

**SHEEP PRICES ADVANCING**

**BUYERS SCOURING THE RANGE IN QUEST OF THEM.**

Next Year's Wool Crop is Being Sold in Advance at Good Prices—Bought All Available Young Sheep.

Buyers are now in the markets of Utah, Wyoming and Montana paying five and six cents per pound more than last season for the same grades of wool for next spring's delivery—for wool that is not yet grown. Every anticipation by buyers and heavy dealers and the trade and commercial publications, is that there is to be a boom next year in the wool trade in all parts of the world, and the manufacturers are in the lists this early to anticipate the time when wool will be hard to get and then at almost prohibitive prices.

Further than this, wool is selling now in St. Paul for 20 cents per pound—also of next year's clip. Four buyers of sheep arrived at the Hotel Pendleton a few days ago and immediately scattered throughout Eastern Oregon in search of sheep. Other buyers are known to have arrived from different parts of the country before and since, and it is further known that it is almost impossible for them to find what they want. The four Montana men announced when they came that they want 10,000 yearling ewes and breeders generally, and failing to find their first choice in numbers to suit them they will buy range sheep of all classes.

Five weeks ago, at Shaniko, yearling ewes were held at \$1.75. Two weeks ago they advanced to \$2.25, and it is known that at this time some of the seepmen are actually holding out for \$2.25 per head for culs of yearling weathers. All the time it is possible that some of the sheepmen may overreach and fall down. At the same time any considerable reaction from the present tendency for prices to go upward and stay at a stiff price is hardly possible in the opinion of the most experienced and successful sheepmen of Umatilla county.

The situation in the interior is accentuated in favor of the owners of sheep by the phenomenal fine fall range and abundance of feed for winter, which are portents of a fine wool crop grown at a minimum of expense; and to this prospect is coupled the universal belief that next year will be a year of good prices for the wool.

The J. D. Wood Company of Salt Lake, one of the heaviest sheep firms west of the Missouri river, writes to a local firm of sheepmen asking for prices on 10,000 yearling ewes. The reply did not quote any prices, because the sheep are not in Umatilla county at any price. The Wood company wants ewes that are one-half Merino and the other half either Cotswold or Shropshires.

The Wood company will further find, if it has not yet found, that it will experience inability to get these sheep anywhere in the United States, as the conditions so confidently expressed by one of Umatilla county's sheep kings last spring as being on the road is actually here, viz there is a shortage of typical nation stockers all over the United States.

Right now Umatilla county sheepmen with the cash in their jeans, who have sold off their flocks closer than they would have done perhaps, had they realized the result, are scouring all Central Oregon after yearling ewes, and in fact all other class of stock sheep, and are unable to find them except at the prices suggested by the latest news from Shaniko.—East Oregonian.

**RAILROAD MAN AT CANYON CITY.**

Joseph West of the Sumpter Valley Visits Grant County Capital.

Joseph A. West, who has occupied the position of chief engineer of the Sumpter Valley railroad for many years, paid Canyon City a visit last week, being on his return home from a tour of inspection of the country south of John Day valley, through some part of which the Sumpter Valley railroad will be constructed at no distant day. This is not Mr. West's first trip through Grant county, having traveled through the north part of the county the same year that the Sumpter Valley railroad extended its line to McEwen.

While on his trip Mr. West close-

ly examined the topography of the country and with plans that he had access to, enabled him to select routes through which to make preliminary surveys.

The clearing of right-of-way from Tipton to Austin continues and will be pushed as rapidly as the force employed and the weather permits. Just how much line will be constructed during the next year is not known, but Grant county people have every assurance that at the close of next year it will not be as far to the railroad terminus as it is at the present time.—Blue Mt Eagle.

**BANK FOR PRAIRIE CITY.**

Prairie City is to have a bank. It will be opened and ready to transact a general business about December 15th. M A Butler, of Portland, after thoroughly going over the situation here and making a careful examination of the business interests of Prairie City and the country tributary reached the decision, that conditions here justified the organization of such an institution and the initial steps were taken toward the perfection of the organization. The bank will be a private institution with a capital stock of \$25,000. About one half of the stock has been subscribed by the local people and the rest has been taken by Portland capital. The active, actual control of the bank has not been definitely arranged yet. It is expected, however, that an experienced practical banking man will, at any rate, at the beginning have charge of the clerical work, but the real management will be left to a local man, whose name has not been made public at this time.

As the articles of incorporation are still in preparation, the personnel of the officers and directors are not known, but it is understood that they will be local people.

Mr. Butler will be here about the time the bank opens and will probably take actual supervision until it has been put in regular running order and then he will return to his home in Portland.—Prairie City Miner.

**A Good Complexion.**

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**County Seat Question Up.**

A renewal of the county seat fight, waged at Prairie City and its adherents for the change of the county seat from Canyon to the former place, has been made by the Prairie City county seat association. A meeting has been held and advance steps taken to have two petitions in the field not later than the coming month. The first will be drawn after the pattern of the successful Union county petition, and will probably be put in circulation on election day, Nov. 8. Although the vote cannot be taken for two years, the committees in charge wish to have plenty of time to secure the required sixty per cent of signatures, and then some. The other paper to be circulated will call for subscriptions to build the court house, which will be a duplication of the Wheeler county building.—Grant County News.

**Mothers Praise It.**

Mothers every where praise One Minute Cough Cure for the sufferings it has relieved and the lives of their little ones it has saved. A certain cure for coughs, croup and whooping cough. A L Spafford, postmaster, of Chester, Mich., says: "Our little girl was unconscious from strangulation during a sudden and terrible attack of croup. One Minute Cough Cure quickly relieved and cured her and I cannot praise it too highly." One minute Cough Cure relieves coughs, makes breathing easy, cuts out phlegm, draws out inflammation, and removes every cause of a cough and strain on lungs. Sold by Burns Drug-gists.

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Deeds were placed on record yesterday morning conveying the Val Bildner residence property, corner of Seventh and Washington street, to Judge Clifford. Consideration \$2,800.—Baker City Democrat

**BUTCHER, CLIFFORD AND CORRELL.**

The Name of New Law firm Over at Baker City—Big Library.

One of the most important business changes recorded in many years took place yesterday when the law firm of Butcher & Correll, was changed to read Butcher, Clifford & Correll. The new member just admitted to the firm, Morton D. Clifford, retired from the bench of the Ninth Judicial Circuit of the State of Oregon, at Canyon City last July, having served on the bench for 15 years, and is one of the best known and most popular attorneys in the State of Oregon. Judge Clifford has taken up his residence in Baker City with his family, has purchased a handsome home here, and his large law library has just arrived and will be added to the library of Butcher & Correll, which will give the firm about 5,000 volumes, making the best selected and largest private law library in the Northwest.

Colonel W. F. Butcher, has practiced law for 22 years, a greater portion of that time in Eastern Oregon, and has been a life-long Democrat of the southern gentleman type, is one of the old fashioned gentlemen, successful business man interested in many large enterprises in and about Baker City, where he has hosts of friends.

S. C. Correll has been practicing law for about six years, and is a young man of push and energy, and is always found to the front when there is anything doing for Baker City and the public generally.

The new firm yesterday secured three large additional rooms adjoining the suite now occupied by Butcher & Correll in the Lyndale Block, which will be connected with the old office by an archway, the six rooms will be entirely refitted, decorated and re-furnished with modern desks, tables, chairs, and the libraries will be encased in the patent Macy sectional book-cases.—Baker City Democrat.

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