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TO SAVE SONS' LIVES

In the Effort, Wife of Rev. Spaulding, and Two Boys Drown in Lake Kelso.

While struggling frantically in the waters of Lake Kelso, near Athel, Idaho, striving to save her two sons from drowning, Mrs. Frank H. Spaulding, wife of Rev. Spaulding, Sunday school missionary of the Columbia river conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, Saturday drowned with her loved ones.

The Spaulding family have been camped for the summer on the shores of Lake Kelso, one and a half miles from Granite, and the two boys aged 9 and 14 years, ventured into the water and got beyond their depth. The older boy, Ralph, became taken with cramps and cried to his mother for aid. The mother plunged into the cold waters to rescue him and when the cries of the drowning boy reached the little fellow, Angus, he also sank beneath the surface. An older son, Olin, was at the scene of the drowning but could do nothing to save his mother and brothers.

Mrs. Spaulding was a half sister of Mrs. H. O. Worthington of this city, and a sister of Harvey McDonald of Walls Walla. Both attended the funeral of mother and sons, which was held Monday.

Women of Woodcraft Officers.

The Pacific jurisdiction of Women of Woodcraft, the grand circle of which was in session at Portland elected the following officers: Grand guardian, Mrs. Carrie C. Van Orsdall, Portland; grand clerk, John L. Wright; past grand guardian, Elona Bishop, Montana; grand adviser, Eran geline Hartz, Colorado; grand banker, Bertha M. Sumner, California; grand magician, Louisa Menefee; grand attendant, Elizabeth Graham, Wyoming; grand inner sentinel, Union Kilborn, Washington; grand outer sentinel, Hattie L. Jones, Washington; grand managers, Dr. Lillian Pollock, Colorado; Mrs. Clara Hillix, Colorado; Mrs. Florence Webry, of California and Mrs. Anna P. Hawkins, Oregon.

WELL MEN WAIT FOR CASING

Mineral Found at Depth of 240 Feet Will Be Assayed.

The well drillers at work on the Athena Land & Trust company's artesian well have discontinued work until such time as the casings ordered by the company arrives.

An order was sent to Spokane for the material, but the amount was so great, that in all probability the company will have to wait until it can be shipped from San Francisco.

Mineral found at the depth of 240 feet has been sent to O. A. C. to be assayed. The ore is known to carry a per cent of copper and it is believed that it also contains gold.

High Price For Land.

Eighteen thousand dollars is a high price for a 160 acre wheat ranch, but this is the amount Joseph Key paid Donald McKinnon for his "quarter," last week. Mr. Key is a progressive young farmer who acquired considerable farm property in the last few years, his first purchase being the McGrew homestead on Pine Creek. Mr. and Mrs. McKinnon and daughter Mary, will leave soon for Alberta where members of the family already reside.

A Narrow Escape.

A peculiar automobile accident in which the occupants of the car miraculously escaped injury took place Saturday near the O. R. & N. station, at Weston. O. M. Richmond, his two daughters and Mrs. Preston, were in

the car, when ascending a steep grade, the gasoline flowed back from the engine, and diminished the feed to the extent that the engine stopped. The car immediately started to run backward and the truck would not hold. The machine turned completely bottom-side up, the passengers falling underneath. The tops of the high seats struck the ground and protected the occupants from injury. The car was badly wrecked.

Harmon With Aberdeen.

"Cotton" Harmon is to report to the management of the Aberdeen baseball organization this week. Word to this effect was received by "Cotton" better known as "Home Run Harmon," to Athena fans, and although he did not expect it, those who have been watching the youngster have been looking for some of the teams of the Northwest league to pick him up. Harmon has been one of the mainstays of the Walla Walla nine for some time and his loss is bound to be felt in every department. He is a Walla Walla boy and his career in the tent next to the big show will be watched closely.

STATUS OF THE PRINCIPALSHIP

W. C. Howard, Late President of Columbia College, Here.

The status of the vacancy made in the Athena high school, through the resignation of Prof. Klemme, remains much the same as it did last week.

The board felt disposed not to bring pressure on Klemme to stay with his agreement to accept the position here, perhaps from the belief that if in any way forced to come, he would not have his heart in the work, and anyway, after accepting the school here it transpires that he had the Normal school bee buzzing in his bount, and as soon as that job was open to him, he doubtless had little consideration for Athens.

The board is looking into the capabilities of other men, among whom is W. C. Howard late President of Columbia college of Milton, and, for three years principal of the Hepper high school. Mr. Howard has been elected to the principalship of the North Yakima high school, and for certain reasons seems to be in a position to honorably withdraw from the Washington city school. He was in the city Tuesday conferring with the board.

Man vs. Rattlesnake.

A Dayton item says that it was a case of man against rattlesnake Monday when Otis Tate, a young farmer living in the foothills of the Blue mountains near Dayton, found himself face to face with a huge specimen of the poisonous reptile Monday. The fight occurred in a plowed field, far from convenient rock piles or friendly brush. Without means of defense except a pocket knife which was useless, young Tate resorted to the use of nature's defensive appendages and his bravery won the day, for he succeeded in kicking and tramping the big snake before it buried its poisonous fangs in his flesh.

\$6000 FIRE; INDIAN AGENCY

Mysterious Blaze Consumes Umatilla Reservation Property.

The loss of at least \$6000 worth of government property by fire has been reported from the Umatilla Indian reservation agency. The conflagration, which broke out about 10 o'clock Saturday night burned to death eight of the most valuable horses of the agency, all of the agency hay, and about 1000 bushels of wheat.

The origin of the fire is not known. When discovered late Saturday night the big government barn was a mass of flames. The barn contained all of the best horses of the reservation; a driving team and a draft team, valued at \$300 a span. None of the horses could be saved, and all the harness was burned.

From the barn the flames went to the granary, containing 1000 bushels of wheat. With the fire fighting apparatus the agency employees were able to save several buildings. There was no insurance, following the general policy of the government.

May Call Extra Session.

Governor Benson has received notice in an official communication from Philander C. Knox, secretary of state of the proposal to amend the constitution pursuant to a joint resolution of congress in order that an income tax may be enacted by congress. The governor is requested to submit the proposal to the legislature of this state for action. In order to become effective the amendment must be ratified by three fourths of the states of the union.

Beginning August 10 Dr. F. A. Cline the optical specialist will make regular visits to Athena. The doctor has located permanent offices in Pendleton, Oregon in the John Schmidt bldg. Remember the date August 10 at Athens.

AWFUL EXPERIENCE

D. B. Jarman Passes Through Horrors of Disastrous Train Wreck Near Coeur d'Alene.

D. B. Jarman was one of the injured passengers in the wreck of the Electric train, near Coeur d'Alene, Saturday afternoon. Mr. Jarman's injuries consist of fractured ribs, bruises, cuts and scratches.

He was unable to return to his home at Weston, on the day following the wreck, and is improving as well as could be expected. In the wreck, which was caused by a head-on collision of two electric trains, heavily loaded with passengers, twelve were killed outright and 102 injured.

Mr. Jarman's description of the details of the catastrophe are horrifying in the extreme. He was helplessly pinned beneath heavy timbers for an hour and was compelled to witness the death of a woman, whose prostrate form was lying across his, death resulting from a large splinter being jabbed through her body. Beside him was a little boy who was badly wounded.

When Mr. Jarman arrived he was completely prostrated from the effects of the terrible ordeal through which he had passed.

WITH THE WHEAT GROWERS

Harvest Operations Well Advanced—Buyer and Seller Apart.

With good weather, operations in the harvest fields have made excellent progress this week and saving of the '09 wheat crop is well advanced in this vicinity. The quality grades No. 1 and the yields run all the way from 35 to 50 bushels per acre, the general average on land in this neighborhood being around 40 bushels.

Only one sale of any consequence is reported so far. G. M. Morrison of Adams, sold \$10,000 worth at 85 cents. The local market seems to be standing on end, the price which the buyer offers and the price which the raiser thinks he should have being at such variance, that up to date there has been nothing doing in the wheat line.

Harvest Notes.

C. A. Barrett's field near town averaged 46 bushels per acre. Quality good and remarkably free from smut.

Will Ferguson's lower ranch yielded 40 bushels per acre. His combine is now harvesting Turkey Red on his reservation land, south of town.

Al Johnson's field averaged 40 bushels per acre.

Here's one on Cass Cannon, one of the best threshermen in the county. Cass is a holy glutton for work, and it is said of him that while grain was not coming fast enough to the machine the other day, he conceived the brilliant idea of threshing the drapers. Result: All kinds of conoves, splinters, rivets and leather in the wheat socks.

So far reported, the Bannister crew takes the bun for record run this season. A total of 1400 sacks is the result of one day's work.

Sam Pamburn threshed a yield of 50 bushels per acre from one of his fields south of town.

E. A. Dudley's field east of town is netting 45 bushels per acre.

The Willaby place north east of town turned off 40 bushels per acre.

C. A. Barrett has a field of wheat on reservation land, south of town which is yielding about 50 bushels per acre.

M. L. Watts' threshing outfit will soon be moved to his fields on the high ground, southeast of town.

Attorney S. F. Wilson has a promising crop of wheat south of town, which is estimated will yield from 45 to 50 bushels per acre.

On E. A. Dudley's home place, wheat is averaging about 45 bushels per acre.

At the Dime.

Tonight's bill at the Dime, as announced, will be: "The Wonderful Lantern," "Diabolical Itching," "Collecting Post Cards," "The Clown's Daughter." Song, "Arrah Waaaa."

WHEAT GROWERS WILL BUILD

Will Own Warehouses to Hold Their Crops Next Year.

The East Oregonian of Monday says: Saturday afternoon's meeting of the local branch of the Farmers' Educational and co-operative union of America, resolved itself into an indignation meeting because of the recently announced increase in storage charges on wheat by the warehouse companies doing business in the county. After the several farmers present had relieved themselves of their indignation, it was decided to be the sense of the meeting that steps should be taken at once to secure

warehouses of their own in which to handle next year's crop.

As for this year's crop it was declared by many that instead of declining their wheat to the warehouses they would stack it in the field and sell it from the stack. Others suggested that temporary platforms be erected at different points along the railroad.

Having been led to believe that the warehouse charges this season were to be 50 cents per ton, up until the first of the year, instead of 75 cents per ton, the prevailing price for the past few years, the growers of grain are more than indignant to suddenly learn that the price is to be 90 cents per ton for wheat left in the warehouses until January 1. The 50 cents per ton rate is to be good for only 30 days and ten cents is to be added for each additional month that the wheat remains in the houses.

Declaring that wheat is worth one dollar per bushel nearly all those present at the meeting, Saturday, expressed the belief that the ruling was made in an effort to compel the farmers to sell early in the season, whether they wanted to or not.

Another meeting is to be held here next Saturday afternoon and though the time of the year is a busy one, an effort is to be made to have most of the farmers of this vicinity represented at the meeting.

DUSKY ELOPERS ARE DETAINED

Dashing Redskin Must Answer, Too, For Stealing Horses.

Because Frank Johnson, a young and dashing Indian cavalier, overdid the thing in eloping with his mother's horses and buggy, as well as with his friend's wife, he is now occupying a cell in the city jail, awaiting the arrival of a Deputy United States Marshal from Portland.

Had he been satisfied to take only the other man's wife, he might have gone on his way rejoicing, for Walter Bomson, husband of the woman, refuses to have anything more to do with her saying she sets too fast a pace for him.

The mother, however, objected to losing her rig and the couple were overhauled at Adams by the Indian police just after they had sold the horses and buggy. The woman was turned loose after spending the night in jail, but Johnson was held by United States Commissioner Bailey to appear before the United States grand jury.

Prunes Are Ripe.

Prune time is nearly here. Orchards in the Walla Walla valley containing prune trees are beginning to take on a purple hue as the fruit nears maturity and though the trees are not loaded so heavily as last year a fair crop will be picked.

Marries the Jap.

A minister residing in Ritzville is reported to have come to the rescue of Minnie Crockett, the white woman who says life is too short to have any race prejudice, and has been trying to get some person of authority to marry herself to Frank Ishikuro, a Japanese. The parties reside in Walla Walla, where ministers refused to perform a marriage ceremony for the couple.

A Land King.

E. O. Burlingame, of Gardena, was an Athena visitor yesterday. It is reported that Mr. Burlingame has refused an offer of \$75,000 for his land holdings at Gardena. Col. Wood of Weston, is also interested in Gardena real estate, but the Press can substantiate the statement that he is not in Burlingame's class a-tall.

Back From Seattle.

Uncle John Chaseler is home from a six weeks visit at Portland and Seattle. With a brother whom he had not seen for 25 years, Uncle John took in the exposition and all points of interest on the Sound. His son Turner is with one of the big Seattle wholesale houses and there remains but one position between him and the head of the concern. It took Turner two days last week to sell an Alaska customer \$25,000 worth of goods. That's the Seattle way.

Lodges Buy Piano.

Weston Leader: The society hall has been equipped with piano and pianola purchased by the Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias. These brethren of the three links and the triangle are never very musical and when it comes to the task of playing a march for lodge work, the best that any of them can do is to thump a few chords on the hall organ. This handicap will now be obviated with the introduction of "canned music" interpreted per pianola.

Mable Warner Loses.

Mrs. Mabel Warner is specifically charged with having forged the famous "mysterious fourth" will to the estate of the late James W. Young, while Attorney S. V. Knox of Weston and Mrs. Della Stacey, of La Grande, are charged with conspiring with her in the forgery, by the findings of fact in the county court hearing of the Young will contest. These findings were signed by County Judge Gilliland before whom the hearing was held.