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Money Savings

FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING FEBRUARY 4th



Shetland Floss, regular 10c value—special at.....64c	Boy's Heavy Ribbed School Hose, regular 35c grade special at.....22c
Heavy Outings, regular 12 1/2c to 15c values—10 yards for.....89c	Ladies' Seamless Black Hose regular 20c goods, now.....7c
Ladies' Fast Black 25c Hose special at.....13c	Men's \$4.50 to \$6.00 Fine Worsted Dress Pants—200 pairs per pair.....\$2.49
Men's Heavy Outing Flannel Night Shirts, regular \$1.25 values—special at.....98c	Men's Heavy Melton Kersey Overcoats, also English Ulsters, worth \$12.50 to \$20.00 now.....\$6.95 to \$12.95
Ladies' Fine Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, worth 12 1/2c, special now at.....6c	500 pairs Men's Women's and Children's Shoes, special now at.....48c to \$2.76 per pair
Men's All Wool double breasted Undersuits, worth \$2.50 per garment—special at.....89c	

GROCERIES

Alaska Salmon, special at this sale.....7c can	One bar Fine Savon soap special at.....3c	These only represent a few of the numerous bargain in our store—this space will not permit us to quote them all. These goods are first class values at the regular prices and you are respectfully requested to call in at our store and secure some of these big bargains. : : : : :
Pure Apple Jelly in clear glass tumblers.....18c	One pound Mocha and Java Coffee, regular 40c grade special at.....24c	
One can Condensed Soup special at.....9c	One plug Dipper Tobacco special at.....22c	
One quart Dill Pickles, special at.....14c		
One bar White Laundry soap special at.....6c		

ONE WEEK ONLY C. W. ELKINS

We are now conducting a general Clearance Sale, great reductions are being made on all of our lines of Dry Goods, Ladies' and Gent's Furnishings, Notions, etc. The following prices on shoes will be maintained until the arrival of our New Spring Stock.

\$2.25 Ladies' Shoes for \$1.50	50c Misses' and Children's Shoes for.....25c	\$2.00 Misses' and Children's Shoes for.....\$1.10
\$2.75 Ladies' Shoes for 1.65	90c Misses' and Children's Shoes for.....60c	\$2.25 Misses' and Children's Shoes for.....\$1.25
\$3.00 Ladies' Shoes for 1.75	\$1.00 Misses' and Children's Shoes for.....60c	\$2.50 Misses' and Children's Shoes for.....\$1.50
\$3.25 Ladies' Shoes for 1.85	\$1.50 Misses, and Children's Shoes for.....85c	\$2.75 Misses' and Children's Shoes for.....\$1.65
\$3.50 Ladies' Shoes for 2.00		
\$4.25 Ladies' Shoes for 2.50		
\$4.50 Ladies' Shoes for 2.65		
\$5.00 Ladies' Shoes for 2.75		

CLAYPOOL BROS. PRINEVILLE, OREGON

A PROTEST FROM BEND

An Appeal to Western Crook County.

FALSEHOODS NAILED

Western Crook Not Ready for County Division—Only Grafters Benefited.

Bend, Crook Co. Jan. 24, 1907. To the Editor of the Crook County Journal: There seems to be a great hubbub made in western Crook over this very extravagant court house that is to be built in Prineville. It is claimed that western Crook is paying the difference of \$50,000 more this year than Crook county had in 1900. Well, I want to ask the taxpayers of Bend, Laidlaw and vicinity how and why are they paying so much taxes? Surely the people of these towns are not taxed up this much. They claim they are farmers in the western part of Crook and do not want to mix with the stock raisers of eastern Crook, and therefore want a county of their own.

ARE THESE VOTERS TAXPAYERS? I will now ask the people who have taken land under the Carey Act if they have a deed to the land they bought from the D. L. & P. Co. of Bend and also of the Columbia Southern Irrigation Company? I understand that at Laidlaw 200 settlers signed the petition to divide Crook county into three parts. If the 200 voters are taxpayers on the Columbia Southern Irrigation Company's lands and have got deeds from the state, then I am all wrong in saying that the state of Oregon has not received a patent from the United States government, and therefore no tax can be collected from any settler until he has a deed from the state or has made proof on his homestead, and hence the taxes he pays on his lands under these ditches are very small. All that can be taxed is the improvements—houses, barns, fences, etc.—which is very small and not worth the trouble of the assessor's time. I will ask, is anyone who has taken land under these ditches within the past four or five years who have paid taxes?

NOT ONE IN TEN TAXPAYERS. I am inclined to think that not one in ten has paid enough taxes to make the grafters of Prineville look as if they were very badly bloated with graft. I am, therefore, inclined to think that we had better let Prineville build us a court house and vaults that will be fire proof than run any more risk of having our records burned or destroyed as this would cause the taxpayers of Crook county so much litigation that it would be hard to tell where it would stop and cost

more than the extravagant court house could possibly.

What has raised the \$88,000 in Crook county is the timber land that has been taken up and patented. This is one of Crook county's assets that the hand of man has not made valuable. This timber was here before the white man ever saw the country and I do not think the resident taxpayer ever turned a hand to assist nature in the production of the yellow pine that grows in Crook county or anywhere else. If the lumber companies and timber speculators had not come in and bought the timber lands of Crook county it would not have been worth any more today than it was ten years ago, so if these men want the timber let them pay taxes on it. It will help the county to have this money distributed in all parts of it. This money is sent into the county and is a clear gain.

THAT ROAD MONEY. It is claimed that the western part of Crook county does not get any money for roads, i. e., around Laidlaw, and from the Sisters to Bend it is impossible to haul loads over them. Each road district gets from the county court the amount of cash that is raised by the road levy in that district, and each voter is taxed \$3 in cash which the supervisor collects and expends on the roads. This law was passed by the legislature, I think, two years or more ago. I do not see where the settlers on the lands taken under the Carey Act have any kick coming for our county gives them the full amount that is due them. If they do not get it they should have some one look into it and see that they get every cent that is raised in their district for road purposes, but don't ask me to help make roads outside of my own road district, as I think it would not be fair to make you work and pay in my district.

THE BURDEN OF A NEW COUNTY. Who the prime movers are in this dividing of Crook county I do not know, but I do know that they are agitating a cause that will be a hardship on the taxpayers of the new county for years to come. The chances are that the bonds that would be sold to build a court house would not bring 50 cents on the dollar. Granted that they brought dollar for dollar these bonds would have to be paid and I say that I do not believe they would be able to build a court house in the western part of Crook county for \$50,000; if they did they would have to do better than they have done in anything I have seen built in western Crook so far. This sloop that the prime movers are throwing out to the taxpayers that Drake or the D. L. & P. Co. will give these buildings to be used as a court house for five years is nothing more than sloop sweetened and the pulling of wool over the eyes of the taxpayers who do not stop to think what they are doing when they sign a petition for a new county. When they look the thing square in the face they will see they have made a mistake.

ARE VOTERS TAXPAYERS? Western Crook claims they have three-fifths of the voters or more. I wonder if these three-fifths voters pay three-fifths of the taxes of Crook county? If they do, I for

one, am in favor of a new county.

If they do not then I am against it. Just because you are a voter you are not a taxpayer unless you pay taxes. Justly and morally you have no right to sign a petition to move a court house or divide a county as you might thereby put a burden on the taxpayer and producer of Crook county that would be wrong. I know there are men living in Crook county on homesteads and on timber lands who do not intend to live in Crook county after they have made proof any more than I have of going to live in China or some other foreign country. These men are not bona fide voters of Crook county nor are they bona fide taxpayers. They are here only because they think they can get a timber claim by homesteading and as soon as proof is made will go home to their families.

AN APPEAL TO HONEST MEN. Now, I want to appeal to the fair-minded man of western Crook. I know there are a good many of them and a good many honest settlers. I know there are some who will not have to hold the candle for the so-called grafters of Prineville. These so-called grafters of Prineville, I must say, have run Crook county's affairs in a very economical way. Crook county is one of the few counties in the state that has no indebtedness and never has had since I have lived in the county, and I must say they have done exceptionally well.

ALL BOSH. Of course, as these prime movers say, western Crook will make the richest county in Oregon. This is a little more sloop. It has been estimated that the timber lands along the Deschutes river carry as much as twelve billion feet of lumber. Just how many townships of yellow pine there are in Crook county I am unable to say, but if there are only twelve billion feet it is not as much as I believe I can find. Townships of fir timber in Linn, Marion or Clackamas counties will carry twelve or fourteen billion to the township. Therefore I do not think that western Crook has any great wealth of timber, and as for this new county being the richest in Oregon that is a mistake pure and simple at the present time. It will take years to develop it so that it will be a rich county as the farming lands are hard to develop on account of the dry character of the land. Take for instance the Haystack country and the Agency Plains. Three years ago the farmers had a good crop in the Haystack section but the last two years have been more or less a failure and consequently not to be depended upon as yet. These things should be taken into consideration before we take the step that the western part of Crook county anticipates.

LOW TAXES. As for our taxes today they are lower than they were five or six years ago. I do not doubt but that some are assessed higher than they were five or six years ago. If they have no more to be assessed than at that time they are at a standstill, perhaps using their time kicking about high taxes instead of trying to better their station in life. What interests me more than anything else concern

ing taxes is not the amount I have to pay, so long as they are not exorbitant, but the amount of money a county has to spend for the betterment of roads and bridges. If this money is spent as it should be it will all stay in the county and I do not think the taxpayer is hurt if he pays less this year than he did last year and still raise a large revenue for the expenses of the county. If, however, the conditions are reversed, and you pay more this year and get less than last year then the taxpayer has cause for a kick and he should kick hard.

There is no doubt that things are done in our county court at Prineville that do not meet the approval of everybody. This happens in every county in the state. We cannot all see alike and some will censure and some will approve. In the Journal of January 17, 1907, there are some pretty hot shots at A. M. Drake and John H. Ryan. I do not believe that hot words and vituperation will do any good and they should be avoided as much as possible. A. M. Drake has done as much for Crook county as any man in it. I believe he will protect the settler on the irrigated land around Bend as much as any one will, and that he is a friend of these people, but I know that some of the citizens of Bend give him a hard name, and I know or at least I think so, without cause.

SIGN A REMONSTRANCE. I will ask every fair-minded man that is a taxpayer in Crook county to sign a remonstrance against the creation of a new county at the present time. If he will stop and study this matter awhile he will see this as I do, for the simple reason that it will be cheaper to the taxpayers to run one county court than it will to run two and we will have a better chance to keep down graft and be in a stronger position to call a halt. Therefore, let every taxpayer set his foot down and say I will not stand for county division.

I have tried to write this without giving offense to any one and hope that this will meet with the approval of all taxpayers in Crook county. Yours respectfully, JOHN ATKINSON.

Notice to Debtors. All persons knowing themselves to be indebted to the old firm of Wurzweller & Thomson, by note or otherwise, are requested to call at once and make settlement at the office of M. R. Biggs where we are now located. All accounts not settled within 30 days will be placed in the hands of a lawyer for collection. Dated this 24, day of January, 1907. A. THOMSON, ARTHUR HODGES.

APPLICATIONS FOR GRAZING PERMITS—Notice is hereby given that all applications for permits to graze cattle, horses, and sheep within the BLUE MOUNTAINS FOREST RESERVE (Western Division) during the season of 1907, must be filed in my office at Prineville, Oregon, on or before Feb. 20, 1907. Full information in regard to the grazing fees to be charged, and blank forms to be used in making application, will be furnished upon request. A. S. IRVING, Supervisor. 1-24-07

Estray Notice. There came to my premises a white face yearling steer with hole in left ear and swallow fork in right ear, branded T on right shoulder. Inquire or address J. H. Gray, Prineville, Or. 1-10

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Wood Bids Wanted.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by Crook County up to March 7, 1907, for 30 cords of wood, either dry or green sound body juniper wood four feet long, or green pine wood 16 or 22 inches or four feet long. Bids to specify kind and quality and length of wood and price per cord, and to be delivered on or before October 15, 1907, at the Court House and High School building in Prineville, Or. All bids to be filed with the county clerk.

By order of the court, WARREN BROWN, County Clerk.

FOR SALE DANDY BOB Thoroughbred Poland China Boar, farrowed April 19, 1906. A fine pig. Pedigree furnished. Black Langshan Cockerels also for sale. E. C. PARK, Redmond, Oregon.

For Sale Dr. McLaughlin Bay colt coming 3-year-old next June; sired by Schmeer's "Caution," he by "Caution" 225%, the great speed sire of the Northwest; he by "Electroner," first dam Norm by Altago; second, Netty Piper Orco 8461; third, Hatcher mare, Vermont; fourth, Thoroughbred. This colt will make a 1150-pound horse; a sure trotter; his breeding is gilt-edge, and if you want a first class stock horse, one that is bred of the best trotting blood in America, don't overlook him. For further particulars inquire at Juniper Butte Stock Ranch. 1-3-imp JOHN SCHMEER.

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This is not a speculation at all but a sound business investment based upon ascertained facts. The mine has been developed beyond the experimental stage. About the best recommendation we can give these mines is that the men employed by the company are investing their savings in the purchase of this stock. Also such men as Clark, Daly, Fair, Haggin, and a host of others have made their money from mines and the development of them.

Further information of this valuable property will be sent on request