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Van E. Hallberg on returning from Greenhorn where he spent the summer working on his mining claims, brought samples from a new ore showing he has found on the old Banzette property which he recently acquired. A sample across 18 inches of the vein shows more than an ounce of gold per ton. Mr. Hallberg also owns the Kit Carson group of three claims on which he has done considerable development. Eastern Oregon News, Baker, April 15th, 1938

## Platinum Found in Greenhorn Property

Platinum has frequently been found in the black sands of placer mines in Eastern Oregon, and occasionally traces of the metal found in ores. It has remained for Van E. Hallberg who has been prospecting and developing a group of claims near the old Psyche mine in the Greenhorn district to show quantities of metal in ore indicating there may be a profit in the platinum.

Mr. Hallberg had tests made of the ore at the State assay office in Baker recently which showed a platinum content of 1.38 ounces per ton, with a value at the present market price of platinum of \$49.60. This same ore also assayed 9.30 ounces of gold, \$325.50, and for silver, 3.7 ounces, \$2.40.

The finding of platinum in the rock came as a surprise to Mr. Hallberg and was brought to his attenton by W. W. Gibbs, assayer of Sumpter, who had made tests for platinum but had not assayed it.

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