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## HELIX STORE BURNED

ATHENA MERCANTILE CO. LOSE STOCK AND BUILDING.

Started in Rear of Mercantile House and Gained Fearful Headway Before Discovered.

The Athena Mercantile Co.'s store at Helix was destroyed by fire shortly before 1 o'clock yesterday morning.

This is the third fire that has occurred in Helix in the last two weeks, and citizens of the little town are of the opinion that a fire bug is practicing his dastardly work. The first blaze was when the Arlington hotel burned a few days ago. Guests barely escaped with their lives in the dead hours of night, and practically nothing was saved from the hostelry. The second fire was a residence which was saved last week after slight damage had resulted.

The destruction of the Athena Mercantile Co. store at Helix, takes from the place the largest business enterprise in the town, and the loss will not only be felt by Mosgrove Bros., the owners, but by the people of the town and surrounding country as well. The loss sustained by the company on stock and building is estimated at \$13,000 and the amount of insurance carried amounts to \$3,000. Indications would make it appear that the fire originated in the rear of the store building and before discovered, shortly after one o'clock a. m. had gained fearful headway.

That the property was deliberately set on fire is the belief of the proprietors and employees of the store. There was no fire in the stove, which was in the main part of the building, there being even no occasion for a lamp to be used where the fire started for the reason that light sufficient could be had over a low partition separating the rear from the main store room. Whoever set fire to the store robbed the cash register of silver change.

This was the second attempt to gain entrance to the store. Several nights ago Dr. Griswold, who lives directly across the street from the store building, was attracted by a noise at the rear of the premises and went to investigate when three men wearing masks passed him. Next morning it was found that entrance to the store had been attempted by use of a crowbar at the back door. The doctor's appearance had frustrated the first attempt of the robbers and incendiaries.

The volunteer fire department with apparatus and plenty of water, had

all it could do in confining the flames and preventing adjoining property from burning.

Absolutely nothing was saved from the store, for the reason that the building was entirely enveloped on the interior when the fire was first discovered and the alarm given.

## A BIG RANCH DEAL.

Athena Man Interested in a Purchase That Aggregates \$150,000.

The Walla Walla Union says that the biggest ranch deal ever consummated in Eastern Washington came off last week, when Fay Le Grow of Athena and George Drumbheller of Walla Walla, purchased approximately 10,000 acres of land in Adams and Douglas counties from Lord Blythe, an Englishman, who is an immense land holder in the Crab Creek country near Moses lake. Nearly 4,000 head of cattle were purchased also, by Messrs. Le Grow and Drumbheller from the Blythe holdings. The price paid for the property is not given out by the purchasers, but it is understood that over \$150,000 changed hands in the transaction.

Mr. Le Grow will not leave Athena. Most of the property is meadow land, which is admirably adapted to the grazing industry. The new owners will go into the stock-raising business on a large scale. Cattle-raising will be the main object, and what is perhaps the finest bunch of Hereford cattle in the northwest has been gathered together for winter feeding. It is estimated that enough hay can be raised on the extensive meadows of the ranch to feed nearly 10,000 head of cattle.

## SETTLERS ARE SCARED.

Government Inspector Makes Investigation in Southern Part of County

Last evening Government Land Inspector Dickson arrived in the city from the southern part of Umatilla county where he had spent the past two months inspecting government lands and investigating methods by which many homesteaders have used in acquiring land in an alleged fraudulent manner, says the Tribune. Mr. Dickson left on the night train for Portland, having been called there on business with the land department officers.

As a result of Mr. Dickson's presence in the southern part of Umatilla county there have been many who have abandoned their land entries, while others, who are accused of securing possession improperly, have been busy tearing down fences and covering up their reported raw work. The situation seems to be somewhat perturbed among the settlers there, at least, among a large number, as it is feared prosecution will follow.

## HERD WILL BE SOLD

Public Auction of Goodman Cattle on November 15.

Another fine herd of Umatilla cattle will be scattered over the northwest, to enrich and improve the herds in other sections of the country, just as the Wade herd was distributed abroad from this country something over a year ago, says the East Oregonian.

W. S. Goodman, of Hudson Bay, near Freewater, will sell his fine herd of full blood Shorthorns at public auction on November 15, at the Hudson Bay stock farm.

The herd consists of 100 head of pure blood Shorthorns, aged from six months to nine years, all having direct and authentic pedigrees, and all having been bred with the utmost care. It is one of the finest collections of cattle in the Inland Empire and Mr. Goodman's sale will bring many enthusiastic stockmen from all over the northwest. The sale will begin at 10 o'clock on November 15, with Colonel J. S. Baldwin as auctioneer.

## Fire at Echo.

Fire at Echo Tuesday night completely destroyed the harness shop of Richard Jones, making a loss of approximately \$3500. The harness shop was in a one story frame building nearly opposite the Miller store, which was burned a few weeks ago. The fire started about 11 o'clock, and although heroic work was done by the citizens, who formed a bucket brigade, nothing could be saved.

## Pleaded Guilty.

Jeff Yarbrough, who escaped from Wheeler county jail two years ago, while being held for obtaining money under false pretense, pleaded guilty to horse stealing in the circuit court at Prineville Monday, and has probably ere this been sentenced by Judge Bradshaw to a term in the penitentiary. Yarbrough is known here having been employed by different farmers in this vicinity.

**Board of Engineers at Pendleton.**  
That a report has been made on the east Umatilla reclamation project by the board of consulting engineers was ascertained Tuesday when A. P. Davis, D. C. Henny and A. J. Wiley, members of the board, arrived in Pendleton from North Yakima on their way to southern Idaho. The board

held a meeting in the afternoon for the consideration of the Tietan project in the Yakima valley, but refused to announce the results. No inkling of the nature of the report on the east Umatilla project could be gained from Henny, he stating that announcement would probably be made from Washington during the week.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE.

Will be Held Next Saturday and Sunday in Pendleton.

The following is the program for the Sunday school institute which will be held in Pendleton on the coming Saturday and Sunday. The meetings will be held in the Congregational church with the exception of the one Sunday evening, which will be held in the Thompson street M. E. church.

During the institute Rev. M. Merritt, field missionary for Washington, will deliver several addresses and will be the chief outside speaker. He is said to be a man of great ability along such lines.

## Saturday Afternoon.

1:30—Song and prayer led by Mrs. S. A. Lowell.

2:00—Organization.

2:30—Devotional Bible study hour.

"The Master Teacher Teaching to Win the Sinner," John 4:7-26, led by Rev. G. L. Hall.

3:00—Report of state convention, by Mrs. A. J. Owens.

3:30—Round table conference, "The Sunday School Teacher," led by Rev. W. C. Merritt.

## Saturday Evening.

7:30—Songs and prayer, led by Rev. Robert Warner.

7:50—Address, "Reaching the Unreached," by Rev. Levi Johnson.

8:20—Special music.

8:30—Address, "Organized to Win," by Rev. W. C. Merritt.

## Sunday Afternoon.

3:00—Songs and prayer.

3:15—Address, "The Book We Use," by Rev. Henry Dickson Jones.

3:45—Special music.

4:00—Address, "Teaching to Win," by Rev. W. C. Merritt.

## Sunday Evening.

7:30—Song and prayer, led by Rev. W. L. Van Nys.

8:00—Special music.

8:10—Address, "Our Inspiration in Working for the Young," by Rev. W. C. Merritt.

8:50—Special music.

## Will be Resentenced.

Oscar Bradshaw, the murderer who has been confined for two years in the Walla Walla county jail, is to receive sentence at last. He was convicted in the superior court of Franklin county for killing a man in a box car in the railroad yards at Pasco and sentenced to hang. His attorneys took steps toward an appeal to the supreme court, but it was never perfected and all the papers of record in the case mysteriously disappeared. A newspaper man about two months ago dug up the facts in relation to the case and they were in this manner brought to the attention of the proper authorities.

## Rescued in Time.

Ira W. Buroaker came to Freewater on the early morning passenger train Monday morning, the worse for liquor. Wandering west of the town about a mile he fell into a large irrigation ditch and was not able to get out. An hour or so later he was found by Ed Wilde in an unconscious condition. His legs were stiff and only his head out of water, and it is probable he would have died had he remained there much longer. He had gone to Freewater to sign a deed for some property he had sold Saturday. He is the owner of a considerable amount of property east of that city.

## Building New Town.

Reports say that there is great activity at the new town of Hoover, about three miles from Wallula, on the north side of the Columbia river. Carpenters are at work constructing sidewalks all over town, many residences are going up and three buildings are being constructed for the use of merchants. Real estate agent are said to be doing a good business and lots are being purchased every day. The new town will be on the line of the north bank road that is to be constructed by the Hill interests.

## Pendleton Damage Suit.

The case of "Missouri" John Heathman against the city of Pendleton for damages of \$5000 for injuries alleged to have been received by falling from a defective sidewalk, was brought to an abrupt close in the circuit court Saturday afternoon, when Judge Ellis granted a motion made by City Attorney Carter for a non-suit. Heathman's attorneys served notice that the case would be appealed.

## Marriage Licenses Issued.

Marriage licenses have been issued to the following: H. C. Norwood and Evelyn M. Clark; T. J. Price and Georgia E. Barrette and Ralph May and Lillie Bee Rosenkranz.

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## OPENS EQUITY SUIT

O. R. & N. BEGINS ITS CASE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT.

Barely Possible That the Matter May Be Adjusted Without the Case Being Tried Out.

Pendleton, Nov. 2.—Tomorrow the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company will file a suit in equity in the circuit court of this district for the purpose of showing that the assessment of \$12,000 per mile upon their roadbed is unjust. Ever since the compromise proposition presented the county court by the railroad was turned down, it has been expected that a suit would be started by the company. However, the first definite news came today in the shape of a message from the legal office at Portland to Colonel Raley, saying that the papers for the suit will be here tomorrow.

With the filing of the suit in equity will commence another chapter of the legal war that has been waged for the past year or more between the railroad company and the county, and in which the latter has been signally successful so far. What the outcome of the coming fight will be remains to be seen. It is barely possible that the matter may be adjusted without having the case tried out.

## WIFE DROPPED DEAD.

Mrs. E. D. Collins Dies From Heart Trouble When Husband Is Away.

The Pendleton Tribune says Coroner T. M. Henderson returned last evening from Butter Creek, where he was called to investigate the sudden death of Mrs. E. D. Collins. He states that the woman undoubtedly came to her death from heart trouble, with which she was suddenly attacked, dying almost instantly.

It is believed that Mrs. Collins died about 9 o'clock Wednesday morning as she had not yet completed her morning work about the house. The husband did not return home until 8 o'clock in the evening and was horrified to find the dead body of his wife on the porch. The fifteen months old child was lying in a room in a critical condition, suffering from cold and hunger. The husband notified his neighbors as soon as possible and word was conveyed to Coroner Henderson about 10 o'clock Wednesday night.

Mr. Collins had been employed the past few days on a neighbor's ranch several miles away. He took up a homestead on Butter creek about a year ago, coming to the county from the east. His wife was about 30 years old.

## Woodmen at Pendleton.

A number of Athens Woodmen will go to Pendleton tomorrow in honor of the visit of Head Consul Bask. Tomorrow evening all stores in Pendleton will close at 8 p. m. and every one will be given an opportunity to attend the special program given by the Woodmen at the Christian church. The chief address will be made by the Head Consul and in addition will be several short addresses by local Woodmen and a literary and musical program. The public will be as welcome as the Woodmen at these exercises.

## May Return to England.

The call of his native land is ringing so loudly in the ears of Rev. John Warren, the well known rector of the Episcopal church of Heppner, that he may decide to return to England some time during the coming year. He left this morning for Athens on a brief visit, after spending last night in the city.—East Oregonian.

## Attacked by a Mob.

and beaten in a labor riot until covered with sores, a Chicago street car conductor applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve and was soon sound and well. "I use it in my family," writes G. J. Welch, of Mich., "and find it perfect." Simply great for cuts and burns. Only 25c at McBride's drug store.

## For Sale.

O. G. Chamberlain, the real estate dealer, offers for sale:  
One dwelling and three lots, \$1100.  
One house, barn and three lots, \$800.

A good cottage, outbuildings and one lot, \$1000.  
One dwelling, barn and three lots and other choice city and farm property.

A mountain farm of 166 acres, orchard and good buildings.  
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