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One Seven-Room Modern House, in Spokane, close in, good location. House well built with fireplace, beam ceiling, mission finish, built-in bookcase, china closet, large bath room and pantry, large basement. Is an elegant home.

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One Four-Room Modern Cottage, just outside the mile and a half circle in the best residence district of Spokane. This is a good rental property or cozy little home.

Ten Acres of Irrigated Land near Kennewick, Wash., in the famous fruit belt.

Ten Acres Irrigated Land in the famous Spokane Valley at Greenacres.

Does This Interest You?

Investigate the merits of Spokane, the power city, and if you have \$20,000 worth of Central Oregon property that you want to sell and move to a more salubrious climate, come in and talk to us about this proposition. If this does not suit you we can perhaps get you another trade of another kind at another price.

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Crook County Needs Settlers

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any of the public land laws. The forests of Central Oregon are practically intact, and await only the advent of transportation facilities to develop the western and southwestern portions of this country into one of the greatest lumbering regions of the West. It will take a train hauling fifty cars a day, and each car carrying 10,000 feet of lumber, fifty years to market the merchantable pine timber in this country. This timber makes the finest finishing lumber known, and demand for it far exceeds the supply.

These timber lands cruise from four to fifteen million feet to the section, and are worth from \$10 to \$20 per acre.

The Deschutes river, without doubt, has the largest amount of unapplied water power of any river in the world. Flowing approximately 4,000 cubic feet of water per second, and having a fall of 4,000 feet perpendicular in a distance of about 120 miles, the power capable of being developed is almost incalculable. A perpendicular fall occurs every few miles throughout the whole length of the river from Lava postoffice to the Columbia river. Between the numerous falls the river is very swift, having an average descent of 30 feet to the mile. It rises near the foot of the eastern slope of the Cascade Mountains and is fed by eternal snows. A peculiarity of the stream is, that it seldom, if ever, rises or falls more than 14 inches. It abounds with trout, the gamest fresh water fish, and hundreds of thousands are caught from its waters annually. It is only a question of a few years when this virgin power will be harnessed, and furnish electric power for the Northwest.

The Deschutes river flows in a rocky canyon and on each side are the high rolling sage brush plains now being reclaimed by private irrigation enterprises.

Climate.

The climate of Crook county is the most healthful to be found in

the world. Free from malaria, fevers; plagues, epidemics, locusts, potato bugs and fleas. The average snow fall in the Winter is 4 to 12 inches. Average days of sunshine per annum, 300. The temperature in winter rarely goes below zero, and many seasons to only 8 to 12 above. The Summer heat never reaches over 98, and the average is 85 to 87. Elevation above sea level, 2,500 to 4,000 feet. The pure mountain water and high, exhilarating atmosphere all conduce to health and longevity.

Lands and Products.

The vacant government lands in Central Oregon are rolling hills and high uplands, covered with sagebrush and juniper trees; these trees are a species of cedar, and make excellent fence posts and fire wood. It is essentially a "dry farming" proposition. Water may be found on these uplands at depth ranging from 25 to 150 feet, in most places. The soil is a light volcanic ash and is wonderfully fertile when water is applied. Grain crops may be grown on these lands and will make an average crop unless it should be an exceptionally dry season. The valleys are all settled and produce everything that is generally raised in a temperate climate. Potatoes grow to perfection in the loose sandy soil. All grains, grasses and hardy vegetables do well. Grazing lands sell at \$7.50 to \$12.00 per acre. Improved grain lands \$15.00 to \$30.00 per acre. Nearly all the improved grain lands have water for domestic use.

Fruit.

Fruit growing is only in its infancy. Orchards have been planted in only a few places. Two bearing orchards in this vicinity marketed, in 1909, 6,000 boxes of apples and 2,500 boxes of prunes. Peaches, pears and other fruits do well in favored sections. All small fruits do well.

Transportation.

The so-called Harriman and Hill lines of railroad are now building up the Deschutes river from the Columbia and have 10,000 men employed. These roads will be in Crook county within the year.

The Harriman line is building north from Klamath Falls and at least two roads are planning to cross the State from East to West. At present, take the O. R. & N., and get off at Biggs, then come south on the Columbia Southern to Shaniko, then take stage or automobile to Prineville and you will be in the heart of Oregon, where hack and auto service will take you to any point desired.

Prineville

Is not a new town. It was settled in 1867 and incorporated in 1880. It became the county seat when Crook county was created, and has enjoyed a steady and continuous growth since its first settlement. Prineville has never had a "boom" and don't want any. It is growing healthily and will continue to do so. It is situated in the very center of the most productive part of the County and is its geographical center, as well as of the State. Population, 1910, 1,600. It has the finest Court House in the State of Oregon, and public buildings that would be a credit to any city, has a complete water and electric lighting system, flouring mills, planing mills and machine shops. Several stages and automobile lines center at Prineville and it is the distributing point for all Central Oregon. Residence lots sell at \$50 to \$300; business property \$50 to \$150 per front foot.

Societies.

All the principal secret societies are represented, with large and enthusiastic membership. The Prineville Commercial Club is the principal social and business club for men; it owns its own building and recreation grounds and has a membership of 100. Several women's clubs are progressive and enjoy a large and enthusiastic membership. Four religious societies have regular organized churches. They are Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist and Christian. All are prosperous and well represented with resident pastors.

The public schools of Prineville furnish all the advantages of the best city schools. The prescribed course of study is strictly maintained, and the School Board and

citizens co-operate in keeping the efficiency of the school at the highest standard. This building was erected in 1887, and has long since been outgrown. Two other buildings are occupied by the city schools, and the District is considering plans for an adequate modern school building for the immediate future.

Crook County has 72 organized school districts, 2,500 children of school age. Educational facilities are everywhere provided and homesteaders, however remote, may rest assured that their children will have school advantages.

Wages of school teachers are above the average. Male teachers receive an average monthly salary of \$80.00 the female teachers \$65.00 High school teachers from \$100.00 to \$150.00 per month.

The educational facilities of Crook County are not excelled anywhere outside of the universities. A commodious brick and stone high school structure was built in Prineville in 1902, and is already inadequate to the need of the rapidly growing population. The regular course of study prescribed by the State Board of Education, from the 9th to the 12th grades, are maintained. German Latin and higher mathematics are included. The school is equipped with chemical laboratory, scientific apparatus and gymnasium. School District No. 12, including the town of Bend, also maintains a high school department in connection with the grammar grades.

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