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ATHENA MERCANTILE COMPANY

This spring we purchased a larger and better stock of summer fabrics than ever before. Owing to the backward season we find ourselves with large quantities of New, Desirable, This Season's goods on hand. We shall not wait until the season is over, and nobody has any use for them, but right now at the time when they are most needed, shall reduce prices on all Wash Dress Goods to such a low figure that none can fail to appreciate the values we are offering.

Two Special Lots of Laces

It would not pay you to put 25c and 35c laces on 10c and 20c dress goods. But we sell you lace that has the 25 and 35c look about it and is worth 10 and 12 1/2 cents per yard. 10 cent Basket at 5c per yard. 12 1/2c Basket at 6 1/2 cents per yard.

8 1/2 and 10c Embroideries, in odd lengths and great variety of patterns,

5c per yd.

White Braids, in all widths and patterns, from

1c Upward

New Shipment of fancy lace striped Hose just received.

Only 25c per pair.

Wash Dress Goods Clearance Sale

COMMENCES ON SATURDAY, JUNE 20th

6 1/2c Antrim Lawns, fast colors, Reduced to.....	4 3/4c
8 1/2c Organdy Lawns, all colors, Reduced to.....	6 1/2c
15c Fine Batistes and Dimities, Reduced to.....	10c
20c Fancy Jacquard Mulls, tan grounds, Reduced to.....	16 1/2c
25c Etamines and Canvas Cloth, Reduced to.....	19c
25c Imported Irish Dimities, evening shades, Reduced to.....	19c
30c Imported Mulls, all colors, lace and figure effects, Reduced to.....	25c
10c Seersucker and Chambray Gingham Reduced to.....	6 1/2c

WHISE GOODS INCLUDED IN THIS SALE

7 1/2c White India Linens Reduced to.....	5c
10c White India Linens Reduced to.....	8 1/2c
12 1/2c White India Linen Reduced to.....	10c
15c White India Linens Reduced to.....	12 1/2c
20c India Linen Reduced to.....	16 1/2c

Swisses, Mulls, Nainsooks and all fancy white goods reduced in the same proportion during this clearance sale.

Ladies Shoes

All the new shipments have arrived. All the latest novelties in Patent Leather or Kid. No trouble to show you the latest styles. We have them from.

\$1.75 per pair Upward

Men's Shoes

All the latest and most reliable makes, from a good work shoe at \$1.40 per pair, to fine, Vici Kid, Box Calf or Patent Enameled at

\$3.50 to \$5.00

Special Notice

If you want a Shirtwaist for every-day wear, we have about 100 carried over from last season, some of them badly soiled, worth 50c, 75c and \$1 each, your choice while this lot lasts for

19 cents Each.

THE UMATILLA IMPLEMENT CO.

PENDLETON, ATHENA, HELIX.



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

The Swellest and Most Complete Lot of

Men's Shirts

to be found in Athena is now on display at our store. Prices from

25c to \$3.00

Walkover Shoes

are Growing More Popular Each day. We have a Large Stock to Select from

Remember we are Headquarters for

GROCERIES

Let us Save you Money on them

Shick & Company

WELL THOUGHT OF

HEPPNER APPRECIATED ATHENA'S KIND ACTION.

Was the First Town in the State to Call Celebration Off and Send Funds for Relief.

Athena's generous action toward Heppner is greatly appreciated by that grief-stricken town. Athena was the first town in the state to declare her celebration off out of sympathy for Heppner's sorrow-crushed people. Her fund, which was among the first to arrive in the hands of the Heppner committee, speaks remarkably well for her promptness when it is considered that only a few hours elapsed between the time the mass meeting was held and Mayor Taylor departed for Heppner with the money.

Athena has not stopped with her first donation. In addition to strong and willing hands of several Athena men who bravely performed gruesome tasks in recovering the dead, the fund has been substantially added to during the past week as follows:

Dolph Lodge A. F. & A. M.....	\$100.00
Christian Church.....	40.00
M. E. Church.....	13.00

Mayor Taylor returned from Heppner Saturday evening and was much astonished to find that his telegram, which was posted on the bulletin board, and later published in the Press, had been wrongly worded by the operator at Heppner. The sentence in question as received here read: "They have got all the money and men they need." What the mayor wrote on the message and what the operator should have sent was: "They have got all they need except men and money."

Mr. Taylor attributes the mistake not to the operator, but rather to his overworked condition. Hundreds of telegrams of a private nature were being sent and received, in addition to page after page of press matter, with the result that operators became bewildered in their nerve-racking labor. However, the mistake in no way deterred or interfered with subsequent additions to the fund.

Scores of men and teams are still at work in Heppner and along Willow creek, clearing away the debris and recovering bodies. The town is being put in a fairly good sanitary condition, but it will take a large amount of money yet to relieve her pressing need. The total number of bodies recovered up to last night is 177.

A notable feature of the donations made is the fact that far-away Philadelphia sent \$1000 and New York \$2500, and other places in the east have responded nobly. In marked contrast is the state of California, a Pacific Coast state. In all the list of cities published as sending funds, but one donation is noticed from the state of the golden gate—one of the most wealthy in

the union. It was from the First National Bank of San Francisco, the amount being \$100.

TURNED WOMAN LOOSE.

Woman Who Admits Killing Husband with Axe is Acquitted.

"Not Guilty" was the verdict rendered by the jury in the De Lartigue murder case Wednesday afternoon after being out 21 hours. No demonstration whatever was manifested when the verdict was read. The defendant showed no sign of emotion.

To the people the verdict is more than a surprise—it is incomprehensible as public sentiment was strong in the belief of guilt.

The jury stood all night six for acquittal, one for murder in the first degree and 5 for manslaughter.

Henry De Lartigue was killed September 23, 1902, by his wife Amanda De Lartigue, who said she was forced to do it in self defense. She claimed he attacked her with a gun and that she hit him with an axe.

The murder trial was one of the most sensational that ever occurred in south-Washington.

Trial Was Commenced.

The preliminary examination of H. M. St. Cyr, the former Pendleton man who is charged with the murder of Archie Emmons, at Lardo, Idaho, has been completed for the time being. After the evidence in the prosecution had been taken the hearing was postponed until July 20 to give the defense an opportunity to make any showing it may desire. It is believed, however, the defense will not introduce any evidence, and the opinion is quite general that the case is closed so far as the preliminary hearing is concerned. The formal finding of the committing magistrate being the only action necessary to close it. There is no doubt St. Cyr will be held for trial. An effort will be made to get him admitted to bail.

Bride and Groom Side by Side.

The funeral of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Banks, who were killed in Heppner, took place Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock from the opera house in Milton. The building was filled. Interment took place at 3 o'clock in the afternoon in the city cemetery at Walla Walla under the auspices of the Eagles, of which Mr. Banks was a member. Only one grave was made and the dead couple was laid side by side. Mr. and Mrs. Banks had been married but two weeks.

GET BACK PAY.

Indian War Veterans Can Now Rejoice at Action of Department.

The auditor for the war department has approved the first claim for back pay filed by a veteran of the early Indian wars of the Northwest, and directed that Lewis Lawley, of The Dalles, who served as a private in the Second Washington Territory Mounted Volunteers, be paid \$134, for services rendered from March 17 to September 1, 1856. This amount will be paid out of the first appropriation made at the next session of congress.

The Lawley case is one that was urged for many months by ex-Representative Moody, and the adjustment establishes

the precedent for granting of back pay to all survivors of the early Indian wars who can prove service by rolls that are now on file in the department. The department finds that there are several rolls in Oregon, which were prepared by captains as souvenirs and for other purposes. Persons whose names are on these rolls cannot be paid until the original rolls are filed with the auditor in Washington.

The action on the Lawley case makes the claimant a qualified applicant for pension. Lawley filed application for pension some months ago, and his claim was disallowed because he could not show pay. Now that his pay has been authorized, and his services are recognized by the government, his pension claim will go through. This decision is of great importance in that it establishes a way by which Indian war veterans can only recover back pay when they failed to draw allowances heretofore, and also places them in a pensionable status.

A great many veterans are unable to prove satisfactory service, and where that proof is not obtainable, record of pay by the United States is necessary. Therefore the importance to many of securing back pay. Once this is obtained practically the essential evidence is a hand.

Athena Crops.

The weather of the past week has been decidedly favorable for growing crops. Light showers and cool, cloudy days with bursts of sunshine has done much to make wheat. There will not be a very large amount of straw, but the heads appear to be of good size and every present indication is that they will be well filled. The first crop of alfalfa is being cut, and some sales at \$5 per ton in the shock have been reported. Corn is booming along with a luxuriant growth.

Indians Will Celebrate.

The Indians on the reservation will observe the 4th of July in a manner entirely in keeping with the occasion. As has been customary for many years past the members of the several tribes gather on the old camping grounds east of the agency school buildings and hold their celebrations of the Declaration of Independence by the White Fathers.

Heppner Fund Grows.

By the abandoning of the Portland Fourth of July celebration, the fund for the relief of Heppner sufferers will be increased by over \$2,600, this amount to be turned over to those in charge of the relief work. Having planned to hold one of the biggest celebrations ever held in this state, the business men of Portland subscribed liberally toward the expenses of the affair. The expenses incurred amount to \$250, but the remainder of the 4th of July fund, which will amount to over \$2,600, is to be turned over to the relief committee.

Pendleton's Ice Plant.

Pendleton now has one of the largest ice and cold storage plants in the state. There are nine refrigerator rooms and 14 tons of ice will be turned out daily. This amount can be doubled if necessary requires an extra output.

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

BUILDING HAS BEGUN

CONTRACT LET FOR CONSTRUCTING NEW CHURCH.

Cook & Barrett, of Pendleton, complete it for \$10,592.75—Work on Miller's Building.

Saturday the building committee of the M. E. church let the contract for the construction of the new church building on Third street to Cook & Barrett, contractors of Pendleton, for \$10,592.75. Other bids were received but the Pendleton men succeeded in securing the contract.

This includes the completion throughout of the church edifice with the exception of the furniture and furnishings. The cost of building the church will be close to \$12,000, as the rock now on the site for building the basement and the excavation is in addition to contract price of \$10,592.75, and has already been paid for.

The church is to be erected wholly from brick and stone material, and will be according to plans and specifications as furnished by Architect Troutman. The building will in no way be altered from the plans first submitted to the committee, although there was some talk of a change in order to cut down the cost. The committee later decided, after consultation with the membership of the church, to go ahead with the building on the lines as was first intended.

Miller's New Brick.

N. A. Miller has let the contract for the construction of his new brick building on Main Street. Dan May, who got the contract for the brick work, already has men at work, and the walls will soon be looming up. J. W. Adams was given the contract for the wood work, which, when completed, will make a nice home for Mr. Miller's furniture store. In this store room will be carried one of the largest stocks of furniture to be found anywhere in the Inland Empire.

No More of Bryan.

The Iowa state democratic convention by a vote of 493 9-10 to 354 1-10 refused to adopt the minority report, signed by four members of the committee on resolutions and adding to the platform reported by seven members who constituted a majority of the committee, a plank reaffirming the democratic platform of 1900; and by a vote of 623 1-2 to 199 1-2 rejected another minority report adding to the plank a clause demanding government control of railway charges, providing that in case such control could not prove effective, the national government should acquire ownership of railroads. All nominations were made by acclamation. J. B. Sullivan, nominee for governor, has been affiliated with the Bryan wing of the party but was acceptable to the gold democrats.