

Press Paragraphs

H. A. Barrett was in Walla Walla Wednesday.

Matt Mosgrove was over from Milton Wednesday.

Miss Kathleen McEwen spent Tuesday in Pendleton.

James Mitchell returned to his home at Moro, Monday.

J. T. Lievalen was in town from Adams, Wednesday.

Mrs. J. D. Plamondon visited friends in Pendleton Tuesday.

Benny Gross is home from O. A. C. for the holiday vacation.

Cecile Boyd is home from the Lewiston Normal for the holidays.

Miss Gertrude Wheeler of Weston, visited Athens friends Wednesday.

Mrs. H. I. Watts and Miss Gertrude Luna were in Pendleton yesterday.

Eat Christmas and New Year's turkey dinners at the St. Nichols Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rogers of Pendleton, visited relatives in Athens this week.

A new heating plant is being installed in the First National Bank building.

A shooting match at targets takes place this afternoon at Bolin's blacksmith shop.

Stone Bros. have an artistically decorated pig on exhibition at their meat market.

Miss Aolv Foss, who is attending business college at Spokane, is home for the holidays.

Manager Griswold of the local telephone office, will spend Christmas at Walla Walla.

Ravi Miller came home from Corvallis yesterday, and will remain until after the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Alexander left Sunday evening for Los Angeles, Cal. where they will reside.

Miss Kittie Sharp, who is teaching school in Southern Idaho this winter, is home for Christmas.

Miss Nettie Royce came down from Tacoma, and will spend the holidays at the Gerking home, west of town.

Mrs. Woodruff of Two Rivers, Wash, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tompkins.

A force of men have been engaged the past week in building stock yards for the O. R. & N. Co. on a new site.

The location of the yards is situated north of the Pacific Elevator company's warehouse.

Miss Lillian McDonald arrived in the city Saturday from Spokane, to spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Byron N. Hawks.

Manager Spencer of Athena opera house states that hereafter the building will be lighted throughout with electricity. Amen! from the public.

Attorney Wilson and T. H. Beverley spent Sunday at LaGrande. They were delayed by the wrecked freight train near Menacham, arriving home Tuesday noon.

Mrs. L. G. Pickel, of The Dalles, held the lucky ticket, No. 628, which drew the beautiful doll at Athena's Department Store. Mrs. Pickel is a sister of D. C. McIntyre and Mrs. W. E. Potts.

There will be a watch night service in the Ladies' Aid room of the M. E. church December 31st. The time will be spent in social and religious exercises. The Lord's supper will be administered.

E. B. Harris, of the Christian church, has resigned the pastorate here and will enter the evangelistic field. It is understood that the board has reluctantly accepted the resignation, which takes effect in February.

Leon Kidder and Elmer and Jesse Ferguson returned on Wednesday from a wild goose chase below Umatilla. The boys were gone a week and came home a sorry looking set—frost-bitten and dejected to the limit. They left their geese "hanging high."

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gerking leave today for Tacoma, where they will spend several weeks with relatives and friends. Chas. has purchased his brother George's, interest in the J. E. Reeder place, which contains 400 acres of first class wheat land.

George Tracy is held in the county jail, charged with the murder of Andy Rabal near Umatilla on Thanksgiving day. Sheriff Taylor got a clue to his man sometime ago at Echo. Tracy went to California and was returning to Echo when he was arrested near the Dalles.

When wheat reached a dollar a bushel in Athens, a considerable amount of grain was sold Friday and Saturday at that figure. There is still wheat left to sell in this vicinity, however. Farmers who are holding believe they will get a higher price than is now quoted.

Miss Lula Tharp was taken to Walla Walla Monday and placed in St. Mary's hospital, where an operation was performed Tuesday as the result

of appendicitis. Miss Tharp rallied nicely from the operation, and reports from Walla Walla are to the effect that she is doing as well as could reasonably be expected.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of Gettysburg Post, G. A. R., held Saturday afternoon in Masonic Hall: J. H. Hiteman, commander; W. K. Wall, junior vice; Wm. Helmick, senior vice; E. LaRue, chaplain; H. N. Deeper, Adj't.; Wm. Shriumpf, quartermaster; S. C. Ives, officer of the day; A. Shuck, officer of the guard.

A large crowd of young people attended the masquerade ball at the opera house last evening. Those receiving prizes for best costumes were Mrs. Fred Baddeley, Queen of Hearts, first prize for lady, and Miss Dora Bennett, Spanish Lady, second; George Hilton, Spanish gentleman, first, and Carl Christian, Indian trave, second prize.

Professor and Mrs. E. C. Tuckerman are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ellis B. Harris at their home in the Christian church parsonage. Prof. and Mrs. Tuckerman have had charge of the music and personal workers' forces in the meeting just closed at Milton. Mr. Harris did the preaching for part of this meeting. There were fifty-seven additions to the Milton church.

Homer I. Watts, one of the attorneys for the heirs of the late Desire St. Dennis, in the will contest case, announces that the case will not come to trial. By united agreement between the heirs and St. Dennis' widow, the will is to be probated as it is, after which the estate, valued at \$25,000, will be settled up under conditions said to be satisfactory to all parties concerned.

After boring its way through nearly 450 feet of solid basaltic rock, the drill in the artesian well, at the depth of 866 feet, is plunging among loose boulders. While the drill men are pleased to encounter a change in formation, the tediousness experienced in passing through the present strata is exasperating and consumes high chunks of patience. The flow of water encountered at a depth of 420 feet, remains practically the same.

School Notes.

We are to enjoy a week's vacation. Let it be a week of real enjoyment, permeated with the Christmas spirit. The school house will be open every day during the Christmas vacation, Sunday excepted. Students or patrons may secure library books, consult the principal and get special help in any subject if desired. The teachers wish every child or student in Athens school as well as every patron, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Let every person of school age start to school January 3, 1910.

Principal Case is anxious for his students to have the best possible interpretation of the rules, principles and science of athletic games, and hence has employed Coach Blanchard of Whitman College to coach Athens students during Mr. Blanchard's Christmas vacation, and at intervals when he can be away from Whitman.

The current comment on the Columbia College boys who played a winning game with Athens High School last Saturday night, is, "The boys are a nice lot, and know the game."

Pleasant visitors this week were: Messrs. Arthur Stone, Bennie Gross, Prof. Hunt, Revs. Hammond, Ryder, Driver, and Miss Cecile Boyd.

Remember the big game of basket ball next Tuesday evening, December 28. There is just enough rivalry for honors between Weston and Athena to make this the game of the season. A nice reception will be given the visitors after the game. In order not to conflict with protracted meetings, the game will be called a little later than usual.

A meeting of the A. H. S. athletic association was held recently and a constitution was adopted. The students are now paying their dues for the basket ball season.

The A. H. S. literary society held a short meeting on Friday afternoon. A short program was rendered and some business transacted, mainly the adoption of a constitution. The meeting was ended with the report of the critic and a reading on manners, by Mr. Mulkey.

Revival Meetings at Baptist Church.

The meetings at the Baptist church are increasing in power from night to night. Evangelist Driver is preaching the old Gospel with power and sweetness. That was a great men's meeting last Sunday afternoon. Mr. Driver believes what he preaches with all his soul, and he burns that impression into the hearts of those who hear him. The meetings run every night in the week and three times on Sunday. Tonight and tomorrow evening double headers are planned. Tonight will be the Sunday school Xmas entertainment with an address by Mr. Driver and special music. Christmas Day at 7:30 p. m., there will be an illustrated song service and pictures showing the birth and life of Jesus, followed by a message from the evangelist. Sunday morning evangelistic services at 11, 3 and 7:30 p. m.

Special at the Christian Church. It happens that E. C. Tuckerman, one of our foremost singing evangelists, is with us, and will help in the services Sunday. Contrary to the announcement made last Sunday, we will have services as usual, the pastor preaching. Don't fail to hear Professor Tuckerman sing.

A Good Place To Trade At Athena's Department Store

Will you get what's coming to you? Will you get a square deal? Well we think so. We like Athena and its happy progressive people and we want your business.

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First consignment of a \$4000 bill of clothing, famous Leister Mills, hand tailored. There is no better \$15 suit this side the Snake river. The same sell in the city for \$22.50

Neck Ties

We are not thinking of the tie that binds, but neck ties. \$200 worth, in one classy, elegant bunch. Athena has not seen their kind before.

For Christmas

Did you mention Christmas novelties, or Christmas goods of substantial worth and beauty? We guess you know the place.

Steward & Brown, Athena, Oregon

Holiday Greetings

Again we are on the threshold of Christmas Time—the season of universal giving and receiving—the time for that wonderful bringer of pleasing surprises—mysterious, gracious, lovable old Santa Claus, whose very name thrills the young with gladness and anticipation and the older ones with emotions that are sacred in their recollections.

But Christmas Time, with all its pleasures, brings its perplexities to most people as to how much they can spend for presents and whom they intend to remember. But what to get—that's the question. Here is, without doubt, Walla Walla's Greatest Holiday Store—its magnificent stocks of bright, new merchandise affording almost limitless selections in appropriate gifts for all ages.

We would suggest that you make your selections early, for we will hold the goods for you and deliver later at any time you wish.

The Davis-Kaser Company

THE HOLIDAY STORE

Walla Walla, Wash (The home of Greater Whitman)
Branch Store at Pasco, Wash

HOLIDAY PRESENTS

for
Him
and
Her

FOR HIM—Watch, Watch chain, Watch fob, Scarf pin, Cuff links, Ring, Emblem pin; fine stock of solid gold and best filled goods.

FOR HER—Gold watch chain, fob, bracelets, neck chain, rings, plain, band; set & diamonds; loose & mounted.

Silver Ware & Cut Glass

Very large stock finest Crystal Diamond brand.

H. H. HILL

Where you will find particular presents for particular people.

Mosgrove Mercantile Company

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Oregon

We have the largest and best assortment of new and up-to-date, sensible and useful Christmas gifts ever before shown in Umatilla county.

Handkerchiefs in lace, embroidery, silk and tinted effects. Ladies auto scarfs in endless variety; stick pins, collar pins and belt buckles, all in the newest and most approved designs. Purses and hand bags in great variety; furs and muffs in the latest shapes. Ladies and gentlemen's neck wear, jabots, collars and reefers, all new for Xmas gifts.

Toys, Dolls and Games At Half Price

The great ready to wear sale will continue until after the holidays; you can save money by buying suits or overcoats during this great sale.

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