



### What a Party Victory Means.

Although after a presidential election there is always a season of congratulation for the victor and condolence for the defeated, the result can be regarded only in the most superficial way as a personal triumph. The country has decided, not that it likes Mr. Taft better than Mr. Bryan,—for it likes the personality of both men,—but that it prefers to entrust the government to Mr. Taft and his party rather than to Mr. Bryan and his party.

Mr. Taft has fortunately made it clear what he intends to do, and what the people may expect. He pledged himself to call a special session of Congress immediately after his inauguration, to revise the tariff. His party is behind him in this, and the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives is already gathering information to be used in the preparation of the new tariff bill.

He set forth in his speech of acceptance still further his conception of the mission of the successor of Mr. Roosevelt. The President has been engaged for seven years, he said, in arousing the moral sentiment of the country to protest against the abuses that have grown up in business, and has persuaded Congress to pass laws intended to correct those abuses. But the laws are not adequate, in the opinion of Mr. Taft, and it will be the chief function of his administration to complete and perfect the machinery for maintaining the high standards of business morality that have been set up.

Specifically, it is necessary to relieve the Interstate Commerce Commission of much of the labor of enforcing the provisions of the railroad rate law, and to classify those corporations which ought to come under the restraints of the antitrust laws. There must also be a reorganization of various Cabinet departments before the needed laws can properly be enforced. In brief Mr. Taft conceives it to be his duty to smooth out the tangles which have been produced by the beginning of desirable reforms.—Youth's Companion.

### Yamhill's Assessment \$12,235,570.

Yamhill's total equalized assessment for 1908 has been footed up by Assessor Hubbard and his office force, and is \$12,235,570 against \$11,700,521 last year, a gain of more than half a million over the former assessment. Following is the summary:

Acres of tillable land, 118,712; value, \$4,294,515.  
Acres non-tillable land, 281,827; value, \$2,260,605.  
Improvements on deeded or patented land, \$697,615.  
Value of town lots, \$550,215.  
Value of improvements on town lots, \$827,640.  
Value of improvements on lands not deeded or patented, \$33,050.  
Miles of railroad, 58.19; value, \$588,120.  
Value of depot grounds, \$15,100.  
Value of rolling stock, \$53,310.  
Western Union Telegraph Co., 52.71 miles; value, \$4222.  
Pacific States Tel. & Tel. Co., 103 miles; value \$9270.  
Pacific States Tel. & Tel. Co., 704 phones and 5 switchboards, \$5450.

Steamboats, stationary engines and manufacturing machinery, \$131,855.  
Merchandise and stock in trade \$430,435.  
Farming implements, wagons, carriages, etc., \$138,025.  
Money, \$172,485.

Notes and accounts, \$633,926.  
Shares of stock, 6995; value, \$325,185.

Household furniture, watches, jewelry, etc., \$323,835.

Number of horses and mules, 6090; value, \$477,870.

Number of cattle, 11,802; value \$204,505.

Number of sheep and goats, 33,620; value, \$85,110.

Number of swine, 6541; value \$24,815.

Number of dogs, 12,235; value, \$8405.

Total value of all taxable property, \$12,235,570.—Telephone Register.

### W. R. C. Inspection.

On November 19 Mrs. Carrie Courter, President of George Wright Corps, Portland, and Inspector of Corps, visited Shiloh No. 28. She found that the books of the secretary and treasurer agreed and the regular work was carried out receiving correction as she deemed necessary. She was very much pleased with all of our Corps work. An all day meeting, with dinner served at noon, gave time for thorough work and pleasant intercourse. Some of Upton Corps, of Dayton, were present. We initiated three, making sixty-two paid up members—forty-three present. Part of the inspection report of Shiloh for the year ending Aug. 31st, 1908 follows:

Money in general fund.....	\$21 11
Amt in relief fund.....	6 17
Amt expended for relief....	15 10
Estimated value of Relief	
other than money.....	22 24
Amt turned over to Post..	15 00
Amt expended for patri-	
otic work.....	12 80

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### The Pumpkin.

Ah! on Thanksgiving Day, when from east and from west, From north and from south, come the pilgrim and guest; When the gray-haired New Englander sees round his board The old broken links of affection restored; When the care-wearied man seeks his mother once more, And the worn matron smiles where the girl smiled before; What moistens the lip and what brightens the eye, What calls back the past, like the rich pumpkin pie? Oh, fruit loved of boyhood the old days recalling, When wood-grapes were purpling and brown nuts were falling! When wild ugly faces we carved in its skin, Glaring out through the dark with a candle within! When we laughed round the corn heap, with hearts all in tune, Our chair a broad pumpkin, our lantern the moon, Telling tales of the fairy who traveled like steam In a pumpkin-shell coach, with two rats for a team.

Then thanks for thy present—none sweeter or better, E'er smoked from an oven or circled a platter! Fairer hands never wrought at a pastry more fine, Brighter eyes never watched o'er its baking than thine. And the prayer which my mouth is too full to express, Swells my heart that thy shadow may never be less, That the days of thy lot may be lengthened below And the fame of thy worth like a pumpkin vine grow; And thy life be as sweet, and its last sunset sky Gold-tinted and fair as thine own pumpkin pie.

—JOHN GREENLEAF WHITTIER.

### High School Items

(By Press Committee of Priors Society.)  
J. C. Hodson visited the High School Thursday afternoon and during the assembly period, gave a talk on postoffice rules and regulations. The contestants are preparing

for the first public contest between the two literary societies, which will be held December 5th. Come and see which society will be victorious and incidentally hear some good declamatory and musical numbers. The H. S. Orchestra will furnish two or three musical numbers.

James Ryder and Ray Phipps, former students of the school who are attending O. A. C., visited the H. S. Monday afternoon.

The contributions for the Boys' and Girls' Aid of Portland were sent Tuesday afternoon. The pupils responded liberally to the request for a Thanksgiving donation for the Aid.

On account of the Thanksgiving holidays Thursday and Friday the Y. W. C. A. was held on Wednesday evening instead of Thursday as is the usual custom. Mrs. McIntosh led.

Prof. Wiley went to Portland and Salem last week to secure material for the debating team. Our team will contest against Yamhill's in the near future.

Agnes Ryder, who sprained her ankle very severely at the Y. W. C. A. social a few weeks ago, is able to be in school again.

The following program was given by the Zeta Alpha society Wednesday afternoon.

Song—Student Body.  
Recitation—Ruth Gilbert.  
Biography of Ben Evans—Gwendolen Stannard.

Instrumental Solo—Maude Gregory.  
Paper—Dale Trew, Eula Colcord.

Reading—Anna Owen.  
Hyperbole—Ralph Coffin.  
Two-Minutes Speech—Russell Parker.  
Recitation—Arlie Evans.  
Current Events—George Bowman.

Prophecy of Vernon Motchenbocher—Written by Claude Larkin, read by Ernest Brunton.

Debate—Aff.: Glen Paxson, Belva Strait; Neg.: Sylvan Strait, Bonnie Bales. Question: Resolved That the Chinese should be excluded from the United States.

Coon Song—Ralph Hanville, Ervin Hodson, Howard Burgess.

### Real Estate Transfers.

Reported by the Yamhill County Abstract Company, McMinnville.

Hiel A Hyde & wf to Calvin McIvor & wf; lots 13-14-15-16 blk 43 Edwards ad McM; \$450.  
Saml Chantelle to Elvira S

Galusha; 160 a in sec 27 t 5 r 8; \$1200.

Charles Chantelle to Elvira S Galusha; 80 a in sec 27 t 5 r 8; \$600.

Harry Martin to Carrie Martin; lot 3, blk 13, Wennerbergs ad Carlton; \$1.

A J & Julia Howell to Stuart Grenfell; lots 5-6 blk 3 Baker & Martins ad McM; \$225.

Georgia S Birrell & hub to B L & Adelbert Kniffen; lot 1 Birrell 10 acre tracts; \$1000.

Evan J Owens to Geo Owens; 60 a in Thos Owens dlc in t 4 r 5; \$3600.

C H Griner & wf to C E & Lillie D Banks; 115.68 a in JB Rowland dlc in t 5 r 4; \$7500.

O O Howard & wf to John & Mary Tones; lots 1-2-3-4 blk 54 Oak Park ad McM; \$200.

J E Stow to J D Gordon; 160 a in sec 27 t 4 r 6; \$321.

O O Howard & wf to Artemesia W Small; lots 1-2 blk 56 Oak Park ad McM; \$120.

J A Simmons & wf to Margaret Hatcherott; lot 2 blk 4 Hauswirths 2nd ad N Yamhill; \$425.

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