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THURSDAY,.....April 30, 1903

A commercial association has been formed at Echo for the advancement of the interests of the town. Heppner will get her eyes open soon, but then delay is expensive.

It is now up to the people of Heppner whether we celebrate on the Fourth of July or not. Several of the business men have spoken to the GAZETTE in favor of holding a big celebration. A celebration at Heppner could be made a great success.

The grewsome sight of the skulls of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Fair, who were killed in an automobile accident, being used in court as evidence as to who died first when it was only a matter of a few seconds at the most, is enough to cause a feeling of horror. If the Fairs before their tragic death could have known that their bodies and graves were to be disturbed over the scramble and fight for the fortune that they left, they probably would have made good disposition of it. It is hard to realize what human greed will resort to to gain selfish ends.

The Canadian government is offering big inducements for immigration, and many people from this country are going in there. While the land inducements look big and are better than can be offered in the United States, there are many difficulties and conditions that are not thought of by many who will be glad to get back after expensive experience. Conditions here cannot be compared with what are to be met with in Canada. It is true that there is a vast territory of fine looking country that is almost uninhabited. But why has this territory not been settled before. It was just as nice fifty years ago as it is now. There is something wrong. The winters are miserable from the severity of the climate and agricultural and stock-raising pursuits are uncertain on account of the climate. There are too many chances to take. The great west offers safer and better inducements.

The international convention for the promotion of better roads will result in some good, for this is a great problem that is continually before the people. To improve the roads of the western country it will take years of systematic engineering and energetic work for the reason that there are a great amount of roads with only a few people to improve them. The legislature of Pennsylvania has passed a bill appropriating \$6,500,000 for road improvement. This vast sum can easily be used in Pennsylvania with a territory much smaller than Oregon. An appropriation of one tenth of this amount would be burdensome in this state, and it is not strange that our roads are not very good. Road conventions are necessary and proper and the matter should be taken up by each county. Much can be accomplished by the right kind of work.

The question of grazing on forest reserves is a problem that is being taken up by Land Commissioner Richards and Secretary Hitchcock. The sheep is really the bone of contention with all the opposition to grazing in forest reserves. Com-

missioner Richards realizes the fact that the sheepmen have rights and such a great industry should be shown consideration, and he has decided upon a plan to thoroughly inspect the different reserves and eliminate lands that have no timber and are not essential to the preservation of the forests or the conservation of water supply. This will increase the grazing privileges. While sheep grazing in forest reserves, under restriction, has always been allowed in Oregon, in many states it is entirely prohibited. The fact that the claims of the sheepmen are being considered is gratifying. The plan will be first tried in the Yellowstone reservation, and if it works successfully will be extended to all reserves. With the proposed Blue Mountain reserve, no definite place has been outlined, but it is believed that grazing will be allowed under similar conditions that have prevailed in the Cascade forest reserve. It is evident that the Blue Mountain reserve will be carefully considered before the withdrawal of this large body of land.

### NEW TAX LAWS.

In another column of the GAZETTE is published a synopsis of house bill No. 292, with comment, which was taken from the Oregonian, in which this paper credits the authorship of the bill to Hon. G. W. Phelps, of Heppner. The article shows that all exemptions under the old law have been cut out, and all personal property comes under the head of taxable property and subject to the provisions applicable to taxable property under the former law.

This bill was introduced by Judge Hale, of Josephine, and Mr. Phelps had nothing whatever to do with the measure, nor was it ever referred to the committee on assessment and taxation. The fact that Mr. Phelps was chairman of the committee on assessment and taxation is probably the reason that his name has been associated with Hale's bill.

House bill 107, introduced by Mr. Phelps, to provide for a more efficient method for assessment and collection of taxes, is a meritorious law, the effect of which will be realized by every taxpayer in the state.

This law eliminates that most objectionable feature in the old law in which taxes became delinquent in the spring, and changes the time of payment to fall.

No where in Mr. Phelps' law is there any reference to exemptions. The main alterations made by the amendments in the Phelps bill are as follows:

Changes the time of making the assessment to January.

Changes time of making first payment and delinquency to December 31.

Reduces rebate for paying all taxes at same time from 3 to 2 per cent.

Changes delinquency penalty from 10 to 5 per cent.

Personal property shall be levied upon wherever found.

Roll is to be closed March 31.

### Shamrock III.

All true lovers of sport in this country will look forward with much interest to the arrival of the new cup challenger, Shamrock III, which the English people expect will lift the cup this year. While America has held the supremacy in yacht building for years she also holds the supremacy in medicine. Take Hostetter's Stomach Bitters as an example. No other country in the world has been able to produce a medicine so good to restore the appetite, build up the run down system in the spring or cure nausea, indigestion, flatulency, dyspepsia, constipated bowels, biliousness or malaria, fever and ague. It is therefore deserving a trial. Be sure to get the genuine with our Private Stamp over the neck of the neck of the bottle. It will cure you.

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### LEXINGTON NEWS.

LEXINGTON, April 29, 1903.

R. A. Nichols' little girl was sick last week.

Miss Nellie Eskelson has been on the sick list several days.

There is good prospects for a drug store here in the near future. Several parties are hauling wool to the warehouse this week.

E. D. Palmer took his cattle to his mountain ranch last week.

Geo. W. Turner has sold his ranch to his brother, who has been visiting him.

Miss Trannie Barnett has been very sick for several days, but is improving at present.

W. J. and Clark Davis and K. L. Beach are building a bridge near Ione this week.

There has been some meddling with the school house lately, and



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the school board have posted notices warning all persons to keep off the school grounds during vacation.

Miss Claudia Windsor returned from The Dalles, Monday. She has been attending school there.

Mr. Oldfather, a cousin of Mrs. T. L. Dorman, arrived here from Missouri last Tuesday. He is a teacher by profession.

The United States signal service will install a wireless system in Alaska by August 1.

Serious trouble is brewing in labor circles in Sumpter over the boycotting of places hiring Chinese and Japanese.

A rate war has been declared by the shippers engaged in the coast trade between San Francisco and Gray's Harbor.

Dr. J. H. Rosenburg, who has been fighting the smallpox scourge at Prineville, has been stricken with the dread disease.

The Jews at Kishineff, capital of Bessarabia, during the anti-Semite riots there April 20, suffered even more severely than admitted officially. Scores of Jews were shot or beaten to death and several hundred were wounded. Their houses were wrecked and their shops were sacked. Thousands of Jews in the district were homeless and destitute.

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