

All Americans naturally regret to see two republics wiped off the map in South Africa or anywhere else, and if President Kruger would stay with his people and die in the last ditch his conduct would be worthy of admiration. But as a skedaddler who left his people in the lurch, it is not to be wondered at that the Kaiser snubbed him.

HEPPNER CREDIT GOOD.
The financial reputation and general credit of Heppner town is good everywhere. The town is well managed, and the news of such management has gone abroad. This fact has been well proven this week. One of Heppner's water bonds for \$4000 and drawing 8 per cent. was due.
The council is able to pay this bond by borrowing its face and getting a premium of \$52 for doing so, and a rate of interest at 5 per cent.

GOOD ROADS.
The great state road connecting the railroad terminus at Heppner with the extensive mining, wool-growing and stock-raising regions stretching away for hundreds of miles to the south has been subjected to a very heavy traffic, and its capacity is taxed to the utmost. It was a wise move to build such a road, for it was in the direct interest of the people.

Heppner's business men, ever alive to the interests of the people and the importance of the road, back up their ideas with hard cash. When Mayor Frank Gillian and Mac Clark, of Minor & Co., circulated the subscription list this week they obtained instant results, and as will be seen by the list in this paper, Heppner men subscribed \$1100 to pay for keeping the road in good condition.

SUGAR BOUNTY.
Oregon welcomes all industries to within her hospitable borders, and does the best she can to foster and encourage them in a general way.
But it would be manifestly unfair to discriminate among her industries and make fish of one and fowl of another.

When sugar raised and made in Oregon is offered for sale alongside the foreign article, the home product should be bought every time. It is understood that the legislature soon to sit will again be asked to offer a bounty on sugar beets raised in Oregon. No such bounty should be paid, for it would be an injustice to the man who raises wheat, wool and other crops. It is said that if the bounty is not paid on beets the sugar factory at Lagrande will move to Utah. Well, let it move. But the move is probably a bluff, as Utah has enough factories for its beets.

IRRIGATION.
There are millions of acres of land in the wide west that needs only water to make it produce bountifully.
Morrow county has a large dab of it, with acres of Columbia river water running past its feet and gliding on to the sea where it is not needed.
Much of it might well be moistening crops as it passes by.

It looks as though the time ought to be now ripe for the west to take a firm stand on the question of national irrigation and something great may be accomplished at once. Why not? It is as right that Congress should appropriate money for storage reservoirs as for river and harbor improvements. The building of storage reservoirs would obviate the necessity for much river expenditure and would help navigation, and the home building area of the United States would be vastly increased. And now if the west makes this demand the east will back it up, for the benefit would not be local.

What would be the result of an appropriation of eight or ten million dollars spent annually in the west for irrigation construction? The immediate stimulation would be enormous and the future benefit greater. This policy should be inaugurated. It is a national matter; it can be productive only of great good; the east is responsive; let the west be aggressive; it is time to work.

The government is spending large sums in aiding in the development of foreign trade and the opening of foreign markets for American manufacturers. It is believed that we should push our goods into every market of the world and sell them. The belief is also gaining ground that the government should also develop its home market for American products and manufacturers. This it could do by reclaiming the 75,000,000 acres of western arid land and settling them with thousands of industrious home builders.

The Teachers' Institute for Morrow county is in session this week, with a full attendance. Interesting evening entertainments are given, the main feature last night being a lecture by President S. B. L. Penrose, of Walla Walla. Prof. P. is a pleasant gentleman and an able-bodied man. He has to be packed around such a big load of initials.

President McKinley will weep tears of joy when he finds that that modest little wood-violet, the flippity-floppy Times, has taken him for its model.

AN ABLE PAPER.
The Oregonian was 50 years old Tuesday, though you wouldn't think it, for there isn't a bald hair in its head. Its semi-centennial issue was appropriately illustrated, and contained a reproduction of its first issue, which was true to nature, even having the blurs made by the big drops of perspiration that dropped from the brow of Henry Hill, as he rolled the forms on the sweatpower press.

The history of the paper is interesting. It has kept abreast of the country and has caused cash to circulate more freely than any concern of its size. Manager Pitcock was always fair and square with his men, and many a Saturday would pay his 15 compositors \$450 for their week's work, and within 48 hours they would have \$500 of it in circulation all over town.

Henry Hill threw up his job just by the high water of '62 and went with the volunteers fighting hostiles all over Eastern Oregon and Idaho. Mr. Scott was a chunk of a boy-sergeant under Lieut. J. L. Morrow during the Indian war on Puget Sound in '55-56.
The Oregonian is an able paper, and has on its staff men who can write poetry, checks, obituaries or anything that is timely. Jim Montague, its poet, can line right up with Jas. Currycomb Riley, and Miss Metcalf's criticisms of Herr Gushott's recitals are more interesting than the originals.

Mr. Pitcock deserves great credit for his able management. When the paper was having a stormy time he wisely sent for Lou Shee-meas, the pioneer pressman, who at once poured 2 barrels of dog fish oil into the barrel of ink, and then things ran smoothly until Dad Easterbrook and Raashe Umfrey went fishing, when there was a drag.

LODGE OF SORROW.
In common with their brethren all over the country the Heppner Elks held Memorial services Sunday. The only member it has lost by death, Sheriff E. L. Matlock, was fittingly eulogized, and his memory will ever remain green with those who knew him, for he was always fair and square, and never went back on a friend. The memorial exercises were interesting, and the house was full. The music was appropriately rendered by Mrs. D. E. Gilman, Miss Julia Hart and Messrs. Mac Clarke, Saling, Akers and Lundell. James Hart read Thanatopsis and Rev. C. D. Nickelsen delivered the eulogy.

Nat Webb Jr. is taking hold of the practical management of his father's sheep, and finds the Greek and Latin he learned at Whitman College of great use to him in every-day business.

Drop in at Bishop's and get a pound of their apple butter.

TO HIS OLD HOME.
George Conser, cashier of the First National Bank, is planning to take a well-earned vacation of a few weeks, beginning about the 20th. He will visit his old home at Jefferson, in Marion county, where his father, the late Jacob Conser, was one of the sturdy, industrious and honored pioneers.

George will find that many changes have occurred on his old range along the Santiam. John Harrison, Hugh Glenn, Bill Cosper and his old partner of the forks, Joab Powell, have all crossed the dark river where arc lights neither gleam or glisten. But the Looney boys will all be at home, and the Stewers on their fine farms among the picturesque oak openings, and they will give the long-absent George a warm welcome, and he can tell them of what a much better climate he lives in now than he.

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J A Woolery "
W H Dobyman "
J W Waterman, Antone
Nels Anderson, Smilie
N Swanson "
A Carlson, wf and d, Smilie
Thos Schoolcraft, Willows
J E Peterson, Gooseberry
J E Johnson, Lone Rock
John Madden "
W O Hill, Lexington
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J A Adams, Hardman
C F DeFord "
D D Hinton, Hamilton
L Swick & wf, "
E Hemil, Ione
A J Cook, Lena
W O Hill, Lexington
Howard H Grove, Lexington
H A Beauchamp "
A S Haines, Smilie
R W Fleming, Gooseberry
Albert Lovgren "
A Herl, Pendleton
Fred Hunt, Wagner
J H Hobbs, Lexington
M S Maxwell, Ione
R D Bartie, Spray
W M Nevins, Douglas
Margaret Gray, Ella
O S Smith, Moro
H O Proebstel, Rufus
A J Wright & fam, Smilie
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