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### A CASH BUSINESS AT Bed-Rock Prices

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-AND-

### Jeweler.

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## THE HERALD.

D. L. GRACE - - - - - Editor.

Trying to Serve God and Mammon.  
"The Burns Herald speaks slightly of 'independence' and 'neutral' journals. Very well give us Grace to discuss the matter. As editor of an 'Independent' paper the editor of the Grant County News is proud of the distinction. Independence is characteristic of Americans, and he who deems this privilege unworthy of consideration, but with bowed head held high and you by party lines 'too closely drawn' can not easily do his duty toward the entire community in which his paper is published, unless it is a city daily or other influential journal voting national sentiments alone. The Herald's policy right here is not to seek, but to name any 'influential journal voting national sentiments alone' and the bulk of its influence not confined to even one state or territory.

We believe a country journal should make the wants of its particular section its primary study, and learning their needs should use its columns for the good of his community, not leading party lines or ambitions. An editor has means of learning the sentiments of his patrons, and if Mr. Jones, who is a Republican, holding a responsible office in the county, or Mr. Gallagher, a democrat, are desirous to the discharge of their duties, it is the Independent journal's privilege and duty to "put them up" and keep them in the track. The Independent paper can be relied on to expose the current drift of local thought and offer with tolerable correctness if not with absolute exactness every time while "the party paper" in its own excellent political campaign is apt to be a little "warmed up" in the subject. No, brother, a country paper should be independent."--Opp of editorial in Canyon City News.

As bury is the last act given the human body when the principle of life has fled, so grace shall be given an editor of an independent paper, from whom the principles of political life is departed, to discuss the true status of independent journalism, then: "where sin hath abounded, grace doth the more abound."

To begin with we have decided views on the subject of journalism, resultant from years of observation, and experience; and have reason to believe that "honesty is the best policy" applies to newspaper as well as to personal conduct. If a man is known to his neighbors as a man of principle, they have no distrust of his motives; they know where to find him "in times of exciting political campaigns" for instance; whereas, a man who is known as a man that will take an advantage wherever and whenever he can (unprincipled in fact), he is regarded by his neighbors as a person to be watched--as it is with men, so it is with newspapers.

That man is not born of woman who can adopt, practice, and teach the principles and policies of government advocated by two political parties, diametrically opposed to each other--no man can be a republican and teach democratic doctrine. No man can publish an "Independent" newspaper and "do his duty toward the entire community in which his paper is published," for the dissemination of political information is in the interest of every voter, irrespective of party predilection, in that community. And as for playing the part of "whisperer" for both parties, too much rein is allowed a man to be governed by personal prejudice in favor of or against an official, since an editor of an "Independent" paper, he is ever so "proud of the distinction," is but man after all and ruled to greater or less extent by the weaknesses common to his kind, so, "if Mr. Jones who is a republican holding a responsible office in the county," should give said independent paper all public patronage within his gift, and "Mr. Gallagher, a democrat," should bestow all pertaining to his office on the standard-bearer of his own party, and both gentlemen be "derelict in the discharge of their duties," we opine there is no doubt upon whose shoulders the editorial whip of the News would descend.

As to American independence: love of that independence which is based upon principle is a "characteristic of Americans," but unprincipled independence is a characteristic of socialists, anarchists, and other disorganizers of governments; it was the unprincipled warfare of the "Independents" in the late war, (having neither federal nor Confederate authority, yet carrying the colors of both those recognized organizations) that the people in the border states most feared.

The only difference that we could ever see between a democrat and a republican is a difference of opinion as to choice between two systems embodying established principles and policies for the perpetuity of the grandest republic the world has yet seen, by two great political parties, and each citizen owes it as an obligation to his government to become a member of one or the other organization, therefore, it is no reflection on a man to be a democrat, or republican, but an honor to be either, a discredit to be neither, and dishonorable to try to be both at one and the same time.

For a party paper to be always sporting in a paper and out season, its partisan sentiments, is as objectionable to a fair minded reader, as to encounter men of either party too pig-headedly partisan to work together in local affairs for mutual benefit.

## THE HERALD.

HARNEY COUNTY.

ED. HERALD: There are many subjects claiming the attention, and demanding the consideration of the people of this community and surrounding country; but, in my opinion, there is none of more absorbing interest, or vital importance, than that of the division of the county.

As is well known, the failure of the "bill" introduced and championed by our worthy representative, Hon. J. R. Johnson, at the last session of the Oregon legislature, for the creation of "Harney County," was mainly due to the efforts of Senator Hamilton, strengthened in his opposition to so just a measure by the arrival at the State Capitol, in the nick of time, of a remonstrance bearing the signatures of upwards of two hundred of the legal voters of southern Grant, including many of the heavy taxpayers.

Quite a number of those whose names appeared upon the remonstrance had previously signed the petition for division, but were led to change their views by the artful circulation of unfounded statements that the whole scheme of division was concocted by a few designing men in Burns in order to advance their own selfish interests, without regard to the general welfare. It was rumored that the whole thing was "cut and dried," Burns was to be the new county seat, and all the offices were parcelled out among the citizens of that favored "burg." The report worked like a charm. The seeds of discord were sown. We were divided among ourselves; and of course the house fell.

This lamentable state of affairs was brought about by the want of a proper medium through which the matter could be intelligently presented to the public. Such, I am glad to believe, will never occur again, as THE HERALD will fully supply all such wants.

Many of the heavy taxpayers really believed that the creation of a new county would work a hardship upon them, by increasing the burden of taxation. In this belief, they undoubtedly were wrong. The contrary effect would have resulted. We can only judge of what would happen in this instance, by observing the consequences of similar conditions in other portions of the state. Here we have facts to sustain our position, and

Since Wasco county was divided some six or seven years ago, and Crook county established, the taxes in the new county are much lighter than they were in the old county. She was an integral part of Klamath. The people of Morrow enjoy a similar blessing, since they were cut loose from Umatilla. But what need of multiplying examples, and citing cases? There is not in the state a single instance where the contrary effect resulted. And in all the foregoing there is not a single case where a new county was established in which the conditions were more favorable for supporting a county organization, than it is in the southern portion of Grant.

We are divided by a lofty mountain range from the northern portion of the county, and our people have nothing in common with the citizens of that region. We do not want to be debarré the privilege of managing our own affairs; nor do we feel willing to continue to pay tribute to the good people of Canyon City, for attending to our business, no matter how deserving they may be. We have reached maturity and can dispense with a guardian.

The time has come when the people of this section should awake to a true sense of the grievances from which they suffer; of the unnecessary burdens which they have to bear; of the vexations and annoyances to which they are subjected by being compelled to travel distances of 75 to 150 miles to the county seat when the smallest business matter has to be transacted. Let all see that it is for their mutual interest to have a new county; that the object of any particular locality, or for the benefit of any privileged class of people; but a measure in the benefit of which all will partake. Should any preferences exist (which surely we must expect) as to where the county seat ought to be, or anything of that kind, they should be kept in the background for the present. Let the main object be gained--Harney county created--and then it will be an easy matter to determine where a majority of the voters wish to establish the county seat.

MAX MUELLER.

The President's message is an unusually short document, but embraces the most important subject now before the nation: the present condition of national finances. He says the treasury has become a hoarding place for money needlessly withdrawn from trade and the people's use.

## BURNS, GRANT CO., OREGON.

Original Notes Contributed by the Citizens and Other Friends of the Live-ly Young Town.

No. 1.  
In 1881, in a small log building near the present residence of Levens Brothers, about two miles below Burns, P. M. Curry dispensed whisky at 25 cents a drink; and this was the only business house in Harney valley at that time.

The nearest postoffice was at Camp Harney, a distance of about sixteen miles; and the only mail, a horseback weekly from Canyon City, a relic of the military post. About Curry's saloon centered all their then was of civilization; it was headquarters for what few stockmen wintered here, and was a place of general resort.

In 1882 a general merchandise business was opened by McGowan & Martin at that place, a post office established, new mail routes granted, and the town of EGAN

loomed up to some importance. About the same time one, A. O. Bedell, now residing on Buck creek, started a small store where the residence of P. F. Stenger now stands and shortly afterwards Messrs. Robinson & Johnson erected the building now used as a hotel in this town.

Now were two towns started where there was barely room for one, and, of course, the usual rivalry existed. Egan and the new town were in about the same relationship to each other as upper and lower Camp Harney are now. Fortunately this did not continue; the Bedell stock was sold to Mr. Stenger, a partnership between whom and Mr. McGowan of Egan was formed, thus uniting the two mercantile establishments, and the two towns consolidated in May 1883. The postoffice was moved from Egan, and the name

of Burns

given the new towns by its first postmaster, Geo. McGowan, in honor of his countryman, the celebrated Scottish poet, Robert Burns.

Our Welcome.  
The initial number of the EAST OREGON HERALD, published by D. L. Grace, at Burns, Grant county, has been received. It is a neat, newy paper--Oregonian, Portland, Dec. 24th.

We have received Vol. 1, No. 2, of the EAST OREGON HERALD, a very neatly and well gotten up paper, published at Burns, Grant county, Or., by D. L. Grace--Oregon Scout, Union, Dec. 10th.

We are in receipt of the first number of the East Oregon Herald, published at Burns, Oregon. It is a seven column folio, is full of newsy literature and its advertising columns are fat. We wish the Herald all manner of success.--New Atlas, Vale.

We are in receipt of the initial number of the EAST OREGON HERALD, published at Burns, with D. L. Grace as editor. Mr. Grace is an experienced newspaper man, and if the successive issues of the HERALD are on a par with the first, his new enterprise will certainly be a success, and will become the leading exponent of the principles and thought of the people inhabiting the vast section known as the Harney country. The new paper is democratic in politics, and we hope it will live long and do Herculean work for the party.--Ochoco Review.

The EAST OREGON HERALD, a new paper published at Burns, reached our table last week. Its big advertising patronage proves that the attempt to injure its prospects by misrepresentation has miscarried. It is a democrat. Its editorials exhibit the smoothness and ease of the good old rural scribe. In a five line editorial, it tries to show that a "Neutral newspaper" is a snake whose track leaves the readers in doubt.

We had always supposed that a neutral newspaper was one which engaged on neither side in politics. Hundreds of thousands of voters make themselves "neutral" by engaging on neither side while "picking their men" from both sides, by "scratching." They all believe that firm attachment to party is no guarantee against political "snake-bite." And that why they are "neutral," and that why the editor believes with them that party lines should be crossed to get good men, is no evidence that he is snaky. It only shows his fellow feeling for those who are afraid of party snakes, and fellow feeling leaves no fellow in doubt.

Harney has a bright future; she has also, in the HERALD, an able paper.--Long Creek Eagle.

G. W. Smelzer of Burns, sends THE HERALD to his children in Wilamette valley, which is exactly what his many friends expected of him; a good father ever shares with his children the choicest blessings that fall to his lot.

Mrs. M. A. Fry has bought out the Wilson & Cornutt livery and feed stable. Messrs. Powell & Supernerville will have charge.