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THE ANSWER.

Ashwood's opinion, which is advanced from Antelope gratuitously, is the cry for help in the death struggle to get something for nothing.

Antelope probably appreciates the fact that in getting the northern portion of Crook county as the backbone and sinew of the proposed Jefferson county she would have all that could be asked or wished for. She knows, too, that inside of the next two years with her own section at a standstill as regards the development and northern Crook forging ahead with rapid strides, there would be absolutely no chance for to secure the county seat of a new county within her own boundaries. That is probably where the rub is doing the most damage at the present time. Antelope has a district surrounding her which is practically worthless to herself or any other district. No railroad will ever enter her gates and it is these points which bring clearly before her eyes the hopelessness of a future effort, that are now egging her on to a consummation, if possible, of her unfeasible schemes.

Antelope and her tributary district by all rights and rules of physical contour belong to Sherman county, but no thought has ever been given to that side of the matter. Instead it has turned, like a boy crying for his lost home, to the project of launching a new county with Antelope as the center of affairs political and otherwise. Antelope knows that Sherman county wouldn't have her district as a gift and she is also painfully aware of the fact that The Dalles and other portions of Wasco county are making an effort to get rid of her to the best advantage. And Antelope in turn is far sighted enough to know that unless she reaches the goal this year she will be shoved to the back ground for all time to come.

On the other hand, Prineville, or any other portion of Crook county, is not adverse to county division and the establishment of a new county seat, but it wants that division to be made along feasible lines and the county seat established at the right time a few years hence and in a place where it will prove satisfactory to all concerned as it would not be if Antelope now claimed it. — Crook County Journal.

SHALL WE LOSE A PORTION OF CROOK?

When he asked what to do when he had no grounds for an argument a young lawyer was told to "abuse the fellow on the other side."

That is practically where Antelope stands in her effort to secure a portion of Crook county, together with a slice of Wasco—that portion, by the way, which Wasco is glad to be rid of—out of which she hopes to create the new county of Jefferson.

The Antelope Herald and Ashwood Prospector, but especially the Prospector, which is owned, edited and printed by Max Lueddemann, of and in Antelope, are very loud in their efforts to gain their point.

We are informed that the majority of the people living near Ashwood are not in favor of a new county at this time. And it is generally conceded that all of the people living south and west of Lyle's Gap, the best portion of the proposed new county, are absolutely adverse to such a move at this time.

Prineville is doing what she has been

asked to do, namely, to protect the new settlers from being dragged into something they do not want. That is, to change the county seat from Prineville to Antelope. The roads from Madras to Prineville are the best in the country, while the road to Antelope is almost impassable at certain seasons of the year and that town is situated at an out-of-the-way place, with no chance whatever for a railroad in the future.

Antelope is trying to move heaven and earth to get the county seat of a new county, at the expense of others. Antelope people have canvassed the Agency Plains with a petition to create a new county, and they presented said petition under false pretenses, assuring our people that the county seat would be permanently established at Madras, after the next election. A large number of the Plains people have signed affidavits to the effect that they signed the Antelope petition because of a misrepresentation on the part of Antelope. A duplicate of these affidavits follows:

"I, we, and each of us, each for ourselves, being first duly sworn, depose and say that on the 5th and 6th days of January, 1905, I signed a petition for the creation of a new county to be created out of portions of Crook and Wasco counties; that I signed said petition solely because the bearers thereof represented to me that if said county was created Madras, Crook county, Oregon, would and should be the county seat thereof; that I had heard nothing of the agitation, was taken wholly by surprise and signed said petition solely upon said and other misrepresentations; that if I had known the truth concerning the matter I would not have signed said petition."

C. E. Dawson, Lang & Co.'s popular salesman, is selling groceries to Madras merchants this week.

Mrs. Lena Lamb, of Moro, whose new store building in this town is near completion, will fill the same about January 21 with a stock of groceries, notions, etc.

Jack Summers, the Prineville postmaster, who is line inspector for the telephone company at Prineville, was in town today in the interest of the telephone company. He says his company will establish telephone connection between Prineville and Madras at once. Fifteen miles of posts are already distributed.

Now is the time to plant fruit and shade trees. The Dalles Nurseries (see ad in another column) handle nothing but home grown trees, which are fully guaranteed to be as represented. Get their prices before buying elsewhere. By leaving your orders at The Pioneer office they will receive prompt attention. Call and get a price list.

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FROM PRINEVILLE.

A. W. Boyce, of Haystack, was in this city last Wednesday in attendance at the Commissioner's court.

Timothy Brownhill, editor of the Madras Pioneer, and Justice Brooks, of Kutcher precinct, were visitors from Madras last Tuesday and report everything lively there.

G. Springer, County Road Supervisor, of Culver, was up from his stock ranch this week and reports everything flourishing in that locality.

Jake Stroud, of Lamonta, was a business visitor in our city last Thursday.

The well known firm of Elkins & King have dissolved partnership. C. M. Elkins remains and will conduct the business in the future.

Married.—At the residence of G. W. Ramsey, in this city, January 5, 1905, Samuel S. Jones and Lovina Morford, Rev. Jennett officiating.

J. J. Smith, County Clerk, has been confined to his home for the past two weeks with a severe attack of erysipelas. It is hoped that his recovery may be speedy.

B. B. Helfrich and Frank Hanns were in our city from their ranches near Lamonta this week.

The firemen contemplate giving a dance in this city on or about February 22. The firemen's dances are always a success both socially and financially.

Married.—In this city, January 1st, at the Baptist parsonage, Edward R. Pike and Miss Beulah B. Noble, both of Haystack, Rev. Triplett officiating.

A. W. Wieg left this week for Denver, Colo., where he goes as a delegate from the Crook County Cattlemen's Association to represent the association at the National Livestock Convention which meets January 10.

The sad news reached our city last week of the death of H. A. Balknap, an old resident and pioneer of Crook county, who died December 30th at San Jose, Cal., of heart failure. Dr. H. P. Balknap, of this city, is a son of the deceased.

Mayor Wurzeiler and son, Nate, left this week for Portland. Nate goes to assume his duties again at the Hills Military Academy.

Nelson Killingbeck, of Haystack, was in the city last Monday. It is said he paid the court house a visit while here. This looks suspicious.

During the illness of County Clerk Smith the office is presided over by his deputy, Miss E. hel Liggett. Det.

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