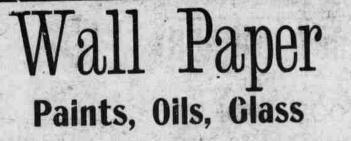
he Athena Press Athena Merchants Carry Big Stocks This Edition con-tains Six Pages Buy Your Groceries from Your Home Grocer ATHENA, UMATILLA COUNTY, OREGON, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1909. NUMBER 35 **VOLUME XXI.** HARD FIGHT FRENCH OWES STATE AN ARTESIAN FLOW SAYS latest dress tabrics Fire Laddies Make Brave Struggle Ex-Normal School President Is Hold-Athena Land & Trust Company Have Northwest Crop Expert Advises the ing Back \$800 of Weston **Fine Prospect of Securing** Farmers to Sell and Gives His Against Odds and Win Under "Gusher." Reasons Why. School Money. Difficulties. fairly priced--the new fall suitings The Press publishes the following in-The second strike of artesian water A Salem special to the Portland, The residence of Mrs. McIntyre on Oregonian says: When asked whether terview given by Leo Peterson, a crop to be found in Umatilla county, was the West Side, located just west of the expert and publisher of the Commerthe normal schools had closed up their Preston-Parton Milling company's made Saturday, when the tig drill cial Review, at Portland, for what it business with the state, State Superinplant, was practically destroyed by of Miller & West, operated by the are here is worth. The interview took place fire Saturday afternoon, virtually only tendent of Public Instruction Ackernight force on the property of the a charred shell of what was a hand-some residence, remaining. The fire had gained considerable man, who is one of three members of at Colfax, Washington. Mr. Peterson Athena Land & Trust company, dropthe executive committee of the Board said: "I have personally visited every" of Regents of normal schools, stated ped through a cavity at the depth of section devoted to grain raising in the 400 feet, and tapped a small flow of headway before an alarm was turned that the Ashlaud and Monmouth water. The first artesian well in this northwest, except Walla Walla, schools had squared up their accounts in, and only the apparatus of Hose 90c^{for} those pretty wool taffetas ors, olive, grey, etc, yard - 90c county was drilled at Spofford Station, where I am now going," said Mr. with the state but that the third, and their colors are as rich as those Company No. 2, could be used, for Peterson, "and I believe that the total Weston, had not yet done so, and that northeast of Milton two years ago. the reason that when the connection was made by Hose company No. 1 at. in an antumn forest-cedar, olive. crop in Washington, Oregon and Idaho considerable money is still due the Many Athena residents visited the mulberry and others of unture's this year will reach 65,000,000 bushels state from the president of the Weston well Sunday, and the flowing stream \$1.00 per yard for these swell fine serges, colors the hydrant at the pumping station, bues-and the oreams, blacks and looked good to all. The flow has cf wheat, 33,000,000 bushels of oats school. it was found that the hose would not "President Ressler of Monmounth and President Schaefer of Ashland aud between 16,000,000 and 17,000,000 navys of course are representedreach the burning building, and the department worked under the handiincreased materially and is now esticream, black and red at \$1.00 mated at 20 gallons per minute, and as the contract calls for 600 feet bushels of barley. Washington alone these Fall 1909 weaves take kindly. per yard will market 40,000,000 bushels of have settled up the affairs of their cap of having but one stream of water to tailoring. Would you feast \$1.25^{for the 52} inch, mannish snitings-very popular for wheat 14,000,000 bushels of oats and more drilling the prospect that the respective schools, but President Robt. to play on the blaze. C. French, of the Weston school, has not yet settled with the state," said Mr. Ackerman. "There is about \$800 your eves on the most royally beau-9,000,000 bushels of barley. owners of the well will secure a However the boys made the best of the tailored garments; has black "The largest previous crop was barvested in 1907, when Washington tiful gathering of dress goods that 'gusher,'' are very alluring. it and saved more of the building . \$1.25 The confidence with which the men and white stripes, than any of the bystanders anticihave come from the mills in many produced a total crop of 38,000,000, still due the state which the comcomprising the Athena Land & Trust per yard pated. seasons? company went about work of securing Oregon 20,000,000 und Idaho 5,500,-\$1.50 for the imported two-toned grey suitings, 52mittee expects Mr. French to pay. Just now the fire originated is un-000. The prices this year are fully Then spend an hour at our Dress a flowing well is commendatle, and This amount was part of the proceeds known The name of little "Bill" 65 per cent higher than normal, and Redfield, an irresponsible little urchin from a special fund and the executive they were fortunate in securing a Goods counter; it is well worth inches, heavy, just the thing to the northwest farmer is going to have withstand winter's blasts \$1,50 committee was not aware it was being reliable firm in Messrs. Miller & West your time whether you buy or not, of 9 or 10 summers, is connected with withheld until the end of the school to carry on the work. more money this fall than he ever had and we will be pleased to show the conflagration through rumor said at. per yard - year. Mr. French admitted the iu-In the opinion of Mr. West, there from his crops before, provided he \$175 for this 48 inch self-dainty stripes of light \$1.75 green, per yard to have origin from other youngsters. them in any event-just a few. is little liklihood of losing the artedoes not let the false prophets that debtedness and promised to pay the but most likely the flames started from have arisen of late in the farmers' sian flow, as in some instances is the sum into the state treasury not later a range in which a fire had been unions induce him to hold his grain PRICED AS FOLLOWS than August 1, bul I am advised the result. To the contrary he believes burning during the morning hours. money has not yet been received. The that with additional depth increase of too long before selling, by telling him, The residence had been occupied by water will be encountered. He bases as many of them are doing, that the committee does not wish to be harsh \$2.00 for this 50 inch self-striped imported novelty, B. W. Myers' family. The household 65cfrom some good strong servtotal yield of Washington is but 30,his opinion on the general formation with Mr. French, but the interests of goods had just been packed and crated 000,000 and the export demand 41,through which the drill is now for shipment to Pomeroy, Wash., and Mrs. Myers and two children had left the state must be protected and if the either in mulberry, grey or dark icatle fabric, 36 inch, graranteed money is not paid into the state treas-000,000. working. olive, one of the successes in dress all wool striped serges in navy The success of this well will de-"As far as I am concerned personally ury soon it will be necessary to take on the noon train for Dayton, leaving and rich brown, also some swell goods weaving, \$2,00 it does not make any difference dark colors in fancy mohairs. 65c termine to a great degree the problem some step to bring the affairs of the the son to look after shipping the yard whether the crop is 1,000,000 or 100,-Weston normal to a settlement." of securing water in this vicinity in goods on Monday. yard Special attention is called to our quantity for not only irrigating pur-000,000 bushels, consequently I want While most of the household goods line of broadcloths in all the popposes, but for city use, also. Should a big flow be encountered, the city the farmers to understand that I am Judge Ayers Dead. 75c is the price of many new plain tatistes, all were carried from the burning buildular shades-wisteria, rose, chamonly telling them this for their own Judge Thomas W. Ayers of Heppuer ing all, including a valuable piano was badly damaged by fire and water. pagne, reseda, raspberry and rich good, and I most asspredly would colors and some new things in would be justified in sinking for prominent pioneer of Umatilla and dark green. Morrow counties, died Saturday at water for domestic purposes. Indiadvise them to sell before the present The household goods were insured in one of the reliable companies locmohair, panamas, serges and vidual owners have intimated that market breaks, as it undoubtedly will, Priced at \$2.00 to \$3.50 Pendleton of paralysis. He crossed cashmeres-and there's some of the plains in 1869 and settled in the they would sink wells for private in two or three weeks. them 50 inches wide, at per 75c MAY WE SHOW YOU? ally represented by B. B. Richards "There is not the demand this year for export stuff that there is commonly Butter Creek country. and Mrs. MoIntyre carried insurance on her residence in the McMiunville supposed to be, as European buyers Mutual. SCHOOL OPENS SEPT. can buy cereals in Europe at the pre-HIGH Both the owner of the house and sent time for the same price that the Mr. and Mrs. Myers are more than Coast buyers can get it on track at Motter-Wheeler Company pleased with the heroic work accomtidewater, and it is a certainty that plished by the fire boys and those outthey are not going to buy in the side the department, who randered American market and pay the freight valuable assistance. Prof. H .G. Case, principal of the | Chemical two years from now, so to foreign ports."



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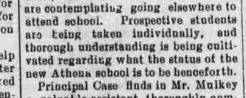
Pleasantly located in his new store at the Corner of Main and Third streets, T. M. Teggart desires the Press to make announcement that beginning tomorrow morning, September 4, be will start a big money-raising sale. The sale will continue for 10 days, ending, Monday, September 13. The sale will be inaugurated for the sole purpose of clearing space for a new line of dry goods which is soon to arrive.

Mr. Taggart is in a position to help the young men to something better than heretofore offered in tailored clothing. September 6. a representative of the Marks Tailoring company of Chicago, will be at his store with a trunk full of samples, prepared to take measures as they should be made.

Mr. Taggart's new store as it in takes on a splendid appearance with its neatly arranged stock, and when the new lines arrive, Tom's store will be a "hummer" for sure.

Mistaken for Deer.

Alfonso Mayons, a sheepherder, was mistaken for a deer by some careless hunter and was shot, Sunday. The herder heard the man exclaim after the shooting "My God" and 1un through the brush. Mayons is in a hospital with his shoulder shattered and a part of his left lung shot away.



city Saturday evening, from Kalama,

Wash., accompanied by his family.

Prof. Mulkey, the assistant principal,

Since arriving in the city both families have been pleasantly located

Both the principal and his assistant

of organizing the high school for the

They are interviewing personally,

all students qualified for high school

work, and who have been, or who

in desirable residences for the year.

day previous.

coming year.

valuable assistant, thoroughly comprehending the work before him, and together these two men are meeting with commendable success in their preliminary work.

Bulletin and News, the two papers published at Kalama, and both speak in highest terms regarding Mr. Case's of that city. He was re-elected to his position there but resigned for the reason that the Athena school offered a better field and a bigher salary.

One of the Kalama papers, speaking of the action of the Kalama board ment. says, sarcastically: "But the fact is. the board was too generous, too economical, too parsimonious. Had the wishes of the patrons been consulted Prof. Case would have been retained. even if they had to pay \$500 more."

Forming His Plans,

The Athena high school begins the school year on Monday, September 13. The new principal is a "booster" and he is enthusiastic over the bright prospects for the ensuing school year in Athena. Speaking of the situation Mr. Case said:

"It seems to me that public sentiment here is ripe for ganuine educational progress, minus the petulant fault-finding so prevalent in many small towns. It requires the harmonious, consistent as well as persisteut co-operation of patrons, students and teachers to make a successful school. No one can escape his share of responsibility for success or failure. Now that the new spirit of progress bas been awakened, increased efficiency will be demanded and satisfactory results will follow.

"With the wealth of Athena District, its schools should be placed upon a par with the best schools in towns of the same class.

"First, by having its laboratories

Athena High School, arrived in the that there would be gradual development as conditions required.

"Second, music should be encouraged and arrangements made by next with his wife, arrived in Athena the year, if possible, for teaching vocal music throughout the grades. A piano for high school and 8th grade would awaken new interest among the students. 1 hope to see a good Glee Club organized, and shall invite the have entered zealously into the work musical talent of Athena to co-operate to that end.

"Third, literary and debating societies can be maintained to the benefit of the school.

"Fourth, Athletics properly supervised and subordinated to school work attend school. Prospective students creates a spirit of loyalty among the are teing taken individually, and student body. With the farmers thorough understanding is being culti- around Athena employing the most progressive and up to date methods the school should adopt the same policy in educational matters. There

are babits of communities as well as individuals.

"To introduce innovatious requires enthusiasm, forbearance and encouragement. Changes sometimes engend-The Press has received copies of the | er unjust, destructive criticism. There need be no experiment in the organization of a first class high school as the requirements are too well known success as an educator in the schools | and established. A spirit of cordiaity, mutual confidence and sympathy should at once overcome all opposition to success. All high schools of any importance have grown in accordance with the principles of normal develop-

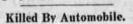
> "The Ligher grades are dependent upon the lower grades. When right habits of study are formed higher ideals will be attained. Students will come to have a well defined purpose and finish the regular high school COULSE.

"With 15 years experience in high school work. I can frankly say that in my opinion the school Board and citizeus whom I have met seem to have the right conception of what the school needs and if the ideal can be adhered to long enough, to firmly establish the school on a good working basis, patrons will assume a right attitude toward their home school and students will develop loyalty under such encouraging environments.

"This-year will be the critical year, therefore loyalty of patrons, teachers and students is an imperative need. We need the quiet, determined influence of Church, Press and Layman. It is a good thing to get into the habit of indulging in meritorious commendation in your home the school and town in which you live.

"I assume that the boys and girls of Athena are just as bright and courteous as in other towns. The students conduct is an index to home life. We

want all the students we can get. adequately equipped for prepara- Students from other districts are cortory teaching science. The Physics dially invited to join us-more especlaboratory might be purchased this isly do we solicit the eighth grade year, the Biological next year, and graduates from other districts."



Delos E. Coffin, a wealthy farmer living near College Place was run down and killed by an automobile driven by John Baxter, a Walla Walla real estate man Tuesday night. The occupants of the car were surrounded by an angry meb of citizens and had it not been for the timely intervention of the officers, some of them might have done bodily harm. Baxter has been placed under \$1,000 bonds for appearance at the coroner's inquest. Au examination of the wounds showed Coffin's neck was broken, larynx twisted and crushed back, causing hemorrhage of the lungs, ribs on left side crushed and deep gash cut ou left cheek, above the right eye and on the back of head.

Nerve Is Broken.

Bud Barnes who for more than a year has been brave and sneering at the efforts of the law to punish him and who a few days ago received news of his certain death with calmness, has broken down and is now limp with terror in the Walla Walla county jail. He pleads that he never committed the crime; that he is innocent. He wrote a long letter to his wife, begging ber to visit him. The opinion is that he will go to the gallows broken and whimpering.

Weston Has Project.

James Ashworth a leading man of Weston, has practical ideas regarding the feasibility of constructing a huge dam across Pine Creek Canyor, above Weston and creating a reservoir for the storage of water which would be used for irrigating purposes. His plans contemplate the construction of a canal and electric power transmission. He estimates that the plant could be constructed for \$250,000.

Walla Walla Home for Sale

If you are contemplating buying a home in Walla Walls, talk to G. H. LaDue, Fern Avenue next to Benjamin Stanton's fine home. A modern suburbau home for sale. Eight room house, well finished, grounds 110 by 385 feet, excellent shade, good barn and chicken park, fruit trees, garden ground and berry bushes. One block of car line and in fine residence district. Just the place for a retired farmer.

The Dime's Attractions.

Athena people showed their appreciation of wholesome attractions, by giving Manager Tharp liberal patronage last week. This week the Dime offers the strongest bill so far presented this season. Samson, the modern Hercules is the top liner at this popular amusement resort tonight and tomorrow night. In addition, extra fine motion pictures and illustrated songe are on the program.

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