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DELL BROTHERS

CATERERS TO THE PUBLIC IN
GOOD THINGS TO EAT

Athena, Oregon.

FARMERS PROTEST

DO NOT LIKE CODE OF REGULATIONS ISSUED.

W. H. Stine Addresses a Letter to W. H. Reed Asking That Grain Commission Stand by Growers.

W. H. Stine, representing a number of Walla Walla farmers, has addressed a letter to W. H. Reed, a member of the state grain commission protesting against the code of regulations issued by the Washington Flour Millers' association to its members as a guide in buying wheat, says the Statesman. Mr. Stine asks that the state grain commission stand behind the farmers of the state and the Washington Flour Millers' association.

This association, consisting of millers, exporters and wheat dealers of the Puget sound region, has issued a code of regulations for the guidance of its members in buying wheat. The publication of these regulations has aroused considerable opposition among the wheat growers of the east side country, who particularly object to the regulations regarding smutty wheat. Mr. Reed said that he would bring Mr. Stine's letter before the state commission at its annual meeting to be held at Tacoma today. Mr. Stine writes as follows:

"Acting as spokesman for various farmers and interested parties, I desire to call your attention to what seems a very unjust proceeding on the part of the Washington Flour Millers' association. We take exception particularly to the ruling of the association on smutty wheat. Heretofore it has been docked exceeding three cents per bushel, and often not so much as three cents. The association has made the minimum this year not less than five cents, and it may be 20 cents. It is also to be the rule that if there is any foreign matter or anything else that discolors the wheat, or the same is slightly smudged, it is to be regarded as smutty, and is to be sold as such."

"It seems to us that this ruling is altogether too drastic, and an attempt is being made to grind us between the upper and nether millstones, all of which we most emphatically protest against."

"The fact is, we have a large crop of good wheat this year, and the millers and exporters think that they can combine and dictate most any terms that they please, and we want the state board to stand behind us and

protect us in so far as it is in their power so to do.

"We understand that the board convenes on the 11th instant, and at that time we would thank you to see if it is not possible to enforce the old rule in regard to dockage on smutty wheat, so that the old time rates for the same will prevail."

"The great part of the wheat raised in this county will grade as No. 1 when compared with the standards as they stood last year. We hope that the board will see its way clear to establish last year's grades, and that you will do what you can for us."

The regulation of the Millers' association on smutty wheat is as follows: "Smutty wheat—Where there is a large quantity of smut balls in the wheat, even if they are not broken and the wheat has no indication of smut on the ends of the berries, it will be considered smutty wheat, because it cannot be handled in any way without smudging. The minimum discount for smutty wheat will be five cents per bushel, and from that up to 20 cents. If the wheat is free from foreign matter and without smut balls, but smudged on the end of the berry even slightly, it will be considered smutty wheat."

RAILROAD FILES SURVEY MAPS.

Interests of O. R. & N. and N. P. Are Now Both Represented.

Maps of the surveys for a right of way over government land were yesterday filed in the Walla Walla land office by W. S. Lyons for the Columbia Railway Navigation company, says the Union. The maps are the result of the surveys made after entering the western boundary of the Walla Walla district between ranges 19 and 20 east and extend for a distance of 27 miles up the north bank of the Columbia river. This is the first lot of maps filed by the company supposed to represent the Northern Pacific but the Walla Walla Pacific, filed to be the O. R. & N. Co., have filed maps locating a right of way for a considerable distance west of Walla Walla on the north bank of the river. Late reports from the scene of action indicated that the rival companies are working from the opposite ends of the route to be covered by a railway. Both have in the last few days shipped in men and machinery and have actually begun throwing dirt.

The real fight for right of way will come when the surveying parties meet a few weeks hence.

THE BRADSHAW CASE.

Sentenced to Hang and Still in Walla Walla Jail.

A man convicted of murder in the first degree and sentenced to be hanged, has been allowed to lie in jail at Walla Walla undisturbed for nearly three years.

Oscar Bradshaw was convicted in Franklin county in December, 1902, and was sentenced to be hanged. He gave notice of appeal and was remanded to the Walla Walla county jail. Bradshaw never prosecuted his appeal and has been allowed to remain in jail undisturbed ever since. The prosecuting attorney of Franklin county now asks what he can do about it, and the attorney general advises to file the record in the supreme court and move a dismissal of the appeal for want of prosecution.

Bradshaw, with a companion, entered a box car for the purpose of robbery. They there murdered another man who was in the car. Bradshaw's companion confessed and was sentenced to 20 years in the penitentiary. Bradshaw claimed self defense.

MURDERER HANGED.

Friday morning Frank Pasquale, the Italian who murdered Charles Gray in Tacoma two years ago, was executed on the gallows at Walla Walla. His manner when stepping on the drop was cool, though he spent a restless night. Just before the execution Pasquale waved to the small crowd of spectators, saying "Goodbye boys, goodbye." Italian friends were present and afterwards arranged to take the body to Tacoma for burial.

A SURPRISE PARTY.

A number of young friends gathered at the Piper home west of town Saturday evening. The occasion was the 16th birthday of Miss Dolly Piper. Games were the principal feature of entertainment, and the evening was enlivened with songs with piano accompaniment. Refreshments were served. Miss Piper will leave shortly for Walla Walla where she will attend school.

HE SPENT HIS MONEY.

Then Stood on the Street Corner and Blew Out His Brains.

J. M. Stewart, a wood dealer doing business in Walla Walla, committed suicide on the corner of Webb and Main streets in Pendleton Sunday morning.

Stewart had spent the night in a drunken carousal in which he spent a considerable sum of money. At

Hein's saloon he lost \$80 gambling and when searched at the coroner's inquest there was found on the body \$7. It is stated that Stewart had \$200 when he arrived in Pendleton. The money was to be expended at Meacham for wood to replenish the Walla Walla stock.

The verdict of the coroner's jury was that Stewart came to his death by his own hand as the result of a pistol wound inflicted with a 38-calibre revolver, the time and location also being designated.

The deceased was the owner of a wood business in Walla Walla, and also ran an express wagon at that place. He had been in that business for about a year and a half, and previous to that time had worked for the Tamsick Wood & Coal company of Walla Walla for a number of years. He was a man of family, and at his death left a wife and four or five children, the oldest being about 18.

AFTER PATENT MEDICINES.

Commissioner of Internal Revenue Has Rendered a Decision.

The commissioner of internal revenue at Washington, D. C., recently rendered a decision that will seriously affect a number of patent medicines composed largely of distilled liquors. He has reversed a ruling of his department made many years ago, and now decides that the manufacturers of these medicines must take out licenses as rectifiers and liquor dealers, and that druggists and others handling them will have to pay the usual retail liquor dealers license.

The commissioner in a letter of instructions to collectors of internal revenue says that there are a number of compounds on the market going under the names of medicines that are composed chiefly of distilled spirits, without the addition of drugs or medicines in sufficient quantities to change materially the character of the whiskey. He authorizes collectors to impose the special tax on manufacturers of every compound composed of distilled spirits, even though drugs have been declared to have been added thereto, "when their presence is not discoverable by chemical analysis, or it is found that the quantity of drug in the preparation is so small as to have no appreciable effect on the liquor."

FAILINGS OF CORRESPONDENTS

Letters Folded Wrong and Otherwise Made Troublesome to Business Recipients.

"Not one person in ten folds a letter and puts it in the envelope right side up," said the correspondence clerk of a large New York publishing house, according to the Times. "This firm receives upward of 1,000 letters a day, and it is my duty to sort them and send them to the various heads of departments. Each letter must be sent opened flat, with the envelope attached by a clip. In almost every instance the letter is folded and put in the envelope so that I have to turn it around before I can read it. I have talked with friends in similar positions to mine, and they tell me they have the same experience. It seems a trifling matter to a person who opens only five or six letters a day, but to me this loss of time caused by either the ignorance or carelessness of letter writers is considerable."

"Fully two-thirds of the letters received by a business house are filed. Cabinets for this purpose are arranged so that one must refer to the beginning of the letter, on the right-hand side, to find the date. One-half the persons who write on matters of business, particularly women, put the date at the end of the letter and on the left-hand side, so that we have to lift the whole bunch to get at it. These failings of correspondents are worse than illegible writing and incorrect spelling."

Card of Thanks.

We take this method of expressing thanks for the many kindnesses extended to us in rendering assistance and showing sympathy during our recent bereavement, the death of our dear mother. May your paths be likewise smoothed in time of trouble.
Mrs. Minnie Willaby and Family.

For Better Streets.

Pendleton is to have macadamized streets. The council has passed resolutions for the grading of Alta street. Crushed rock will be used similar to the method of Athena street making.

Got Off Cheap.

He may well think he has got off cheap, who, after having contracted constipation or indigestion, is still able to perfectly restore his health. Nothing will do this but Dr. King's New Life Pills. A quick, pleasant and certain cure for headache, constipation, etc. 25c at McBride's drug store, guaranteed.

Local Wheat Market.

Athena, Sept. 15.—Wheat today is quoted at 60 cents.

A delicious desert—Washington Pie. Get it at the Prendergast Bakery.

WAS FOUND DEAD

MRS. FRAKES DIED ALONE OF HEART FAILURE.

Found Lying on the Floor By Her Grandson Some Hours After Death.

Mrs. Frakes, a pioneer lady of this city, died at her home on Jefferson street, sometime during Friday night or early Saturday morning. Heart failure was the cause of death, and the end came with no one near.

A grandson, Clyde Willaby, who daily took lunch with Mrs. Frakes, came to the house at 12 o'clock, noon, Saturday, and found her lying dead on the floor of her bed room. She lay on her back with her hands clasped to her breast, and had been dead for some time. Appearances would indicate that Mrs. Frakes had approached the bed and fallen backward.

Mr. Willaby at once sought help, and Dr. Stone was called. He gave it as his opinion that Mrs. Frakes had been dead at least three hours. A neighbor or two are positive that they saw the lady Saturday morning about the house. The kindling in the kitchen range was in place but had not been lighted, and whether they were for the morning fire or the noon day lunch is a matter of opinion. There was no evidence of much suffering, the good old lady apparently having died suddenly and peacefully.

The funeral sermon was preached yesterday at 10 a. m. by J. W. Jenkins in the Christian church.

Mary Tompkins was born June 5, 1840, in Henderson county, Ill. She came to Oregon in 1854 and in 1857 she was married to J. T. Frakes. To them was born three children, William and Samuel who have preceded her to the better land, and Minnie, the wife of A. J. Willaby, of Athena. She was one of the pioneers of the state and lived in or near Athena for thirty five years. Mrs. Frakes was a member of the order of Rebekahs and a worthy member of the Christian church. She was 65 years, two months and ten days old at the time of her death. Of her immediate relatives she leaves a sister who resides at Colfax, Wash., and one daughter, Mrs. A. J. Willaby, of this city.

UNDER THE CAREY ACT.

Tract of 10,000 Acres to Be Redeemed Over in Harney County.

W. E. Burke, manager of the Portland company which has a 10,000 acre Carey selection in the eastern portion of Harney valley, gives the Times-Herald a most encouraging report of the work on reclaiming the big tract.

Mr. Burke has contracted to reclaim this big body of land by means of pumping stations and has met with considerable discouragement up to recently. He has expended a considerable amount in experiments of various kinds and worked against odds and discouragements. He persisted, however, and at last has solved the water question beyond a doubt.

He had tried various plans to get a sufficient flow of water for his big pumping plant and more than once he thought he had the necessary amount, only to find upon testing it that he must have a larger flow. This he has found and now states that at a depth of 90 feet he found sufficient water to keep his pump going with a flow of 1000 gallons per minute.

Mr. Burke states that it will be possible for his company to make proof on a portion of their selection this fall and place it on the market, but he will not likely attempt it. This is one of the best selections approved in Oregon under the Carey act and consists of some of the finest bodies of sagebrush land in Harney valley. The soil is capable of producing anything that can be grown in the state and will be one of the most valuable tracts in Oregon when put under water.

This experiment has proven that the irrigation problem there is a simple and inexpensive one. The flow rises to within 8 feet of the surface but will not maintain that depth when the big pumping plant is running, being lowered to a depth between 18 and 20 feet, but seems to be permanent there. This, however is but a short distance to raise the water and, makes it cheap and practicable irrigation service that can be depended on regardless of snowfall or other surface conditions.

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