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for Oregon to forge ahead to the position she should enjoy unless her agricultural resources are de-BREAK RECORD veloped and a market provided. He points out that there is no profit in the stock line at below \$4 Many New Structures a hundred.

**Built in Prineville** 

**Reached Greater Proportions** 

Than Ever Before

"The Chicago packer can well afford to pay \$6 a hundred on foot, yet the Oregon stockraiser Chicago at \$2.75 in competition with others. What is needed is Building Activity This Year Has the establishment of meatpacking plants in the state so we can send our product out in the dressed form," he said.

"Instead of boasting of the pre-With the completion of the ponderance of her banking wealth, Prineville hotel, which it is be- Portland's commercial factors

and business blocks, the balance counties are confronted-the danis only a question of time when

"There is no present inducement, however, for the Eastern The First National Bank build- Oregon farmer to produce these

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restrain the Deschutes Irrigation & Power Company from proceed-

time but owing to poor transport be reclaimed, have trespassed on of this sum has been used in the of Wheeler, Grant, Gilliam, Mortation facilities he has held back his property and infringed on construction of public buildings row and other eastern Oregon until some assurance was in evi- water rights belonging to him. built. Now that the Great South- tended comment," said Mr. Drake, tion of warehouses, planing mill a perpetual production of wheat. It ern is steadily pushing south and "The matter is now in the hands church and private residences. will pass near his place this ob- of the court, and I am willing to The Crook county High school the life-giving properties of the stacle is removed and he will get abide by the decision. My pur- building, recently completed at a soil will have been exhansted and his plant in operation as soon as pose is merely to protect my own cost of \$24,000, was the first stone the industry will suffer a serious

which I am responsible, which is the county. This building was no of Oregon's wheat trade with the The location chosen by Mr. clearly the right of any American more than finished when work Orient is apparent. These farmers Cowles is all that could be desired citizen. In the work of enlarging began on a half dozen business should rotate their wheat crops for a business of this kind lying as the mouth of its main canal, the blocks, the new Presbyterian with such products as alfalfa, peas

chutes river from which the water compliance with any contract with about the same time the founda- preserve the fertility of the soil. can be easily conducted to the the State Land Board, and they tion was laid for the school buildings, the water being soft, of are violating their contract with building.

tilling purposes. The location is the Deschutes people will have to great quarries abound only a short encouraged in the stock industry also only a short distance from face soon or late. In diverting distance from the city, is practi- for the consumption of such crops, any part of the Agency Plains almost the entire flow of the Des- cally completed at a cost of \$16,- the question would be solved and from which the grain supply will chutes River to the lands they pro- 600. The new Prineville Hotel two giant industries will have

pose to reclaim they evidently will cost when completed \$24,000, been preserved." Mr. Cowles has been in the bave net taken into consideration and in addition to these more exsheep business near Madras for a the fact that they are usurping pensive buildings, brick structures number of years but the rapid certain riparian rights along the have been erected by Smith & settlement of the country has stream. Heretofore there has Cleek, M. Christiani, Templeton & practically ruined the range for been sufficient water in the river Son and the Crook County Bank that business and he now is forced to float logs down the stream to at a total cost approximating \$13.to turn his attention to other lines. the mills at Bend. If there work 000. The Prineville Amateur Ath-As late as five years ago Mr. goes on as contemplated, their is letic building, one of the best Cowles was scoffed at when he pro- other trouble in store for them." equipped and largest buildings used for amateur athletics in eastwould soon be settled and manu- MAY CAUSE TROUBLE ern Oregon, was opened to the public over a year ago. Aside from the business blocks far in advance of what he then Stockmen Fear Renewal of Range and public buildings, J. B. Shipp has recently completed a planing War When Fences Are Cut mill covering two acres of ground. and during the past twelve Range wars which have been months the city has witnessed the waged between the cattlemen and erection of an unprecedented numsheepmen of Eastern Oregon, it is ber of warehouses, small building feared will again break forth with and residences, which bring the renewed vigor, since the inclosed total expenditure for new buildings ranges of so many' cattlemen have wellover the \$100,000 mark. A One of the biggest ranch deals in been opened up by the governnumber of new business blocks and

weeks ago.

The inspector claims to have upon was of such a barren nature

The deal has been pending since that it was impossible for the set-October, when an option was given ther to make a living off of it and the purchasers for \$5000. About was forced to go elsewhere in 20,000 acres, 20,000 sheep and search of his daily bread.

the deal. The land is mainly on found that land had been taken Butter Creek, Birch Creek and up in squares which surrounded government land and was reserved.

It is understood \$5 a head was The land taken up was fenced, paid for the sheep, and the land thus fencing in a large portion of and hay making the total over the land belonging to the govern-

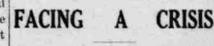
known as the Cunningham Land The fences found surrounding & Livestock Company, will run a government land of any kind and high-grade stock ranch, the sheep upon places where the settler had purchased being among the finest not made his regular residence FACING

sheepmen their flocks upon the open range and as the movement Morrow and Wheeler counties as ton Tribune.

dwellings are scheduled for next year and it is not improbable that other public structures will be erected.

Several kinds of building stone road with terminus at that place have been. used this year in the has started one of the wildest real construction of the various build- estate booms in the history of ings, all of which has been taken eastern Oregon. Saturday more from large quarries which lie than 200 lots changed hands at within a short distance of the city. Ontario, which was the largest The formation is such that only record for one day's transactions. small expense is involved in get- Rumors that in the event of the ting the rock ready for the masons, construction of the Oregon Central and the latter who have handled the carshops will be moved from the stone this year are warm in Huntington to Ontario has lent praises of the quality which the additional impetus to the realty rock possesses. The rock in the boom. Many Baker City resi-First National bank building and dents have left for Ontario to purthat in the Prineville hotel are chase lots. different both in color and texture,

but both make excellent building material, besides furnishing an attractive appearance in the variety of tone obtained.



Be Without a Market

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## Railroad Rumors Boom Ontario.

Reports from Ontario state that the possibility of the O. R. & N. Co. building a central Oregon rail-

The latest railroad rumor to gain a foothold in Crook county comes in the shape of an announcement from the Oregon Water Power & Railway company to the effect CRISIS that it will begin the immediate extension of its line towards Central Oregon, pushing through Crook county on its way to a terminal in either Lake or Klamath county. It is stated that the road

Oregon is confronted with a ser- will . be projected through the ious problem in the way of pro- Warm Springs reservation then on viding a market for her varied into the heart of the Inland Emfrom Oaksdals, Wash., yesterday, well as Umatilla it is believed the products, in the opinion of Dr. pire. The road will be built for mental station of the Oregon Agri- provision will be made along the combe has made a close study of er houses whose source of power the state, and says it is impossible which the preliminary survey runs,