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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 1/2 cent 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 1/2c
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 Chandra 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.



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

## The Umatilla Implement Co.

# Shick & Company

## THE HARVEST SEASON

Is now almost upon us, and as it draws nearer your wants in the Grocery Line are correspondingly increased. We have one of the Largest and Best Assorted Stocks of Groceries in Eastern Oregon for you to select from. All our prices are as low as the lowest. Bring in your Harvest Orders and let us save you some money.

### Work Shirts

We have placed upon our counters the best Selected Stock of Men's Work Shirts ever brought to Athena. 75, 65 and 60c shirts all going at

50 cts.

### Men's Fancy Shirts

Our stock of Men's Fancy Shirts is to large, as we overbought at the beginning of the season, consequently to close the stock out we are making a sweeping reduction on all Fancy Shirts of

25 per cent

Our Stock of Shoes, Hats, Gloves, Overalls, Jumpers, Socks, etc., is very complete, and a glance through our Gents' Furnishing Department will prove we are "Johnny on the Spot."

# Shick & Company

Sole Agents for the Celebrated "Snow Drift" Flour

### 6 HYDRANTS ADDED

#### A NEW CART AND HOSE FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Every Portion of the City is now Placed Under Good Fire Protection.

The additions to Athena's water system have been completed this week. The work has been done by local men under the supervision of Marshal Ghollson and Councilman C. A. Barrett, at the reasonable cost of \$168. The result is that several hundred feet of new main has been put in and the fire protection service to the city is greatly augmented by the addition of six new hydrants, placed at well selected locations, giving every portion of the city ample fire protection.

The new hose cart and 400 feet of hose arrived from Portland Monday and is housed at the new station at the west end of Main street. This gives the city fire department equipment for two hose teams in addition to the hook and ladder apparatus, making it one of the best equipped departments in Eastern Oregon.

A department meeting has been called for Monday night, of which Mayor Taylor will be presiding officer. At this meeting the mayor will designate the division lines, from which the department is to be reorganized, virtually. A number of the members of Hose Team No. 1 will be transferred to Hose Team No. 2, from the fact of their residence being in the district where the new station is located.

#### A SMOKEHOUSE BLAZE.

Department Quick to Respond to the Fire Alarm.

The clanging of the fire bells at 10 o'clock Monday night brought out the Athena fire department in hot haste.

The smoke house where meats are cured at Sherman's City market was a seething mass of flames when the fire ladders of Hose Co. No. 1 arrived on the scene. By the time water was turned on the flames the Hook and Ladder Co. stood by and soon grappling hooks were tearing away the charred wreck.

This is the second time this building had been on fire. It is a menace to the block of business houses on the north side of the street, and when rebuilt, the safety of these buildings will be taken into consideration.

#### GERKING FLAT "FLATS"

A Birthday Party Out at the Woodward Home.

There was a birthday and surprise party given at the home of Mrs. M. Woodward Tuesday evening, the 14th, the occasion being the 52nd anniversary of the birth of Mrs. Woodward, and also that of Mr. John Cochran, who lives on the Woodward farm. Those present consisted of old time friends and neigh-

bors, quite a number of whom were mutually interested at one time in waging war on the little digger squirrel, which was so numerous in the early history of farming in this community. A splendid time was had and ample justice done the ice cream and cake. Not until the "seven sma' hours" did the crowd leave for their homes, feeling well paid for the time. We trust that Mrs. Woodward and Mr. Cochran may have many many more birthday parties—at least once a year. Those in attendance were:

Messrs. and Mesdames E. H. Stone, J. M. Stone, T. M. Barger, A. McKinzie, W. P. Wallen, J. N. B. Gerking, Jas. Potts, John Cochran, M. Woodward, Alvin Stone, Misses Fannie Scott, Eva Woodward, Bertha Stone, Lois Stone; Messrs. W. H. H. Scott, George Woodward, Chas. Marsh, Walter Stone, Casper Woodward, Claud Johnson and Jonnie Stone.

Mr. Otis Ingle, of Milton, was visiting on the Flat Sunday. Mr. Ingle may locate on the Flat.

Mrs. E. K. Reeder, of Tacoma, was visiting her grand children, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gerking, Tuesday.

Mrs. E. H. Stone and Mrs. Woodward were visitors at the Piper home Tuesday.

Joe and Will Scott are away working their summer fallow, six miles east of Pendleton, this week. The boys will work with the Walter combine this harvest.

Geo. and Chas. Gerking intend starting their combine harvester in about 10 days.

Claud Reeder was out on the Flat with his new binder one day last week.

Dean and Fay Gerking returned home Monday after a several days' visit on Butter creek at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Saylor. Uno.

#### Plan to Avert Race War.

Negro leaders in Indianapolis are taking steps to avert a race war. The Evansville riots and conflicts between the races in other cities have made them apprehensive of a similar outbreak there. An organization known as the Negro Business league has been formed to rid the city of what the better element of the negro race call the "Jim Crow" negro. Those who will not work will be reported to the police, with a request that they be driven out of town.

#### Mayor Vetoes Ordinances.

The three ordinances passed at the last meeting of the La Grande city fathers have been vetoed by Mayor Slater. This is the first time in years that a mayor has used these powers. His objections to the ordinance authorizing a contract with the LaGrande Light and Power Co. and to furnish lights for the city was that the document did not specify what price should be paid. He placed his veto to the ordinance raising the city attorney's salary to \$100 per month because he thought the attorney should be paid just for services rendered. The ordinance relating to the advance in the salaries of the members of the police force was disapproved because he thought the salaries already large enough.

**Foley's Honey and Tar** cures colds, prevents pneumonia.

### WILL BUY WHEAT

#### FRANK ROGERS SECURES AN INDEPENDENT WAREHOUSE.

Has Leased the Tonnage Capacity of the Athena Flour Mill Co's Wheat Warehouse.

Frank O. Rogers has leased the Athena Mill company's storage warehouse, located on the W. & C. R. and O. R. & N. railways in this city.

He announces that he will be prepared to pay the highest price for grain at all times and will make a specialty of storing grain for farmers. In an interview Mr. Rogers stated to the Press that he is in a position to offer the farmer superior inducements, from the fact that his warehouse is located on both the O. R. & N. and W. & C. R. railways, bringing him in touch with both the Sound and Portland terminal markets. Mr. Rogers has the confidence of the farmers of this section, having been in the wheat business here for two seasons, the last year representing the Western Warehouse company. Last season Mr. Rogers was located at Hartline, Wash., where he purchased a large amount of grain. His Athena friends are pleased to have him engage in business here, and his experience as a grain dealer makes him a worthy competitor of other buyers.

#### Experiment on Beet Culture.

A number of Oakesdale farmers are experimenting this year with the sugar beet and a good many acres are growing in that vicinity. All reports go to show that the plants are making a splendid growth and the yield promises to be large. A careful account is being kept of all expenses and if there is a fair profit a greatly increased acreage will be planted next year. The owners of land are beginning to see that summer fallowing or a rotation of crops must be more extensive if the wild oats and weeds are to be gotten rid of and if the beet can be raised with profit there will be no necessity of letting the land lie idle.

#### Homes for 1300 People.

Two hundred and twenty-two thousand and two hundred and eighty-four acres of land were taken up by homestead and desert entry during the fiscal year just ended in the Walla Walla land office district, which comprises all of Walla Walla, Columbia, Garfield, Astin and Franklin counties, the bulk of Whitman county, about half of Adams and Klickitat and a fraction of Yakima. Franklin county leads with 56,577 acres.

#### HOLD ELECTION JULY 21.

Residents in Little Walla Walla River Irrigation District Will Vote.

An election will be held in the Walla Walla River Irrigation district July 21 to determine voters' opinions on the establishment of the district. This is in accordance with the petition submitted to the county court some time ago.

There is little doubt the vote will be favorable.

At the same time a set of officers to manage the affairs of the district, should it be formed, will be elected. If three-fifths of the people of the section are in favor of the scheme it will carry, and if not it will fail, and the present system in vogue will prevail.

The officers who are to be elected will have charge of the apportioning of the water to various users along the river, telling them on what days they may use the stream and for how long. It will be their duty to inquire into the conditions of each place, and to distribute the water in a manner fair to all, showing no partiality to any one and dispensing no favors.

It is expected there will be quite an exciting time on the day of the election, as there are a number of those who have their ditches already made to suit themselves, and the water supply regulated for their own convenience, who are opposed to the innovation and would like to see it fail.

#### Popular Sunday Dinners.

The initial Sunday dinner given at the Athena Hotel was well patronized and all were well pleased with the splendid dinner served by the management. Johnson's orchestra has been secured to furnish music for next Sunday's dinner, and the following program will be rendered between 12 o'clock, noon, and 2 p. m.:

- "Illinois Battleship," march.....
- "W. G. Yule Medley overture, 'Gleaming,'".....
- "Fa Beyer Concert waltz, 'The Flower of Italy'.....
- "G. De Stefano March, 'Hiawatha,'".....
- "Neil Moret Medley waltz, 'In the Good Old Summer Time,'".....
- "J. W. Chattaway Medley twostep, 'I'm Unlucky.'" Introduction, 'Jes' Kiss Yourself Good-bye,'".....
- "Jerome & Schwartz Introduction and waltz, 'When Knight-hood was in Flower,'".....
- "Louise V. Gustin March, 'Clorinda,'".....
- "Chauncey Haines Polka (Comique) 'Massa's Birthday,'".....
- "L. P. Laurenden Ragtime March and Twostep, 'Creole Bells,'".....
- "J. Bodewalt Lampe Search For Victims."

The search for bodies at Heppner has been given up. A few days ago the body of a small boy was found below town but the remains were so decomposed that they could not be identified. The men who have been engaged in searching the piles of debris for bodies have been discharged and only one crew remains, which is working at cleaning up the streets. The work of this gang will be completed in a few days. All the buildings left standing and moved by the flood have been returned to their original places and are undergoing repairs and will soon be ready to occupy. None of the people seem to be afraid to reoccupy them. Sidewalks are being laid and streets are being graded.

**Foley's Kidney Cure** makes kidneys and bladder right. I have several articles of furniture, bought last August, which I wish to dispose of before I move away the last of August. C. A. Sias.