

BREVITIES

Mrs. A. J. Starmer has returned from a two weeks' sojourn at Wingville, Oregon.

Miss Mabel Colvin is spending the Thanksgiving holidays at her home in Haines, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Price were dinner guests Sunday at the Frank Price home on Normal Heights.

Mrs. Lillian Fredericks was a guest Thanksgiving day at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. C. Whiteman, in Pendleton.

Apples for sale—Extra good culls, good keepers, any amount; ¼ mile east of Cobb station on the Interurban. B. F. Haley, Freewater, Or.

Z. A. Langdale, representing Neil & Barker, Maxwell dealers of Pendleton, was in town the first of the week demonstrating one of their Post-War Maxwells. Zane says that this nifty car has added to Maxwell popularity, and that three sales were made by the firm last week.

A service appropriate to Thanksgiving season was held during the Sunday school hour at the M. E. Church, South, Sunday morning. Miss Edna Hollenbeck's class were responsible for the artistic decorations, embracing autumn foliage, corn fodder, pumpkins and bright red apples.

A deal has been completed by which J. A. Lumsden is in charge as proprietor of the Weston Mills and Jos Hodgson becomes the owner of a band of sheep in the Hudson Bay region. Mr. Hodgson is now principally devoting himself to his interests at Prospect farm, where he is seeding 700 acres.

Roy Lieuallen has finished digging his spud crop on Reed and Hawley mountain, and reports his yield and that of neighbors to have been around 50 sacks to the acre. Roy has about 90 acres of grain seeded and says it looks well. He has rented additional land, and will try summer fallowing hereafter on the mountain.

The Bachelor Girls were entertained last Monday evening by Miss Frank Harris Davis at the home of Mrs. Lillian Fredericks. The spice of life was embodied in the merry conversation and jokes and jolly reminiscences which caused the time to swiftly pass. Unique refreshments were served at a late hour by the hostess, bringing to a close a most delightful affair.

A very generous donation to the Memorial Hall furnishings, consisting of white enamel-ware kitchen utensils, was received last week from Jones & Jones. The Weston Mercantile Company contributed a liberal supply of Johnson porcelain, and an aluminum roaster was the gift of H. A. Brandt. A cabinet organ in excellent condition was received from L. I. O'Harra. The generosity of the donors is very much appreciated.

Friday evening of last week the congregation of the United Brethren Church held a reception in the church parlors, honoring their new minister, Rev. Mark O. Phinney, and family. A spirit of optimism and good cheer prevailed, tending to bring the pastor and people into friendly relationship. Welcoming addresses were delivered on behalf of the church membership, the Sunday school, Woman's Society, Commercial Club and the Saturday Afternoon Club. Several pleasing program numbers were then given, after which appetizing refreshments were served by the Ladies' Aid Society. Rev. Phinney is already taking an active part in civic affairs, and is heartily welcomed by the citizens of Weston and vicinity.

Market Day Yields \$200

Memorial Hall presented a gala appearance Saturday afternoon and evening during the progress of the Thanksgiving Market sponsored by the Saturday Afternoon Club. The various booths featuring cooked food, pantry supplies, fruits, meats, vegetables and fancy articles were artistically designed, exciting much attention and admiration. The tea room decorations were quite elaborate, being Japanese in character. Three young maids of Nippon, impersonated by Misses Maxine Culley, Evelyn Sowers and Louise Porter, dressed in oriental fashion, gracefully served the guests who sought refreshment.

A crowd of visitors continually frequented the cider and doughnut stand, especially when Joe Hodgson acted as "spieler" for the same.

Popcorn and cracker-jack were dispensed in surprising quantities by Gail Williams, Maynard Jones, Eldon McIntyre and Dick DeMoss.

Following the motion picture entertainment in the evening, an auction sale was held to dispose of articles remaining unsold, F. G. Lucas acting as auctioneer.

A large crowd attended the festivities and the spirit of friendly co-op-

eration in community interests was most noticeable.

The response of the community in donating supplies was very gratifying and fully appreciated by those who had the affair in charge. About \$200 was realized and will be applied toward equipping the hall kitchen.

Legion Post is Launched

Athena-Weston Post of the American Legion was auspiciously launched Monday evening at the meeting in Memorial hall in Weston. Thirty or more members signed the roll.

Temporary organization was effected with the election of the following officers:

Herman E. O'Harra, chairman; A. H. Miller, vice chairman; Leon Lundell, secretary; Sidney A. Barnes, treasurer.

The following were chosen as a temporary executive committee: L. A. Blomgren, Allie Bell, Curran McFadden, Dr. C. H. Smith, Dr. N. P. Bennet.

Permanent organization will be effected at a meeting in Athena Monday evening, December 8, at which time it is expected the charter will have been received.

Pendleton post sent a delegation of fifteen enthusiastic legion men to the Weston meeting. Stirring addresses were made by Harold J. Warner, Dr. Fred Lieuallen and others of the Pendleton party.

For the present it is planned to hold alternate meetings in Athena and Weston.

Joe Key Buys More Land

J. H. Key, leading East End farmer, lately took on another chunk of soil—about 135 acres of the J. M. Swaggart quarter on the east side of the road, in the LaMar gulch neighborhood.

The tract adjoins Mr. Key's fine wheat ranch in the same locality and enlarges it to nearly a section. He paid \$28,500 for his new acquisition.

Joe Key came to Umatilla county in early years from North Carolina to seek his fortune, and found it in land. First, however, he worked in Nelson's brickyard at Weston at \$1.50 a day. Patience and industry were gradually rewarded, and his savings and profits were invested from time to time in land until now he is the owner of 1040 acres of the best soil in the best part of the best county in the state.

Mr. Key is said to have refused a price of approximately \$300 an acre for his home place of 300 acres just east of Weston.

The Crop Situation

Inspection of the grain fields in this section of the Umatilla wheat belt reveals a far different status of growing conditions as compared with the month of November last year. At that period the grain was well through the ground and growing rankly, and until the winter freeze came on and reduced the stand in the fields sown to red chaff the best prospect in years was in evidence.

At present but little grain shows through the ground, and then only in struggling spears, the remainder

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having sprouted underneath a firm crust. Many growers are resorting to harrowing in order to break the crust so that the plant may push through.

So far as examination has been made, it is found that the grain has sprouted well, with plenty of moisture to insure a good stand should cold weather not set in too soon and the surface crust of the soil be broken up.

Funerals of Pendleton Men.

The funeral of the late George E. Peringer, who was murdered at Claremont Tavern, Portland, Friday night, was held in Portland Monday afternoon, following which the body was cremated at Portland Crematorium. The body of J. N. Burgess was brought to Pendleton Tuesday evening and the funeral was held from the Episcopal Church Wednesday afternoon.

If a sufficient number of turkeys can be secured for the event, the Athena gun club purposes holding a shooting match on Sunday, December 21. A general invitation to the gun clubs of the county will be extended and a large number of scattergun experts are expected to attend. The club grounds north of the Standard Oil plant will be improved by the acquisition of a club house, which will be ready in a few days.

A Pre-Holiday Sale

Monday, Dec. 1st, to Saturday, Dec. 6th

In order to make room for our mammoth stock of HOLIDAY GOODS now en route we are placing on special sale thousands of odds and ends from the season's selling. For the full week our store will be a carnival of bargains for your inspection. Many of

the goods are offered at less than the cost of manufacture, but we follow the rule of our store that all merchandise must move, so in spite of constantly advancing prices we offer rare bargains in choice merchandise for cash. Below are only a few:

MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING REDUCED

TO CLOSE OUT ONE HUNDRED BOYS' and YOUNG MEN'S SUITS

These are marked all out of reason in comparison to the present cost prices of these suits. All are serviceable, well-made suits, mostly short pants, some long, and a few young men's suits. These were bought some time ago and we offer them at less than the bare cost of the material; but they are to be closed out and this time the price will do it. There are scarcely any two alike and happy will be the boy fitted to one of these sturdy suits. Priced from \$5.00 to \$15.00. The same quality suits are selling the country

over from \$12.00 to \$30.00. It will pay you to look into these bargains.

MEN'S WOOL SOX

Through a very fortunate purchase we are able to offer about twenty dozen men's natural wool cashmere sox. These are very serviceable as well as warm and comfortable. Usually selling at 75c, but for this special we put them out at only 43c the pair.

50 Pairs of BOYS' KNEE PANTS to Close Out at 49c the Pair

A complete assortment of sizes from 7 to 15 years. Remarkable values, but they go at, the pair, 49c.

MEN'S HATS

BIG SALE OF MEN'S HATS AT LESS THAN THE COST TO MANUFACTURE

One hundred hats of the best quality. Because they are odds and ends and broken lines, we are selling these hats at this price. To replace this same

\$2.39

quality would cost almost twice what we are asking. But our motto is to keep our stock full of crisp new merchandise and to make room for new goods; and to give you a real surprise we offer the entire lot for \$2.39, your choice.

REMARKABLE NEW ASSORTMENT of CHINA AND JAP WARE

We are unpacking and placing on sale tables the most remarkable assortment of China and Jap wear ever shown in Weston. Thousands of pieces—tea sets, all manner of shaped novel-

ty assortments, sug and creamer sets in no end of variety; chocolate sets, fern dishes, berry sets, salad sets and many novelties not mentioned. These are suitable for holiday gifts and are on display, priced surprisingly low.

COATS, SUITS, DRESSES, MILLINERY, LINENS, BLANKETS, ETC.

LADIES' COATS

ONE THIRD LESS—WHY HESITATE NOW?

We have left in our stock about 20 coats. These are the very choicest garments—coats of soft and velvety woollens, the beautiful Silvertones, fur trimmed plushes and velours—are among those presented in this magnificent offering.

ALL CHILDREN'S COATS AT ONE-THIRD OFF

A splendid assortment of heavy kerseys with big comfy collars; trimmed in belts and buttons; any little girl would be happy in one of these. Sizes 8 to 16 years.

CHILDREN'S HOSE at 29c

In spite of the constantly advancing prices, here is a real bargain—a good, serviceable hose selling regularly for 40c, but for this week's special only 29c the pair.

SNOWY LINENS

We cannot go into this detail further than to mention assortments of dainty fancy articles for your table; rich, snowy linens; beautiful embroidered sets, cloth and napkin sets to match for both round and square tables, both pure linen and heavy mercerized—all arrayed for special sale this week at prices less than you had expected to pay.

TOWELS AT 39c

25 dozen bath towels, full size, made from good quality terry cloth, worth regularly 45c, now 39c.

MILLINERY for One-Half the Former Price

In all about three dozen trimmed hats that must be disposed of. Some of them have just been received. All are splendid style—smart, dressy creations that will delight the wearer. They are on display and will be closed out.

LADIES' SHOES AT \$3.59

Shoes are constantly going up in price but we can still save you money on this assortment. All ladies' shoes, all good and serviceable; well made; some patent leathers, some heavy gun metal; most sizes; the whole lot, about 100 pairs only, while they last, \$3.59.

WOMEN'S HOUSE DRESSES

\$1.00, \$1.50, \$1.65, \$2.00, \$3.00 and \$5.75

Dainty checks, stripes and floral patterns, and daring plaids of unusually good ginghams and percales. Sleeves are full length or three-quarter, Necks V or round. Fancy collars and cuffs and large pockets trimmed with banding, and touches of hand embroidery, make these extra size frocks dainty and feminine as well as practical.

BLANKETS FOR BATHROBES

Make your selection now while the stock is complete, for his or her Xmas bathrobe; packed one in box, cords to match, \$3.50 to \$6.50.

HEAVY COATINGS

The real coating material so much in demand—silvertones, kersey kittens' ears—the new cloths for women's and children's coats; we have them, \$3.50 to \$8.00 yard, 54 inches.

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