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LIKE MARKET DAYS POSTOFFICE RULING DAMAGING EVIDENCE PEARLS AT \$8 A BOX

Pendleton's Was Successful and Waitsburg Will Inaugurate a Sale Tomorrow.

Monthly Market day is an innovation recently established in the west with the view of attracting people by inducements offered to come to town to trade on the particular day specified.

Pendleton recently held one and it is said to have been a success in every particular.

Market day as a regular feature of business life in Waitsburg will be inaugurated tomorrow, when the ranchers from the surrounding towns and country will take their products there for sale. The municipality is backing the enterprise.

A place will be set aside where horses, cattle, hay and other farm products will be auctioned. The time is thought to be propitious for the sale of stock, since now ranchers are considering the purchase of horses for early spring work. The prices paid as a consequence are likely to be as high as could be obtained from private barter.

A special program to interest visiting ranchers will be devised and the first market day will be made a holiday affair. Should it prove a success a day each month will be set aside as market day.

Mr. Max Zimmerman, who has charge of the Waitsburg Market day has written the Press regarding the prospects of putting on a series of market days in Athena. Athena merchants and business men would do well to look into the proposition.

Pioneer Woman Dead.

Mrs. B. B. Bishop, a pioneer resident of Pendleton, died Sunday afternoon at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Thorpe Roberts, in Prosser, Washington. The deceased was 78 years of age and had lived in Pendleton for 35 years.

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COR. MAIN AND THIRD, ATHENA, OR.

Subscribers to Newspapers and Magazines Must Pay Subscription in Advance.

Subscribers to daily and weekly papers, monthly magazines and all periodicals entitled to second class postage rates must pay their subscription practically up to date if they wish to receive the publication, according to an order issued by the postmaster general. The order is a drastic one and does not leave any alternative to the publisher other than to collect the subscription price or stop the paper.

The new ruling gives papers ample time to get right with their subscribers. On daily papers they have three months in which to revise their list and out of the dead heads; on tri-weeklies, six months is given; on semi-weeklies, nine months is the limit, and on weeklies, one year's grace is allowed, but after the time limit named a publisher must make affidavit that his list is paid up and genuine or else he will lose his second-class postage privilege.

Each publication cannot send sample copies to more than 10 percent as many as there are paid subscribers on its lists.

The order came as a surprise to the publishers and it is feared that it may work a hardship on some of them as many publishers have been in the habit of continuing to send their publications to many who are considerably more in arrears than the limit set by the order, their expectancy being, of course, that the subscribers were only neglecting to pay the bill when due and would pay the bill before long anyway.

The early enforcement of the regulation will make it bothersome for subscribers affected as it will mean that their papers will have to be stopped in case they do not remit before this order goes into effect. The publishers cannot continue the paper unless this is done as the penalty imposed by the postoffice department for violation of the regulation is severe, the maximum being to shut out the entire circulation of the paper from second class privileges.

Stricken With Paralysis.

I. S. Bruce, a well known citizen of Milton was suddenly stricken with paralysis, early Saturday morning. Though Mr. Bruce is some better, he is still in a most critical condition, having no use whatever of his left side.

TOO MANY KINDS OF FRUIT

Criticism Which Will Equally Apply to Umatilla County.

A bit of criticism which will apply equally well to Umatilla county, comes from the Dayton Courier-Press, and is as follows:

S. G. Campbell, who has been in this vicinity buying fruit for W. N. White & Co., of New York, stated recently that the people of this county made a great mistake when they put out so many different varieties of fruit as fruit buyers do not care to buy fruit in small quantities in mixed lots. He also says that his company accepted much fruit they would not have taken had there not been a shortage, but there was always a good market for good fruit. When asked if this section of the country was naturally adapted to raising fruit he said there were some drawbacks, among them being the frost, scale, moth and principally that people are of the opinion that an orchard will take care of itself, and this will not do, as much time, labor and money must be spent to raise a good orchard.

Spokane Printing Trust.

Judge W. A. Huneke in the superior court at Spokane overruled the demurrer of the Spokane Printing and Manufacturing association, the local printing trust, in the suit brought against it by Charles E. Miller, a non-association member, who charges the organization with boycotting him and preventing him from obtaining supplies from the paper houses. Miller charges that the association has seriously hampered his business by its action and he seeks damages. He alleges in his complaint that the only reason he is opposed by the association is his refusal to join the Spokane printing trust. The case will now be heard.

Grand Jury Report.

The grand jury for the present term of the circuit court completed its work Wednesday and made its report. The jury was in session nine days, examined 105 witnesses and returned into court 14 true bills and 10 not true bills. Among the not true bills was that of David Lavender, City marshal of Weston, who shot young Reid while making an arrest, and that of Mabel Warner, charged with obtaining a search warrant without probable cause and malicious intent.

Lost—a lady's chatelaine brooch. Finder will please leave at this office.

Testimony Introduced in the Hall-Mays Land-Fraud Case Shows Conspiracy Plot.

With the testimony that appears almost conclusive from witnesses in the so called Hall-Mays conspiracy case, the government disclosed to the jury how during the years of 1900 and 1901, the Lumber company had secured large areas of public land in a manner the prosecution alleges was fraudulent and illegal.

The prosecution made wonderful progress this week with the development of its case.

In brief the testimony is to the effect that Clarence B. Zachary, foreman of the company had served as a sort of advance agent for the corporation in its alleged land grabbing. The witnesses declared Zachary was the one who suggested the idea of filing on the homesteads. They declared he proposed to erect their cabins and look after the cultivation and to attend to the other requirements of the homestead law and he agreed to purchase the claims for about \$300 when the final proof was completed.

They testified that these applications were filed with H. H. Hendricks another member of the company, who was at that time United States commissioner. None of the entrymen, they declared knew where the land was located when they filed their applications and none of them ever visited a claim more than two or three times and then for periods of but 10 or 15 minutes each.

When the proper time arrived, the witnesses declared, each appeared before Hendricks, except one who was the one who went before James Stewart at The Dalles and signed final proof papers. When their final receipt arrived from the land office, they testified, they transferred their property to the company and received the stipulated consideration.

Judge Webster for the defense, cross examined the witnesses severely and sought to bring out that they knew they were perjuring themselves at all times the acts in question were committed. This caused the prosecution in the re-direct examination of one of the witnesses to elicit the statement which had already been filed into the blanks before they had signed them, and that the extracts from the land laws, printed on the blanks which are supposed to be read to each entryman for his guidance and protection, were never read to them.

MRS. WILLABY SEEKS DIVORCE

After 31 Years of Married Life Athena Wife Asks for Separation.

Pendleton, Jan. 23.—After a married life of nearly 31 years Mrs. Barbara A. Willaby of Athena, has started divorce proceedings against William F. Willaby. The suit was filed this morning by Peterson, Peterson & Wilson and the complaint contains some startling allegations against the defendant.

The Willabys were married at Athena on December 9, 1877 and have three daughters, two of whom are aged 29 and 25 respectively. The property claims have already been satisfactorily settled by stipulation and agreement.

Turned Over in His Grave.

When the body of Richard Churchill, who was buried at Tillamook after a sudden illness in 1888, was disinterred Sunday there was evidence to show that the man had been buried alive. The head lay face downward, one leg was drawn up almost to the body and both arms were on the left side, as if the man had partially turned over before death came to his relief. Mystery surrounded the death of Churchill 20 years ago. He had been traveling with considerable money, and at the time of his burial there were suspicious men had been drugged. Indications now are that he was robbed and hurriedly buried in order to cover the crime.

Knights of Pythias Installation.

At the regular meeting of Pythian Lodge No. 29 K. of P., Thursday night, the following officers were installed:

C. C. Reed Hill; V. G., Byron N. Hawks; Prelate, Thos. Gilkie; M. of W., J. C. Burke; K. of E. & S., Henry Keen; M. of F., W. E. Dobson; M. of E., York Dell; M. at A., Ad Pinkerton; I. G., Ernest Shimpf; O. G., Roy Cannon; Trustees, Cass Cannon.

A Captive Eagle.

A magnificent specimen of the American gray eagle is on exhibition at the Freewater Times office. The bird was caught in a coyote trap on Dry creek on Saturday morning by Gustavus C. Sprague. The bird measures from tip to tip seven feet and is about 36 inches high.

Take DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills. They promptly relieve backache and weak back. Sold by Palace Drug company.

Medford Pear Orchards Earn as Much as \$2,000 Per Acre for Their Lucky Owners.

"There is a good deal of gold beneath the surface in southern Oregon, but I prefer to find mine on top," said G. A. Hover, a Medford orchardist.

"I have realized \$8 a box net on the Comico pears I sent to New York the past year," he says, "and at this rate over \$1000 an acre can be netted raising pears. F. W. Hopkins, a neighbor of mine, sold his pears off 16 acres for \$19,000, and these pears were of the Winter Nellis variety. Ad Helm of Ashland obtained \$16,000 for the product of eight acres of pears. His trees are about 15 years old. H. C. Lewis sold his Bartlett pears in Toronto, Can., for \$4 a box net.

"Orchard lands are, of course, advancing in value as a result of the high prices secured for apples and pears, and as for bearing orchards they cannot be bought at all. W. F. Burrell of Portland bought 140 acres eight years ago in the Rogue River valley for \$20,000, and many of our people thought he had been tunced, but this same land would sell today for \$80,000 were the owner willing to let it go.

"Of course, fruit growers of Medford and vicinity have money to throw at the br. de, and they would not exchange places with the owners of the best paying gold mines around there. While the miners are delving in the ground for something they do not see, the fruit growers are producing \$20 gold pieces where they can see them grow on the trees."

Giving Orchards Attention.

Milton orchardists are busy pruning up their orchards and getting them ready for spraying, which will commence as soon as spring opens, says the Eagle. The indications are that more attention will hereafter be given to the care of fruit trees than has been done in the past, the excellent results received last season from such efforts having opened the eyes of our fruit-growers to the undeveloped possibilities of their orchards.

To the Voters of Athena.

A mass meeting of the citizens of Athena will be held at the City Hall on Friday evening Jan. 31st, 1908, for the purpose of nominating officers to be voted for at the annual election, Tuesday, March 3, 1908.
J. D. Plamondon, Mayor.

PORTLAND BANKS WILL OPEN

Institutions Are to Resume Business By the First Day of February.

Unless the unforeseen happens, all three suspended banks in Portland will be in operation within a little more than two weeks' time.

The Title Guarantee & Trust company is scheduled to pass under the control of William M. Ladd about Monday or Tuesday.

The plan of absorption of the Oregon Trust and Savings bank by the German-American should be in such shape that liquidation of the defunct institution may be begun some time during the week of January 25 to February 1.

As for the Merchants National, President J. Frank Watson states that while the officials hoped to be able to resume operations February 1, it might be a few days later than that before the reorganization plan was in such shape that it would meet the approval of Special Examiner Wilson and the controller of the currency.

Walla Walla Bonds at Par.

Sale was made of \$100,000 worth of Walla Walla municipal bonds to Rollins & Co., of Chicago at par. The money is to be used in completing the new city hall and fire station. The bonds bear 5 per cent interest. The fire station was almost completed when the panic struck the country while negotiations were in progress with another firm of brokers last fall, but the city hall building is only about one fourth completed. When the brokers refused to take the bonds, all work was stopped except on the city hall, which was completed a few days ago. Contractors hope to begin work soon on the fire station.

Burglar in Music Store.

A burglar effected an entrance to the Thornton music store at Pendleton Sunday night but was frightened away without securing any booty or doing any more serious damage than to frighten Mr. and Mrs. Thornton, so they ran out through the back door and into the chilly night, with only a small portion of their customary raiment.

Opens Saloon at Waitsburg.

George Thomas, one of the proprietors of the "Corner" Saloon in this city, has opened a saloon at Waitsburg. His partner in the business is M. Gagnon, who recently sold his land on the reservation.

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