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## ED. MANASSE

Athena's Leading Dry Goods and Clothing Emporium

### SWEEPING REDUCTIONS IN ALL LINES

This is your opportunity for BARGAINS. We must make room for spring fabrics soon to arrive.

## ED. MANASSE

Agent for Butterick's Patterns.

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## C. A. BARRETT & COMP'Y

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## "Standard" Plumbing Supplies

We do Plumbing at the Proper Prices  
Standard Material and Workmanship

Hardware Stock is Complete.

## Groceries, Crockery, Gents' Furnishings

## THE DELL BROTHERS

South Side Main Street,

Athena, Oregon.

### CHARGES ARE MADE

#### ARRESTED ON COMPLAINT OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

Former Pendleton Bank Cashier Is  
Charged With Forgery and Lar-  
ceny By Bailee.

C. B. Wade, the defaulting cashier of the First National bank of Pendleton, was arrested late Tuesday evening for forgery and larceny by bailee, both charges being preferred by District Attorney G. W. Phelps. He waived preliminary examination and was held to answer to the circuit court. The bond on the first charge was fixed at \$500 and on the second at \$5000.

Wade is charged with forging the name of Joseph Vey on a note of \$10,000. Vey is an illiterate but wealthy sheepman, and all his business transactions were conducted by Wade while cashier of the bank. When Wade was deposed it was discovered that Vey's note was not genuine.

The charge of larceny by bailee was brought for misappropriating funds amounting to \$14,000 belonging to the Craig estate, of which Wade was administrator. His bondsmen, E. J. Sommerville and H. F. Johnson, made good the loss and are the prosecuting witnesses.

Wade's return was for the purpose of swearing to affidavits made while he was administrator of the Despain estate. Phelps learned of his coming and arrived from Heppner in time to file an information before Wade left Pendleton.

Wade has secured his bondsmen. The bondsmen for the larceny by bailee charge are William Slusher, stockman; J. F. Robinson, laundryman; E. A. Vaughn, dentist, and Robert Foster, millman. For the larceny charge the bondsmen are J. V. Tallman, druggist, and William Caldwell, stockman.

#### Balmy Weather.

While the Middle West is in the icy grasp of the blizzard and the mercury drops are splashing away down below the zero mark, balmy days are in order here. The gentle chinook is gamboling about like a frisky lamb, buds are beginning to "swell up," spring fights have been ushered in and poetry is in order.

### ARTISANS ORGANIZE

#### ATHENA ASSEMBLY INSTITUTED BY DR. D. C. ESCHELMAN.

New Lodge Starts With Bright Pros-  
pect—Membership Expected to  
Double Inside of a Month.

Athena Assembly of Artisans was instituted at Masonic hall Wednesday evening by Dr. D. C. Eschelman, supreme instructor, assisted by R. P. Gates, district grand master.

Seventeen candidates were obligated and instructed in the work of the order. The full membership enrolled by the organizers were not present, but those in attendance took great interest in the work, and it is confidently expected that the membership will be doubled within a month's time. Officers elected and installed are as follows:

Mr. T. P. Mosley, master Artisan; Mrs. L. Jones, superintendent; Mrs. A. B. Stone, inspector; Mr. Bruce Wallace, secretary; Mrs. E. H. Stone, treasurer; Mr. Richard Wright, senior conductor; Mrs. Della Maloney, mistress of ceremonies; Mr. Fred Ludolph, junior conductor; Mr. Clarence Burden, Warden; Mr. Leonard Bell, instructor.

#### 25,000 VOLT SHOCK.

Pendleton Lineman Receives An Enor-  
mous Charge of Electricity.

The Pendleton East Oregonian re-  
ports a most unusual occurrence. It  
says:

Alexander Smith, a lineman employed by the Northwestern Gas & Electric company, Wednesday morning received a shock of 25,000 volts from a high pressure wire, and yet lives. Had he been standing on damp ground when he received the shock, it is said, he would have been instantly killed, but as it is he did not even lose consciousness, and walked up town to have his wounds dressed.

The accident took place at the sub-station on College street. Smith was trimming an arc light when his hands came in contact with a live wire. There was a blinding flash and Smith was knocked to the floor and the sickening odor of burning flesh filled the room.

Dr. F. W. Vincent, of the electric company, who dressed Smith's wounds, said: "It is impossible to tell just how serious the man's injuries are. The flesh is burned from his hands and the soles of his feet, and the wounds are necessarily ugly. The shock itself does not seem to have injured him."

#### SOLID PULLMAN TRAIN.

Will Be Composed of 10 Cars and Is  
Named World's Fair Flyer.

A dispatch from Chicago to the Salt Lake Tribune states that a solid Pullman train of 10 cars will be put on the Harriman lines between Chicago and Portland, on May 1, for the purpose of accommodating the tourist and Lewis and Clark fair traffic to the coast.

This is to be the finest train reaching the coast on any line, all the cars being standard Pullmans, equipped for every convenience of travel, and stopping only at division points and to take water and coal on the engines.

New locomotives are now in readiness for this train on the Union Pacific, and preparations are being made to send new engines to the Short Line and O. R. & N., in addition to those already in service on those lines.

This train will run by way of Ogden, and will be known as the World's Fair Flyer. In addition to this train it is the intention to attach extra coaches to the present passenger trains on the Harriman lines into Portland.

#### Missouri John "Buncoed."

It is reported, says the East Oregonian, that John Heathman, Pendleton's noted ex-marshal, who recently removed from that city to Portland, was the victim of a bunco game. He negotiated for a lodging house on his arrival at Portland, and it is said the owner of the house hired people to come in and fill up the rooms on the day Heathman looked at the property. By making Heathman believe the house was doing a good business, he was able to sell the property to him at an extortionate price. As soon as the deal was made the hired patrons deserted the house and the true condition was made known. It is said that the loss of his money by this rascality almost prostrated Mr. Heathman, who is now critically ill.

### IT'S A BUSY COURT

#### JUSTICE CHAMBERLAIN'S TRIB- UNAL AN ACTIVE ONE.

Lieuallen vs. Carmicheal, Then Came  
Moses, Elmer and Hugh Taylor  
and John Bannister.

Justice Chamberlain was about the busiest man in town Wednesday. In fact, he had so much to do that he is finishing up the job today. As justice of the peace he heard the evidence in the Lieualen-Carmichael case, and had just got through with it when Marshal Gholson tumbled in a bunch of four on him, three charged with fighting and one with disorderly conduct.

The justice of the peace toga was instantly changed for that of city recorder. The arrested parties, Hugh, Elmer and Moses Taylor, and John Bannister, each entered a plea of not guilty, and the overworked dispenser of justice named 10 o'clock today as the time for trial. Hugh and Elmer Taylor and John Bannister were charged with fighting and Moses Taylor with disorderly conduct. The fight started between the two Taylor boys and Bannister, in the street on the east side of Manasse's store and ended in the Pioneer drugstore, where Marshal Gholson and the proprietor, Bruce Wallace, separated the belligerents. The trouble originated over an alleged debt of a small amount, owed the two Taylor boys by Bannister. As the paper goes to press it is announced Taylor was fined \$50 and costs, the boys \$25 each and Bannister dismissed.

### AWFUL STORMS IN THE EAST

New York, Jan. 25.—Not since the blizzard of 1888, by which all storms are estimated as great or small, has New York been so completely snowbound as it is now. The city itself is lying under a foot of snow, which in many places has been banked by the wind to a height of several feet. Surface travel early in the day was abandoned, overhead transit was irregular and slow, and it remained for the underground roads to carry home, so far as they could reach within the city limits, the hundreds of thousands of workers from the downtown districts. The entire coast line from the Delaware capes north has been in the grasp of a storm which, because of the heavy fall of snow, the intensity of cold and the force of the gale, has exceeded in severity anything experienced in years.

From Maryland throughout the middle states and the middle Atlantic states all reports indicate a most complete winter tieup. Far into the west there is snow and a remarkably low temperature.

### RAILROADS TRADE PROPERTY

Walla Walla, Jan. 25.—All details from the formal transfer of the narrow gauge railway from the O. R. & N. to the W. & C. R. were made in Walla Walla late this afternoon. The change in the ownership of the line was consummated by J. P. O'Brien, general superintendent of the O. R. & N., and Joseph McCabe, vice-president and general manager of the W. & C. R. The papers transferring the W. & C. R. company's interest in the Turner branch at Dayton are now being prepared and the formal turning over of that road will also be made in a few days.

### YELLOW FEVER ON WARSHIP

Washington, Jan. 25.—A dispatch from Consul Gudge, at Panama, reports an outbreak of yellow fever on the cruiser Boston, which arrived there yesterday morning. The Japanese messman died yesterday and Paymaster Sackett, Lieutenant Leahy and Dr. Kohilhas have mild cases. Two other Japanese and Private Lawforty have the fever and have been removed to Ancon. Three new cases are reported. The Boston has been ordered to proceed immediately to San Francisco or Bremerton, Wash.

#### Notice.

The Pioneer Drug Store has changed ownership, and all persons indebted to Brock & Mitchell will please call at the law office of Will M. Peterson and settle at once. Will M. Peterson, Atty. for Brock & Mitchell.

### IN ALBERTA COUNTRY

#### REAL ESTATE MEN CAN'T GET NEXT TO MOSGROVE.

Winter Wheat Looks Well—Little  
Snow With Thermometer 27  
Degrees Below Zero.

Clareholm, Jan. 15.—To the Editor—We entered the path of a new year, and my best wish is that my Umatilla county friends will be as prosperous this year as last.

On Christmas and the day before we had a little taste of Alberta winter. Although we had only about two inches of snow, the thermometer went 25 below zero. Through the day it was fine, the temperature being 40 above. Right after New Years we disced for three days, then it froze up again. Last Thursday and Friday nights it went 27 below zero. Last night it was only zero. Right now, at noon, the sun shines bright and warm; 41 above zero. Twenty-seven degrees below zero did not keep Clarence Wright and Frank Nelson from going to the first dance in the new hall put up by the Adams boys five miles east.

Winter wheat looks fine. Although the ground is frozen two feet deep, it looks green and thrifty as in the month of May in Umatilla county. Of course not as tall; it just covers the ground.

They are trying to get an experimental farm in Alberta. They have one east of here, but the soil and climate is so different in Assiniboia from here that such a farm would be a great benefit in this new country where the farmers have neither time or money to experiment, as this is an age of rush and get rich quick.

Last Thursday I had the pleasure of meeting James Mosgrove in Clareholm. He tells me that Duncan McIntyre went to Nanton to see his sister and two brothers, Dan and Peter. He is the same old Jim. He will sit around for hours at a time and will talk on any subject—but Alberta. He missed his vocation; he should have been a detective. He would have been a good one. Without fear of contradiction, I can assert that James has found out more about the possibilities of Alberta than any man I ever saw in such a short time. His motto is, "silence is wisdom." As a general rule the real estate men here stick to a fellow, like those life insurance agents in the states; they think that all strangers are their prey, and accordingly when ever a stranger steps off the train he is escorted to the hotel, sometimes with a real estate man on each side of him. But James tells me that none have approached him so far. They don't know what to make of him. So far none of them have found out his business here.

Sometime ago I was in a cowboy camp. They were telling stories and giving conundrums. Here is one:

"Why is the Stars and Stripes like a star?" Answer—"Because it never falls." Isn't that good, coming from Alberta? Respectfully Yours,  
Nick Taitinger.

#### STATE LANDS, TOO.

Now Alleged That Puter Has Stolen  
8000 Acres of State Lands.

It is now alleged that land steals from the state aggregating at least \$100,000 have been disclosed in the records of the state land department, where 8000 acres have been found to have been procured from the state by what Attorney General Crawford pronounces forged applications.

With most of these the name of S. A. D. Puter is connected, thus involving that now notorious character with state as well as federal land frauds.

The 19 certificates of seal covering the 8000 acres mentioned, were issued, so the attorney general alleges, to fictitious persons. Title to this land is now vested in the Abiqua Land company, and the attorney general thinks the state can begin suit to set aside the deeds and recover the land.

#### Under Adjudgment.

The case of Jesse Lieualen vs. Geo. Carmichael, brought to Justice Chamberlain's court on a change of venue from Weston, was tried Wednesday. Stillman and Powers appeared for the plaintiff and Peterson & Peterson for defendant. After hearing the evidence Justice Chamberlain announced that he would take the case under advisement and render his decision in the near future.