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Fruit Land for Sale.
I have for sale two small fruit farms; one consisting of six acres all planted to fruit, price \$800; one containing 10 acres, mostly graded and partly planted to strawberries—one of the most desirable tracts in the vicinity of Milton; price \$1000, part cash, remainder on time. The water privileges on both are unquestionable and the supply abundant. These prices are one-third below what the land would have sold for last spring. Circumstances are such that this land must be sold, and those who desire to avail themselves of this unusual opportunity must call soon. I will esteem it a favor if my friends will interest themselves so far as to call the attention of prospective purchasers to these offers.

EMESLEY RIDENOUR.
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MOST PERFECT MADE.
A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.
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Heavy Shipments to Omaha.

Two train loads of miscellaneous products left La Grande last week for the Omaha market. Headed by F. D. McCully a combination has been made by some of the principal stockmen and others, and as a result about forty carloads of this section will go to Omaha, says the La Grande Chronicle. Included in the shipment McCully & Co. will send ten carloads of cattle, five cars of hogs and two of apples. H. P. Stewart will send ten cars of cattle; L. Ferguson, six of cattle. At Baker City the shipment will be increased by about nine cars of cattle shipped by Palmer & Weller and other Powder river stockmen. The first train started Thursday and the other followed Friday. The five carloads of hogs will be the first shipment of this kind of stock to go to Omaha from this section. The probabilities are that some of these same hogs will come back next spring in the form of Omaha bacon, but this is a matter that neither the shippers nor the Omaha people are responsible for, but it suggests the need of a packing establishment in this section.

Mel Peterson Arrested.

Constable Mark Sturdivant, of Pilot Rock, says the E. O. came to Pendleton Saturday afternoon with a warrant for the arrest of Mel Peterson, whom he found after an hour or two's search, and escorted back to the Rock. Reports are that Mel's domestic relations are not altogether peaceful, and that he lately relieved his feelings by smashing up the furniture in his household. This hasty and ill-advised exhibition of temper has occasioned his arrest. He is charged with malicious injury to personal property. It is related that Peterson cut to pieces some of his children's clothing, wreaked similar vengeance on the family album and smashed a stove. While in Pendleton he seems to have repented of his freak and bought some clothes for his children to replace those destroyed.

A Narrow Escape.

Walter B. Peacock, of Albany, Oregon, went home with his mother after a visit to friends the other evening and found his house filled with the odor of chloroform. His mother was overcome by the fumes and fainted. It is thought that the deadly drug had been injected through the keyhole, evidently with a syringe, and no doubt with the insane idea that the inmates could be overcome for the purpose of murder or robbery, or both. Suspicion points to the party who committed the deed.

Saturday evening the freight train between Pendleton and Walla Walla ran into a band of horses at John Ferguson's place a mile and a half this side of Adams, killing four of them. The horses were the property of Mr. Ferguson. A gory spectacle was presented at the scene of the accident.

If you feel all broke up and out of sorts agitate your liver with Simmons Liver Regulator.

Council Meeting.

The city fathers met Monday evening at the office of Recorder Gilman. There were present Mayor Hollis, Councilmen Bloch, Barrett and Spencer. There was but little business to come up except the consideration of bills. Councilman Spencer brought up the matter of keeping the sewers open. It was the opinion of all that it was the duty of the marshal to see to this matter.

The Treasurer and Recorder were instructed to bring in their report of the city's finances at the next meeting.

It was decided to retain Hugh Thompson as night-watch for another month.
The following bills were allowed:
Sharp & King \$ 7.50
S. F. Sharp 2.00
Hansell & Maloney 4.20
Wm Metsker 1.00
Lewis Estes 1.00
H. L. Thompson 62.46
J. C. Stamper 60.00
The bill of Andrew Nelson for \$5.75 was referred to the finance committee. S. F. Sharp's bill was referred to the marshal for collection, and one of the Athens Truck Co. was referred to the marshal for approval.

Another New Bridge.

Alliance Herald: People residing east of the court house are talking of building a bridge over or around W. T. Byers' sidewalk. The sidewalk is impassable when it rains—and it rains all the time. The estimated cost of the new bridge is only \$7,000, and it is proposed to ask the county court to issue script for that amount to the contractors. The bridge will benefit the entire county. Several grangers, from the vicinity of Milton, who have mysteriously disappeared recently, are supposed to have drowned in some of the lakes of the sidewalk in question, and it is thought the only way to prevent other mysterious disappearances is to build the proposed bridge.

His Friends Were Near.

One night last week a young man staggered into a Spokane saloon overcome with fatigue and the ravages of a fever. Four days after he died at the hospital, thinking there was no one nearer than Minneapolis whom he could call on for help. After his death a telegram was sent to his father in Minneapolis, when it was learned that a brother and sister were living in Spokane, the brother being employed on the Spokane Falls & Northern railroad, and the sister being married and residing with her husband in Spokane. Neither knew their brother was sick until their father telegraphed them from the east the news of his death.

Reward.

\$50 reward will be given for the arrest and conviction of the parties who rang the Athens fire bell Tuesday night Dec. 5th.
By order of Fire Department

W. A. Sample chairman of the peoples party Central Committee, was in the city Saturday.

Local News.

When the autumn winds grow chilly and when vegetation dies there is one great satisfaction—we get even with the flies.

J. Bloch & Co. sell groceries lower than anyone for cash.

Ladies cloaks, complete assortment at manufacturers cost, at J. Bloch & Co.

You don't need to continue dosing with Simmons Liver Regulator. A dose a day.

The band boys will give a concert at the M. E. Church Friday evening, Dec. 15.

If you need clothing for yourself and boys go to J. Bloch & Co., they are selling at sacrifice.

T. F. Rourke and family have returned to Pendleton from an extended stay in the east.

The great vegetable substitute for pills is Simmons Liver Regulator. Cures sick headache.

Arrangements are now made by which the best Rock Spring Coal can be now had at the U. P. Depot at \$9 per ton.

Jesse Smetherman last week bought out his partner, Mr. Foster, in the livery stable, and is now sole proprietor of the business.

A much needed improvement in the form of a cross walk was put in this week across Third street between C. W. Hollis' and the corner saloon.

The C. A. Barrett Co., are closing out their line of superior drills and seeders, and will sell the same at greatly reduced prices. Now is your time to buy a seeder.

John Fraser was in the city Monday. He is still with the bridge crew of the W. & C. R., which is at present located at Vanaville. John talks of going east to spend the winter.

Long Creek Eagle: The crippled child of A. Ladd, whose limb was set by Dr. Carlisle, had to have its leg reset. Dr. Crockett was called and the little fellow is getting along very nicely.

J. Bloch & Co. have just received a large stock of ladies' and Misses' cloaks and jackets, of the latest designs, and are selling them very cheap. See them before purchasing for the fall and winter.

Owing to hard times the C. A. Barrett Co., will offer a special inducement to cash customers. They still have a full line of hardware, stoves and tinware, also very low prices in Plows, Harrows, Seeders and Drills. We will not be undersold. Special prices in Wagons and Hacks.

E. O. District Attorney Hyde was in town Sunday looking after business connected with his office. He reports Baker as reasonably prosperous. There have been no attachments or failures over there as yet to indicate the presence of hard times, and business suffers no depression. Baker City is to be envied.

Justice Gilman performed the marriage ceremony uniting Frank McIntyre and Mary Guyette as husband and wife last Monday. The parties came from the reservation near Adams, last Friday, and the groom enjoyed the hospitality of the Athens "cooler" for two days before they were married.

The members of the Alliance in the Banks district north of town have organized a literary society. They will discuss the question, "Should capital punishment be abolished," at their meeting tomorrow night. None but members of the Alliance are allowed to attend.

Hepburn Record: J. B. Sperry is fattening about 100 head of hogs and also some cattle on damaged wheat. He is making a test of just how much grain it takes to fatten a hog and will thus demonstrate how much profit there is in feeding wheat to hogs at its present low price. He thinks his wheat will bring between sixty and seventy cents a bushel at present price of pork.

A real backwoodsman, born and bred in the Vermont hills, was lately taken by a relative into the heart of Boston culture. She was taken to lecture on every "ism" and "ology" to talks on dress reform and exhibition, on model-living. And one night, as the poor old soul was trudging up stairs to bed, she was heard to soliloquize: "No hell, no flannel petticoats! What's a body goin' to do?"

Moro Observer: A report was circulated that the three men who robbed the Milton bank were seen in Sherman county this week and Sheriff Leslie was out hunting them up, but after tracking them as far as Frank Fulton's place, he found they were not the guilty parties. The three men in question had merely come into the county to buy some cattle of Frank Fulton, who assured the sheriff that they were not the ones he wanted. It is stated that the robbers are still in Umatilla county, where no doubt they will soon be captured if they have not already been taken.

See the new N. Y. Aristo photoes \$3 per dozen for the next thirty days, at Watt's.

Those indebted to P. M. Kirkland would confer a great favor by settling the same.

Mr. John Gerking is over from Long Valley, Idaho, visiting relatives in this section.

No one ever tried Simmons Liver Regulator without being satisfied with its effect.

The first sleigh of the season ventured through the streets of Long Creek Tuesday morning.

Parties desiring pasture for stock should call on or address, R. E. Stewart, Athena, Oregon.

Why suffer from indigestion and dyspepsia? Simmons Liver Regulator is pleasant and cures.

E. Liston, one of Umatilla counties successful teachers spent Saturday with friends in Athena.

Parties desiring a good farm at a low price and easy terms, will do well to call at the Athena Press office for particulars.

Miss Mae Hurd and her uncle Mr. Taylor left last week to visit relatives in California. She expects to be gone a year.

Wood! Wood! Wood! 1200 cords 4 foot dry pine and mixed wood for sale at \$4.00 per cord. C. W. HOLLIS.

The La Grande Chronicle says W. A. Messner a grocerman of that city, has skipped out leaving numerous creditors to mourn his departure.

Athena can well boast of having a first class jeweler, H. H. Hill. He understands the anatomy of a watch "to a T," and his work always gives satisfaction.

Robt. Willchen who went east last spring with a band of horses, returned one day last week. He reports stock very low in the section where he was.

The chief of police of Baker City has given warning that he will arrest all minors found in saloons, and will also arrest the proprietors who allow them in their saloons.

Choice garden land and fruit tracts for sale, or will exchange for A. 1 wheat land. Call on or address, Smith Armstrong, Milton, Oregon, who can suit you in place and price.

J. N. B. Gerking, who got excused from service as juror in the United States Circuit Court at Portland until December 6th to allow him to come up home and attend to urgent business, returned to Portland Tuesday.

In the neighborhood of Deer Creek, Josephine county, the ground is still too dry for plowing. It is different here in Umatilla county, notwithstanding the fact that it has the reputation of being a dry county.

A. M. Page of South Dakota arrived in Athena Sunday, and reports being in a snow blockade twenty-four hours while on his way. He is at present stopping with his brother-in-law, Jarvis Hurd.

Portland Welcome: If we felt like indulging in a bit of republican idiocy we would say: The people wanted a "change"—and got it, with a big C. But where's the good times that were to follow? It is twelve days since the change was effected.

Extract from a new novel: "Stand where you are, Reginald deCoursey! Advance one step nearer and I will tell you what I saw at the world's fair!" "Foiled again!" hissed the villain, as he faded from view.—Philadelphia Record.

Dr. G. W. King performed rather a delicate surgical operation on G. C. Osburn Sunday, in relieving a part of the soft palate from the back part of the mouth near the throat. Osburn is suffering from pharyngitis, and the doctor found it necessary to perform the operation to relieve him.

W. C. Reeder and family of Riverville, Wash., are visiting his mother in this city. He reports that the farmers of his section were more fortunate than in other parts of Washington. They had good crops and had them harvested before they were damaged by the rain.

"The editor is sick, the 'devil' is cross, the type has been 'pied,' the composing rules have been misplaced, the scissors lost, the tramp printer gave us the 'G. B.' our paper came late and was marked C. O. D.," says a Texas editor. Consequently we are all out of 'whac,' and behind time, darn it all, and if you feel like cussin' us, just wait till the fightin' editor gets in better shape."

Elgin Recorder: I. W. Miller claims to have received a photograph which very much resembles his missing child Alma Gladys who was lost a year ago last September. Your correspondent has been unable to learn where the photograph came from, and as Mr. Miller has gone to La Grande to telegraph concerning the matter, can not find out until his return.

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EVERY PAIR GUARANTEED.
ADDRESS SAN FRANCISCO CAL.

Arrangements are now made by which the best Rock Spring Coal can now be had at the U. P. Depot at \$9 per ton.

The parties who took the rope off the Hook & Ladder truck, had better replace the same before they get into trouble.

At the next meeting, Saturday the 16th, Dolph Lodge A. F. & A. M. will elect officers. A full attendance is desired.

A. D. Gilleland, who has for some time been in the employ of C. H. Dodd & Co. at this place, left yesterday for Denver, Colorado.

Christmas is now near at hand and if Athena expects to celebrate the event with a tree, preparations should at once be made to insure success.

In a private letter received from P. Maxwell he states that he expects to be back soon "as sound as a dollar." He asked to be remembered to the boys.

J. B. Perry and Wm. Parsons of Pendleton, A. B. Stanley of Echo, Mr. Daurey of Milton, Geo. Carmichael of Weston N. B. Davidson of Mountain were in town Saturday attending the peoples party meeting.

Mrs. Gorman returned the first of the week from an extended visit to relatives in Iowa. When she left there, winter had begun in earnest and sleighing was fine, quite a contrast to our warm weather and green fields.

Cap. Eli lectured last Friday and Saturday evening at the Christian Church on the "Wonders of the Deep." His lectures were quite instructive, and were interspersed with amusing anecdotes. He had a fair sized crowd both evenings.

Mr. Henry Howard, a young man of Walla Walla, was attacked in his room one morning last week, and severely beaten about the head. He finally fled from his assailants, gave the alarm, and his room mate was arrested on suspicion.

The fight going on in Baker City between the tinhorn gamblers has given the public a good expose of their crooked practices in that town, and it should be a warning to those persons who have been contributing regularly to the tinhorn's support.

L. B. Reeder formerly a resident of this place, but now prosecuting attorney of Stevens county, Wash. his lately entered the field of journalism, having assumed the editorship of Stevens County Standard, a weekly published at Colville, Washington. We extend a hearty welcome, and predict a prosperous future to the Standard.

The committee appointed to look after the Lee street bridge matter met in Athena last Saturday, but as they had not heard from all the attorneys to whom they had written, concluded to await their answer before taking any action. Considerable money has been subscribed to pay the expenses of the suit, and the committee say the matter will be thoroughly tested.

In talking with some of the leading men of the peoples party, we learn the following parties are favorably spoken of as possible candidates for the election (in June: governor, Nathan Pierce of Milton; State Senator W. A. Sample of Helix; recorder A. B. Stanly of Echo; assessor, J. B. Perry of Pendleton.

About 12 o'clock Tuesday night, some miscreant rang the fire bell, and soon a good part of the inhabitants of the city were on the streets ready to do battle with the fire-bend. But there was no fire. It was a false alarm. In the mean time the worthless cuss who had given the alarm had disappeared. If it can be found out who he was, he will be punished to the full extent of the law.

Married.
At the residence of the bride's parents, Wednesday Dec. 6th. Miss Minnie Johnson to Mr. Wade H. Boober, Dr. I. N. Richardson officiating. Just at high noon, the bridal couple, preceded by the officiating minister, entered the parlor, where the short marriage ceremony was performed in the presence of a number of friends who were invited to witness the same.

After the happy couple had received the congratulations of friends, all repaired to the dining room where a sumptuous dinner was served as one could desire to eat. Mr. and Mrs. Boober are both well and favorably known, and their many friends join in wishing them every blessing.
The PRESS one year for \$1.50.

TEACHERS IN SESSION.

Proceedings of the Institute—List of Teachers Enrolled.
From the Weston Leader we take the following report of the Teachers Institute held in that city, last week: The Annual County Teachers' Institute opened Monday afternoon, Nov. 27, in this place under the supervision of Supt. Woodruff and has continued in session during the week.

Notwithstanding the hard times one hundred and forty names have been enrolled, which certainly proves the enthusiasm and energy of the teachers of our county.

The session opened with a paper on Geography by Mr. Davis of Adams, and the rest of the afternoon was occupied by Prof. Royal who gave a very interesting and instructive talk upon the manner in which a recitation should be conducted. The primary division was instructed in history, arithmetic and geography by Profs. Talkington, VanWinkle and German.

The advanced division was given talks on psychology by Prof. Royal, arithmetic by Prof. Van Winkle and penmanship by Miss Cohen from Pendleton.

Mr. Draper, from Pendleton, enlivened the work of the morning by conducting a class in Physical Culture.

During the afternoon special instructions were given in reading by Prof. Ackerman who had arrived from Portland, and the other classes were carried on by the various teachers. Some very interesting talks on the usually dry subject of orthography were given by Mr. Sikes of Milton.

Wednesday morning the work was begun with some excellent remarks by Mr. Leatherman on the "Relation of the Principal to his Assistants."

During the day Miss Taylor, of Athena, illustrated methods of teaching primary number work with a model class.

She also gave a valuable talk upon "Busy Work," and made it very practical by displaying some good work done by her pupils, which was much appreciated by the primary teachers.

The work was omitted Thursday forenoon, and the teachers given an opportunity to attend the Thanksgiving services, held in the United Brethren church, where an able sermon was preached by Rev. Eakin.

Thursday afternoon the usual work was resumed by Prof. Ackerman, who gave instructions in geography and language.

The Committee Meets.

Members of the Peoples party county committee met at the office of G. W. King of this city last Saturday to consider the plan of action to be pursued in getting their forces in shape for the next election. A committee of eight was appointed to organize peoples party clubs in every school district. It is the intention for the members of this committee to thoroughly canvass the county and form clubs. None will be admitted unless they agree to endorse the Omaha platform, and only members of these clubs will be allowed to act as delegates to the peoples party county committee. It is the intention of the leaders of the peoples party to nominate no one for office but who is known to be honorable and upright, and who is well qualified for the office and who is thoroughly in accord with the peoples party principles.

In the Palouse Country.

Long Creek Eagle: Mr. Keeler H. Gabbert, a member of the typo fraternity, late from the Palouse country, arrived from Pendleton early this week on a visit with his uncle D. G. Browning, of this valley. While in the city Tuesday, this office was the recipient of a pleasant call. In speaking of the Palouse country, he says the condition of affairs is frightful. Business is at a standstill, and many farms have assigned, being unable to tide through. A large per cent of the acreage of wheat in that country remains unharvested, owing to the rainy weather, which helped to make times much harder than they otherwise would have been.

Mrs. C. L. Robinson who has lived in Athena for the past year, and who has been suffering for some time, has become insane, and will be taken to the asylum at Salem today. Dr. Moffitt, the attending physician informs the reporter that she is suffering from softening of the brain.
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