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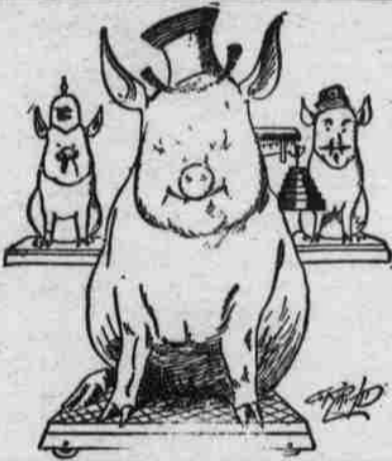
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FOR BETTER ROADS

Friday, the 23, at 2 p. m., Set for Convention in Athena—Other Meetings Held in the County.

The program for the good roads conventions to be held shortly is announced by the chairman of the committee, Montie B. Gwinu. As arranged by Mr. Gwinu and his committee a good roads convention, will be held at Pendleton on October 22. Then on the following day a convention will be held in Athena and on the day following that a meeting will be held at Ebo.

It is the desire of Judge Scott and the other gentlemen behind the good roads movement to hold three meetings in this county. Previously it was the intention to hold one of the meetings at Milton or Freewater.

But it was finally concluded by the committee that the west end of the county deserves one of the conventions so a meeting was scheduled for Ebo.

Athena was selected in this end of the county because of its central location, and the fact that much has been done already in this vicinity in the improvement of roads. A large attendance is urgently requested in Athena on the 23rd, Friday, of next week. Every farmer in the county and every other business man should be interested in the movement for good roads, and the needed legislation to secure the same.

Moulton-Kershaw.

One of the prettiest weddings of the season, says the Walla Walla Union, was solemnized Sunday evening at 6 o'clock, when Miss Emma Carrie Kershaw of this city was united in marriage to Mr. Arthur I. Moulton of Portland. The wedding occurred at the country home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Tureman, two miles southwest of the city, the Rev. S. G. Fisher of the Central Christian church officiating. The home was beautifully decorated in pink and white. About 50 invited guests were present to witness the ceremony and partake of the wedding supper which followed.

The bride is a sister of Fred Kershaw, who with his wife, attended the wedding.

LA GRANDE BANK IN TROUBLE

Farmers' and Traders' Bank Failed to Open Doors Monday.

The Farmers' and Traders' bank at La Grande Monday morning failed to open its doors, fearing a run by its depositors. The cause of the difficulty was the notice given N. K. West a well known merchant of La Grande by the Elgin bank, that it held a note given him to the Farmers' and Traders' bank of his city. Mr. West was surprised at the information, since he had never given such a note to that bank and at once went to see Mr. Scriber about it. The latter said he would fix it up at once, but since it was plain forgery, or appeared to be, he hired an auto and at once started to make a quick run to Elgin, 25 miles away.

At the same time Mr. Scriber started for Elgin by the same kind of a conveyance, and as West had some trouble by colliding with a tuggy, Scriber won the race and secured the note.

The entire matter is so far shrouded in mystery but the note is evidently a forgery and Scriber's failure to explain it places him in a very unenviable light. A small sized run was made on the bank Saturday and Monday it was closed. It is thought to be in a safe condition but precaution suggests that it be looked into carefully before doing further business. Scriber has not enjoyed the fullest confidence of the public for several years and sensational disclosures are expected. He is in his home utterly collapsed from the circumstances but it is generally believed the depositors of the concern will not lose anything on account of it.

Heard Great Singers.

Mrs. E. Lane Walker and the Misses Edith and Blanch Orswell, teachers in the Athena public school, went over to Walla Walla Saturday, where they enjoyed the rare treat of hearing the great quartet from the Concord Metropolitan Opera company in concert. The ladies are enthusiastic over the wonderful voices of Madames Rappold and Jacoby, and also of the great tenor and baritone, Martin and Campanari. They remained over Sunday and visited various places of interest in the garden city.

Accident at Weston.

Mr. and Mrs. Shurte, of Arlington, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Read this week. They returned to Weston, where Mr. Shurte met with a painful accident at the home of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Read. While playing with the children in stepping off the porch, he in some manner twisted his foot and snapped the bones of his leg above the ankle. At first he supposed that it was merely a sprain, but upon the examination of the physician it was found that the bones were badly broken.

PENDLETON CHURCH REBUILDS

Christians Will Erect Concrete Structure on New Site.

That a handsome church edifice built of concrete blocks will be erected by the Christian church of Pendleton on the Matlock property at the upper end of the Main street bridge, was definitely decided by the members of that congregation Sunday and plans for its erection are now being formulated, says the East Oregonian.

Just what style of architecture will be chosen for the new building is not now known, but the structure will be handsome in design and will be a marked improvement upon the now vacant Matlock property which it was decided to purchase.

The lots determined upon are 85x150 feet and provide one of the handsomest building sites in Pendleton. The building to be erected will cost something like \$15,000. It is probable that later a parsonage will also be erected upon the lots chosen.

As soon as the church board determines upon the style and character of the building steps will be taken toward raising the necessary funds for its erection. The method of campaign is not yet chosen, but it is believed that as soon as the cost, etc., are fully determined several large subscriptions will be made which will help carry a great part of the cost.

Fines Amount to \$1250.

Twelve hundred and fifty dollars in fines were levied by Judge Bean in the circuit court Wednesday. Of this sum \$1100 was assessed against William Bogart, Dick Keegan and their bartender Henry Noble. The other \$150 was the amount fined George Mansfield, the Pilot Rock man, who plead guilty to gambling. Of the Bogart-Keegan fine \$250 was levied against each of the two proprietors and \$100 against the barkeeper on the first count, that upon which they were tried and convicted last week. On a second count to which they plead guilty each of the proprietors was fined \$200 and the bar man \$100. This action of Judge Bean practically disposes of the liquor question at the present term of court.

Political Speaking Tonight.

This evening at 7:30, Hon. J. D. Lee, candidate for presidential elector on the republican ticket, will address the people of Athena on the issues of the present campaign. The public, ladies as well as men are cordially invited to hear the eminent gentleman discuss the questions now before the people, from the republican standpoint. The meeting will be held in the opera house.

Farmers Begin Work.

The rains of the past week have put new life and energy into all business, for when the farmer smiles, all smile. The long delayed work of seeding will now begin in earnest and thousands of acres will be put in wheat within the next few weeks. Geo. Thompson and Jack Keller, who are running the McDonald and Reeder places west of town will begin Monday, and within two weeks expect to have in 700 acres of wheat.

Where Bullets Flew.

David Parker, of Fayette, N. Y., a veteran of the civil war, who lost a foot at Gettysburg, says: "The good Electric Bitters have done is worth more than five hundred dollars to me. I spent much money doctoring for a bad case of stomach trouble, to little purpose. I then tried Electric Bitters, and they cured me. I now take them as a tonic, and they keep me strong and well." 50c at Palace Drug Co's store.

NORMALS UP AGAIN

Probably Another Fight in Legislature—Weston Has Largest Enrollment and Fewest Wants.

By its decision to submit both a majority and minority report to the state legislature when it meets in January, the state normal school board has left the disposition of the state's training schools for teachers as much in the air as ever. It virtually puts the issue up to the legislature again and will precipitate another squabble.

The board recommends that an appropriation of \$330,000 be made to run the schools for the next two years and also provide for the contemplated improvements. It was unable, however to agree upon the number schools which should be retained.

The average cost of maintaining the Asbland, Monmouth and Weston schools for last year was \$14,000 each. In round numbers the attendance was 400, making the cost to the state for each student \$130, which was regarded by the board as sufficient.

The president's estimated cost for maintaining the Monmouth school next year was \$20,000, and for the Weston school \$15,000. The cost last year at Monmouth was \$14,000, of which only about half was paid by the state, the other half being raised by subscription. The cost at Asbland was about the same and at the Weston school about \$13,000.

The board recommends that equal amounts be appropriated for each of the three normals. The amounts recommended are stated in a lump sum, however, for one board expends the money for each of the schools.

Three new dormitories with room for 100 students each are advised by the board. Some of the institutions wanted other buildings, but the board thought best not to ask for more building appropriations at this time, and the demand for other buildings must await the attention of subsequent legislatures.

Besides recommending the appropriations stated above the board adopted a report directing that the total salaries at each of the normals be limited to \$20,000 a year; that salaries of instructors range from \$1000 to \$1500, and that not to exceed 21 instructors be employed.

Reports of the normals for the first month of the present year show the following enrollments: Asbland, 105; Monmouth, 108; Weston 154; total, 367.

ATHENA WILL HAVE A BAND

Meeting of Members Held Monday Evening and Organization Effected.

A meeting of the new Athena band members was held at the residence of Professor J. S. Henry Monday evening, and a permanent organization was effected. Eight or nine new instruments will be needed, and will be ordered at once.

A committee of business men will be asked to circulate a paper for the purpose of securing funds with which to meet first expenses, and it is expected that all will generously respond as there is nothing that Athena needs more than a good, live organization of this kind.

The boys who are taking hold of the matter are enthusiastic in the work and the enlivening music of practice is already heard on all hands. The youngsters will be assisted by several members of the old band until such time as they can dispense with their help. With Prof. Henry as leader, Athena will soon have a band of the old time excellence, of which she will be proud.

Following is the instrumentation of the band, as formulated at the meeting Monday evening:

Leader, Professor J. S. Henry; 1st flat cornet, Emery Worthington, 1st 1 flat cornet, E. Zerba; 2nd 1 flat cornet, Herbert Parker; 1st alto, C. Christian; 2nd alto, Lawrence Sharp; 1st trombone, Harold Githens; 2nd trombone, Charley Russell; baritone, H. O. Worthington; bass drum, Roy Russell; snare, Ross Payne; Tuba and solo 1st alto, to be supplied.

Work for Kemp.

The new safe of the Weston bank recently installed failed to open on the combination sent. After a week's futile efforts of representatives of the company to operate the vault, an expert was sent for, and the door swung open. In the meantime Assistant Cashier Bullfinch had been sleeping beside the money chest as guard over its thousands.

School Report.

The following is the monthly report for La Mar district No. 30, for the month beginning Sept. 14 and ending Oct. 9: Whole number of days taught 19. Whole number of pupils enrolled 20. Those who are especially noted for good scholarship and have neither been absent or tardy are as follows: Etta Swaggart, Anna Johnson, Harriet Pinkerton, Minnie Johnson, Lolo Key, Virgie Key, Lulu Barnes, Mamie

Sheard, Lenore Swaggart, Lois Swaggart, Gilbert Ferris, Carl Sheard, Carl Johnson, Freddie Johnson, Floyd Corporation, Roy Key, Truman Barnes and Charley Henley.

Lillian Downs-Dobson, teacher.

Pleasant Family Gathering.
The family of O. W. B. Zerba enjoyed a family reunion Sunday at the home of O. A. Zerba, whose 35th birthday was the occasion for the gathering. Mr. and Mrs. O. W. B. Zerba, Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Dugger, Mrs. Amiel Schubert and children, Lizzie Zerba, Ernest Zerba, and the children of Mrs. David Ferris constituted the dinner party.

Mr. McKenzie Ill.

A. B. McEwen and James Henderson Sunday drove to the McKenzie farm below Adams, for the purpose of visiting Mr. McKenzie, who has been ill for some time. He is not improving and his visitors report that the old gentleman is having a very serious time. His many friends here will extend sympathy.

Home From Alberta.

Wm. Tompkins arrived home Wednesday from a month's stay in the Alberta country where he looked over his land interests there. Mr. Tompkins states that the weather is fine in the province and everything seems prosperous with the Umatilla county colony in the far north.

PENDLETON WILL RETAIN MILL

Union Manager May Take Charge of Woolen Mills.

All doubts concerning the money-making possibilities of a woolen mill in this city were dispelled, says the East Oregonian, when J. P. Wilbur submitted a report to the Commercial association showing that the present plant if operated to its capacity can earn a profit of \$18,000 per year.

Like a burst of sunshine on a cloudy day came Mr. Wilbur's report. Previous to that time the committee had secured considerable information regarding the business. But much of it was contradictory and the situation was pessimistic. However, the question as to the feasibility of the mill was settled by Mr. Wilbur, for his estimate of the proposition was taken as authoritative.

At the conclusion of the conference Mr. Wilbur was asked if he would not take the management of the mill provided it could be forthcoming.

In response Mr. Wilbur said he could not give a positive answer at that time, but that he would let the committee know by Saturday. He left last night for Walla Walla, and will go from there back to his home at Union. Before leaving he expressed himself as thoroughly convinced of the money making powers of the mill and said he would submit a proposition Saturday provided his other business affairs will permit of his taking the proposition up.

The meeting was attended by every member of the committee and by several others. Keenest interest was manifested in the enterprise and all present showed a spirit to do everything in their power to forward the movement.

Should Mr. Wilbur wish to take the mill it will then be purely a question of securing the plant from the Judgs, and it is hoped this can be done.

SHOOTS TO KILL HIS FRIEND

Quarrel Ends in Shooting Scrape at Hermiston.

In a quarrel over the possession of a tent which they had shared in common for the past several months, Jerry Brooks shot his bunk-mate, George Jackson, at Hermiston Wednesday inflicting wounds that will probably prove fatal. Both men are negroes. The shooting occurred at 1:30 o'clock when Brooks and Jackson met on the street and reopened a quarrel which has been brooding for several days. Both were expecting trouble and Brooks was armed in preparation for it.

After an exchange of hard names Jackson struck Brooks, knocking him flat on his back. The other negro pulled his gun as he struggled to his feet and began shooting. He emptied his revolver at close range into the body of his former friend, four of five shots taking effect. Brooks' aim evidently was sure, as Jackson's left side and shoulder were torn to pieces by the bullets.

Immediately after the shooting Brooks was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Ross Newport.

New Jewelry Store.

Marshal Ross, formerly with the Winslow Bros. jewelry store in Pendleton, will open a jewelry business in Athena. He will occupy the place in the Pioneer drug store made vacant by the removal of Mr. Frank Coolidge to Hood River. Mr. Ross has recently been located at Ione, Morrow county, but comes to Athena as a better field in his line.