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## Free Turkeys For Thanksgiving

Following our usual custom, we will give away a Free Turkey with every \$35.00 purchase or 50 lbs of flour with every \$25.00 purchase, beginning Monday Nov. 19th, and continuing until Thanksgiving day.

### We Will Also Offer

a number of unusual bargains all through the store, which will mean that you can save more than your carfare during this Thanksgiving Sale by coming to this store and taking advantage of the reduced prices.

**The Davis-Kaser Co.**  
Home Furnishing Department Store  
Complete Furnishers of Homes, Offices and Schools—10-20 Alder St.  
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## Gold Dollars for 68c

How many? Tell us next Saturday, Nov. 24th. Sell Sell, Sell It! It's a Sale. A real Sale.

What do you think of a nice top carriage for the price of an auto tire?  
A \$75 phonograph for \$50.  
A \$950 engine for \$195; a \$190 engine for \$68.50.  
A \$15 washing machine for \$10.  
A \$16 Remington Special "23" for \$12.  
Heating stoves galore, a good one for \$1.25.  
A \$75 John Deere sulky plow for \$31.75; A 50c sauce-pan for 25c.  
A \$35 sewing machine for \$19.50 everything goes but hot air.  
Remember these are bargains before war prices. They are double bargains now. Seeing is believing.  
A complete guaranteed bath room outfit for \$45.  
Come and see! See! SEE!!  
Red Cross sale and supper on Saturday at Opera House.

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The **First National Bank** of Athena  
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We are always prepared to care for the proper needs of our Customers.

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That Money Buys  
Our Market is Clean and Cool  
Insuring Wholesome Meats.  
**LOGSDEN & MYRICK**  
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## SCHOOL CHILDREN KILLED IN WRECK

In one of the most terrible railroad crossing tragedies ever occurring in this section of the Northwest, two young College Place school boys, Willie Greene and Frank Sewel, were instantly killed, another, Edward Walter, son of Charles Walter, well known in Athena, died soon after reaching the hospital, and 11 others, some of them girls, were more or less seriously injured shortly after 9 o'clock Tuesday morning when the big College Place public school auto bus, loaded with 14 children on their way to school was smashed to pieces by an O-W. R. & N. special train, consisting of one engine and a caboose, at the crossing on College avenue near Blacklock orchards.

As a result of the accident, the driver of the bus, Phillip Oachs, is in the county jail under a charge of manslaughter. Conflicting stories were told of the tragedy and until a searching inquiry is made, the blame for the wreck will probably not be placed. It was stated that the locomotive and caboose, running backward, were traveling at a high rate of speed. The fact that the train was not brought to a standstill within 500 feet is pointed out as evidence that the trainmen were traveling at a good rate of speed. The wreck-strewn track and right of way presented a gruesome appearance. The caboose struck the auto bus immediately in the rear of the driver's seat and tore part of the body with its human freight from the motor and carried it along the track for nearly 150 yards. Parts of the automobile, bespattered with blood were deposited promiscuously along the track, showing the fearful carnage wrought by the heavy caboose.

Conductor Haines, Engineer Allison and brakeman Jay Stewart were in charge of the train, the latter riding on the end of the caboose which struck the auto bus. Until the very last he remained there frantically waving and yelling to the driver, Phillip Oachs, to stop his car, all to no avail. According to unofficial evidence, obtained by Attorney M. A. Stafford, there were two little girls riding in the driver's seat with Oachs and they told him not to try to pass by in front of the train, but he said he could make it and went ahead. The auto was smashed to bits. It was a covered conveyance of large size. Engineer Allison was deeply grieved because of the accident and said he thought Oachs was going to stop, as he says he should have done. He was so unnerved that he refused to drive his engine into town.

## THE HIGH SCHOOL PLAY PLEASES BIG AUDIENCE

The High School play, "On the Little Big Horn," staged in the school auditorium last Friday evening was eminently successful, both dramatically and financially. The large auditorium was filled to its utmost capacity, and the audience showed its appreciation of the excellent character of the entertainment by generous applause. The ticket sales amounted to \$132.85, and the expenses totaled about \$25.

Every member of the cast deserves special praise for the manner in which they performed their distinctive parts, and especially is credit due Mrs. J. O. Russell, who as director, has been untiring in her efforts for the success of the play. Some surprising dramatic ability was developed among students who appeared in this capacity for the first time. Small cash prizes were awarded to those whom the judges decided were the most worthy of mention. Henry Koepke as "Major Paul Ludlow" received the first prize, and Mildred Winship as "Rose-of-the-Mist, a Sioux Indian maiden," the second prize.

The four specialties are also entitled to particular mention. Miss Zola Keen gave an unusually impressive monologue, "The Battle of Santiago," that was in keeping with the patriotic spirit of the present time. This idea was further carried out in the interpretation of "The Star Spangled Banner," by Jeanette Miller, assisted by Savannah Smith, Audra Winship, Pearl Ramsey and Lucinda Dell. The vocal duet by Beula Banister and Richard Cartano and the solo by Elmo Russell, were also pleasing features.

## Men Wanted in Navy.

The Navy Recruiting Station, Portland, informs the Press it has "received telegraphic instructions that Navy Recruiting Stations of Pacific Division shall recruit 2000 firemen by December 15th, and raising the ages of apprentice seamen from 25 to 30 years, making age limit 18 to 30. These firemen are for manning those vessels of the 757 ships, merchant and naval, recently taken over and contracted for by the Navy Department."

## Sues City for Damages.

Bert Cartano has brought a \$20,000 damage suit against the City of Athena and W. B. Taylor, for alleged injuries sustained by a fall caused by a sidewalk in front of Taylor's property on Third street which, he alleges was permitted to fall into a condition making it dangerous. The accident is alleged in the complaint to have occurred on February 21 of this year. He charges both defendants with negligence and carelessness. His attorneys are Richards & Richards and Coy Burnett, of Portland.

## DEALING IN STOCKS.

Know What You Are Buying Before Investing Your Money. We hear of fortunes quickly made in Wall street, of miners who have accumulated enormous wealth by a lucky strike, of inventors that have made inventors rich. But how many of these instances are there? Just a few, while countless thousands and hundreds of thousands have lost everything in unsuccessful ventures. The prosperous, successful man or woman is the one who buys with knowledge of what he or she is buying, whether it be a piece of beef, a dozen eggs, a horse, a house or stocks and bonds. Money has been made in Wall street and will continue to be made. Those who buy stocks when they sell low and sell them when they advance most make money. The operation is no different from buying a house or a farm at a bargain and selling it at a profit. But one should exercise just as much care in one transaction as in the other. Have nothing to do with those who offer glittering opportunities to get rich quickly. This will save your money. It may sound very nice to say that one owns a thousand shares of a gold, silver or copper mine with a par-value of \$10,000 and that cost the holder only \$50 or \$100. But what use is such a certificate unless it has real value? Better put the \$50 or \$100 in one share of a dividend paying stock and be satisfied with moderate returns and a moderate profit on any advance the stock may enjoy.—Leslie's Weekly.

## HOLES IN MACARONI.

Did You Ever Wonder How the Dough Was Put Around Them? Haven't you often asked, "How do they get the holes in macaroni?" Yes, you undoubtedly have, and unless you have visited a macaroni factory you are probably still in doubt. Interesting methods are employed in bringing this food into the form in which it is placed before the public. After the dough has been well mixed and kneaded in a powerful machine it is ready to form into macaroni, which is of a tube shape about one-fourth inch in diameter, or spaghetti, which is a solid stick shape of about one-eighth inch in diameter. This is done by forcing the dough under hydraulic pressure through a cylinder with a flat circular bronze die or mold at the bottom. The macaroni die is full of holes about one-fourth inch in diameter, and each hole has a small pin in the center of it, which is attached to one side of the hole. This pin forms the hole in the macaroni and divides the dough on one side as it starts through the hole, but before the dough reaches the end of the hole the divided side comes together and remains so, making a perfect tube. The spaghetti die contains only pin holes about one-eighth of an inch in diameter arranged in groups. When macaroni and spaghetti come from the presses or cylinders they are cut into certain lengths, the length depending upon whether the curing or drying is to be done on trays or by hanging over rods.—Exchange.

## Athena's Fuel Supply.

With the coming of winter, Athena's fuel supply is considered normal, due to the fact that more than ever before people have stored fuel during the late summer and fall months. This was due to advice from local dealers on account of apparent car shortage which is at the present time prevailing throughout the Northwest. Other localities are not so fortunate, and in all probability the lack of fuel will be felt. The local supply of fuel will be relieved by the Preston-Shaffer Milling Company, who shipped in several carloads of coal and disposed of it direct from the car. This had the effect of relieving the pressure on the Turn-alum people who had difficulty in receiving shipments of coal for a time.

## Mrs. Burnham Dead.

Mrs. Wm. Burnham, mother of Mrs. A. B. Stone, wife of Dr. Stone of Thornton and formerly of Athena, died Tuesday morning at her home in Walla Walla, where she was a pioneer resident, aged 61 years.

## Our Climate an Asset.

On no other continent, under no other sun, in no other zone, in all the world can be found the same extent of fertile, available agricultural land as in these United States. And in no other equally large tract as that stretching from the Atlantic to the Pacific and between the great lakes and the gulf can be depicted the same amount of normally good weather as nature has bestowed on this favored land. Our rain and sunshine are so proportioned the one to the other as to produce the best yearly conditions on earth.—Detroit Free Press.

## Our Platinum Product.

The United States produces platinum as a byproduct of copper refineries and also from most of the placer gold mines of the western slopes. Its occurrence here is very widespread, being found along the entire west coast, from Alaska to California. Except in a very few localities, however, it is found in such small quantities that its recovery save as a byproduct is not profitable.—Exchange.

## Holy Land Earthquakes.

Earthquakes more or less violent have been of frequent occurrence in Palestine. One of the most violent occurred in the reign of Uzziah. This was connected by Josephus with the sacrifice and punishment of that monarch.

Innocence. Father (to rebellious five-year-old)—Don't tell me you won't. Daughter—Well, papa, what must I say when I mean I won't?—Topeka Capital.

## STANFIELD SEEKS SENATORIAL TOGA

Robert N. Stanfield, of Umatilla county, Speaker of the House at the 1917 session of the Oregon Legislature Wednesday set at rest further speculation as to what he intends to do politically and announced his candidacy for the United States Senate to succeed Charles L. McNary, who was appointed by Governor Withycombe to fill the unexpired term of the late Harry Lane. "To serve my county and my state with all my energy, ability and resources at this time in the United States Senate, is my desire," said Mr. Stanfield in announcing his candidacy to the Oregonian. "There is an opportunity for service—the greatest opportunity in the Nation's history, because it is confronted by its greatest crisis. It is a worthy ambition for any American citizen to serve in Congress at any time; and at this time, when there is a call both to duty and to sacrifice, there ought to be a response from men who are willing to give their all to their country's cause. "I am not presumptuous enough to think that I can serve with greater efficiency or with more disinterestedness than many others. It is not in that spirit that I have made this decision, but it is, I hope, with all proper thought of my own limitations. But I have had some experience in public affairs, and I have a considerable knowledge of the state's many interests and a deep appreciation of the Nation's critical situation. I have, therefore, thought that I would submit to the people of Oregon the question as to whether I might not be useful to them and to our common country in Washington. "Later I shall make a detailed statement of the issues which I believe are involved in the Oregon Senatorial election. "Pink Harbour Injured. P. T. Harbour, manager of the Weston brickyard and leading citizen of the community, was caught by a pile of falling barley sacks in the Pacific Coast Elevator Co.'s warehouse Monday morning and seriously hurt, reports the Leader. His left collar bone was broken, one or two ribs torn loose from their moorings and his back injured. "Pink" feels fortunate, however, that he wasn't flattened into the semblance of a pancake, as the sacks were piled more than twenty high and came down like an avalanche. He was attended by Dr. Low and is getting along nicely. Wednesday evening he was able to navigate toward under his own steam, for a short stay—just to show that he is tougher than he looks.

## SLIPS OF THE PEN.

Even the Best of Writers at Times Nod While They Work.

Many if not most writers have had to bewail the occasional freakishness of the pen in putting down on paper something very different from that intended by its author. "Later I shall make a detailed statement of the issues which I believe are involved in the Oregon Senatorial election." Readers of Sir George Trevelyan's "Life of Macaulay" will recall the historian's horror when too late he discovered that he had written in the Edinburgh Review that "it would be unjust to estimate Goldsmith by 'The Vicar of Wakefield' or Scott by 'The Life of Napoleon' when he really intended to say that it would be unjust to estimate Goldsmith by his 'History of Greece.' There was, too, an amusing slip of the pen perpetrated by the grave Sir Archibald Alison in including Sir Peregrine Pickle instead of Sir Peregrine Maitland among the pall-bearers at the Duke of Wellington's funeral. Another striking instance of the pen mechanically writing something not intended came under notice the other day on the title page of a reprint of a once famous book, Jane Porter's "Scottish Chiefs." This edition, published some years ago by a well known London house, describes Miss Porter as "author of 'Pride and Prejudice,' 'Sense and Sensibility,'" etc. Doubtless the Christian name of "Jane" induced the slip. All remember and nearly all—Charlotte Bronte was one notable exception—love Jane Austen; not so many remember Jane Porter.—Westminster Gazette.

## The Ship of State.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier once took a fall out of Sir Charles Tupper, for years leader of the opposition, and Sir John Macdonald. Bantering them on their self praise for their own political services to Canada, he admitted that they had sailed the ship of state fairly successfully, adding: "Sir John was at the helm and supplied the brains, while Sir Charles supplied the wind. His blowing filled the sails."—Toronto Globe.

## Embarrassing.

"Do you ever see the president?" Asked Willie of his uncle, who lived in Washington. "Yes, nearly every day," was the reply. "And does he ever see you?" queried the little fellow.—Chicago News.

## BURSTS WITH THE HEAT.

Bad Fate of the Terrasshot When It Enters Death Valley. That most frightful of deserts, Death valley, in California, lies between two lofty ranges, one of which is called the Funeral mountains. The higher levels of these mountains are rather densely forested, with here and there little meadows and "parka" (natural clearings), in which dwells a strange animal known as the terrasshot. So inaccessible are these inhospitable heights, however, that the creature, rarely seen, has remained almost unknown. Suspecting its habits little can be said. There is no reason for supposing that it is dangerous to man. Nobody knows even whether it is carnivorous or a plant feeder. It has a coffin shaped body, six or seven feet long, with a sort of shell running the whole length of its back. Having, it is presumed, few natural enemies, the terrasshot increases in numbers until it is seized with an impulse to migrate, possibly because its food supply no longer suffices. The animals then form long processions, marching down into the desert in single file, with the evident intention of crossing the valley to the mountains on the other side. But none of them ever gets across. As they encounter the hot sands they rapidly disintegrate with the heat, and one after another they blow up with loud reports, the places where this happens being marked by deep, grave shaped holes.—Philadelphia Record.

## Will Get Road.

For years the farmers of Coosue Creek district northeast of Weston have practically been without road facilities, having to resort to passage through gates and fields. At the last session of the County Court favorable action was taken on the opening of the long proposed road, which will greatly facilitate transportation of farm products of that section of the county.

## Culls Utilized for Vinegar.

But little fruit is going to waste in the Milton-Freswater district this season. The culls are being manufactured into cider, which later will find its way on the market in the form of vinegar. Huge tanks with a capacity of 10,000 gallons each are used as containers for the cider while passing through the process of fermentation.

# Christmas Suggestions

Only five weeks until Christmas. Better make your purchases early and avoid the rush. Remember the old adage and be the early bird. We are showing a big line of practical gifts; useful ones appreciated now

HOUSE SLIPPERS	old child's size to the largest for men and women—a beautiful assortment of patterns to select from. This is one of the most practical gifts you can make.	Girls' Books . . . . . \$5-.35
Green's line of foot slippers for men, women and children, in all the latest designs.	Children's . . . . . .95 to 1.98	The latest books for the growing-up . . . . . 39-.59
Children's . . . . . .59 to 1.49	Ladies' . . . . . 2.25 to 4.98	Sweetgrass Baskets, all sizes . . . . . .49 to 1.25
Ladies' . . . . . .79 to 1.98	Men's . . . . . 1.98 to 4.98	Fancy linens in scarfs and squares . . . . . .49 to 2.49
Men's . . . . . .98 to 2.25		Pillow tops . . . . . .25 to .98
BATH ROBES	SMALL GIFTS	Fancy bath towels all sizes, each . . . . . .25 to .85
We have them from the 2-year-	Boys' Books . . . . . .25-.53	Fancy Purse . . . . . .69 to 2.98

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