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## ATHENA MERCANTILE COMPANY

**Now on Exhibition:**

The most varied and best selected stock of useful and fashionable merchandise ever shown in Umatilla county. The latest improved Novelties in all wool Suitings, Knickerbockers, Prunella Cloths, Fancy Zebelines, Etamines, Albatross, Cashmeres and Serges. Wash Dress

**Goods & Waistings**

Particular attention is called to this line. We simply have little of everything in desirable, high grade new weaves. The variety is amazing. A lady need have no fear of there being a livery of any of these fine novelties, as there are no two lengths alike and dozens to select from. All colors all patterns in Soisettes, mercerized Madrass, linen finished Zephyrs, mercerized Zephyrs, Silk tissues, lace striped Jonquils, Jacquard Embroideries, Khari cloths, Mercerized Etamines, Oxford Soleil, Madras Raye, Mercerized Grass. They must be seen to be fully appreciated. In addition, we are showing a large line of medium or

**Of Every Day Goods**

that everybody wants. Pay us a visit. It will cost you nothing and very likely save you money, as we are underselling the large cities. We want your trade and we appreciate the fact that the way to get it is to give you better values than others offer.

**New Arrivals for the Ladies.**  
 New Silks  
 New Velvets  
 New Suitings  
 New Waistings  
 New Laces  
 New Gloves  
 New Ribbons  
 New Allovers  
 New Appliques  
 New Lawns  
 New Percales  
 New Prints  
 New Embroideries  
 New Gingham

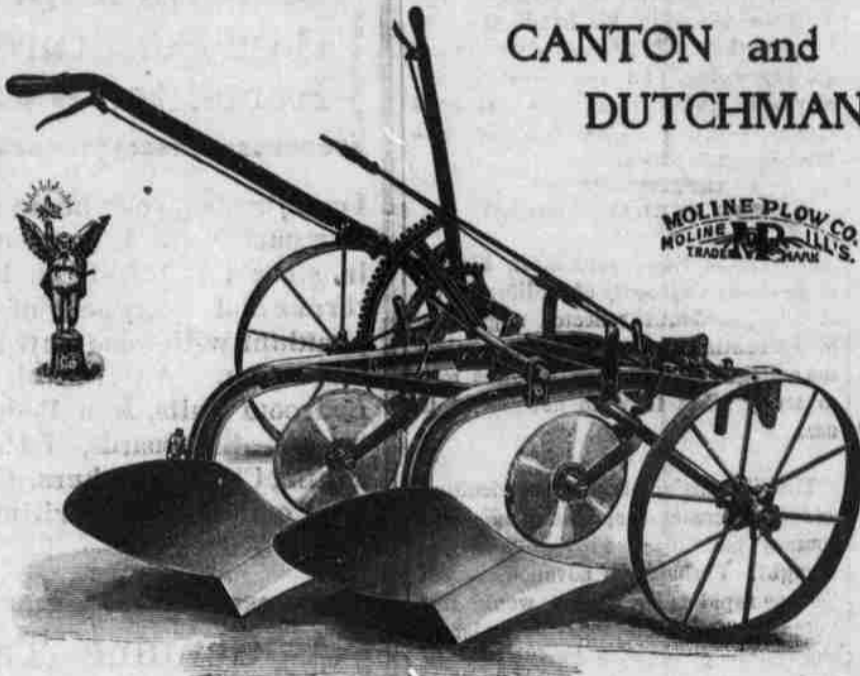
**New Arrivals for Gentlemen**  
 New Spring Suits  
 New Double Breasted Three-button Sack Coats  
 New Golf Suits  
 New Soft Hats  
 New Dress Shoes  
 New Work Shoes  
 New Dress Shirts  
 New Work Shirts  
 New Spring Underwear  
 New Socks, all Colors  
 New Neckwear  
 New Dress Gloves  
 New Work Gloves

Our prices are always the lowest on Groceries. Get them before buying

## THE UMATILLA IMPLEMENT CO.

PENDLETON, ATHENA, HELIX.

**CANTON and DUTCHMAN Gangs, Sulky and Walking Plows**



**SUPERIOR DRILLS, BAIN and FISH WAGONS, BARB and WOVEN WIRE FENCING.**

We have just received a car of Barb and Woven Wire Fencing. Get our prices before buying

## The Umatilla Implement Co.

## Shick & Company

Groceries, Crockery and Gents' Furnishings  
 Sole Agents for Snow Drift Flour and the National Biscuit Co. Goods

We take this means of announcing to our many customers that beginning with Monday, March 23, we

# Inaugurated Our Own System of Delivery

thereby insuring our customer of prompt delivery. Phone us in your order and let us show you how quickly we can deliver it for you.

| New Spring Lines  | Monopole Syrup  | Sweet Goods   |
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| of Gents' Furnishings are arriving daily. We are showing the very latest styles and patterns in men's Negligee and Golf Shirts. Also a swell line of Neckwear—positively the latest things out. Come in and look them over before purchasing your spring furnishings. | Have you ever tried Monopole Syrup? It is a pure sugar syrup that is making more friends than any other like goods on the market. We are introducing it at the following price:<br>One gal. . . . . 95c<br>One-half gal. . . . . 50c<br>Don't forget the name "MONOPOLE." A new barrel of Hienz Pickles just arrived. The qt. 15c | We recently closed a contract with the National Biscuit Co. to handle exclusively their sweet goods. We now have the following in stock: Nobisco, Ramona, Festeno, Athena and Champagne Wafes; Uceda Biscuit, Butter Thins, Social Tea, Orange Marmalade, Vienna Creams, Kennedys Oeplerettes, Zu Zu Ginger Snaps, and many others too numerous to mention. |

## Shick & Company

### FORM ASSOCIATION

#### RETAIL LUMBERMEN UNITE FOR PROTECTION.

J. A. Borie of Pendleton President, H. H. Curtis of Athena, Secretary.

An association of retail lumbermen has been permanently organized to protect members from "disastrous consequences resulting to the retail dealer from direct competition with wholesalers and manufacturers," by the exchange of accurate information regarding the nature and extent of such competition where any exists.

The association in its declaration of purpose recognizes the right of manufacturers and wholesalers to engage in this competition, but states that a species of mutual bureau of information among retailers is necessary to offset it. The members are to co-operate in every way possible to protect retail dealers.

J. A. Borie of Pendleton was elected president, and H. H. Curtis of Athena secretary. These were temporary officers at the preliminary meeting held in Pendleton about 10 days ago.

Fifteen retail dealers were represented as follows: G. W. Proebstel, Weston; T. J. Montgomery, Helix; Gray's Harbor Lumber company, Milton; Oregon Lumber Yard, Pendleton; A. M. Gillis, Athena; W. E. Putnam, Milton; Freewater Lumber company, Freewater; Oregon Lumber company, Walla Walla; Whitehouse, Crimloe & Co., Walla Walla; R. Forster, Pendleton; Walla Walla Lumber company, Walla Walla; Pomeroy Lumber Co., Pomeroy; A. M. McCoy, Waisburg; J. A. Dunham and Son, Walla Walla.

The new organization is called the Inland Empire Retail Lumbermen's association.

**Wheat is Growing.**  
 Such remarkable progress as the past few days have made in wheat has rarely been seen in the grain raising history. Since last Monday grain has advanced by leaps and bounds, while spring wheat has come on with rapidity where a week ago it was scarcely sprouted. There are no indications of a change and a little more time will put wheat at a stage where the delay in seeding will be amply compensated.

**Robbery at Pilot Rock.**  
 Sunday night burglars dynamited the large safe in the postoffice at Pilot Rock and secured about \$200 in money and other valuable paper. So effectively did the robbers do their work that all clue to the perpetrators is lost. The safe was packed so that the force of the explosion did not do much damage to the building and the sound was safely muffled.

**Froome Against Froome.**  
 J. E. Froome has brought suit against G. M. Froome to compel the latter to pay him the sum of \$475.25 with \$75 at-

torneys' fees which the plaintiff claims is due and owing to him. The petition recites that on Oct. 27, 1899, the defendant gave the plaintiff a promissory note for \$200, and that in Oct. 1898, the plaintiff went security for the defendant at the First National Bank of Athena for \$375, both sums the defendant having failed to pay and the judgment above is asked. W. M. Peterson and Balleray and McCourt are attorneys for plaintiff. The case has been compromised.

#### Women of Woodcraft.

The order of Women of Woodcraft was organized in St. Louis, Mo., six years ago by 7 people. The charter members were and are:

- J. L. Wright, Leadville, Colo., present grand clerk.
  - Mrs. Carry C. Van Orsdall, Pendleton, chosen grand guardian and has been elected to that office each year since that time.
  - Win Doherty, Pueblo, Colo.
  - Olive Grimshaw, Denver, Colo.
  - Anna P. Hawkins, Toledo, Ore.
  - Helen M. Southwick, Salem, Ore.
  - Inez Filloon, The Dalles, Ore.
- From the origin of the organization with seven members the order has grown to be a lodge with over 34,000 members, and each year showing great increases in membership over the one previous.

#### FIRST REGULAR MEET OF ATHENA GUN CLUB

##### A Good Showing Made—Pendleton Shooters.

The first regular meet of the Athena Gun Club took place Sunday afternoon on the club grounds. It was a "rouser." Eleven members of the Pendleton club came up to assist the Athena boys, and their names are to be found in every firing squad on the score book.

Some good scores were made. Other scores were made that would not look well in print, but those who made them are in to win, and, with practice, will later be heard from. With the exception of three men the members of the Athena club have never before shot over the trap, and the frisky blue rock is hard to locate.

L. A. Githens for the Athena club did some excellent shooting, having a per centage of 80%, being second to only one, Stillman of Pendleton, who scored 88.9. Waite of Pendleton was next with 80.1. Githens led the Pendleton shooters in doubles, breaking 19 out of a possible 20. Simpson and Le Grow shot well considering practice, the former having 54.27 and the latter 56.

Much interest is being taken by the Athena shooters, and with continuous work, good scores are bound to be made.

#### Chapter at Reardan.

The "Swing Sifters" is the name of the Reardan, Wash., ball team. Concerning it the Spokesman-Review says: The board has secured funds to put the team on a firm financial basis for the entire season and has retained Edwin F. Chapler as coach and business manager. Chapler was outfielder for the Fort Dodge (Iowa) team in 1898, pitched and outfielded for the Cornell college team,

and, later, captain of the Mount Vernon team during 1899; pitcher and outfielder Cornell college, 1900; pitcher, Pendleton, Or., 1901, and pitcher and outfielder for Osburn's famous "Yellow Kids" of Athena, Ore., season of 1902. The last named organization is well known in the Pacific northwest as the best amateur team of the season. Seven members of the Swing Sifter organization have reported for daily practice and the management is negotiating with others. The Swing Sifters take their name from the brand of flour manufactured by the Washington Grain & Milling company of Reardan and Spokane.

#### Artesian Water.

B. T. Coplen, expert on formation of artesian water who has been making extensive examinations of the Columbia river basin for a number of years, after looking over the situation, says there is every indication that artesian water can be had along the base of the Echo Buttes; the formation there being basaltic cap surrounded on all sides by an older formation of the tertian age indicating that the tertian formation is underneath the basalt and that the contact between those two formations carries the subterranean water.—East Oregonian.

#### MAN FROM FLORIDA ON TRAIL OF HIS WIFE

##### After Being Located She Eludes Her Spouse—Walla Walla Wants Him.

All the way from Florida he came, seeking his fleeing wife. He had located her near Athena before leaving his southern home several weeks ago.

She stopped at the country home of a well known farmer, and the husband secured work on a nearby farm. It is said the man did everything in his power to reinstate the woman beneath his own vine and fig tree, but his efforts were futile. His erstwhile betterhalf would not listen to his entreaties, and while the husband labored on the nearby ranch, packed her belongings and glided to unknown recesses of a land that is long and broad.

Her trail is completely obliterated, and the husband who crossed the continent in the hope of inducing her to return to his southern home now despairs of ever locating her.

It is apparently a case of a wife seeking a divorce, the husband endeavoring to thwart her desires. She will probably get the divorce if she can keep the husband out of the way long enough. And the husband—well, he got left.

Later—Finley is the husband's name, and Wednesday, in company with a man named Roberts, left Athena on the W. & C. R. for Pasco. At Walla Walla they left the train, and meeting Deputy Sheriff Nave, and mistaking the officer for a holdup man, Roberts began shooting. The officer returned the fire hitting Roberts twice. He will die. Finley disappeared. Both men worked for R. E. Stewart, north of Athena, and Finley was known around town as "Alligator."

**Foley's Honey and Tar for children, safe, sure. No opiates.**

### WHEAT BURNED UP

#### THREE WAREHOUSES AT CAYUSE STATION DESTROYED.

More Than 18,000 Bushels of Wheat Consumed and all the Buildings Valued at \$10,000.

Monday the warehouses at Cayuse containing about 18,000 bushels of grain were totally destroyed by fire. The fire which was of unknown origin was first discovered in the roof of the Interior warehouse. The station of Cayuse is without any water protection whatever, but the citizens of the place made a desperate effort to extinguish the flames. A strong wind was blowing which made this impossible, and in a very short time the entire front of the warehouses was on fire without any hopes of being saved. Several small houses were also burned. The total loss will reach about \$20,000.

The warehouses stand very close together and the fire readily passed from one building to the other. The heat from the burning grain was intense, even after the wooden frames had been totally destroyed.

The warehouse belonging to the Pacific Coast Elevator Co. was 40 by 200 feet and contained about 1000 sacks of wheat which had been stored by farmers who intended using it for seed, and 3500 sacks of barley.

The Interior Warehouse company's building was about 50 by 150 feet and contained about 6000 bushels of wheat. The Kerr, Gifford & Co.'s building was 40 by 180 feet and contained about 8000 bushels of wheat.

#### "Doing Things."

Assessor Strain, of Umatilla county, is "doing things" in the matter of property assessments. He proposes to assess all real estate and personal property at one-third its actual value and railroad property looks the same to him, as the garden patch of the humblest citizen. The effect of this new departure will be to raise the assessment of the railroad property from \$4620 per mile to \$14,900 per mile. This is business and the same rule should be applied in every county in Oregon.—Condon Globe.

#### School Report.

Report of district No. 11 for month beginning March 2 and ending March 27: No. days taught, 20; No. pupils enrolled, 21. Those on the roll of honor for the month are: Andrew White, Earnest Bell, Elmer Booher, Chas. Carlile, Jakey Booher, Daisy Waddingham, Minnie Ross, Ethel Waddingham, Allen Bell, Anna Ross, Edna Ross, Rose Waddingham, Zora Crabbill. No. visitors, 5. Lillian Downs Dobson, Teacher.

#### General Stevens.

General John H. Stevens, aged 97, and said to have been the oldest man living in Oregon for many years, died at the home of his son, Jasper Stevens, in La Grande Monday morning.