

Application for entrance as 2nd class matter made on July 5, 1907 at the postoffice at Athena, Oregon Under an Act of Congress of March 3, 1879

Subscription Rates:
per year, in advance \$2.00
Single copies in wrappers, 5c.

ATHENA, ORE., JULY 10, 1908

If the thornless cactus will do half as well as a forage plant as is claimed for it, it would revolutionize stock feeding and range conditions in eastern Oregon. If, says the East Oregonian instead of producing 80 tons per acre, it would produce 40, or even 30 tons per acre, it would work a radical change in stock raising in this and other eastern Oregon counties. Alfalfa is not the only crop adapted to the arid and semi-arid lands of eastern Oregon. The homely sunflower will make any man rich who will grow it in large enough quantities, cultivate, harvest it and market it with proper care and diligence. The rubber plant of New Mexico and Arizona will also grow in luxuriant abundance on the highest, driest knolls in the sand belt and will yield from \$30 to \$75 per acre, according to the cultivation and care bestowed upon it. People get into a rut and come to think nothing but old varieties of crops can be produced at a profit, while all about them lie new promises and new opportunities of which they don't dream.

If you are not holding government land by some method you are entitled to file on 320 acres of desert land. Desert land is land you must reclaim by placing water upon it. You are required to pay 25c per acre for this land when you file and you then are compelled to spend at least \$1.00 per acre each year upon the land in reclaiming it. You have four years in which to get water upon the same. Fencing, clearing, building ditches, putting down wells for irrigation purposes, etc., are allowed by the government and you are credited with the money spent and work done toward the annual payments. At the end of four years you pay \$1.00 in cash to the government. You can take any amount of arid land up to 320 acres.

Overalls don't care who wear them in this, the land of opportunity. A train new pair of overalls or a pair mutilated by time and held in place by the aid of a horse shoe nail is no straight tip on the real worth, mental or metallic, of the man inside. Bucaroos and the boss, tankers and the bankless, the man of cloth and the man of cards, the man of mech and the man of much less are not distinguishable by the hats and piddling neck gear in this, the last and the best of the land of the west. The art of the haberdasher doesn't breathe the breath of worth into a man, remarks an editor who knows what he is talking about.

Demonstration of the powers of the new noiseless gun, which Hiram Percy Maxim is perfecting, was given by the inventor at New York. Two large books which served as a target, were penetrated for a distance of six inches by a discharge of the weapon without the spectators being aware that a bullet had left the rifle. There was a slight click as the trigger was pulled and the ensuing silence left the impression that the gun had not been discharged. On examination, however, the soft nosed bullet was found firmly imbedded in the leaves of the book.

Morris Calvin of Paulina, Crook county, Oregon's most unsophisticated man, bought a comic valentine. It cost him a nickel. Then he did a little drawing. A postage stamp was attached. The valentine was addressed to Mrs. Ida Mosier. It was dropped in the mail. It was delivered. She objected. That valentine cost Calvin \$300, says the Portland Journal. Calvin was indicted by the federal grand jury for sending obscene matter through the mail.

Objections to the long cruise of the battleship fleet have never been numerous, but if any patriot needs to bear ardent applause of it he should consult the parents who have been accustomed to help the children at their home lessons. Thanks to the voyage and the consequent publicity, these fathers and mothers now know almost as much about geography as their boys and girls do.

With the temperature at 90 degrees in Chicago comes the report of the death of many from excessive heat.

From the blistering intensity of the heat prostrations are recorded by the score. Such dire results never follow the blazing, blistering summer sun in eastern Oregon although the temperature frequently will exceed 90 by a dozen degrees.

No state in the Union is spreading more high class advertising matter than Oregon. The splendid booklets issued to present the claims of Yamhill county, Albany and Linn county, Grants Pass, Roseburg, Medford and Ashland, are superior to those issued by the commercial bodies of other states. Eastern Oregon is not being neglected, and this character of advertising cannot fail to have an advantageous effect, and other communities should see that their claims are not overlooked.

At no time during the conference of the board of Normal school regents was the Weston school in danger of being dropped. Even Gov. Chamberlain and Regent Ayer, radical opponents of anything above two normal schools, were firm in their contention for continuing the Eastern Oregon school. Drain was dropped and now Eastern Oregon, Western Oregon, and Southern Oregon have normal schools for keeps.

Never forget you are a part of the town says an exchange, and that your own department helps to make up the stranger's estimate of the place. Sell all you can and buy all you can at home. Every dollar that is sent or carried away from home makes the town that much poorer. If you have the means invest in something that will give somebody employment. Do not kick at a proposed improvement simply because it is not at your door.

Governor Chamberlain divided the honors between the democrat and republicans in his appointment of the officials of the new county of Hood River. Last week the entire list of officials for the new county was announced at Salem and on July 1, this new county, the twenty-fourth on the map of Oregon, began operations with the county seat at Hood River.

According to the Chicago quotations flour has advanced from \$6 to \$6.25 per barrel. Those in close touch with the market predict that it will reach \$6.75. Meat also has the habit and the price continues on the upward tendency.

It is not generally known there is a law under which any minor under eighteen years of age who is found smoking tobacco may be arrested and fined for the offense. The penalty is sufficiently severe to act as an incentive for stopping the habit.

A burglar who "masqueraded as a yachtman" has been sentenced to twenty seven years in the penitentiary. If the "masquerades" included the wearing of a yachting cap the sentence was too light.

A number of Chinese experts are coming to the United States to study the financial system. When they find out all about it they might enlighten the people of this country.

A man of the name of Scarlet is acting as prosecutor of the Pennsylvania statehouse grafters. It is, perhaps, only natural that he should catch some of them red-handed.

A Texas woman has forfeited an estate worth \$800,000 in order to marry the man she loves. And he will probably be reminded of the fact for the rest of his life.

With Umatilla county furnishing the attractions, Walla Walla is said to have been able to pull off her Fourth of July celebration.

While we now have no ex-President in these United States the people will soon make one.

A men's club, the admission fee to which will be \$100, may be formed in Pendleton.

A GOOD INVESTMENT.

The \$100,000 asked for to use in building more boats for the upper Columbia river is nearly raised, is as good as raised, showing that Portland people respond pretty well when "shown." This is a very good thing for them to do, but it really is only a beginning of things they need to do, of investment that they ought to make, for Portland's benefit. In most cases the money will bring fair direct, specific returns; but in cases where it does not the indirect benefit will be ample reward. And that many who do not give or invest will share in the benefits must not be considered at all; if everybody held back on that account little would ever be accomplished.

Means of river transportation for the wheat of the region adjacent to the upper Columbia river will be a great help, but railroads into the interior must also be built. With more

roads to bring the produce of that region to the river, and boats to transport it cheaply to Portland, those products would greatly increase, the people up there would become more numerous and would have more money to spend for merchandise, and the business of Portland would become much larger.

It is in such ways that a city forces a healthy, irresistible growth upon itself—by reaching out into the interior, into distant localities in all directions and helping them to develop and help themselves. Portland has never done enough of this. Apparently it is going to do more of it. The subscription for more boats on the Columbia is an excellent beginning. Anyhow, it's going some, and we Portlanders should "keep a-goin'" in similar direction at all times, and, if we do, there will be a city here of 300,000 people and a state of 900,000 by the time of the 1910 census.—Portland Journal.

MR. SHERMAN'S NOMINATION.

It is merely stating the facts to say that if James S. Sherman had been mentioned for the vice-presidency in loud, resounding tones a few weeks ago the whole west would have risen and asked politely, "Who is James S. Sherman?"

It is merely stating the facts to add that there was no special reason for nominating Mr. Sherman except that he was the one demanded by the gentlemen who had been run over by the great steam roller. The arrangements were all made beforehand, as was evident from the proceedings in the convention, but they were not all out and dried. "Uncle Joe" fairly trembled with emotion as he made his speech seconding the nomination of Mr. Sherman, who is of the standard variety of statesmanship.

Whether the nomination was good politics or not time will tell. At present we note it as an exhibition of the mechanism of such gatherings. There was the appearance of something like satisfaction in the New York delegation, which wanted to name its man. But plainly the majority of the delegates from all the states were not deeply affected, because their knowledge of the candidates was but little more thorough and comprehensive than that of the public. They were carrying out the agreement that had been made for them.

Probably they, like the public, are now wondering if Mr. Sherman is of presidential size and waiting for information. Without reflecting on the candidate, we should say that the mystery is not to his advantage.—Chicago Record-Herald (Rep.)

COOL READING.

The frost is on the window pane,
And icicles adorn each sill;
The snow is heaped on field and plain,
And garbed in white is yonder hill.
The blazing fagots on the hearth
With ruddy glow light up the scene;
I'm writing now for all I'm worth
For some December magazine.

Outside I hear the children shout,
It is a sleigh ride passing by;
Ah, youth is there without a doubt,
The spring of life for them is nigh.
Now biting blows the bitter wind,
The storm door bangs and drifts are seen;
Don't think that I have lost my mind,
'Tis for some winter magazine.

From father's beard there droop tonight
Three icicles of slender size;
His heavy coat is frosted white,
But joy is shining in his eyes.
For mother quickly brings to him
Hot toddy in a soup tureen;
I'm writing this with all my vim
For some December magazine.

Now quick into the oven hot
Poor father puts his frozen feet;
And by his side our faithful Spot
Lies down to get his share of heat.
And round the fire we sit and chat
Of days when the trees are green;
It's mighty hot, I tell you that,
To fill a winter magazine.
—Detroit Free Press.

A Woman's Back

Has many aches and pains caused by weakness and falling, or other displacement of the pelvic organs. Other symptoms of female weakness are frequent headache, dizziness, imaginary specks or dark spots floating before the eyes, gnawing sensation in stomach, dragging or bearing down in lower abdominal or pelvic region, disagreeable drains from pelvic organs, faint spells with general weakness. If any considerable number of the above symptoms are present there is no remedy that will give quicker relief or a more permanent cure than Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It has a record of over forty years of cures. It is the most potent invigorating tonic and strengthening nerve known to medical science. It is made of the glyceric extracts of native medicinal roots found in our forests and contains not a drop of alcohol or harmful, or habit-forming drugs. Its ingredients are all printed on the bottle-wrapper and attested under oath as correct. Every ingredient entering into "Favorite Prescription" has the written endorsement of the most eminent medical writers of all the several schools of practice—more valuable than any amount of non-professional testimonials—though the latter are not lacking, having been contributed voluntarily by grateful patients in numbers to exceed the endorsements given to any other medicine extant for the cure of women's ills. You cannot afford to accept any medicine of unknown composition as a substitute for this well proven remedy or known counterfeits, even though the dealer may make a little more profit thereby. Your interest in regaining health is paramount to any selfish interest of his and it is an insult to your intelligence for him to try to palm off upon you a substitute. You know what you want and it is his business to supply the article called for.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are the original "Little Liver Pills" first put up by old Dr. Pierce over forty years ago, much imitated but never equaled. Little sugar-coated granules—easy to take as candy.

The Remedy That Does.

"Dr. King's New Discovery is the remedy that does the healing others promise but fail to perform," says Mrs. E. R. Pierson, of Auburn Centre, Pa. "It is curing me of throat and lung trouble of long standing, that other treatments relieved only temporarily. New Discovery is doing me so much good that I feel confident its continued use for a reasonable length of time will restore me to perfect health." This renowned cough and cold remedy and throat and lung healer is sold at Palace Drug Co's. store, 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

Bert Barber, of Elton, Wis., says: "I have only taken four doses of DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills and they have done for me more than any other medicine has ever done." Sold by Palace Drug Co.

Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup acts gently upon the bowels and thereby drives the cold out of the system. Sold by Palace Drug Co.

LOW RATES EAST O. R. & N.

Will be Made by the
This Season as Follows:
ROUND TRIP

TO	DIRECT
Chicago.....	\$72.50
St Louis.....	67.50
St Paul.....	63.15
Omaha.....	60.00
Kansas City.....	60.00

Tickets Will be on Sale
May 4, 18
June 5, 6, 19, 20
July 6, 7, 22, 23
August 6, 7, 21, 22

Good for return in 90 days with stopover privileges at pleasure within limits.

DON'T FORGET THE DATES

For any Further Information Call on
E. M. Smith, Local Agent
Or write to
WM. McMURRAY,
General Passenger Agent,
PORTLAND, OREGON.

TROY LAUNDRY For GOOD WORK HENRY KEENE, Agent.

Foley's Honey and Tar for children, safe, sure. No opiates.

Dr. O. F. Heisley Dr. S. Etta Heisley
Graduates Am. School of Osteopathy, of
Kirksville, Mo., Dr. A. T. Still,
President, Founder.

Drs. HEISLEY & HEISLEY
OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIANS
Office and Residence Cor. 5th and Adams St. opposite Christian church. Days in Athena: Monday, Wednesday, Friday.

S. F. Sharp
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON
Special attention given to all calls, both night and day.
Calls promptly answered. Office on Third Street, Athena Oregon

THE PENDLETON SAVINGS BANK
REPORT OF CONDITION, JUNE 30, 1908

Resources

Loans and Discounts	\$825,904.29
Warrants	193.25
Banking House	50,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	10,000.00
Other Real Estate	1,500.00
Cash and Due from Banks	292,267.99
	\$1,179,865.53

Liabilities

Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus	100,000.00
Undivided Profits	63,727.32
Deposits	916,138.21
	\$1,179,865.53

I. J. W. Maloney, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
J. W. MALONEY, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of July, 1908.
A. E. LAMBERT,
Notary Public for Oregon.

It's easy to reach North Beach
Take Steamer **POTTER** From Portland

Passengers are now transferred to the railroad at MEGLER—fourteen miles up the Columbia River from Ilwaco. This eliminates the necessity of steamers waiting for the tide, and insures a prompt and regular Summer Schedule.

The Steamer T. J. POTTER leaves Portland every morning except Saturday and Sunday at 8:30 o'clock.—Saturday only at 2 o'clock P. M. Remember the Summer rate on the

O. R. & N.
is \$13.90 from Athena to all North Beach points and return; good until September 30th.

North Beach is a famous, beautiful place—the most perfect beach on the whole North Coast. There are accommodations galore at prices to suit all tastes; camping facilities without equal—perfect bathing conditions; all sorts of amusements and diversions. Come, have a good rest and a jolly time. Let us send you our new summer book, and tell you all about NORTH BEACH.

E. M. SMITH Local Agent, ATHENA, OREGON.
Wm McMurray,
General Passenger Agent, Portland, Oregon.

A. J. PARKER'S BARBER SHOP
Everything First Class - Modern and Up-to-date
SOUTH SIDE MAIN STREET ATHENA

DIARRHOEA

There is no need of anyone suffering long with this disease, for to effect a quick cure it is only necessary to take a few doses of

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy

In fact, in most cases one dose is sufficient. It never fails and can be relied upon in the most severe and dangerous cases. It is equally valuable for children and is the means of saving the lives of many children each year. In the world's history no medicine has ever met with greater success. Price 25 cents. Large size 50 cents.

BEE'S LAXATIVE HONEY AND TAR

NO POISONS. CONFORMS TO NATIONAL PURE FOOD AND DRUG LAW.
The Original Laxative Cough Syrup containing Honey and Tar. An improvement over all Cough, Lung and Bronchial Remedies. Pleasant to the taste and good alike for young and old. All cough syrups containing opiates constipate the bowels. Bee's Laxative Honey and Tar moves the bowels and contains no opiates. Prepared by PINE-ULE MEDICINE COMPANY, CHICAGO, U. S. A.