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A Word

To the People of Athena and Vicinity:

I have just opened a stock of Dry Goods, Clothing, etc., temporarily, in the Fischer building, or until such time as I can secure a more suitable store room. A visit from you is respectfully solicited. Your own judgment will convince you that you can purchase goods of me 25 per cent cheaper than you have been paying heretofore. The

REASON

is that I am here to stay, and until I can get a more suitable store room, I expect but little profit on my sales during the next 2 months.
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M. STAM,
Fischer Building, North side Main Street, Athena, Ore.

TAYLOR IS TRUSTEE

WADE ESTATE WILL PAY 10 CENTS ON THE DOLLAR.

Claims Filed and Allowed By the Referee Amounted to the Sum of \$152,414.34.

Pendleton, March 10.—The creditors and the representatives of the creditors of the estate of C. B. Wade met in the office of Thomas Fitz Gerald, the referee in bankruptcy, and elected T. C. Taylor trustee of the estate and fixed his bonds at \$30,000.

The claims filed and allowed by the referee amounted to the sum of \$152,414.34, while there were three claims amounting to \$9000 in round numbers, which were held up for a time, pending examination by the referee.

The proven assets of the estate are noted in the Dixie ranch, valued at \$8000; the Foster ranch, at \$3000; and personal property consisting of Goldconda, Red Boy and South Pole mining stock, and other stocks not so well fixed in the market, valued at \$30,000. There is other personal property listed at about \$10,000.

However, the faith of the creditors in the valuation of the assets is shown better by the bond asked of the trustee, which is placed at about what is thought will pass through his hands. It is thought that the property will pay, after all the expenses of administration are settled, about 10 cents on the dollar, though this amount is admitted by those who are supposed to know, to be purely guesswork, and not at all reliable. Some persons are not very hopeful of getting that amount out of the muddle.

The estate is now in the hands of the trustee, who will wind up the affairs with no more meetings unless such things arise in the transaction of the business as will require it.

Distribution of Estate.

In the matter of the estate of Margaret A. Still, deceased, Alex. Still has filed a petition for distribution of the estate and hearing of the final account. The estate consists of property to the amount of \$5385. The court appointed April 16, as the date for hearing.

JAP FLEET AGAIN AT PORT ARTHUR

But Viceroy Alexieff Make no Mention of Damage nor Movements of Russian Battleships.

St. Petersburg, March 10.—The czar has received the following message from Viceroy Alexieff under date of Mukden, March 10:

"The commandant of fortress at Port Arthur reports that about 1 o'clock this morning the outlines of vessels, apparently torpedo boats, were seen at sea within the area swept by our searchlights. Our batteries opened fire upon these vessels.

"Our torpedo boats put out to sea at 2:30 a. m. and about 4 o'clock met the enemy west of Liao Ti Schin lighthouse. After firing several shots the enemy retired to the south in the direction of Shandan. Our torpedo boat returned to the harbor about 6 o'clock.

"Later the torpedo boats were again sent to sea to reconnoiter. They re-

turned in half an hour having learned that the enemy's squadron was approaching.

"At 8 o'clock the Japanese opened fire upon our cruisers and fortress. The enemy has 14 ships, and fires the entire time from behind Liao Ti Schin."

Russia Gives Consent.

Washington, March 10.—Russia has granted formal permission to the officers. General Chaffee named Major Gibson, Captain Jackson, Captain Gatley and Captain Reichmann to accompany the army on its campaign.

Europe Is Quaking.

Vienna, March 10.—Earthquake shocks were felt this morning at Trieste, Carinthia and Glagenfurt. No damage has been reported.

Weston Girl Lured Into an Opium Den

Portland, March 10.—Lured by a woman who posed as her friend into a room where opium was to be smoked, but saved by her own good sense, Olive McIntosh, a pretty little 14-year-old country girl, was found by Detective H. H. Hawley this morning at the Esmond hotel annex, where she had spent the night in a room given her by the landlady, Mrs. Fox.

In the municipal court this morning Judge Hogue fined James Cooley, Walter Smith and May Morris \$100 each for frequenting a house where opium was smoked, and then bound them over to the grand jury under bonds of \$900 each for taking a minor into a disreputable house. All three of the persons fined gave their ages as 19 years.

Olive McIntosh, the daughter of W. F. McIntosh, lives at Blue Mountain station, between Walla Walla and Weston. She left her home yesterday morning to visit a sister who lives at Battle Ground, Wash.

PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATES.

Spectator Ventures a Guess at the Personnel of the Tickets.

A Pendleton man, who claims to be a spectator in politics, but withal an observer of the trend of political sentiment, ventures the following prediction, as to the personnel of the respective tickets in Umatilla county at the approaching election:

Republican.

County judge—J. M. Ferguson.
Sheriff—C. A. Barrett.
Clerk—W. T. Rigby.
Recorder—William Folsom.
Treasurer—E. J. Sommerville.
Assessor—B. E. Kennedy.
Commissioner—Horace Walker.
School superintendent—Frank K. Welles.
Surveyor—J. W. Kimbrell.
Coroner—W. G. Cole.
Representatives—H. C. Adams and Douglas Belts.
Joint representative—Frank Gilliam, of Heppner.

Democratic.

County judge—G. A. Hartman.
Sheriff—T. D. Taylor.
Clerk—W. D. Chamberlain.
Recorder—Harry Fowler.
Treasurer—G. A. R. McGrew.
Assessor—C. P. Strain.
Commissioner—Julius Hudeman.
School superintendent—J. E. Cherry.
Surveyor—Charles Berkeley.
Coroner—T. M. Henderson.
Representatives—W. M. Blakely and William Lloyd.
Joint representative—O. F. Thomson, of Butter Creek.

Up Alkali Flat.

Henry Barrett informs the Press that the new high line up Alkali flat is assured. It will connect with the local rural switch board at McBride's drug store and will give telephone convenience to fifteen or twenty patrons. It will extend north to A. B. McEwen's ranch.

Woodmen of World, Attention!

Your presence at the regular meeting of Athena Camp No. 171, Wednesday evening, March 15, is earnestly requested. Business of vital importance to every member of Camp 171 will come up at this meeting.

J. D. PLAMONDON, Clerk.

MILTON VS. FREEWATER.

An Ear Chewed Off and a Preacher Whips a Harnessmaker.

Spring fights have arrived on schedule time in Freewater and Milton. In a bar-room fight at Freewater Monday night Arthur Wright chewed off a part of Chas. Ingle's ear, and is now in the county jail on the charge of mayhem, in default of \$350 bonds. Freewater is strenuous, if anything, and Milton, just to keep stride with the little "booze" burg at the north of her city limits, not to be outdone even when it comes to scrapping, essays to set the pace.

It is reported that Milton offsets the novelty of Freewater's ear-chewing contest, by furnishing a minister as one of the principals in her first spring fight. Rev. Mr. Cartwright and Otis Ingle, a harnessmaker, became involved and furnished the Milton diversion. It is said the preacher licked his man and headed off after-trouble by paying two fines, one to the city recorder and one to the justice of the peace, thereby relieving Mr. Ingle of the pleasure of having an arrest made by warrant. There is considerable excitement over the affair, and it is reported that Rev. Cartwright has tendered his resignation as pastor.

Wade Tangle Is Deep.

A preliminary effort toward unraveling the C. B. Wade \$300,000 tangle will be made in Pendleton today, when the numerous and highly interested creditors of the departed First National bank cashier will meet at Judge Thomas FitzGerald's office to choose a trustee to look after the assets and discuss generally the affair which has cost most of them so much. Judge FitzGerald is referee in bankruptcy.

Will Put On Play.

Mr. Harry DuPuy, who successfully directed the drama "Fruits of the Winecup," is getting up a cast for the presentation of the society melo-drama, "The Henrietta." The play is to be produced by local talent, and will be for the benefit of the public school library. The date of production will be announced later.

Postpones Sale of Bonds.

Adams' city council has decided to delay the sale of bonds for the proposed water system until April 1.

ORDINANCE NO. 94

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

Provides for Grading and Rocking 3rd and 4th Streets from Currant to College Street.

At a special meeting of the city council Wednesday evening, a petition of a majority of the property owners residing on 3rd street asking that the street from Currant street to the north side of College street be graded and rocked, was read. Also the petition of N. A. Miller and J. F. Wright, that 2nd street, from Main street south to Currant street be graded and rocked, was presented. After discussion the council passed Ordinance No. 94, which in part reads as follows:

SECTION 1.—Those portions of 3rd and 4th streets in the city of Athena, Oregon, between Currant street and the north side of College street, shall be improved by grading and placing said streets upon the official grade, and having gutters placed upon each side of said streets, said gutters to be constructed of good fir 3x12 in. and 4x6 in. plank, that is to say, the back side, i. e., the side next to the sidewalk, and bottom to be made of 3x12 in. plank, and the front side, i. e., the side next to the street, shall be made of 4x6 in. plank, in form and style the same as the gutters now in use on Main street, said gutters to be placed ten feet from outside of street line to admit of either a ten-foot walk or a six-foot walk and four-foot tree park. The portions of said 3rd and 4th streets, between Currant street and the north side of College street, shall, after being properly graded and gutters established, be surfaced with crushed rock for said entire distance, (except the portions so graded and covered,) including street intersections, to the depth of six inches.

SEC. 3.—That all costs and expenses of making any of the improvements mentioned in this ordinance, opposite to any of the real property bordering upon the above mentioned portions of said streets, as far as the center line of the street, shall be charged against the real property so bordering thereon, and shall be collected from the owners of said property adjoining and abutting upon the street where the improvements are made, and in case of non-payment, the recorder shall enter in the record of liens in his office, opposite each lot fronting or bordering upon the part of the streets so improved, the cost and expense of the improvements and work up to the center line of the street opposite to and bordering upon the lots respectively; but the expense and cost of improving the space in the intersection of all streets shall be borne by the city of Athena.

SEC. 5.—In case said improvements are not done by May 15th, 1904, the street commissioner and committee on streets and public improvements may proceed to have said portions of said streets improved as herein provided in accordance with the provisions of Ordinance No. 94 of the city of Athena, Oregon.

SAFECRACKERS.

Attempt to Blow Open O. R. & N. Safe at Weston.

At an early hour Wednesday morning safecrackers made an unsuccessful attempt to blow open the safe in the O. R. & N. depot. Nitro-glycerine was used. The charge failed to do its work properly and the intruders were unable to gain access to the safe. They retired without taking anything of value from the office.

The door of the safe was badly twisted out of shape and local workmen were unable to remove the door. An expert from Walla Walla arrived today and worked several hours before meeting with success. A new door will have to be secured for the safe.

Mountaineer Is Buried.

Dr. W. G. Cole, coroner, having received notice of the death of the old mountaineer, French, near Milton, deemed an inquest unnecessary, as it was evident he had died from natural causes, and ordered the body buried at Milton. French left an estate sufficient to pay funeral expenses and county aid will not be necessary.

Coming Events.

April 19—Democratic state convention, Portland.
April 14—Republican state convention, Portland.
April 16—Meeting of Oregon Cattle-growers' association, Portland.
June 15, 16, 17—Oregon encampment G. A. R., Hood River.

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