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THURSDAY..... Aug. 10, 1905

What has become of Heppner's long looked for commercial club?

Morrow county is getting a good price for everything that she has to sell. Business ought to be good this fall and winter.

The Ione Proclaimer says that Ione's business men are more reliable than the business men of Heppner. Such talk from the little boys of the Proclaimer is absolutely silly.

Indications are now that the United States will produce the greatest crop in the history of the country. With the good prices that now prevail American farmers will be more prosperous than ever before.

The second trial of Williamson is over and the result is practically an acquittal. Williamson never will be convicted because it has never been shown that he has been guilty of violating the law. Ninety per cent of the people of the state of Oregon today believe Mr. Williamson to be innocent.

The authorities of New Orleans and adjoining territory are doing everything to prevent the spread of the terrible yellow jack. It was in 1878 that the last serious yellow fever epidemic took place, though there have been many sporadic visitations of the malady since then, in New Orleans and elsewhere. In 1878 New Orleans had 4600 deaths from yellow jack, Memphis was hit hard by the malady in that year and in 1879. Along the entire gulf coast, as far north as the middle of Kentucky, where the northward advance of the plague was stopped, there were nearly 15,000 deaths from yellow fever in 1878.

#### HOW ABOUT IT.

The Irrigon Irrigator, the mouthpiece of the Title Guaranty & Trust company of Portland and the Oregon Land & Water company of Irrigon, which, by the way, is one and the same, has another fling at Heppner in the last issue. The article referred to was taken from the Woodburn Independent, the protege of the Irrigator, published down in the sleepy old town of Woodburn where the grass in the streets is tall enough to be mowed with a scythe.

The Irrigator is fed and fostered by the big trust company and should the monthly bonus be stopped Irrigon would immediately have a newspaper graveyard. While the Irrigon mouthpiece has been very energetic in saying so many unkind things about the county seat, still there are some things that the little paper has not mentioned.

The Oregon Land & Water company now owns in Morrow county 4,625 acres of deeded land on which there are taxes paid to the amount of \$365. Of this amount Morrow county receives the sum of \$130, the balance of the \$365 going to the school districts.

The Title Guaranty & Trust company now owns under contract in this county 38 sections of land

which has been secured from the Northern Pacific Railroad company. On this 24,000 acres of land the big trust company pays taxes amounting to \$680, but only \$278 of this amount goes to Morrow county, the balance going to the school districts. To make the story shorter the Irrigon "success" owns almost 29,000 acres of land in Morrow county on which the company pays a tax of \$408. Think of it. This paltry sum on such a vast body of land. It is a well known fact that this company is now selling or attempting to sell a portion of this land for \$150 per acre.

Will the mouthpiece give the taxpayers of Morrow county a little more light on this interesting subject.

The records of Morrow county show a total valuation of \$4060 for the townsite of Irrigon.

Heppner don't want to fight Irrigon or any other town in Morrow county, but we like to be treated half white.

#### Monument Notes.

(From the Enterprise.)

Jeff Jones, of Heppner, arrived in town yesterday in view of buying lambs.

E. C. Keeney started for Heppner Tuesday evening. He is going for his wife and son. He was accompanied by Misses Vilott and Rachel Anderson and Compton Anderson who are en route to the fair.

Sheriff Shutt, of Heppner, was in our city yesterday on business, returning today.

Tunis Swick left for Heppner yesterday on a business trip. He was accompanied by G. W. Rea who is en route to the fair.

Frank Elder, of Heppner, has spent the past week in this vicinity buying up lambs. He closed a deal with Emmet Cochran for 3100 head of lambs. The general concession is that the price paid was a little above the \$2.12½ mark.

John Shaw, a cattle buyer from Heppner, was in town Wednesday in quest of beef cattle, offering \$2.75 per cwt., but owing to the prevailing hot weather the cattle men do not wish to gather their stock at present. Mr. Shaw will call again a little later.

J. R. Nunamaker, of Rhea creek, spent a few days in this vicinity, leaving Sunday. While here he purchased 3600 head of lambs; 2500 head of Newt. Robertson and 1100 head of J. J. Simas, paying \$2.12½ per head for October 1, delivery at Monument.

#### Reduced Rates to the Seaside.

The Southern Pacific Co. has placed on sale at its Portland offices, round-trip tickets to Yaquina Bay and Newport at rate of \$6.00 for season tickets and \$3.00 for Saturday to Monday tickets. This is a fine place to take your family for a few weeks outing at a moderate cost.

#### Will Replant Forests.

Washington, Aug. 2.—The Forest Service is making examinations of a number of Western forest reserves to discover what proportion of their area needs reforestation, and where planting will best succeed. After studies in detail have been completed and the feasibility of planting has been assured, plans will be made for reforestation of large tracts now unproductive. Preliminary examinations for planting plans are now being made in the Gunnison forest reserve, Colorado; Gila River reserve, New Mexico, and Salt Lake reserve, Utah.

#### MITCHELL TRIAL.

With Others, Senator Will Face Jury on Puter Indictment.

Senator John H. Mitchell will be once more brought before the Federal Court on September 5, when, with his associates, he will be tried on what is known as the Puter indictment, in which it is alleged that Mr. Mitchell accepted \$2000 from S. A. D. Puter as compensation for his services in assisting Puter to secure expedition of various claims through the Land Office. At the same time Salmon B. Ormsby, William H. Davis, Clark E. Loomis, Henry A. Young and George Sorenson will be tried for a similar offense charged in a separate indictment.

Yesterday morning upon the request of United States District Attorney Heney, Judge De Haven set the two indictments down for trial on September 5, though he left the matter of their consolidation to the decision of Judge Hunt, who will sit during the trial of the cases.

The first, or the Puter indictment, includes a long list of defendants, headed by Senator Mitchell, and completed by Puter, Horace G. McKinley, Emma D. Watson, Dan W. Tarpley, Elbert K. Brown, Mrs. Nellie Brown, Henry A. Young, Frank H. Walgamot, Clark E. Loomis and Salmon B. Ormsby.

This indictment charges that on February 1, 1902, the defendants entered into a conspiracy to defraud the Government out of land in the well-known 11-7 country, the scene of all the trouble in the Puter trial of November, situated near the base of Mount Jefferson.

Puter, McKinley, Watson, Tarpley and some of the others are the ones directly interested in the commencement of the conspiracy, as they formed the purpose to secure possession of the land. Afterwards, Puter and Mrs. Watson went to Washington, where they interested Senator Mittenell and Binger Hermann in their claims, it is alleged, with the result that the suspended lands were considered by the Land Office, and, after some trouble, passed to patent. It was during the Washington visit of Puter that the transfer of the \$2000 from him to Mitchell is alleged to have taken place.

The second indictment includes Salmon B. Ormsby, William H. Davis, the Mayor of Albany; Clark E. Loomis, a former special agent of the Government Land Office; Henry A. Young and George Sorenson. In this indictment the same allegation is made as in the first, the time of the conspiracy being placed by the indictment at December 29, 1901.

These two indictments include the same offense, and in order to save as much time as may be, the Prosecuting Attorney asked that they be consolidated, but the question was left for the decision of Judge Hunt.

The penalty for conviction under both indictments is a fine of not more than \$10,000 and imprisonment for not more than three years.

#### Peculiar Disappearance.

J. D. Runyan, of Butler, Mo., had the peculiar disappearance of his painful symptoms, of indigestion and biliousness, to Dr. King's New Life Pills. He says: "They are a perfect remedy for dizziness, sour stomach, headache, constipation, etc." Guaranteed at Sloenn's drug store, price 25c.

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