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Embroideries.

Monstie Embroideries. They look like silk but wears better.

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The latest in Washgoods can always be found at this establishment.

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In Square and Round Corners. Up to date Colors and guaranteed perfect fit.

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Each Article the Acme of Perfection

Our entire stock is selected with the same care and discretion. REMEMBER—Our prices are always consistent with quality.

DELL BROTHERS

CATERERS TO THE PUBLIC IN GOOD THINGS TO EAT

Athena, Oregon.

OFFERS 800 FOR ROAD

BID FOR THAT AMOUNT FILED WITH COUNTY COURT.

Mile Selected for Test in Which Every Class of Eastern Oregon Soil Is Found

Yesterday afternoon Athena's \$800 bid for a mile of experimental road to be built by the government at some point in Eastern Oregon, was filed with the county court by C. A. Barrett of this city.

The money was raised in a few hours by popular subscription. In addition to the fact that rock for macadamizing purposes can be secured conveniently, will undoubtedly add materially to the weight of Athena's bid for the road.

Another matter of good consideration which Athena offers is the location of the proposed thoroughfare. One mile of road has been selected which includes almost every known character and class of soil embraced in the formation of Eastern Oregon and the Inland Empire. From the head of Main street east to the Dudley place, thence south across the Wildhorse creek bottom, every character of soil formation in the stretch of one mile is encountered.

The dry, loose volcanic ash of the wheat fields; the hardpan strata; the black, murky alkali bog; the gravel bed and the sand dune, and last, but not least, the sticky, heavy gumbo loam of the creek bottom—all are found in generous, distinct and separate deposits. In fact, within this mile of road are found all elements that for years have tried the patience of roadmakers, and of the people traveling Eastern Oregon highways.

Those who have the matter in charge are confident that Athena has more to offer in the way of a test for sound, practical road making than any other locality in Eastern Oregon. Shoulders are at the wheel and an "altogether" pull will be made to secure the road.

CASE NOT SUSTAINED.

Charge of Wife-Beating Against R. F. Johnson Dismissed.

The charge of wife-beating brought in Justice Wood's court against R. F. Johnson by his father-in-law, J. H. Logan, was dismissed Monday on motion of the district attorney G. W. Phelps, says the Leader.

Defendant then pleaded guilty to an assault upon his son, John Johnson, and paid fine and costs to the amount of \$17.50.

There was no evidence to support the charge of wife-beating brought by Logan. Johnson drove to town Monday morning accompanied by his wife, daughter and two sons, all of whom were prepared to testify in his behalf. He admitted throwing a cup at his son John because the youth cursed him, but says that he merely shoved his wife, who was between them, aside, and her hand struck the stove, burning it. This version was fully corroborated by Mrs. Johnson.

Quite a crowd assembled in Weston to hear the case, but met with disappointment. Behind closed doors at 'Squire Powers' office a battle of words is said to have occurred between Logan and his son-in-law, while on the outside a dozen nooses were flung against the glass. Powers lost a good deal of gate money by not admitting an audience at so much per.

For Sale.

The desirable piece of real estate on Main street known as the Carden property is now offered for sale. For price, apply to Charles Norris, Athena, Oregon.

TYPHOID EPIDEMIC OVER.

Physicians at Eugene Announce That Fever Is Stamped Out.

The physicians of Eugene announce that the typhoid fever epidemic has been effectually stamped out. No new cases have been reported for ten days past and practically all the patients are recovering. There are a few that are yet pretty sick, but no more deaths are expected.

As a result of the epidemic six deaths occurred in the city, only three of which were from typhoid alone. Of the other cases, two were complicated with pneumonia, and one with spinal meningitis. People of the city in general are rejoicing over the abatement of the epidemic, and but for the large number of patients not yet recovered from the fever, conditions are again normal. Residents will continue to boil their drinking water, however, until such time as the city secures a supply of pure water or until the filtering plant is built.

Walked Out of Town.

The Central Stock company walked out of town Saturday, after an ill-starred engagement, says the Weston Leader. They presented "The Convict's Daughter" Friday night to about a dozen people, and only escaped a shower of antique eggs and unmarketable vegetables because the audience's pity was excited by a hard luck story from the manager. They had no scenery, and no apparent excuse for being on the road. Indeed, it was a forlorn outfit that meandered out of town in the direction of Athena, leaving hotel, opera house and printing bills unpaid.

They Merit Support.

The Frazer Theatre company concluded a three night's engagement at the Athena opera house Saturday evening in a well presented version of the popular melodrama, "The Black Hand." The company was well received by Athena theatre goers, and merited the patronage it received. It is understood that Athena is to be played on a theatrical circuit which is being organized by Manager Taylor of the Frazer Theatre in Pendleton. If he is successful in his venture, Athena may be favored with first class companies in standard repertoire plays.

Gone to Richland.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Robinson and daughter, Bessie, yesterday morning departed for their new home in Richland, Wash. The family carry with them the best wishes of many friends and acquaintances in Athena, where they have resided for several years. Mr. Robinson has purchased property in the new town of Richland, which is some miles west of Pasco, on the Columbia river. He will conduct a paint and oil store and in connection will do contract painting.

Doctors are Puzzled.

The remarkable recovery of Kenneth Melver, of Vanceboro, Me., is the subject of much interest to the medical fraternity and a wide circle of friends. He says of his case: "Owing to severe inflammation of the throat and congestion of the lungs, three doctors gave me up to die, when, as a last resort, I was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery and I am happy to say it saved my life." Cures the worst coughs and colds, bronchitis, tonsillitis, weak lungs, hoarseness and la grippe. Guaranteed at McBride's drug store. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free.

WILL BE LOSS OF STOCK

Unexpected Change in Weather Means Death to Range Cattle.

One of the most severe snow storms of the year raged in this vicinity Sunday night and all day yesterday. The thermometer dropped to the freezing point and while the cold and the storm does not compare to that transpiring in the western and middle states, nevertheless all the trimmings of winter are with us, with the result that spring plowing, flower beds, butter cups and gardens are covered with a mantle of the beautiful to the depth of six inches in the valley.

On the uplands, the foothill slopes and the mountain stock ranges, the snow is much deeper, and it is there the greater loss from the storm will occur. In the warm, spring like days of February, when the farmer was plowing and preparation for gardening was going on, the sunny slopes of the mountain ranges were bathed in green as if by magic, and the stockmen removed their herds from the fields to these hillside where the succulent grass had a fairly good

THE FIRST WOOL.

Two Wagonloads of 60,000 Pounds Each Pass Through Pilot Rock.

The first wool of the season to pass through Pilot Rock on its way to Pendleton was seen Thursday. It was the property of the Cunningham Sheep and Land company, whose headquarters are only a few miles south-east of Pilot Rock, reports the Record. The consignment consisted of two wagonloads of 60,000 pounds each. The wagons were hauled by 12 head of horses.

Shearing commenced at the company's headquarters last Monday and there are at present sixty shearers employed. The weather is bright and balmy and little fear is expressed of any sudden change in the weather conditions. It is estimated that this year's wool crop of the Cunningham Sheep and Land company will total upwards of \$50,000.

FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR.

H. M. Cake of Portland a Prominent Republican Candidate.

"Eastern Oregon is entitled to the reclamation of her arid lands, and it is the duty of the federal government to carry on its reclamation work with all possible vigor," says H. M. Cake of Portland, who is a candidate for the republican nomination for United States senator. "The government has made ample provisions for the reclamation of arid lands, and I



Hon. H. M. Cake.

am in favor of a more progressive and vigorous policy in pushing reclamation projects than has heretofore been followed in this state."

He believes that the government should build the Dalles-Celilo canal as soon as possible and give the people of Eastern Oregon relief in traffic rates. Mr. Cake is widely and favorably known as an ardent advocate of a greater and more progressive state.

Sheep Law Will be Tested.

At the request of the sheepmen of Umatilla county District Attorney Phelps has commenced an appeal to the supreme court to test the legality of the migratory stock law declared unconstitutional by Judge Ellis. The law was passed at the last session of the legislature and imposes a tax of 20 cents a head on all sheep brought into the state for grazing purposes. Last spring W. P. Reeser, of Walla Walla, brought a suit to recover \$20 tax on the grounds that the law was unconstitutional. While there is but little hope of having the decision reversed, the sheepmen desire to be fully prepared for a new law at the next session of the legislature, providing their appeal fails.

WHEAT 28C LOWER

CHINESE BOYCOTT AND EXCESSIVE SUPPLY THE CAUSE.

Wheat in All Markets Has Been Steadily Declining Since Early In December.

Wheat prices in Tacoma, following the general downward tendency of the eastern market, are down to a low figure, being fully 28 cents lower than was obtainable for Bluestem a year ago by the growers.

Wheat has been steadily declining since early in December. There is always a falling off in the export trade in grain during the holidays and Tacoma shippers expressed the belief at that time that by the time a month or more of the new year had passed the demand from foreign countries would come stronger. These hopes have not been realized, as is apparent from the low price at which wheat is quoted.

Local exporters are quoting 67 cents for bluestem and 65 cents for club and hard red. While the millers are quoting a price a cent higher than that offered by exporters, they are not in the market to buy in any very large quantities. The flour mills of that section that are grinding any wheat at all are running on short time, a condition due in part to the Chinese boycott, but principally to the fact that the local territory is largely supplied with eastern flour.

"The cause of the general depression of the wheat market," said an exporter, "is that the supply is considerably in excess of the demand. It may be that wheat will go down to such a low price in the east that a good deal will be shipped from here. The low price will probably have the effect of somewhat stimulating the foreign demand."

DEMOCRATS FOR LEGISLATURE.

James T. Lienallen of Adams, and C. B. Wade of Pendleton.

Pendleton, March 12.—At a meeting of prominent Umatilla democrats held here yesterday J. T. Lienallen of Adams, and Cecil R. Wade of this city were invited to become candidates for representative in the legislature. Also, John O'Hara and Charles Pinkerton, of Weston, were discussed for the nomination for county clerk, but no action was taken.

After noon A. D. Stillman filed with the county clerk copies of the following petitions for democratic nominations:

T. D. Taylor, for sheriff; W. R. Campbell, for treasurer; James Nelson, for county commissioner; John F. Hill, for recorder; S. S. Darnell, for justice of the peace, Pendleton precinct; John M. Bentley, for constable, Pendleton precinct; and Dr. T. M. Henderson, for coroner.

The petitions were circulated together as decided upon shortly after the recent mass meeting held, at which the respective men were invited to become candidates for the nominations.

Dr. C. J. Smith has filed with the county clerk a copy of his petition for the democratic nomination for state senator from this county, which position he now holds.

Our New Mayor.

The Portland Oregonian of date of March 9, published a good half tone of Dr. J. D. Plamondon, mayor-elect of Athena, together with the following:

"Dr. J. D. Plamondon was elected mayor of the city of Athena at the regular election Tuesday, March 6, by a large majority of votes. Dr. Plamondon is a native Oregonian, having been born at Salem, December 13, 1875. He was educated at Willamette University, served as resident physician at St. Vincent's Hospital, Portland, for one year and in the medical department of the O. R. & N. Co., under Dr. E. A. J. Mackenzie, of Portland, for six months. He located at Athena six years ago and by integrity and attention to business has built up a good practice in his profession and has a multitude of friends in Umatilla county."

Damage To Fruit.

Three inches of snow fell at Milton and Freewater last night and while the fruit buds were somewhat forward, it is said that the damage to fruit will be very light if the weather continues dry and no further freezing occurs. Water froze in dwellings at Milton and Freewater last night, but the snow was very dry and fruit men are hopeful that but very slight damage was done. However, the actual results of the sudden change cannot be fully known for several days.

Exquisite Tour Bowls With Casacares. Candy Cathartics, cure constipation forever. See the H. C. C. Co. full, druggists refund money.