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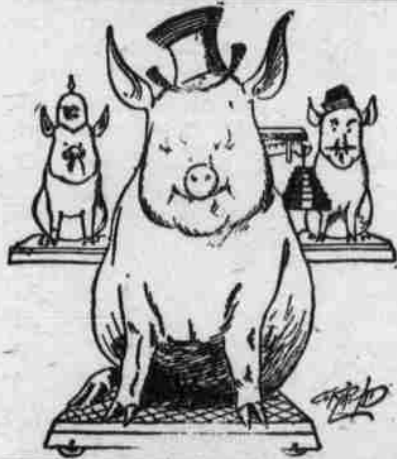
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## AFTER EIGHT YEARS

### David Taylor Succeeds In Securing O. R. & N. Switch for His Independent Warehouse.

After eight long years of effort, David Taylor is in a position to realize the full benefits to be derived through ownership of an independent warehouse. For eight years Mr. Taylor endeavored to secure a switch from the O. R. & N. people so that he could ship grain over that road.

A string of red tape that would reach from here to Jericho was encountered in the beginning and the company was also bound up in agreements with other grain dealers, but David never gave up.

Last year he bought and shipped over the Northern Pacific something like 137,000 bushels of grain. Evidently this looked good to the fat O. R. & N. and in the light of the stiff competition which Taylor went up against, it is surmised that he "showed" them he was likely to remain in business here. And so an engineer dropped off the other day, surveyed a line and a bunch of Greeks laid the track, and David smiled a smile.

His railroad connections places Mr. Taylor's warehouse in the best possible condition for handling not only grain, but hay and other products of the farm which receives better prices in having access to both Portland and Sound markets.

## COUNTY 46TH BIRTHDAY SEP 27

### County Treasury Bradley Delves Deep In Musty Records.

County Treasurer Bradley discovers that Umatilla county will have a birthday on September 27. He finds in the records that the county on that date will be 46 years old.

Diving deep into musty records Treasurer Bradley finds that the earliest account of a meeting to be held by the county court was at Marshall's station—since named Swift's station—on April 6, 1863.

It is found that Umatilla county, with the territory in its domain that now includes Union and Baker counties, was created by the legislature on September 27, 1862, and the act itself appointed Robert Coombs, judge; E. A. Still, clerk; Thomas McCoy and John R. Courtney, commissioners; and Alfred Marshall, sheriff.

This court organized at Marshall's station, but the full list of Umatilla county's first officers was as follows: J. W. Johnson, judge; Thomas McCoy and S. Hamilton, commissioners; D. A. Richards, clerk; Alfred Marshall, sheriff; Welcome Mitchell, treasurer; B. Bark, assessor; Charles W. Shively, surveyor; Dr. John Teel, coroner, and John McQuinn, school superintendent.

### "Gold Coin" Wheat.

A sample of "Gold Coin," a new variety of wheat in this section, was brought to town Tuesday from the Weidert place, north of town and tested 60 pounds to the bushel. In the same field with Dale wheat which averaged but little better than 30 bushels, Gold Coin yielded 40 1/2 bushels per acre. The seed was purchased last fall by Mr. Weidert at Spokane. It is a hard wheat and in localities where it is extensively raised, it is graded with Bluestem.

### Harmony Club.

The Harmony club met with Miss Della Danner at her home on Second street. A number were present and an enjoyable time spent. Miss Ferrol McBride opened the program with "Vesper Hymn" which was beautifully given. Engelmann's "Melody of Love" was exceptionally well given by Miss Bessie Parker in her pleasing manner. Miss Della Danner pleased

the club with a selection from Chopin. Little Kathrine Froome gave "Scotch Air" in her pleasing way as did Hazel Parker another club favorite with Huss's "Moceau." Gladys Smyth delighted the club with a well rendered selection "Harvest Blooms" Miss Ruth Krebbs gave "Hearts and Flowers" which was much enjoyed as was the "Dying Poet" given by Miss Elliott. "Love's Old Sweet Song" was sang by Rawl Miller in splendid voice, as was the selection by Maurice Hill. A selection from "Prince of Pilsen" opera was given by a double trio: Misses Krebbs and Danner, soprano; Rawl Miller, bass; Maurice Hill, tenor; Miss Smyth, alto; Miss Elliot, contralto; was very much appreciated. The club will meet with Miss Elliott next Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Foss.

## WOUNDED BANDIT GAVE UP

### Arm Shattered, and Without Food, He Can Fight No Longer.

With his right arm encased in splints and bandages and his seemingly indomitable spirit broken, W. P. Reed, leader of the outlaw band of cattle rustlers, was brought to Lewiston Friday and palced in St. Joseph's hospital, under a heavy guard, where he will begin a fight for life. Without food or drink for 72 hours and with his right arm shattered by a snubnose bullet from Dan Carr's Winchester rifle, Reed has spent three weary days and nights alone and unattended in the forest 14 miles from Orofino.

Thursday night Deputy Sheriff A. A. Masters and Andy Shaw arrested A. J. Sloan and C. A. Rice, members of the band, near Shaw's cabin. They were taken to Orofino and detained under a heavy guard, while Masters sent William Castor to a place near Carr's lake, 14 miles from Orofino, where Reed was discovered apparently in a dying condition.

Castor prevailed on Reed to surrender and the wounded bandit finally agreed to surrender to Deputy Masters, who reached him at 1 o'clock.

Reed is terribly weak from loss of blood and lack of food, but he has an even chance for recovery, although he will probably lose his right arm, as the bone is shot away just below the elbow. No doubt exists as to there being a price on Reed's head and it is said to be \$40,000. One man knows the secret of the desperado's crimes and he will tell his story in a few days. Sloan and Rice occupy cells in the county jail. They are not considered bad men, but it is thought they have been led away by Reed, who knew he was wanted for other crimes.

### An Antiquated Stamp.

Either the Pacific Express company reveals in the distinction of antiquity or else its earnings are so meagrely small that it can not afford modern equipment. This fact was brought forcibly to a Press reporter's notice at the local office Wednesday, when the agent showed him a stamp, used in sealing express packages since the office was established here. On the brass face plate of the stamp is inscribed the word "Centerville." The town was named in 1890 and it is just possible that the company is in a Rip Van Winkle snooze.

### Burglary at Freewater.

Thieves broke into Van Slyke's butcher shop at Freewater Tuesday night with the intention of burglarizing the till but were disappointed as there was no coin in sight. It is also thought that they gained entrance to the Freewater station of the Interurban line as the doors were found wide open in the morning when the agent arrived. Nothing had been disturbed however and as no money is ever left in the till they got nothing.

### Coolidge Will Leave.

F. C. Coolidge, the jeweler, has decided to dispose of his stock here and seek another business location. Mr. Coolidge has been engaged in business here for some time and has enjoyed a good trade. His reason for quitting Athena is that he desires to establish himself in a larger city. H. H. Hill, the old reliable watch maker and jeweler, will again resume business at the old stand in the Pioneer drug store.

### Walla Walla Personal.

J. J. LaCourse, who hails from Athena was placed in the city jail at 1:30 this morning because he was drunk and incapable. "Jack" came over to see the circus, also, but unless he sobers up enough to have his hearing before Justice Huffman this afternoon, there will be nothing doing for him.

### Canvassing for Fair.

S. H. Warner of Pendleton, was in Athena and vicinity Tuesday and Wednesday, with his advertising wagon, canvassing for Morrow Umatilla Fair, which will be held at Pendleton. Mr. Warner distributed attractive advertising matter and solicited grain and stock exhibits.

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## STOP GRAIN FIRES

### Walla Walla Threshermen Have Adopted a Novel Plan of Fire Defense in Grain.

Patent fire extinguishers are now a part of the equipment of threshing machines working in the Walla Walla section. The novel idea of protecting grainfields from fire around threshing crews has been made necessary by the recent burning of a dozen threshers and large quantities of grain by smut explosions and from sparks from threshing engines and locomotives.

Within the last week practically every thresherman has provided himself with a number of fire extinguishers which are kept handy to the men feeding the machines, with instructions to throw them into the cylinder in case of an explosion and to use them quickly in case fire starts about the straw stacks. In this way it is thought damage in the future will be greatly reduced.

Since the explosions early in the season farmers have kept plows handy to threshing machines for use in case of fire in running furrows around grain piles and even around fields to stop the ravages of the flames. Near Waitsburg hundreds of acres of standing grain have been saved by the prompt use of plows, which had been carried to the fields for fire protection—a precaution never before thought of in that section, because fires have been seldom, if ever, caused by such explosions.

In two or three cases already the extinguishers have been used with good results, fires being stopped almost instantly where the chemicals were applied in quantity at the first outbreak of flame.

## RISKS LIFE TO CATCH "FLY"

### Boy Won Game, but Fell Into Mine and May Die.

Rather than drop the ball, which would mean the loss of a hard fought twilight game for his team, Willie Rainey, a Pittsburg boy of 13 years, risked and may lose his life. He was playing middle field on Cazen's Hill and the last half of the ninth inning had come with two players out, and two men on bases. The batsman hit a long drive, which looked as if it would get over Rainey's head, but he ran backward far and fast, not heeding the cries of his younger brother, who called to him to beware of the coal mine.

Finally by a remarkable jump in the air, Rainey got the ball in one hand, but as he reached the earth again he stumbled and lurched into the yawning mouth of the abandoned mine. It was half an hour before the youngster was fished out, with one of his legs broken and internal injuries.

The lad was unconscious, too, but in the grimy little right hand he held that ball—the one he had to catch to save the game.

### Big Circus Trains.

Five trains, comprising 90 cars of cages, wagons and coaches of the Barnum & Bailey circus passed through Athena early Wednesday morning over the O. R. & N. to Walla Walla, where two exhibitions were given that day. The big show was in La Grande Tuesday. The circus syndicate to which combination the Barnum & Bailey belong, have blacklisted Pendleton over the matter of license, and the big circuses pass that place up.

### Seven-Headed Wheat.

There is an exhibition in the show window of Grace & Bodinson a sheaf of the most remarkable wheat ever introduced in this valley, says a Baker paper. It is known as the seven-headed wheat and is grown on Sunnyslope by the Baker Irrigation company. It is probable that this wheat will become very popular on account of its enormous yielding qualities.

### Postmistress Goes East.

Miss Maud M. Baker, late assistant postmistress at the Weston postoffice, has left for her old home, New London, Conn., on an extended visit. While away she will include many of the leading cities of the east in her itinerary and probably will not return for several months and perhaps may never return to the west.

### Mrs. Folsom Dead.

Mrs. Folsom, wife of ex-County Recorder Folsom died Saturday at Medical Lake, Wash., where she was taken some time ago to be treated for nervous diseases. Mr. and Mrs. Folsom have lately made their home at Kennewick, Wash., where Mr. Folsom, after leaving Pilot Rock, purchased an irrigated tract.

### Mail Order Whiskey.

Judge Richard B. Russell in the Georgia court of appeals, with the concurrence of the entire court, rendered an opinion to the effect that the solicitation of orders by mail in another state for whiskey or other intoxicating beverages in the state of Georgia, as well as in the state by any individual or corporation, is a violation of the laws of the state of Georgia, and any person making any such solicitation is guilty of crime against the state.

### Good Hay Crop.

With the gloom of a few weeks ago hovering over them as to poor crops ranchers in Powder valley who have finished their hay harvest, and those who have become well along in the work, have been subject to a most pleasant surprise, for from every hand comes the report that the hay crop of that section is to be a big one, says the Baker City Herald.

## WALLA WALLA STABLES BURN

### Serious Loss to the Umatilla County Fair Association.

Loss estimated at between \$10,000 and \$12,000, partially covered by insurance, was suffered by the Walla Walla County Fair association shortly after 10 o'clock Sunday morning, when fire started in the dry grass just west of the race track fence by sparks from an O. R. & N. locomotive, caused the destruction of practically all of the stables and stock pens of the association. Before it was known that the fire had been started, sparks from the burning grass were carried into the chaff and straw in the cattle pens along the western fence and within a few seconds the structures were in flames which spread as though the pens were filled with gunpowder.

Immediately the 25 men employed at the track took up the work of releasing the horses in the four large stables, and before the flames had spread to those buildings all of the animals, among them a number of promising prize-winners just being developed, had been liberated, and much of the paraphernalia taken out. An alarm was turned in to the fire department, and in a comparatively short time the apparatus was on the scene.

Owing to the fact that the fair grounds are located beyond the city limits where water for fire protection is not available in large quantities, the firemen were handicapped in their work because they were forced to lay about 1,800 feet of hose before water could be secured. Nevertheless, members of the department accomplished excellent work preventing the flames from spreading to the pavilion and the grandstand, some distance to the east, but in danger of being destroyed.

### Father and Children Drown.

George E. Evans and his two children, age 14 and 16 respectively were drowned in Snake river, near Huntington Saturday evening. The boy was teaching his sister to swim, when they were drawn into a treacherous current. Their cries brought the father to the river bank and he plunged in to save the children. He, too, was caught by the current, and all three drowned. The bodies were recovered. The family formerly resided at Baker City.

### Out After Students.

Robt. C. French, President of the Eastern Oregon State Normal School has made a canvass of Union and Walla counties in the interests of the Normal. On the school's roll of membership are the names of several Walla and Union county students, and President French expects to secure others.

### Wisconsin Man Disappeared.

Ephraim Hedberg, a retired farmer of Wisconsin, stepped from an O. R. & N. train at Umatilla August 5, to procure a sandwich and a cup of coffee, and has not been seen since. Mr. Hedberg and daughter were bound for Ashland. The farmer had drafts for \$1030 in his pocket and foul play is suspected.

### Married in Port Angeles.

Last Sunday, in Port Angeles, Wash., the wedding of Mr. Felix O. Ridenour, formerly of Weston, was solemnized, the bride being Alice Raatz, of Seattle. The young couple will make their home in Port Angeles, where the groom is engaged in business.

### Prime Beef Cattle.

The Pendleton East Oregonian estimates there are 5000 head of prime beef cattle now ready for market in the ranges of Southern Umatilla and Northern Grant counties. Fifty-nine carloads were shipped from Pendleton this week to Portland and Sound buyers.

### Looking Glass Picnic.

One thousand excursionists enjoyed the hospitality of the O. R. & N. conductors in their annual picnic, which took place Sunday at the mouth of the Looking Glass on the new Walla branch line. Two big excursion trains were run from La Grande.

### The Wheat Market.

There is nothing doing in the local wheat market. The price 75c, does not appeal to farmers having wheat to sell, and the dealers do not seem anxious to buy. The market at present is swamped in a slump.

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