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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.

## Cox & McEwen

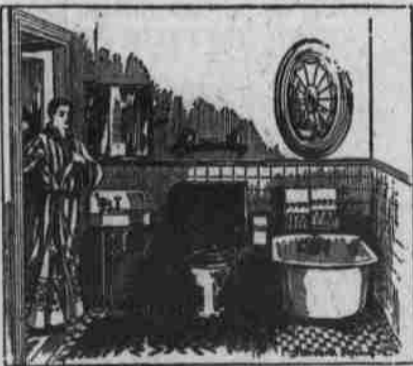


## Hardware Dealers

SOUTH SIDE MAIN STREET, ATHENA, OREGON

## 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.

## FREEWATER IS OPFN

### LOCAL OPTION VICTORY IN NORTH MILTON INVALID.

Petition Had Not Been Properly Recorded As Required By the Law.

Pendleton, Feb. 6.—Freewater is to remain an open town and the citizens of that place who have a thirst for something stronger than chasers will have the privilege to appease their appetites for some time to come. Hereafter it will be just as lawful to conduct a saloon in Freewater as in Pilot Rock, for yesterday the case of the state against Geo. Ireland was settled in favor of the defendant and the bottom virtually knocked out of the local option law.

The defense openly admitted that alleged violation of the prohibition law, which is supposed to obtain in the North Milton precinct, had been committed for the reason that the validity of the law was a matter of doubt and therefore subject to a test. Evidently, the law in that district neither holds water nor chasers.

The case had been argued before Judge W. E. Ellis the past two days and only technical points were at issue. After hearing the arguments yesterday at noon Judge Ellis dismissed the jury until 5 o'clock, when they reappeared for further instructions. John McCourt, attorney for the defense, had submitted a motion to the court to dismiss the charge and acquit the defendant. Judge Ellis after deliberating over the case a few hours, sustained the motion and instructed the jury to return a verdict of acquittal on the grounds that the requirements of the local option law had not been complied with and that the petition to sub-divide the North Milton district, in which Freewater is located, had not been properly and fully recorded.

#### Appropriated Fuel.

John Patros, who conducts a saloon near the O. R. & N. depot in Walla Walla, was arrested and fined \$40 in the police court for stealing coal from the railroad company. For some time coal has been missed, and the company sent Detective Fitzgerald of the secret service of that city, and he, with the assistance of Officer Casey, made out a clear case against Patros. When confronted with the charge Patros confessed and paid the fine imposed.

## MEASURE AGREED ON

### Present Legislature May Yet Agree On Effective Irrigation Legislation.

Salem, Feb. 9.—A new irrigation bill as agreed upon last night by the committees and government engineer will be introduced today and will go through without opposition.

The governor today appointed Senator Pierce a regent of the agricultural college to succeed the late J. M. Church.

A spirited debate on the normal school bill introduced by Miller in the senate, and providing for the consolidation of the schools and an appropriation of but \$50,000 for their maintenance, preceded

the defeat of the bill, last evening, by a vote of 17 to 12. This leaves the normal school bills presented in the session, intact, with the possibility that each one, excepting the Drain school, which has been abolished, will receive the appropriations asked for. The following statistics as to cost of graduating students at the different normal schools were presented: The number of graduates from Drain, 2; Ashland, 29; Monmouth, 51; Weston, 14. Cost to the state of each graduate—Drain, \$3478; Ashland, \$388; Monmouth, \$385; Weston, \$714.

## FEW MORE INDICTED

### Judge Tanner, Mitchell's Law Partner, and Frank J. Van Winkle.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 9.—Judge Albert H. Tanner, law partner of United States Senator John H. Mitchell, and one of the most prominent attorneys and citizens of Portland, was indicted today by the federal grand jury on a charge of perjury, alleged to have been committed on January 31 last, while before the grand jury as a witness, in relation to the alleged dealings of Senator Mitchell with Frederick A. Kribs, a land speculator. At the same time this indictment was returned three others were also reported to the court, one against Hamil-

ton H. Hendricks, an officer of the Butte Creek Land, Livestock & Lumber company, for subornation of perjury; one against State Senator George C. Brownell, in amendment of the indictment of the indictment returned a week ago, and the last against Henry Mel-drum, ex-United States surveyor general of Oregon; George Waggoner, his chief clerk; David Kinsair, examiner of surveys; Rufus S. Moore, surveyor, and John W. Hamaker and Frank J. Van Winkle, notaries public, for conspiracy to defraud the government.

#### DODD TO BECOME A BENEDICT

He Leaves But Two County Editors in the Ranks of Bachelordom.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Alexander of Pendleton, have issued invitations to the wedding reception of their daughter, Stella Charlotte, and Mr. Elmer Perry Dodd, on Tuesday evening, February 28, 1905, 8:30 o'clock. The Press takes more than common pleasure in making this wedding announcement for the reason that it embosoms one more journalist within the toils of matrimonial responsibility, care and blissful blessedness. In Pendleton both contracting parties are held in high esteem, where each is prominent in social circles. Miss Alexander is the daughter of one of Pendleton's pioneer merchants and Mr. Dodd is the progressive publisher and able editor of the Pendleton Tribune, one of the newspapers that keeps at it and does things. In the passing of Bro. Dodd, the Press will state that he leaves but two bachelor editors in the county. One is McManus of the Pilot Rock Record, a good fellow, but a man who is so excurtatingly bashful that any time he would rather walk around a city block than meet a woman. And the other, Well, even a heart of stone would revolt at the bear thought of linking its fate with an imp of peevish, churlish grouchiness; one who is steeped, fermented and filtered in the state of lonely loneliness.

#### THE BACKWARD SOCIAL.

Takes Place at Opera House Tuesday Evening—The Program.

The Backward Social, which takes place at the opera house Tuesday evening, promises to be decidedly entertaining. The program follows: Song, "Farewell"..... Society Recitation, "Kate Ketchum," Cecile Boyd. Vocal Solo, "A Picture of Home, Sweet Home,"..... O. A. Rhodes. Cornet Solo, "Annie Laurie," Albert Bales. Instrumental Duet, "May Breezes," Irene Dudley and Fay McElroy. Baritone Solo, "Sail Ho," Jos. N. Scott. Recitation, "To Those About to Marry,"..... Cora Davidson. Vocal Solo, "Teasing," Maud Gholson. Instrumental Duet, "La Premiere Danseuse," Lucy Jenkins and Leta Edington. Vocal Solo, "Where the Silvery Colorado Winds Its Way," Goldie Wil-laby. Recitation, "Betty and the Bear," Zelma DePeatt. Violin Solo, "Swiss Air and Gentle Zittels,"..... Albert Bales. Base Solo, "Down in the Deep Let Me Sleep When I Die,"..... Jos. N. Scott. Address of Welcome, Geo. R. Gerking. Song, "Happy Greeting to All," Society. Farce, "Dot Mad Tog," Nellie Foss, Maud Gholson, Jos. N. Scott, O. A. Rhodes.

#### THE FAIR WILL MOVE.

D. B. Jarman Leases Store Room in New Lodge Building.

The Fair Store is to have a new home, D. B. Jarman, the proprietor, has leased the commodious store room in the New Knights of Pythias and Odd Fellow building. The lease had not been made out yesterday, but the deal is practically made, and the new store room will be occupied by The Fair as soon as counters and shelving can be put in place.

In making this move Mr. Jarman secures one of the best business locations on Main street. It is his intention to have the store equipped with fixtures of the latest styles and designs. The room is said to have been in demand by Baker City parties who wanted it for a furniture store.

#### WATTS FOR MAYOR.

Ex-School Principal Nominated for the Office by Petition.

M. L. Watts, former principal of the Athena public school, and at present in the employ of the Preston-Parton Milling Co., has been nominated for the office of mayor by petition.

The petition which bears the names of 21 citizens, has been filed at the city recorder's office. It is said that candidates for councilmen are to be nominated by petition and the recorder has the blanks in readiness.

## HOUSE PASSES BILL

### JAYNE'S MEASURE A REVERSE FOR THE PROHIBITIONISTS.

Bill Incorporating Little Walla Walla Irrigation District Becomes a Law.

After what proved to be the most animated discussion of the present session of the legislature, the house passed the Jayne local option bill, amending the present local option law by requiring 40 per cent of the legal voters of any precinct to sign the petition for an election on the liquor question, and also providing for strict precinct local option, instead of a union of precincts as at present.

The largest crowd that attended any session of the legislature was present to hear the discussion on this bill, as it had been announced that Kay, of Marion county, would introduce a substitute measure, suggested by the local option forces.

The Pierce bill incorporating the Little Walla Walla Irrigation district near Freewater, Umatilla county, has become a law. The bill is simply an incorporation bill, giving the irrigation district much the same power to levy taxes and disburse them for irrigation purposes, as are enjoyed by municipalities.

House bill 203, appropriating \$2500 for the purpose of holding farmers' institutes, has also become a law. It gives the agricultural college power to hold institutes at different parts of the state on application of the farmers.

It was definitely decided to adjourn on Feb. 17, without date, thus destroying the hopes of any of the members for a special session. The agitation for a special session came principally from the Multnomah delegation, which, it is alleged, wished to elect a United States senator in case Mitchell should be proven guilty of the charges against him, and be removed from office before the next regular session.

#### NEW CONSTITUTION.

Salem Journal Champions Several Changes as Necessary.

The Salem Journal, an independent republican newspaper, stands as a champion for a convention to change the state constitution.

Among the proposed changes advocated by the Journal as wise or necessary, are as follows:

- To allow any number of amendments to be proposed in the legislature at any session.
- To allow colored people to reside in the state.
- To permit registration of electors within 30 days of an election.
- To allow the governor to veto single items of any appropriation bill.
- To allow the state printer to be placed on a salary.
- To allow cities to make and amend their own charters.
- To change the time of state election from June to November.
- To give state officials flat salaries.
- To change liability of stockholders for insolvent corporations.
- To allow counties to increase their indebtedness.
- To abolish the county probate court.
- To establish township government.
- To legalize irrigation and drainage laws.

#### VERT MADE RECEIVER.

Appointed By Judge Eakin to Have Charge of Golconda.

Pendleton, Feb. 9.—John Vert, for fifteen years the confidential man of the First National Bank of Pendleton, has been appointed receiver of the Golconda Consolidated Mining company by Judge Eakin, and now has charge of the property.

The date on which this appointment was made is not known. The creditors of the company, the bank mentioned being the largest, with a \$10,000 mortgage; J. A. Howard and others, asked for the receiver a month ago, when they instituted the foreclosure suit in the circuit court, shortly after the federal court enjoined the sale of the property, on application of Alexander Prussing, of Chicago, representing the minority stock holders, through his attorney in fact, H. T. Hendryx.

It is understood that the creditors wanted J. A. Howard for receiver, but he being one of them, declined to act and Mr. Vert, representing the Pendleton bank was named by the court.