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NEAR BEER LICENSE

New Council Will Meet In Special Session—Gholson Receives City Marshal Appointment.

Athena's new city officials were installed at the meeting of the city council Monday evening. Councilman Wilson and Wm. Winship, the newly elected water commissioners were absent and will take their offices at the next meeting of the city fathers.

Mayor McEwen announced the appointment of W. J. Gholson to the office of City Marshal, and the appointment was confirmed by the council.

The new Mayor was not prepared to name his standing committees for the year and decided to hold a special meeting at which the committees will be named.

It is known the new council strongly favors a stringent ordinance regulating near beer traffic. At Monday night's meeting the matter was given some discussion, and when the special meeting takes place, in all probability the provisions of the ordinance will be considered.

Helix Booming.

Helix is reported to have taken on a new lease of life. The coming of Spring will usher in the biggest building boom the town has seen for a long period. Already plans have been perfected for the erection of a hotel and several dwelling houses, while the First National bank will soon announce plans for its new building. This will probably be by far the handsomest and most substantial structure yet erected in that city. At a recent meeting of the bank directors, the capital stock of the institution was increased from \$25,000 to \$50,000.

WESTON TURNS OVER MONEY

Will Be Turned Over to State Treasurer but Restrictions Are Added.

A meeting of the executive committee having charge of the subscription fund of the normal school was held and after deliberating over the proposition of turning all money collected into the state treasurer's fund subject to the warrants drawn on it by the normal school regents they concluded to accede to the requirements of the school regents and to make the deposit as the amounts were collected but only upon certain restrictions—"That no part of the money secured by the committee in the interests and for the maintenance of Eastern Oregon normal school should be used for the benefit of any of the other normals or for the payment of any past obligations, but only for the school from the time that the local people took charge of the matter."

Christian Church Announcements.
We wish to call especial attention to the Sunday school service. You should be in it! You are missing something if you are not. Last Sunday was a great day. Next Sunday should be a greater.

We are anxious to have a full attendance of the members of the church next Sunday at the morning service. Something will be said to interest you. At night the pastor will preach on a theme that will interest every one. He is commencing a series of sermons on "Influence." Don't miss one of them.

Psychics Organize.
Psychics in Spokane have just incorporated under the laws of the state of Washington the Haematargio society for the purpose of investigating and systematizing the various forms of mental and spiritual powers. Other objects of the delvers into the realm of spirits, are to disseminate knowledge concerning manifestations, tele-

pathy and allied subjects among those who doubt the actuality of disincarnate existence and supernatural powers. It is also empowered through its incorporation to acquire, hold and exhibit antiquities, relics, lace coins portraits and other historical and numismatic articles for psychic research and subjective experiments in occult analysis.

Missing Man Found.

Word has been received from Prosser that the man who so mysteriously disappeared at Badger during the cold spell in January and was thought to have perished, has been found safe in Arlington. The man, whose name was Kehu, came west from Kansas and had a ticket reading over the S. P. & S. road. He took the wrong train at Pasco and got off at Badger in the middle of the night. He did not remain at the station, and the next day his valise and some clothes and his ticket were found out in the sagebrush beyond Badger. No clue to the man was found, however, and it is not clearly understood how or when he reached his friends in Oregon.

DAYTON FARMER SUICIDES

Falling Health Said to Have Been Cause For Rash Act.

Suicide ended the life of Perry Bickelhaupt, a prominent young Wheatstone hollow farmer, Saturday night, says a Dayton news item. Returning home with her two children Sunday evening from a visit with her parents at Waitsburg, Mrs. Bickelhaupt found the body of her husband lying on the floor in a bedroom. A ragged bullet hole beneath the right ear told the story of the man's tragic ending.

Coroner John Hunting visited the scene and after investigating the circumstances, he said there was no doubt that it was self murder. Beside the dead man was found a gun, as if it had fallen from his hand after the fatal shot was fired. The fact that the stock was looked in the barn and that the cows had not been milked Sunday was taken as an indication that Bickelhaupt killed himself Saturday night. The family had been away since Wednesday. Falling health is said to have been the cause for the young farmer's rash act. Mr. Bickelhaupt was about 35 years of age, and was among the most prosperous farmers in the county. His finances are said to be in good condition.

Spray For Scale.

Fruit growers of the Touchet valley commenced spraying this week for the San Jose scale. It is said that in most of the orchards in that vicinity one spraying will suffice. J. J. Dumas, president of the state horticultural society, claims that valley has less scale than any other fruit section of the state. Predictions are for a bumper apple crop. The warm days and cold nights of the last week have not injured the fruit. Peach and apricot trees were injured by the cold weather of January, but growers deny the report that the crop in either the valley or along the Snake river will be a failure. At least a half crop is expected.

Baptist Church Notes.

Bible School at 10 a. m. Pastor Ryder will (D. V.) preach at the Baptist church on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. B. Y. P. U at 6:30, leader, Mr. Henry Barrett. All young people are cordially invited. At 7:30 Rev. P. S. Rogers will preach. A hearty invitation is extended to all to these services.

On Wednesday evening, March 17, a treat is in store for all who care anything for the progress of God's kingdom. Rev. Thomas Moody of Africa will tell of God's mighty work through Baptist workers on the Congo. Don't fail to hear him.

The Sunday school offering for Missions last Sunday was \$17.78. What school in the county can excel it?

Pastor Ryder is having a splendid time in revival meetings at the Baptist church at Weston. He conducted worship at the Chapel service at the Normal Monday.

C. P. Davis Is Out.

C. P. Davis is now at liberty and is in Portland, where he has located temporarily. He was the man sent to Salem from Umatilla county, who went wrong while in the office of Sheriff Till Taylor. He was sentenced for five years and his time has not expired. He has either been paroled or pardoned, says Sheriff Taylor, but he has not been enlightened as to that. Even with time off for good behavior, he could not have secured his liberty this early.—Pendleton Tribune.

Baptist Delegates.

The Sunday School of the First Baptist church of this city elected delegates to the 14th annual meeting of the Umatilla county Sunday School convention held at Echo this week, as follows: Mrs. M. L. Watts, Misses Elva Gross, Tedd McFadden, Mary McKinnon, and Geo. Bannister and N. N. Deeper.

A SORROWFUL DEATH

Will Defreese Succumbs to Scarlet Fever and Diphtheria After Short Illness.

Perhaps one of the saddest deaths that ever occurred in Athena occurred yesterday morning at 9:30, when Will Defreese, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Defreese passed away.

The young man finished work at the Preston-Parton Mill Saturday evening in apparently good health, remarking to a friend later in the evening, that he was more tired than he had ever been before in his life.

Sunday morning he complained of his throat being sore. Shortly after noon he took to his bed and in the evening Dr. Sharp was called. The boy grew rapidly worse and soon developed a malignant complication of scarlet fever and diphtheria. Dr. Plamondon was called in consultation with Dr. Sharp and everything possible was done but despite all efforts death ended the struggle. Funeral services, conducted at the grave by Rev. Geisler, took place at 11 o'clock today.

William Arthur Defreese was born in Umatilla county, August 31, 1887, and died March 11, 1909, aged 23 years, six months and one day. He is survived by his father, mother, three sisters and one half sister.

Normalites Win Out.

A mixed team from the Pendleton academy and High school played a matched game with the normal basketball team Saturday night on the normal court, resulting in a score of 24 to 25 in favor of Weston's team. This was a friendly game gotten up for the benefit of the Athletic association fund.

LIONS ATTACK MEN AND HORSES

Boldness of Tukanon Animals Attributed to Scarcity of Game.

A dispatch from Dayton says, wild cats and mountain lions are more numerous and more ferocious in the blue mountains this spring than ever before. Several range horses and cattle have been killed and in one or two instances cats have attacked persons. Ben Magill returned yesterday from a trip on the Tukanon and reported the killing of a valuable saddle horse belonging to R. W. Magill. The lion had sprung from a tree under which the horse had sought shelter from a snow storm.

Only a few weeks ago Frank Letzan, a Tukanon farmer was attacked by a cat at the entrance to his cabin, and saved his life only by beating off the animal with an ax. Several times recently cats have been found prowling about barnyards and along the roads in the less frequented mountain districts.

Hunters and trappers attribute the boldness of the animals to the scarcity of small game and the protracted winter with an unusual depth of snow.

HEN FOSTERS FAMILY OF PIGS

Forsakes Feathered Brood for Little Squealers.

This story comes from Dayton, Wash: A hen—just a common brown hen—hatched and reared on the ranch of Joe Thorn living ten miles east of Dayton, has developed maternal characteristics of a nature entirely unusual among poultry.

This hen has abandoned a brood of likely little chicks for a brood of Poland China pigs. With a cluck as gentle as that with which she formerly ruled the fancies of her feathered offspring, the hen calls the half dozen pigs around her. She is indefatigable in her efforts to make her foster family happy and the pigs have taken kindly to their new mamma. From morning until night they follow her contentedly about the barnyard, gulping with wholesome satisfaction the tempting morsels upturned by the sharp toes of the little brown hen. Unable to hover the pigs at night, the fowl squeals among them and croons her goodnight lullaby.

Mr. Thorn has watched the growing affections of the strange family with much interest and he believes the hen and swine will continue to show the same affection, in which case the family will form part of the Columbia county exhibit at the A.-Y.-P. exposition.

LaGrande Election Surprise

In a municipal election at LaGrande in which little or no interest was taken until a late hour Tuesday, the socialist vote was surprising for its size. So little was the interest displayed that it was nearly 4 o'clock before the independents commenced a concerted effort to swell the total vote. The biggest sensation was the defeat of Councilman Williamson, who has been closely affiliated with the progress of the effort to secure a better water system.

ETIQUETTE.

An Old Fashioned Man Frees His Mind About Its Absurdities.

"Whether to eat fish with a fish knife and fork or a fork and a bit of bread, whether to serve champagne in a tumbler or a goblet—it is quite absurd to regard one of these courses as right and the other as wrong and to admire or despise a person accordingly. The average rule of etiquette has nothing to do with courtesy, with good breeding, and it is no criterion of courtesy or of good breeding."

The speaker, an old fashioned gentleman from the country, knotted the ends of his napkin more firmly about his neck.

"Smile at me, nephews and nieces," he resumed, "because I tuck my napkin under my chin. Yet why should I spoil my black broadcloth coat with turkey status or smears of cranberry sauce? It is a rule of etiquette, you say, that the napkin may only be placed across the knee—an absurd, ephemeral rule!

"It was a rule of etiquette in France during the reign of 'Le Roi Soleil,' the great Louis XIV., that when the king visited a sick subject the king, too, must lie down in a bed, on the ground that it would never do for a subject to maintain a more informal attitude than his master during the audience. Louis XIV., visiting the Marshal de Villars after Malplaquet, lay in a bed beside the suffering soldier in that way.

"Behold the absurdities of etiquette and let me do with my napkin what I please."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

THE FOREIGN LEGION.

A Peculiar Body of Fighters, In the French Army.

The French foreign legion is a heterogeneous organization. It is composed of disappointed men of every country—political refugees, military fugitives. In fact, all varieties of the world's restless citizens go to make up this wonderful mongrel fighting machine. "No questions asked" might well be the regimental motto. Each man signing his bond of service sells his soul for five years at the wage of 1 sou (about 1 cent) per day.

The officers are French, but the men hail from everywhere and nowhere. Under various names the French legion has existed since the eighteenth century and was finally constituted as at present in 1830. It consists of twelve battalions divided into two regiments, numbering a total strength of 12,000 men. Eight thousand are kept in the far east, the remainder serving in northern Africa. In the early days the regiments were divided into "national sections," men from the same country being kept together.

This resulted, however, in continual racial disputes, and each company consequently was given a cosmopolitan composition. Since its formation the officials have guarded closely against desertions, and as the legion only serves in French colonial territory where the centers are remote and transportation is difficult a successful desertion is a rare feat.—Chicago News.

A Dickens Manuscript.

H. F. Dickens, K. C., tells an interesting story concerning the original manuscript of his father's famous "Carol." The novelist presented the MS. to Thomas Milton, an old school-fellow. In 1875 Mr. Milton sold it to Francis Harvey, a bookseller, for £50. Then it passed into the hands of George Churchill, an enthusiastic autograph collector. Mr. Churchill treasured it until 1882, when circumstances compelled him to part with it. After photographing every page of it, it was sold to Mr. Bennett, a Birmingham bookseller and curio dealer, who eventually found a purchaser, who readily signed a check for £200 for it. Finally it was bought by Stuart M. Samuel of Kensington Palace Gardens for £200, who is said to still retain the precious document.—London Tit-Bits.

A Slight Misunderstanding.

Little Helen Bentley of Los Angeles, aged five, dearly loves her grandma, who has been living with her and her parents. Recently grandma went to Seattle for a visit and caught cold on the way. When she arrived there, she wrote back to Helen's parents that she had reached Seattle, but had had a hard fight with the grip. Helen wanted to hear what grandma had to say, and the letter was read to her. Soon afterward she saw one of her neighbors and exclaimed: "Oh, Mrs. Smith, we've had a letter from grandma. She got to Seattle all right, but she had a terrible fight with her valise!"—Los Angeles Times.

What Counts In a Story.

As I heard a famous raconteur telling a story I had heard in one form or another for many years I could not but recall the statement of some one to the effect that there are but five stories extant and that all we have are merely variations from the original five. As General Taylor, who is something of a story teller himself, puts it: "The story doesn't amount to anything. It's the edition that counts."—Boston Herald.