

NEWS OF ATHENA

TEMPERANCE MEETING WAS ATTENDED BY MANY.

The Saylor's have returned to their ranch—a son was born—Reception to new members M. E. Church will be March 22—Charles Snyder arrives from Missouri—Mrs. Elcamp is very ill—Has returned from Alberta.

Athena, March 19.—The entertainment given Wednesday by Rayner W. Kelsey and Eugene Knox and his company of singers, was well attended by the people of Athena, who enjoyed it very much.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Lefrow spent Sunday in Walla Walla visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Saylor and sons, Ralph and Edgar, who spent the winter in this city, returned to their Butter Creek ranch Wednesday.

Mrs. Hugh McArthur of Portland, after visiting in Pendleton with her sister, Mrs. W. S. Perry, visited her sisters, Mrs. George Banister and Mrs. Harvey Calen of this place.

James Langfield of Arlington, returned home this morning. He will visit at The Dalles on his way home. The reception of the M. E. church for the new members will be Tuesday evening, March 22.

Fred Rubie and Jerry Quant spent Sunday in Walla Walla.

The Senior Christian Endeavor entertainment, the drama, "The Fruits of the Wine Cup," was largely attended. The net proceeds amounted to \$70.

The second annual recital was given Saturday the 12th, by Professor Henry's class. The class was 22 in number, ranging from small beginners to the graduates.

There were several duets and solos, all splendidly rendered, both vocal and instrumental.

Miss Elma Kirk of Walla Walla, spent a few days in Athena visiting Will Miller's brother, Ed Miller of Union, is visiting at the Miller home. Green Eids, who went up to Alberta about 10 days ago, has returned home. He does not bring back very favorable news to landseekers, although they have had a very fine winter in that locality.

J. L. Snyder's brother, Charles Snyder of Modena, Mercer county, Missouri, arrived in this city the 11th. He is a carpenter by trade and expects to locate in Athena.

Mrs. Elcamp has been sick at her home for two weeks, and seems to be no better.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hodgson, March 15, a son.

M'KAY CREEK ITEMS. Two Months' Term of School to be Taught by Miss Keller.

McKay, March 20.—Miss Ruth Kiddler has returned from a visit to her uncle in the yellow fever country. The children of J. S. Wheeler, who have been quite sick, are recovering.

People are quite busy making gardens between showers. George B. Kiddler is making preparations to irrigate his land, as also are Messrs. Snyder and Crigger.

Miss Keller is teaching a two months' term of school in district 39, commencing last Monday. She took the place of Miss Sally Houston, retired.

The people of this vicinity would like to know what has become of the creamery promoters. Have they vanished?

Alex Gamble is "backing" on his lot, preparing it for next year's crop. The interest in the literary society is increasing. Their papers are good and interesting.

MUST BE DONE. Decision of Street Committee About Webb Street.

The matter of the improvement of Webb street is not yet in its grave and will again come to light at the next meeting of the council. The street committee have been considering the question and have decided to recommend to the council that the improvement be made as decided in the first instance, and the cost of the work be charged to the property owners.

This action will undoubtedly bring on a fight on the part of the owners of a part of the property along the street, and it is a question as to whether or not the committee and the council can compel the work to be done. If it is possible, however, the street will be graded and gravelled from one end to the other.

IMPORTANT DECISION. Hudson Bay Irrigation Co. Wins a Suit Involving Water Supply.

The well known case of D. E. Mobley et al., and the Little Walla Walla Irrigation Union vs. the Hudson Bay Irrigation Co., was up in the circuit court this afternoon.

The case was brought to enjoin the defendants from taking water from the Little Walla Walla river, the plaintiffs claiming that there was not enough for their use and that they had the priority right. The injunction was granted, but afterwards modified in that the defendants could take 3,000 inches of water from the ditch of the Little Walla Walla people, provided they would turn a like amount in above the place of tapping the plaintiffs' ditch by the defendants. By the time the defendants could take care of the water, however, the plaintiffs had

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turned in so much water that the defendants could not get 3,000 inches into the tunnel.

The judgment of the court was that since there was more water than was needed for the use of the plaintiffs, and since there was no reason why the defendant should not have the use of this water that on the present time until noon on the day of May 2 the Hudson Bay Irrigation Company should be allowed to use two-fifths of all the water flowing through the ditch of the plaintiff company at the point of diversion with the defendant company's ditch, upon the filing of a bond for \$1,000 by the defendant to cover any injury done to the ditch of the plaintiff.

All costs of any changes necessary in the property of the plaintiff are to be borne by the defendant, and in case of dispute as to the amount of water, it should be measured by the county surveyor. Halley & Lowell represent the Hudson Bay Company while the other side is represented by A. D. Stillman.

"INCORRIGIBLE." Cleveland Owens Has Been Returned to the Reform School.

N. H. Looney, the superintendent of the reform school, was in the city this morning the guest of the Hotel Hickory. Mr. Looney had come after Cleveland Owens, a boy who was paroled from the school about a year ago. He had been sent to the school from this county, and his good behavior had earned a parole. Since being out he has been working at Adams, and for Thomas Myers of this place. He became incorrigible and upon complaint being made he was again committed to the institution. Mr. Looney left this morning for Salem with the boy in charge.

Agents for Boers. Looking for Sites for Colonies in America.

Project to Colonize Mexico Fell Through on Account of Yellow Fever—Donald and Joubert Have Decided That Montana Offers the Best Unclaimed Natural Opportunities—Boers Hope for Ascendancy of Liberal Party in England.

Captain O'Donald, in speaking of the mission which brings him and his companion to this country, talks very interestingly of his history in South Africa and his people, the Boers.

He and General Joubert intend to settle in this country and have picked out Montana as their future home. They have traveled through the whole of the Western Continent and have not seen a country so favorable to their people as the Northwest. From Spokane down to and through Umatilla county is the best place, and he is all gone and for that reason the two travelers have picked on Montana as their future home, where there is now thought to be no other homes for the whole of the Boer race.

Soon after the war the party started from Africa to find a place where the Boers could make new homes for themselves, and a locality was chosen in Mexico, but after all plans had been made and the party had started, they were broken up and the project was abandoned. These men are therefore not the advance guards of an organized colony, but rather a group of individuals, and it is expected that by fall the Boers will begin to reach this country.

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MANGLED UNDER O. R. & N. TRAIN

DIED FROM INJURIES UPON REACHING LA GRANDE.

Partner of Dead Man Comes to Pendleton and Tells the Story—Is Now Held as Witness to Coroner's Inquest—Howard Was From Iowa, Where His Mother is Said to Be Rich—Was an Only Son of Widow—Left Home for the West a Month Ago.

Isaac Howard, a young man who was beating his way over the O. R. & N., fell from No. 5 this morning as the train was leaving Kama and was mangled under the wheels, dying shortly after reaching La Grande, to where he was taken after the accident occurred.

Young Howard, in company with Carlos Gibbs, left their homes at Union, Iowa, on the first day of March, intending to come to Washington, where Gibbs has relatives, and where they expected to secure work. Both of them are boys. Howard was 19 years of age yesterday, while Gibbs is about the same age.

The boys beat their way through to Kama, and boarded the train there to come on farther west. They were on the blind baggage, or the front end of the baggage car, when Howard suddenly slipped and fell under the wheels. Gibbs came on to Pendleton and told the depot people that his partner had fallen from the train, but the mangled body had been seen before that time and had been removed to La Grande, where he soon died.

Gibbs was taken in charge by the sheriff and is being held as a witness for the coroner's investigation. He is a young fellow of good appearance and is much broken over the fate of his friend. He tells that they both boarded the train at Kama and were riding side by side. They had hardly gotten out of the yards when Howard suddenly and with no apparent reason, slipped from the side of the car and fell under the wheels. The train was running by this time at so rapid a rate that Gibbs could not get off, and so was brought on to Pendleton, where he gave the alarm.

According to Gibbs' story, the two boys left home on the first of the month and have been since Sunday afternoon at the residence of his son, James A. Fee, in this city. The immediate cause of his death is believed to be a fall, but it is thought that he may have been superinduced by rheumatism. His last illness was very brief, he having been on the street for several days, and was suffering greatly with rheumatism, in very good health otherwise.

On Sunday morning while dressing to get up for his father, he was suddenly stricken with heart disease, and never regained consciousness, lingering until 2:30, when he died.

Owen William Fee was born in County Fermanagh, Ireland, on September 17, 1818, and came to New York in 1832, at the age of 14 years.

He resided in that state until 1842, when he came to the farthest west of the continent, settling in Wisconsin, where he was married in 1848. He remembered the present site of the city of Chicago as nothing but a village of log huts.

He worked in the lead mines of Wisconsin until 1865, when he removed to Central Iowa. In 1872 he came to California, settling in Washington in 1878, and from that state to Pendleton in 1884, where he has since resided. His wife died in 1890, leaving him a widow.

His family consists of seven children, two sons and five daughters, all of whom are living at this time except his daughter, Mrs. M. M. Shurt, of Judge James A. Fee and P. H. Fee of this city; the daughters are Mrs. Maggie Salisbury, of Reidsburg, Iowa; Mrs. Nellie Langtry, of Everett, Wash.; Mrs. Hattie Allen and Miss Carrie Fee, of Portland.

Mr. Fee was a rugged, hardy, honest pioneer of the sturdy type which has helped civilize and conquer every frontier of the United States. Coming to this country as a boy, the Emerald Isle, he was once pushed to the front of settlement in the wilds of the Great Lake region. When that country began to settle up he came to the Iowa prairie, then almost a wilderness, and later came with the advance guards of the Northwest, settling in the country which was attracting the widest attention.

Although 86 years of age, he had recently spoken of going to Alberta, Canada, the last lingering frontier on the North American continent. He was a kindly, genial, homeloving man, whose familiar presence will be missed by a large circle of friends.

Case of Black Tongue. Ripper lost a valuable horse yesterday morning to a Sunday school which died from what is known as "black tongue." This is an infectious disease and cattlemen had better look out. Mr. Ripper has taken every precaution against the spread of the disease, having thoroughly disinfected his premises.

From the papers we learn that the disease is prevalent in the Walla Walla and French countries, under the name of "dropsy," but Frank Spike, who is an authority on diseases of stock, has diagnosed it as "black tongue."—Echo News.

Bourne Miners Strike. Baker City, March 21.—The miners working in the E. & E. mine, near Bourne, have gone on a strike and have sent out notices to all union miners in the Northwest to stay away from that camp. The trouble arose over a compulsory boarding house, run by the mining company, at which it compelled all its employees to board, to which the union men objected. The union has taken up the grievance.

Robert B. Cuniff and Miss Annie Provo were married yesterday evening at the residence of E. Houser, in this city. Rev. G. W. Rigby officiating. Mr. Cuniff is a well known freeman on the O. R. & N. at La Grande and Miss Provo is a Pendleton girl. They will reside at La Grande.

Lomax, of Union. Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Lomax, of Union, are the guests of the Hotel St. George for a short visit in this city. Mr. Lomax is one of the prominent attorneys of Union county, and is in the city to attend to legal business.

Corn-Fed Cattle. John Greenlich was a visitor at Baker Mountain yesterday, where he bought a band of fine corn-fed cattle for his market.

Sugar Beet Culture. President Status and Prospects of This Year's Venture. E. W. McComas has returned from a trip to Echo and Switzlers Island,

FROM PENDLETON

AN EX-CONVICT HAS TROUBLE AT SALEM.

Simple-Minded Girl is at the Bottom of the Row and Causes a Fight Between Her Lover and Her Father—The Latter, Who Was Sent to the Penitentiary From Umatilla County, Prosecuted the Girl's Father for Assault and Battery.

News comes from Salem, of the prosecution of Jacob Ildewine, an old character of that city, by Lester Bell, an ex-convict, for assault and battery. Ildewine was dismissed on the motion of the prosecuting attorney.

The story is that Bell was paying attention to Dora Ildewine, the 16-year-old daughter of the old man, who had forbidden the ex-convict to state to come to the house. On last Thursday Bell accompanied the girl home from a Salvation Army meeting, and was invited into the house. When Ildewine found out who the visitor was, he ordered him from the premises and a fight ensued. The streets were a light scene.

At the trial on Saturday the old man told his story in court and was dismissed, the prosecuting attorney holding that he was justified in making an attempt to protect his home. At the close of the trial the old man pleaded with his daughter to return to her home with him, but she refused and left the court room in company with her mother and Bell.

Ildewine is an old resident of that city and a respected and industrious citizen. His wife is an epileptic and has for a long time been an inmate of a state hospital. He was considered one of the hardest patients to manage in the institution. She was recently released, but since the trial of Saturday has been returned. The daughter is a pretty girl of somewhat simple mind, and easily influenced.

Lester Bell was sent to the penitentiary from Umatilla county March 2, 1902, under a two and one-half year sentence for the larceny of a gold watch, two chains and a silk muffler from Elmer Hales. The crime was committed a short time prior to the March term of court in that year. He was indicted under the name of Calvin Lester, and was considered a hard character by the officers here.

MORROW REPUBLICANS. Instructed for J. N. Williamson and G. W. Phelps.

Heppner, March 21.—The republican county convention was held here on Saturday, when a full ticket was nominated, five delegates were elected to the state convention, instructed for J. N. Williamson for congress from this district, and resolutions endorsing President Roosevelt were adopted.

The five delegates to the state convention were elected by acclamation as follows: G. W. Phelps, Fred Wagoner, W. Morgan, John Williams and Mike Kenry.

G. W. Phelps was unanimously endorsed as a candidate for district attorney for the sixth judicial district, comprising Morrow and Umatilla counties.

The order of business was reversed from the usual order, the first order being the election of a ticket, which was nominated in the following order:

Coroner, Dr. A. Reid, of Ione; assessor, George Taylor, of Ione; sheriff, E. M. Shurt, of Griffing; treasurer, incumbent; commissioner, four-year term, J. D. French, of Lena; surveyor, D. V. S. Reid, of Heppner; school superintendent, E. Jay Merrill, of Hardman; assessor, W. S. Connor, of Ione; clerk, Vawter Crawford, of Heppner; county judge, George J. Church, of Heppner. E. L. Freedland was elected chairman of the county central committee.

WADE ESTATE. Many Valuations Nominal, Probematically, or at Zero.

Thomas Thompson, George Peringer and Lee Moorhouse have completed their task as appraisers of the estate of C. B. Wade, and T. C. Taylor, the trustee, is now engaged in backing up the work and preparing the report which will be submitted to the referee in bankruptcy, Thomas Fitz Gerald, some time during the month.

It is impossible at this time to tell the exact valuation of the estate, as none of the furnishings has been done, but it will not be as great as expected.

Of the mining stocks held by Wade a great many were no counts in the appraisal, all as they have no value. Others were held at a small amount. The Houser mine, or as it is incorporated, the Standard Gold and Copper Mining Company, received the best notice, its stock being valued at 1 cent a share. It has placed at this figure, because the management of the mine is doing business and is paying expenses.

The Golconda stock was appraised at 16 cents a share. The board was up against it when it began the consideration of the Golconda stock, for it is tangled up with the mine in mortgages, and other obligations until its value is a matter of chance. If the management so desire, the stock could be forced down to nothing, or tied up until nothing could be gotten out of it at a sale.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS. Republicans Meet Tomorrow, Democrat Wednesday.

The republican county central committee will meet at the court house Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, for the purpose of fixing the date of the primaries and starting the ball rolling in general.

On the next day at 2 o'clock in the afternoon the democratic county central committee will meet in the place held sacred by their republican brethren and proceed to do the same thing for their party that was done for the other side of the question on Tuesday afternoon. The date of the primary will be set and the basis of representation will be fixed for the conventions.

Freewater Place Sold. Rebecca J. Manela has sold to D. Birdsell for \$1,500, three and a half acres of land in the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 1 in township 6, north of range 35 east, being in the vicinity of Freewater.

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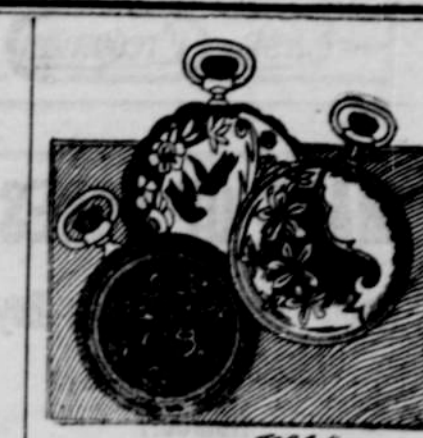
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