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THURSDAY.....October 29, 1908

Whiz! Wheeze! Whirl! Whiznant!

WE DON'T know whether Archie Whiznant of the North Bend Harbor pronounces his name "Wheeze" or "Whiz," but we do know that he is having a wheezing sensation in his breathing apparatus, or a whizzing of the wheels in his head, or probably both, and the wheels have rolled, roared, jumped cogs and ground away until they have so unsettled his mind that he accuses the editor of this paper of having a brain storm over some facts stated a couple of weeks ago. Everything that is said in favor of the Copuille valley and its logical harbor, the mouth of the Coquille river, is nauseating to Coos Bay people who would like to see this excellent harbor wiped off of the map. He says there is usually harmony between the papers of the Bay and this valley. Yes there is harmony of the snake and frog order. If the bay papers could claim all the output of this valley and swallow us up like a snake swallows a frog there would be harmony, but the valley is independent of Coos Bay, we don't need any of her aid, while Coos Bay would not live over night if it were not for the support it gets from this valley. We have a harbor here, and we don't need Coos Bay even if she had 300 feet of water on her bar! Harmony! Yes, Harmony! The RECORDER was the first paper that ever suggested harmony, and would be the last one to make a break in that harmony, but we intend to stand by the Coquille valley, and if Coos Bay papers will print the truth, instead of constantly trying to deceive the people of the outside world we will work in harmony with them. Now Whiznant, Whiz! Wheeze! and Whirl all you want and we will keep even with you. Let those wheels in your head grind away and when they get tired of whirling we will be the first to apply the soothing syrup.

NEXT Tuesday will be the great day when the people of the United States will decide who will be their chief executive for the next four years. It is the duty of every citizen to go to the polls and express his choice by means of a ballot as to whom he desires as that officer. There are five candidates in the field, representing as many different ideas and platforms, consequently it is surely possible to vote for some one of them that will be satisfactory to each individual. There are only two candidates, however, that stand a show of election, they are Taft and Bryan, with the odds, seemingly in favor of Taft. The New World, a conservative paper, has figured it out that Taft has about 205 electoral votes to 178 for Bryan with 100 doubtful. The doubtful ones might swing the election either way. Of course this is only forecast, and may be as far from the true figures as any of us who do not pretend to know how the situation would be. In fact the only sure way is to wait until after election and see how the people decide the matter.

SOME of the fine apples and other fruits that are being brought to mar-

ket by the ranchers of the Coquille valley, simply indicate the possibilities of this valley and the fact that it has a great future before it as a fruit growing community. The good thing about it is, that we can raise anything else that grows out doors. As a dairy country it cannot be surpassed, and at the present time has no superior on the Pacific coast. We do not say this merely to be boosting but state it as a simple fact that has been tested and proven. Coquille valley will raise anything and raise it in quality and quantity.

THE race track gamblers of New York, regardless of politics, are trying hard to defeat Governor Hughes who is a candidate for re-election on the republican ticket. Of course it is a hard matter to predict just what the result will be. Greater New York will probably go for Chanler, while Hughes will have a majority above Bronx. It depends on whose majority is the greater.

Numbers of news paper have published the fact that a two cent rate on first class mail went into effect Oct. 1 between the United States and England. Not one that has come to our notice has given the weight of the letter. It was not it was not stated in the Washington dispatch. It is assumed that the rate applies to one ounce which previously took 5 cents, but it seems strange not to have stated it.

Concerning the publication of scandal the opinion of Judge Aspinwall of Brooklyn is interesting. Refusing to seal the papers in a divorce case, he said:

"It is a good thing that we have newspapers in which such scandal can be exposed. The newspapers are sometimes better than the courts in exposing crimes. Men of doubtful character and secretly vicious fear the newspapers. The iniquities of evil men are published and read every day, and they ought to be published. I have received criticism in the newspapers. Some of it was merited, and I profited by it.

"This man Denham ought to get publicity and get it good and hot. I think the records ought to be open to the newspapers. If a Vanderbilt or some great man goes wrong, he may get a judge to seal up the papers, and you can't read about his acts, but if he is a butcher or a baker or grocer it will be published from Maine to California."

THE political address by Congressman Ellis at the opera house Friday evening is conceded by all to be a fair presentation of the subject. While he said nothing disparaging of opposing candidates, yet he put the issues before the people in a light that no one could help but see where he stands. Congressman Ellis made a good impression on the people, regardless of political party and his address was well received.

Farm values are rapidly advancing all over the Pacific Northwest and in many places where the land was sold for as low as \$30 per acre a decade or so ago it has been again transferred for \$75 to \$100. Orchard lands in the noted fruit producing

sections of the states of Oregon and Washington have gone into new owner's hands at a rate well above \$100 per acre and the purchasers have felt that they have secured bargains even at that price. The day of cheap farms in the most fertile parts of the Pacific Northwest has passed. never will there be the same opportunity for securing land at as low values as prevailed a few years ago and to further comment on the subject we quote the following from an exchange. "It is time now for the investor who did not buy farming lands to look back at his career and gaze upon monuments to lost opportunities. But the chances for developing farms and enhancing the value of farming lands are as great as ever in the past. The work requires more than the ordinary business tact, and demands that the farmer have more credit at the bank than in former years. Opportunities are everywhere that farming land can be obtained. Now is the time for action.—Pacific Homestead.

The farmer is the backbone of the country, not only in wealth but in political thought as well. He is a thinker at all hours of the day, and his vote counts. He will soon have another opportunity to show his influence in the affairs of the government. There will be a place for him and his neighbors in the polling booths on the 3rd day of next month. He should give close attention to this quadrennial duty.

THAT railroad talk for this community is not all talk seems assured from the fact that within the last week, two gentlemen have been in Bandon asking to take options on certain pieces of land which it has since been learned were railroad men. It would appear from this that there will be something doing in railroad circles before long. Either a Harriman or a Hill road, and perhaps both is not an improbability. Let them come. The sooner the better.

"Japan is ready right now for war, and has 1,500,000 soldiers under arms," says Mr. Hobson, who is nearly as extravagant with his language as he formerly was with kisses. "Japan," continued Hobson in his Oregon City speech, "has contracted for fifteen battleships of the Dreadnaught type, each one to cost \$10,000,000." This is shocking extravagance on the part of Japan, which is so hopelessly involved in debt that liquidation and bankruptcy seem unavoidable. Japan is not "ready right now for war," nor will she be ready for war for many years. Hot air and bombast may be all right for political speeches but it will not buy Dreadnaughts nor rations for an army of much less than 1,500,000. All Hobson needs to make him an excellent Don Quixote is a mule and a Sancho Panza. He already has an excellent mount in the shape of a big Navy hobby.—Oregonian.

How will it be possible for the jingoes to get up a Japanese war scare with the American fleet practically in possession of the principal Japanese harbor and Admiral Sperry exchanging happy felicitations on behalf of the president with the Japanese emperor? The exchange of courtesies between the progressive country of the far east and the western world power were particularly pleasing to the people who prefer peace to war.—Myrtle Point Enterprise.

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