possibly the president's next message will be in advocacy of the new list of reformers now announced by the spelling-book issue.

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Our Daily Menu.

BREAKFAST: Stewed Fish with Cream, Ham Omelet, Corn Cakes, Maple Syrup. LUNCHEON: Triple Spanish, Baked Hominy, Stewed Apple, Chocolate.

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