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### House for Sale.

Owing to the fact that we expect to move into our new home soon we will sell the house and lot and three acres including chicken house and cow barn. Near site of the proposed Catholic Hospital.

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### Church Announcements.

#### BAPTIST CHURCH.

Bible school, 10 a. m.; B. Y. P. U., 7 p. m. Union service of all the churches at the M. E. church, South, 11 a. m.; union service of all the churches at the Baptist church, 8 p. m. Come out and take part in this service.

## CASTORIA

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The first of the new crop of Irrigon strawberries was received at Heppner on Monday evening. Shipments of fruit from this section of Morrow county could be coming in regularly from now on.

Mrs. Archie Tibbets, a sister of J. L. Wilkins, visited with the latter and his family a few days this week, returning to her home at Portland yesterday morning. She was accompanied home by Miss Amy Wilkins, who has been visiting here for the past two weeks.

## THE GAZETTE-TIMES

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THURSDAY, May 30, . . . . .1912

### WHY NOT?

For some time past there has been very earnest consideration on the part of a number of our church-going and church-supporting people of the proposition to federate the churches of Heppner.

Now this may not be considered a subject altogether proper for consideration in the secular press as these matters are supposed to be settled by the church people themselves, yet we have in mind all matters looking to the betterment of conditions in this community, and withal this is a subject in which the editor of this paper is personally interested.

In this little town of Heppner we have at present no less than six struggling church organizations and at this time but four of them are maintaining the services of a pastor. The struggle that each is passing through from a financial standpoint to do even the little that is being done, none but those who are particularly interested can testify to.

Within the past three years three of these churches have enlarged their houses of worship and today any one of the three will amply house the entire church-going community. But two of them have pastors, and only one of these giving his full time to his church in this town. What's the matter?

The difficulty lies in the fact that there is too much division of interest. Too much keeping apart over matters of minor importance. Too much of party spirit. The thing to do is to cut these out and let a number of the churches come together in one organization and save this waste of money and energy.

The spirit of federation and co-operation is in the air. It is striking the churches and the conditions that exist in the smaller communities will be remedied.

We favor this move. Let the churches of Heppner unite, federate, get together, and have a good, well-paid pastor; unite their forces for doing good and conserve this waste of money and energy.

A mass meeting is being arranged for the very near future to discuss this question, pro and con, with a view to arriving at the proper conclusion and if you have never thought of what such a move would mean to this community will you kindly give it consideration and be prepared to take part in a proper discussion of the methods necessary to consummate this most desirable event in the history of Heppner.

The proposition to build a new schoolhouse for Heppner is meeting with favorable comment. The people of this district realize that the present as well as the future needs demand more adequate facilities; this has been understood for a long time but the conditions financially and otherwise have been against the move for a new and up-to-date building. The time has come, however, to take definite action and prepare for a new structure. A vote of the district at this time would no doubt authorize the work, providing the patrons of the school and the taxpayers generally can be made to understand the urgent need. As stated in last issue, the directors are up against the necessity of making some extensive improvements to the old building. More room must be provided and repairs are needed that will call for the expenditure of quite a sum of money. There can be no going ahead with plans that are matured for the betterment of the school unless these things are done, and when you have fixed up the old house it is still unfit and not properly located, and the money thus expended is practically wasted. The good judgment of our people would seem to be against any such procedure. It is now a good time to push this along. Let us have a suitable new school building, erected on lower ground than the present site, and if possible let us get this ready for consideration at the annual school meeting on the 17th of the coming month. To all who will stop to give this subject consideration it is not necessary to produce any argument, and the progressive spirit of our citizens will prompt them to line up and have a school building such as the present as well as the future needs of our city require.

The women of Washington are preparing to take an active part in the forthcoming campaign. Already two of them are avowed candidates for different offices. The latest is Mrs. Josephine Preston, who will run for state superintendent of public instruction, on the Republican ticket. Mrs. Preston is at present county superintendent in Walla Walla county where she has made a good record. She is organizing her campaign systematically and promises to have the support of many well known educators. Mrs. Timblin of Olympia, is the other woman candidate. She wants to be state land commissioner. This indicates that some women appreciate the right of suffrage and intend to avail themselves of its best opportunities.

"Graduated Single Tax" is now proposed by the single-taxers in Oregon. It is aimed at the land-grabbers and the railroads, they assert. By all means, nulet the railroads in taxes and then demand lower freight rates. Barpoon these corporate monsters a-go'in' and a-comin'. By and by, maybe, they will pull up their bloomin' tracks and quit ruinin' their noisy cars and bother us no longer. Everybody who builds a railroad ought to go broke in his nefarious schemes, like Henry Villard and G. W. Hunt. By the way, we understand that Mr. Fels, who supplies the "war chest" for the single taxers, made his fortune out of soap. Society gives value to soap as well as to land and on railroads. Then why not propose a graduated single tax on soap by way of variety?—Weston Leader.

A beautiful folder, issued by the O. W. R. & N. Co. and announcing the Rose Festival at Portland June 10 to 15, has reached this office. It is truly a work of art, both in illustration and typography and one of the most beautiful ever issued by the company. Seattle's Golden Portlatch, Tacoma's Montara Festival, and the Elk's convention also receive honorable mention.

If you are interested in the single tax proposition, call at this office and get a copy of "Single Tax Exposed." We have a limited supply of this book on hand for free distribution, and the question is to be presented to our people for a decision at the polls this fall so all information that can be secured, pro and con, should be taken advantage of.

### IRRIGON.

Mr. Abbott went to Riparia and vicinity to look over some land deals.

Mr. McGuire, from Portland was an Irrigon visitor the fore part of the week.

A girl baby arrived here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Johnson. Heartiest congratulations.

George Sustauer returned from the valley where he had been to see about rebuilding his house which recently burned down.

The sad news reached Mr. George that his mother, who lived in Southern Missouri, died last week. Our heartfelt sympathy goes to the bereaved.

Mrs. Hamilton, mother of our former resident, E. C. Hamilton, whom she had visited at Medford, stopped off here on a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. Rand.

The returns of the Eighth grade examination are at hand and resulted in a diploma for every member of the class. There were four graduates: Warren Corey, Eva Doble, Harry Lester, and Walter Caldwell.

Miss Helen Gleason, of Oregon City, arrived on Monday evening and will spend a month visiting her friend, Mrs. J. L. Wilkins.

Mrs. D. V. S. Reid departed on yesterday morning for Lebanon in answer to word received on Tuesday announcing the death of her father.

B. G. Sigbee departed for Portland on Monday morning to be absent during the week attending a gathering of the photographers of the Northwest.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Marshall were up from Castle Rock for a few days this week. Mr. Marshall is preparing for his hay harvest which begins soon.

Miss Ella D. Funk, teacher of music in our school for the past two years, departed for her home at Lexington, Nebraska, on Tuesday morning.

Mrs. M. W. Wilkins, of Portland, mother of J. L. Wilkins of the Palace Hotel, is visiting her son and family this week, having arrived last Thursday evening.

Mr. Maxon, of the big piano house of Kohler and Chase, of Portland, will be in Heppner on the first of the month. This house now has on display at the rooms north of the Palace hotel, a number of very fine instruments, and Mr. Maxon coming direct from the house in Portland is prepared to make you concessions as to prices. Now is the time to buy.

## FROM OVER THE STATE.

### Congress to Solve Cut-Over Lands Problem.

A meeting of interest to the whole Pacific Northwest will be held in Portland next October when the Commercial Club and Realty Board will hold a Logged-off Land Congress. Committees are now at work arranging program and other details and when this is announced, it is expected it will include many experts who have dealt with this problem.

Best methods of ridding cut-over lands of stumps and at the same time making use of the turpentine and other by-products of the stumps themselves will be discussed by men who have made these subjects a special study. British Columbia, the Pacific Northwest states and California will participate. The Minister of Works of British Columbia will either attend in person or will send a representative.

Banks of the state continue to grow reflecting the continued prosperity of all Oregon. According to the report of Will Wright, superintendent of banks, deposits have increased from \$114,339,473, on March 7, 1911 to \$127,136,997 on April 18 of this year, a gain of \$12,797,524, or more than a million dollars a month during the year.

Land offices report a great deal of inquiry for vacant land in this state and it is expected that 1912 will be notable for the large areas of the Government domain to be taken by settlers. The change in the land laws, allowing a residence of three years on a homestead preliminary to making proof, which has passed both houses of Congress and waits only the signature of the President, is making public lands more attractive than ever before to the settler.

Portland people are discovering Oregon. During the past week an excursion was run into Tillamook county that was an eye-opener to the 100 participants. Only a small part of the crowd had ever been to Tillamook before and they came back to Portland singing the praises of that favored section. As Portland people become better acquainted with the rest of the state and learn that everything they have comes from this outside territory, it will be better for all concerned.

Russian Spelts, or Emmer, a grain that thrives on the steppes of Russia, is expected to find a congenial home in the dry-farming country of Eastern Oregon. Umatilla county farmers are to introduce it experimentally this year. It resembles both oats and barley and requires but little moisture to make the crop. It has shown good results in North Dakota and will probably do well on light lands of the interior.

Commercial organizations will cooperate with state authorities to secure the passage of a stringent "Blue-Sky" law that is expected to curb wild cat real estate operators. The proposed measure will provide penalties for false statements in advertising.

#### Escapes An Awful Fate.

A thousand tongues could not express the gratitude of Mrs. J. E. Cox, of Joliet, Ill. for her wonderful deliverance from an awful fate. Typhoid pneumonia had left me with a dreadful cough," she writes. "Sometimes I had such awful coughing spells I thought I would die. I could get no help from doctor's treatment or other medicines till I used Dr. King's New Discovery. But I owe my life to this wonderful remedy for I hardly cough at all now." Quick and safe, its most reliable of all throat and lung medicines. Every bottle guaranteed. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free at Slocum Drug Co.

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Rev. B. F. Harper, of Milton, spent Sunday in Heppner in the interest of the move to federate the churches of this city. He has had some experience along this line, and his advice was well received.

At a recent meeting of the directors of School District No. 1, the list of teachers for the coming school year was completed. There will be eleven teachers as the past year and the High School will be presided over by Prof. H. H. Hoffman, superintendent. Lilah P. Clark, principal; Conifred Hurd, assistant; Elsie Young, commercial department; Viola Dice, music and drawing. The grades will have the following teachers: Virginia Hurd, 7th and 8th; Kara H. Stearns, 6th; Florence D. Patti, 5th; Ethel Bryant 3rd and 4th; Adalaide D. Williams, 2nd, and Florence Lusted, 1st.

## At the Theater Tonight

My Daughter--Pathe drama.  
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### PATHE'S WEEKLY

Paris, France--In the race known as the Little Four of France, for French professional cyclists, Brocco arrives first.  
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