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ATHENA'S UP TO DATE STORE

ED. MANASSE, Proprietor.

We will have our grand display of Ladies' Shirt

Waists on exhibition tomorrow

Saturday

February 16th



We take orders for Tailor-made Suits. Our new Samples are just in. Examine them.

Athena's Up To Date Store

Agent for Butterick Patterns.

First National Bank

of Athena

CAPITAL STOCK.....\$50,000
SURPLUS.....20,000

4 PER CENT INTEREST PAID ON TIME DEPOSITS

MODERN BANKING FACILITIES

OFFICERS
H. C. ADAMS, President.
T. J. KIRK, Vice President.
F. S. Le GROW, Cashier.
I. M. KEMP, Ass't. Cashier.

DIRECTORS
H. C. ADAMS, T. J. KIRK, F. S. Le GROW, D. H. PRESTON, P. E. COLBERN.

Cut Glass - Silverware

A fine line on display. One piece of Cut Glass each year and you will soon have a nice collection.

C. A. BARRETT & CO. Athena, Oregon.

Good Groceries, Coffee and Tea

In this trinity should the grocer build his business temple. The difficulty is not great, but it is exceedingly difficult to build well without these 3 things. We have highest grade goods in every line

Each Article the Acme of Perfection

Our entire stock is selected with the same care and discretion. REMEMBER—Our prices are always consistent with quality.

DELL BROTHERS CATERERS TO THE PUBLIC IN GOOD THINGS TO EAT Athena, Oregon.

YET ANOTHER FLOOD

Sufficient Snow West of Town For High Waters.

CHINOOK FREAK IN EVIDENCE

Stubble Fields to the Westward and Northwest Holding From Two to Six Inches of Snow.

In the coming of the chinook wind several days ago a noticeable freak was in evidence.

The balmy wind first struck the foothills and then swirled over a narrow strip of territory of which Athena is the center, extending from the Umatilla to the Columbia river. Had the chinook been of general application as it usually is, there would undoubtedly have been the greatest flood in the country's history. As it was, Wild Horse creek at Pendleton, was higher than ever known. West and northwest of town, extending clear into the Cold Springs country, there yet remains sufficient snow to cause another freshet, should weather conditions be favorable. The stubble fields are holding from two to four inches of packed snow, and either a chinook wind or a warm rain would again start water rushing down the hillsides.

Flat Salary Pays the State.

The first meeting of the new board of trustees for the reform school, under the new administration, took place Monday afternoon, says the Salem Journal. There was nothing of an usual or extraordinary interest in the report of Superintendent Looney except that the payroll for January amounted to \$906.83, or \$60 less than formerly, this amount having formerly been divided among the board members as extra perquisites now cut off by the flat salary act.

Binger Hermann Trial Begins.

The trial of Binger Hermann, charged with violation of section 5408 of the federal statutes, in that he destroyed 35 letter press copy books while commissioner of the general land office, began Tuesday in Washington before Justice Stafford of the district supreme court. Milton J. Parry is conducting the prosecution. A number of witnesses from the northwest have been subpoenaed.

LIGHT FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

Electricity Now Illuminates Athena's Three Fire Stations.

The Athena fire department now has an all night electric light service at the three fire stations.

The Preston-Parton Milling company furnishes power for the service gratis, the city paying for the wiring and installation only. The department stations of Hose company No. 1, Hose company No. 2 and the Hook and Ladder company are each lighted with a 32 candle power incandescent light, which is sufficient for all purposes.

"The installation of the lights at the different stations will make at least a minute in difference in time when making a run to fires," said one of the firemen. "You can see how to hook into things now. Before, we had to prowl around in the dark to find the fire-lighting apparatus. Now it is different."

AS IN THE DAYS OF OLD

An Athena Conveyance Creates Considerable Interest in Walla Walla.

"All aboard for Pendleton" was the cry heard in front of the Dacres hotel this morning, says the Statesman.

It was not the driver of the hotel bus that was giving it either, but one of a crowd of traveling men crowding into a lumber wagon which had been chartered to take the crowd to Pendleton.

Many years ago, before the days of railroads, the Stine house corner saw sights like the one it saw this morning. Drummers in twentieth century toggery, farmers who had to get home and some Umatilla braves with war paint on their faces to protect them from snowburn were in the good natured bunch which attracted so much excitement about 10 o'clock this morning.

The scheme was engineered through by some drummers who were obliged to get to Pendleton, but were held up here for several days on account of the washouts on the railroad lines.

The outfit belonged to J. E. Bell and O. H. Barton, two young citizens of Athena, and was brought over from that place last night for the purpose of making the trip to Pendleton today.

The excursionists started away from the hotel yelling and laughing. Even the Indians smiled a stoical smile. The crowd which gathered in front of the hotel gave three cheers as the start was made which so frightened a butcher's horse left standing in front of the Main street market that he tore down the street at a 2:40 lope and was not captured until he had gone a block.

Bell and Burton expected to cover the 50 miles between Walla Walla and Pendleton before dark, as the roads are in fair condition.

To Foreclose Mortgage.

Will M. Peterson of this city and D. W. Bailey of Pendleton, attorneys for the First National Bank of Athena, have brought suit for the foreclosure of a mortgage held by the bank on a quarter section of land owned by W. J. Wilkinson. In addition to Wilkinson, McCourt & Phelps, W. B. Mitten and Louisa Hornelius are made defendants in the suit. The bank brings suit to foreclose by virtue of a prior lien to that of defendants, acquired by virtue of attachment executed on April 21, 1906. It is alleged the defendants were aware of the existence of the mortgage and the bank's equity in the land in question, the defendants taking undue advantage of error in description of land contained in the mortgage papers. The amount for which the mortgage was given is \$500, and there is interest from 1903.

Geese Hunting Feed.

Wild geese, or Canadian brant, as the fowls are better known, are coming south from their Columbia river haunts in search of feed in the reservation wheat fields. Their usual feeding grounds in the Horse Heaven country and in the Cold Springs district are under snow, thus driving the honkers to seek new feeding grounds. Wednesday Ira Kemp endeavored to get within gunshot of a band by leading a horse, but the birds were too wary for him.

M'MANUS SILENT ABOUT CRIME

Attorneys Instruct the Pilot Rock Editor Not to Talk.

John P. McManus, editor of the Pilot Rock Record, who shot Bob Estes Saturday night in Pendleton has been instructed by his attorneys, Judge Fee and J. H. Raley, not to converse with anyone on the subject of the crime committed by him. As a result, newspaper reporters have been unable to secure an interview with McManus, who since the shooting has been a prisoner in the county jail. The Pilot Rock Record, which is considered a good business property, for the reason of its extensive control of land office patronage, will be in charge of G. L. Judson, an old time newspaper man and friend of McManus, pending the trial.

Court is now in session and if it could be satisfactorily arranged, McManus' trial could be heard at once, but it is probable that the case will be carried over to the next term of court.

TAXPAYING WILL BEGIN MONDAY

The Statutory Requirements Including Dates and Other Conditions.

The county tax rolls are now practically complete and Monday the collection of taxes will begin at the Sheriff's office.

The following are the rules regarding the payments of taxes under the present laws:

1. If you pay your taxes on or before March 15, you will be allowed a rebate of 3 per cent.

2. If you pay your taxes between March 15 and up to and including the first Monday in April, there will not be any rebate allowed, and neither will there be any penalty or interest added.

3. If your taxes are not paid on or before the first Monday in April, they will become delinquent, when there will be added a penalty of 10 per cent and the tax will also draw interest at the rate of 12 per cent per annum in addition to the penalty.

4. If you pay one half of your taxes on or before the first Monday in April, then the remaining half may run up to and including the first Monday of October following, but if the last half of tax due is not paid by the first Monday of October, it becomes delinquent, and there will be added to such balance a penalty of 10 per cent, and in addition, such balance will bear interest at the rate of 12 per cent per annum from the first Monday in April until paid.

5. On all personal property taxes, if one-half is not paid on or before the first Monday in April, the law compels the sheriff to levy upon and collect the same after May 1; hence, to prevent a levy upon personal property after May 1 it will be necessary for one-half to be paid as above stated.

6. The law compels the sheriff to sell all lands on which taxes have not been paid, and that such sale not be held later than March 1 of the year succeeding the year in which the tax levy was made.

7. The property will be sold to the person bidding the lowest rate of interest, and certificates will be issued therefor, and deeds given to such property sold, unless redeemed within three years from the date of such sale.

Branch Still Tied Up.

The Walla Walla-Pendleton branch of the Washington division of the O. R. & N. is still tied up and up to last evening the only repair work being done was by the section crews. All work trains have been employed on the main line and at the Juniper washout between Umatilla and Walla Walla. Yesterday the Spokane passenger trains Nos. 7 and 8 transferred passengers and mail at Juniper. There has been no train through Athena since last Saturday, when a work train passed through bound for Pendleton. It is marooned near Sax station, with a bad washout on each side of it.

Funeral of Robert Estes.

The funeral of Robert Estes, who was killed by Editor McManus, Saturday night, in Pendleton, was held in that city Tuesday afternoon and was attended by relatives and a large number of friends. Robert Estes was 30 years of age. He leaves a wife, father, four brothers and two sisters.

TEMPANY OF THE 9TH

Went to Old Fort Walla Walla Away Back In '48.

ONLY ONE HOUSE WAS THERE

Built an Opera House Out of Hand Hewed Timber and Played to Pioneer Audiences.

Among the guests at the St. Nichols hotel Wednesday waiting for conveyance to Walla Walla, was John Tempany, the veteran veterinary surgeon of the 9th cavalry, U. S. A., which is at present stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas.

John Tempany, with snow white hair and grizzled military mustache, bears his weight of long years of service well, and it will not be long before his name will be enrolled on the retired list.

Sitting in the hotel lobby, the old gentleman became retrospective and looking back over the long chain of years linked in memory of the "days of old, the days of gold," he said that he came to Walla Walla in '58. There was but one house there at that time. It was inhabited by an Irishman and a Jew.

Mr. Tempany helped build the old fort, and from hand-sawed clab-boards taken from timber on Mill creek, built and played the first opera house Walla Walla ever had. The stage was even made out of slabs smoothed on one side by diligent labor with a "jack" plane. Mr. Tempany also built the first opera house in Vancouver, Wash. and it was constructed after the manner of the one at Fort Walla Walla.

There are but few men in Walla Walla at the present time who were there when John Tempany, veteran soldier and pioneer first looked on the "valley of many waters." Senator Ankeny was there herding sheep and later laid the foundation of his fortune by operating a pack train to and from the mines, and still later, merchandising in a small way in the upper country.

His connection with the regular army service has taken Mr. Tempany into almost every fort in the United States, and in the days of Indian fighting, he passed through many thrilling experiences.

The 9th cavalry will soon go to the Philippine Islands and Mr. Tempany has been detailed on duty at Seattle where he will inspect and buy horses for the government. His family reside in Walla Walla. He is the father of Henry Tempany, baseball player and manager of the Walla Walla "Booster" team, which played a series of games in Athena last year.

Drunkard's Wife Raided a Saloon.

A Mrs. Pearson, wife of William Pearson, Carrie Nationed a saloon at North Powder Monday evening. It is alleged that she had protested against the sale of liquor to her husband, but without avail, and then went out with her little hatchet. The furniture was smashed, lights broken and other damage wrought. She took her children and came to La Grande, and it is said, has instituted proceedings against the saloon proprietor. —La Grande Chronicle.

Stanton Returns to Helix.

Charles Stanton left last Monday for Helix, Ore., where he will remain for some time. Charley has disposed of all his interests here except his homestead and household goods and has leased his place to his brother Frank. He has some business interests at Helix which will require his personal attention for awhile, hence the change. Charley is a wholesome genial fellow and we regret to see him leave. —Cambridge, (Idaho) News.

Pipe Line Washed Out.

The ditches holding the pipe line at the head of the city water works system have been washed out by high water. Water Superintendent Gholson and men with teams have been making repairs during the past few days. The ditches are being refilled with dirt in as substantial a manner as possible.

A Heavy Pull.

The roads have become in such a condition that travel between this place and Walla Walla is now beginning to be handled with hacks and four-horse teams. Wednesday noon there were two four-horse teams from Walla Walla at the livery stable here, and one Athena four-horse team on the road.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascara. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation. 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund amount.

BUT TWO NORMAL SCHOOLS AND \$75,000

The Smith Normal bill passed the house yesterday afternoon. The bill provides for two normal schools in the state with an appropriation of \$75,000 for maintenance. The state board of education and two members of the legislature are empowered to select two schools out of the four now exist-

ing. Reports from Salem are to the effect that Eastern Oregon is entitled to one of the schools and that relocation of the Weston institution is not considered. The fight centers with Western Oregon and has narrowed down to the respective merits of the Ashland and Monmouth schools.