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## Special Sale on Fashionable Shirts

A Large Assortment of Desirable Styles and Patterns which will be closed out at the following Reduced Prices

All \$2.75 Shirts For	\$1.75
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Is The Kind You Get at  
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A Stock of Farm Machinery always on hand

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of the very highest quality, specially ordered for the holiday trade. We ask that you make an inspection of our stock of NUTS. They are fresh and sweet and are being sold at prices guaranteed to meet your approval

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Attorney-at-Law  
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Attorney-at-Law  
Prineville, Oregon.

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(County Physician)

**Belknap & Edwards**  
Physicians and Surgeons.  
Office First Door East of Wilson's Drug Store  
Prineville, Oregon.

**J. H. Rosenberg**  
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Calls answered promptly day or night  
Office two doors south of Templeton's Drug Store. Residence corner 1st and Main Streets.  
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Physician and Surgeon  
Calls answered promptly DAY OR NIGHT  
OFFICE ONE DOOR NORTH OF ALABAMA'S DRUG STORE. RESIDENCE OPPOSITE METHODIST CHURCH  
Prineville, Oregon.

### J. G. CANTRILL Feed and Boarding Stable :-

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### Star Barbershop

Our haircutting is up-to-date. Our shaving is comfortable. Our shop is new and clean.

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and Free Camp House

### WHEAT HAY 25 Cts. HEAD

Hay and Grain \$1.25 per day. Transient trade solicited. Come where you and your teams can be made comfortable at the old McFarland Stand, Prineville, Or

Son Lost Mother.

"Consumption runs in our family, and through it I lost my Mother," writes E. B. Reid, of Harmony, Me. "For the past five years, however, on the slightest sign of a Cough or Cold, I have taken Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which has saved me from serious lung trouble." His mother's death was a sad loss for Mr. Reid, but he learned that lung trouble must not be neglected, and how to cure it. Quickest relief and cure for coughs and colds. Price 50c and \$1.00; guaranteed at J. H. Templeton's and D. P. Adamson's drug store. Trial bottle free.

## SHEEP FIRM IS DISSOLVED

### Dr. Gesner Sells Interest to J. N. Williamson

### LAND AND STOCK

Transfer Includes 12,000 Head of Sheep and 10,000 Acre Ranch on Crooked River

The sheep firm of Williamson and Gesner was dissolved this week. Congressman Williamson buying his partner's interests in the sheep and land owned and controlled by the firm. The price paid in the transfer of the property has not been made known, and probably will not be until the final details have been arranged and the papers placed on file. As yet the sale has not been perfected, although all arrangements have been completed for the transfer of interests and future management of the business.

The sale includes an interest in the 12,000 head of sheep owned by the firm and some 10,000 acres of land lying on Crooked river some twenty miles south east of Prineville.

Congressman Williamson and Dr. Gesner have been in business together since 1901 when the firm of Williamson, Wakefield and Gesner was first formed. Two years later Mr. Wakefield's interests were bought by his partners and the new firm of Williamson & Gesner was formed. January 1, 1905, the business has grown steadily and has been a paying one since it was first started. The firm only last spring established a record mark for Crook county by a sale of several thousand sheep the purchase prices of which were the highest which had been paid for Crook county sheep for years.

Dr. Gesner intends to move to Portland to join his wife and children who are now living there. It is understood that he will remain in this vicinity, however, until after the lambing and shearing season in the spring when the final details of the transfer of interests will be drawn up and settlement made. He will continue to remain in charge of the business until that time.

Mr. Williamson has recently purchased a residence in the city and his family will probably move here in a short time. At present they are residing in The Dalles.

### Prefer Crook County to New York.

An instance of the class of people settling western Crook county and the attractiveness of that region to outsiders is brought to light by the recent arrival from New York of two families in the neighborhood of Cline Falls. J. G. McGuffie, his wife and son, and Mr. and Mrs. Morgan and daughter moved to the latter place a short time ago. They bought land a little ways above the falls and come well prepared to convert it into a paying farm in a short time.

Mr. Morgan, who owns a farm of 500 acres in New York state, has been attracted to the west by the possibilities of great development under irrigation. Mr. McGuffie has been a traveling salesman, but thinks the chance in Crook county of developing cheap land into a good farm offers a greater opportunity to make money.

### New Road Master Appointed.

Earl McLaughlin, of Cline Falls, was appointed county Road Master at the January session of the county court last week. This is the first appointment made to the office since Judge Wills' administration a number of years ago. The rapid settlement of the county generally, however, has made it necessary to place someone in

charge of the construction work which will be carried on without interruption during the year.

Mr. McLaughlin will have the supervision of all road building, bridge construction, and other improvements of the highways, and will also serve on the board of road viewers. His term of office extends over the period of one year, during which time he will devote his entire time during April, May, June, October and November to the duties of his office. The county court fixes the salary at \$100 per month, allowing \$4 per day for actual county work done outside of the months enumerated. He will also receive \$4 per day while acting on the board of road viewers.

### WILL MEET LATER

### Powell Buttes Settlers Will Then Take Up Water Problem

The meeting of the settlers in the Powell Buttes district which was to have been held last Saturday for the purpose of taking up the proposition of building a lateral ditch around the base of the Buttes from the main canal of the D. I. & P. Co., was postponed until a later date. Superintendent F. C. Rowlee, of the irrigation company, conferred with some of the settlers relative to the matter and stated that he would be in Portland this week at which time he would see the officials of the irrigation company and lay the settlers' proposition before them. Upon his return he will be advised as to the proper course to be taken, and will be able to better assist the settlers of that district in getting relief from their present condition. The settlers are willing and anxious to do more than their share towards getting water to their section at the earliest possible moment and it is not improbable that their object will be accomplished before many more weeks have passed. The irrigation company likewise will no doubt do its utmost in bringing about a speedy change in present conditions.

### MAY SELL HOLDINGS

### Railroad Companies Negotiate for Eastern Oregon Tracts

The departure of R. A. Booth, of the Booth-Kelley Lumber Company, a brother of W. A. Booth of the Crook County Bank, from Eugene last week to Chicago, is taken as significant of increased activity in the line of prospective railroad building through Eastern Oregon. Mr. Booth's mission in Chicago is said to be the closing of a deal for the transfer of the lumber company's interest in 200,000 acres of land included in the wagon road grant which crosses the Cascades into Eastern Oregon and extends southward to Lakeview thence eastward through the eastern part of the state.

The land owned by the Booth-Kelley Company is said to be the prize which several railroad companies are endeavoring to capture, and it is understood that one or the other of these railroad interests will soon be the owner of the tract in question.

Gould, the Chicago & North-Western and the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul are all bidding for the property. The Gould interests own the California, Nevada & Oregon railway, which operates between Reno, Nevada, through Northeastern California to Madeline, and an extension is projected from the latter point to Lakeview. The wagon-road grant extends southward from Eugene, touches Eastern Oregon, and it would be a valuable acquisition to Gould in connection with his northern extension, or to come north by way of Winnemucca.

On the other hand, the North-Western has already made surveys through the wagon-road grant, and negotiations have been pending for several months for its purchase by them.

## COURT FIXES COUNTY TAX

### Levy of 21 Mills on the Last Assessment

### SAME AS 1905 RATE

County Will Pay State Over \$8000  
City Levy Is Three Mills Lower Than Last Year

County taxes this year will be no more than they were last year, the county court having fixed the levy last week at 21 mills on the 1905 roll.

The heavy increase in the number of school children with the attendant expenses of more teachers and additional educational facilities necessitated an increase in the levy for school purposes, six mills being assessed this year compared with five last year and four and three-fourths the year before. The levies for other purposes remain about the same, the state and county levy being reduced one mill over that of last year.

A comparison of the levies during the past three years is shown in the following table:

	1906	1905	1904
State-county	11	10	13 1/2
School	6	5	4 3/4
Roads	2	2 1/2	3
High school	2	3 1/2	2 1/2

Total 21 21 22 1/2  
The taxes this year are based on the total assessable valuation, as returned by the county assessor, of \$2,225,256. The court, however, in fixing the tax levies for various purposes allows a wide margin on this figure for exemptions. The taxes which Crook county will pay to the state this year amount to over \$8000 and a like amount will be used in the general running expenses of the county.

City taxes this year drop three mills below the levy of last year. In the table below, showing the rate of taxation for the past three years, the county tax is given at 18 mills instead of 21, as shown above, the reason being that the council levy of 7 mills for general purposes is inclusive of the road tax of three mills in the county levy and in consequence the latter is deducted from the total number of mills tax. Following is the summary of city taxes during the past three years:

	1906	1905	1904
County	18	21	22 1/2
School	6 1/2	7	5
General	7	6 1/2	2 1/2

### Ready for Spring Run.

Hawkins Bros., who recently installed a new saw mill at the western edge of the timber belt on the Ochoco, are making preparations for a long and steady run of their plant next spring. The mill has been closed down for some little time and only what lumber is needed for completing the mill is being cut. But a force of men is employed getting logs ready for the mill when sawing is resumed in the spring. Several hundred thousand feet are on hand at present and this supply will be increased considerably during the cold weather of the next two months. Probably in March the company at present has orders enough on hand to keep the mill busy for some little time. It is said that some of the best grades of lumber to be used in the city next season will come from this district.

### Contractor Forfeits Bonds.

Disagreement over the provisions in the specifications, which caused a cessation in work on both the First National Bank

building and the Prineville Hotel a couple of weeks ago, finally terminated the first of the week in the forfeiture by L. C. Christian, the contractor, of his bonds. The latter had been subscribed by the Guaranty & Trust Company of Portland.

Contractor Christian's final act in throwing up his contract on both buildings, one nearly finished and the Hotel not half completed leaves the matter to be settled between the owners of the buildings and the Trust company. The former will in all probability secure another contractor to complete the unfinished work as soon as possible and the Trust company through the courts will be called upon to pay whatever delinquencies may result. It is understood that Mr. Christian's bonds for the work still to be finished on the Prineville hotel approximated \$15,000.

### Road Supervisors Appointed.

New Road supervisors were appointed by the county court last week in the following districts: George Dillon, Kuteber; P. T. Monroe, Cross Keys; J. G. Clark, Ashwood; J. W. Wilt, Black Butte, R. Parrish, Hay Creek; Thos. Alderdyce, Haystack; M. Wheeler, Willow Creek; Fred Stuart, McKay; J. M. Montgomery, Montgomery; W. H. Cadle, Mill Creek; A. C. Knighten, Howard; H. J. Edwards, Powell Buttes; Leo LaFollett, Johnson Creek; J. E. Roberts, Bear Creek; R. W. Breesee, Breesee; W. J. Schmidt, Summit; M. F. Hawthorne, Ireland; J. H. Gray, Newsum; Chas. Roberts, Maury; L. V. Bailey, Beaver; F. W. Smith, Camp Creek; T. N. Balfour, Hardin; O. W. B. Riley, Laidlaw; Joe Wiegand, Lamonta.

### FORM AT REDMOND

### Settlers Under the D. I. & P. Co's Canals Organize

The D. I. & P. Settler's Association was formed at Redmond on December 2, when a preliminary organization was effected. A meeting will be held next Saturday for the purpose of permanent organization, the installation of officers and the adoption of constitution and bylaws. There are now 48 charter members. All settlers on the company's lands are eligible to membership, while provision for social membership makes every owner of real estate, whether company land or not, admissible, although social members have no voice in the meetings. The object of the organization is largely fraternal. At the meetings which are to be held on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month the settlers will discuss all matters pertaining to irrigation learned by experience on the new lands for mutual benefit, as well as acting in a body in presenting any grievance they may have against the Deschutes Irrigation & Power Co. The temporary officers elected are: Howard F. Jones, president; Col. W. A. Belcher, vice-president; Clarence Jackson, corresponding secretary; Lee Welch, treasurer; F. H. Hensley, C. M. Redfield and F. T. Redmond, wardens. A new building will soon be built opposite Hotel Redmond, the upper story of which will be used exclusively by the association.

### Sold to Black Butte Company.

Hardy Allen, of Sisters, has sold his 440-acre ranch located between the Metolus and Deschutes rivers to the Black Butte Land & Live-stock Company for a figure in the neighborhood of \$7000. The sale included 120 head of cattle and other stock belonging to the ranch. Mr. Allen will hereafter devote his time to his blacksmithing, hotel and feed barn business in Sisters. He is only one among the many substantial young men who have come to Crook county and succeeded by industry and thrift.