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**SPECIAL SALES**  
**IN ALL LINES**  
**AT**  
**THE BEE HIVE**  
 The Place That Saves You Money

Midsummer Stock taking over and we must have room for fall goods which will soon arrive. Come quickly or you will lose the chance of your lifetime

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 A Complete and Up-To-Date Line of  
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**Fine Livery Turnouts**  
 Run in Connection with the Bend Stable.

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 Wines, and **Bar** Finest Cigars  
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 First Door South of Poindexter Hotel.

**THE WINNEK CO.,**  
 Incorporated 1903.  
 DRUGS, STATIONERY AND UP-TO-DATE HOUSE FURNISHINGS.

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None but Healthy Animals Killed, Which Insures Good Wholesome Meats.

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**American Plan. Rates \$1.50 and \$2 per day.**

Accommodations are unsurpassed in the city. Sample Rooms for Commercial Travelers.

Long Distance Telephone Station in the house.

**Semi-Annual Statement**  
 Of the Treasurer of Crook County, Oregon, for the six months ending September 30th, 1904, of Moneys received and paid out, from whom received and from what source, and on what account paid out.

Amount Paid Out	Amount Received	Disbursements	Receipts
18898 24	30287 51	5207 16	72 40
17882 47	884 71	89 38	1 88
8125 00	415 30	1 88	67
3081 81	400 00	43 55	23 70
3081 79	400 00	57 24	9 20
10124 05	2485 84	28 70	3 81
62 90	18 00	14 00	132 15
5348 82	10 00	6 01	57
78 74	16 00	3 47	2 28
25 99	10 00	614 40	614 40
840 28	62 90	6 58	5 75
57 24	840 28	5 75	614 40
32 90	17 81	132 15	6 58
17 81	132 15	6 58	5 75
132 15	6 58	5 75	614 40

STATE OF OREGON, } ss  
 County of Crook,  
 I, O. C. Gray, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the amounts received, paid out and remaining on hand in the county treasury of said county for the six months ending on the 30th day of September, A. D., 1904.

Witness my hand this 30th day of September, 1904.  
 O. C. GRAY,  
 COUNTY TREASURER.

**Semi-Annual Statement**  
 Of the amount of Moneys and Warrants received for taxes, and Money paid to the County Treasurer by the Sheriff of Crook County, Oregon, for the six months ending the 30th day of September, 1904.

Cash on hand April 1st, 1904	\$14306 29
Amount collected on 1902 tax roll	55 27
Amount " " " 1903 "	9188 04
Sheriff's fees	26 00
<b>Total</b>	<b>23575 60</b>
By Amount paid County Treasurer as per vouchers filed with County Clerk	\$23103 17
Balance in Sheriff's hands	472 43

STATE OF OREGON } ss  
 County of Crook,  
 I, C. Sam Smith, Sheriff of Crook County Oregon, do hereby certify that the foregoing statement is true and correct.

Witness my hand this, the 28th day of October, 1904.  
 C. SAM SMITH, Sheriff.  
 By L. N. LUGGETT, Deputy.

**STOCK LANDS WILL BE THROWN OPEN**

A Harney county stockman, who is in the city to look into market prices of beef, says that radical changes are taking place in that region, says the John Day News.

"The big stock companies are losing," said he. "The time has passed when they are able to control thousands of acres of good grazing and meadow land and realize a profit on the cattle industry. The result is that the big ranches are splitting up."

"I believe next year the entire Glenn-French holdings of Harney and Malheur will be divided into 160 and 320-acre tracts for sale to the settler. It is common information also that the Pacific Live-stock company, which has the interests once managed by Lux and Miller, will begin the partitioning process within another year; or two. Harden and Riley, owning extensive land on Harney lake, sold to an eastern crowd at a fancy price, but the newcomers are losing on the game and I think would be glad to unload."

"There are other cattle barons of the old time who are disappearing. John Devine has immense possessions of land, but the settler is destined to cultivate most of it. In Lake and Klamath counties the same tendency is noted."

"Raising beef by syndicates has become unprofitable because land is too valuable and they are getting ready to turn their princely possessions over to the multitude of settlers who await the time when they may secure a tract capable of being cultivated, and managed by one man."

"The result must be a large influx of settlers. Take, for instance, the Glenn-French holdings in Harney county. The Diamond and Pea ranch sections on Dunder and Blitzen river will accommodate several hundred families when thrown open to purchase. I have ridden over these tracts and found mile upon mile of beautiful meadow and arable land. It will grow the best of grain and hay and also fruits of the more hardy nature are quite sure."

"The river is fed by Steins' mountain, a high snow capped range. Pete French got hold of many thousand acres here in early days, while working for old Doc Glenn of California and in the days when there was no sheep and few settlers to encroach upon the range, they made immense fortunes. Both of the original men have been killed and the present company is unable to realize the necessary profit to continue."

"When Harney county has her cattle barons dethroned and the settler is given an opportunity, that community will advance as never before. I believe such a period of development is at hand and the purpose of the Glenn-French management will be the forerunner of many more."

**UMATILLA PROJECT IS ABANDONED**

The government irrigation project for Umatilla county has been abandoned. The attempt to revive it, which was made in Pendleton failed. W. J. Furnish, president of the Pendleton Savings bank, says the meeting of the delegates from different parts of the county was addressed by John T. Whistler, government engineer in charge of the reclamation work in Oregon, who stated that the government had passed upon the project and rejected it.

"The people of Umatilla county are, of course, greatly disappointed," said Mr. Furnish, "but it had been understood for some time that the scheme was unfavorable. A great many people lost money on it as they rushed in to take up homesteads with the idea that the irrigation was assured and the land is now worthless. There is some talk of interesting private

**capital to prosecute the plan to completion but I do not think it will amount to anything."**

The Umatilla scheme was one of the first in Oregon to receive attention from the national government. At the time of the meeting of the irrigation congress in Portland two years ago the plan was proposed and through the influence of the Oregon delegation in congress engineers were sent to make surveys. The preliminary surveys were very favorable and it was thought the scheme would be practicable. At this juncture land agents began flocking to the Echo country and settling homeseekers on land to come under this ditch at \$50 each.

The business waxed mightily and hundreds of credulous people were induced to part with their hard earned money in return for a quarter section of sand dunes and sage brush inhabited by jack-rabbits. The operations of these land agents finally became so detrimental to the interests of the community that the government sent a special agent to Pendleton who informed the irrigation association that unless this traffic was stopped the government would stop work. The business men of Pendleton took the matter up and finally succeeded in putting a stop to the business, but not until after the agents had reaped a handsome profit.

The reasons given for abandoning the project is that the soil is unsuited to the conveying of water through the ditches to the reservoir. Then the expense attached to the undertaking would be so much greater than was expected that it would hardly be profitable.

**COAL LANDS ARE BEING DEVELOPED**

People interested in the coal deposits of the John Day valley, eastern Oregon, hoped to see this year bring to light definite information of the extent of the beds there, and samples of coal taken from such depth as would be positive evidence of what the fuel is worth, says the Portland Journal.

Save for the work done at Heppner, on the property of the Heppner, Coal & Railway company, little has been accomplished in this direction. A score of prospects, covering an area from the lower John Day, about Black Diamond, up to near Canyon and Prairie City, have been worked in a very desultory manner.

In some of these the seams were proved at the very surface to have commercial width, and conditions generally favorable, but no company of sufficient capital has taken hold of any other than the Heppner mine.

The property of A. Mohr and L. Walker, about 60 miles from Arlington, has been prospected with the result that a seam more than eight feet in width has been opened. It is said to carry a good grade of coking coal.

The property near Mt. Vernon, managed by Robert Hines, has been explored by three inclines 55, 64 and 74 feet, respectively, and a crosscut of 64 feet. Here five or six seams were found in close contiguity, a sandstone layer but a few inches wide separating them. The coal has been given light tests as to its utility, and seems to meet all requirements.

Other properties have been opened by shallow tunnels. The coal area is thus established to be about 60 miles in length. Many farmers in that section use the coal for their smith shops, and some of the domestic fuel. These experiments cease to excite local interest, and are not exacting enough to furnish valuable information to the outside world.

Most all of the property owners of that region follow the work at Heppner closely, where several thousand feet of exploration has been prosecuted. Should this mine prove a good producer, and its coal find ready market, there is no doubt that a number of other properties within the range of transportation or near where new rail lines are probable would be actively developed.