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## GALEDONIAN PICNIC

Eleventh Annual Gathering of Clans Success—Field Sports and Games Features of Special Interest.

The eleventh annual picnic of the Umatilla County Caledonian society passed into history Saturday evening, with the closing of a two days' program. Saturdays crowd was one of the largest that has been in Athena for some time, and the interest taken in the doings of the Scottish clans was keen.

The Portland entertainers who participated in the program were well received and acquitted themselves creditably. The big gathering was pleased with the addresses delivered by Judge Cameron, Prof. Lyman, Clark Wood, Will M. Peterson and others, and the games and sports were features of interest.

The City Park was at its best and afforded plenty of shade for all who attended. John Bell, the president of the Society, James Henderson and H. A. Barrett worked hard for the success of the picnic, and much credit is due them for the manner in which the big event was pulled off.

The concert at the opera house Friday evening was liberally patronized, and was pronounced one of the best ever given by the Caledonians. The house was filled to its capacity and the audience was well entertained.

In the field sports the following were the events and results:

Pole vault—George Sheard, Athena, first, 8 feet 5 inches; Harold Githens, Athena, second.

Shot put—George Strand, Pendleton first, 37 feet 6 inches; Goff, Athena, second, 37 feet 3 inches.

Tossing the caber—Potts, Athena, first, 47 feet; McDonald, Athena second, 40 feet 11 inches.

100 yard dash—McEwen, Athena, first, time 10:3; Worthington, Athena second; Githens, Athena, third.

220 hurdle—McEwen, Athena, first, 28 seconds; Githens and Worthington tie for second.

Broad jump—McEwen, Athena, first 17 feet 6 inches; Worthington, Athena, second, 15 feet 1 inch.

100 yard race for boys under 15—Payne Athena, 11 seconds; Grant Athena, second.

Girls' 100 yards for girls under 15—Miss Wheeler, Athena, first, 12 seconds; Miss Grant, Athena, second.

Egg race—Payne, Athena, first; McIntyre, Athena, second.

**Death of Major Thompson.**

Major James K. Thompson of the 18th Infantry, a nephew of Mrs. Alvin Johnson, died in Washington, D. C., April 17 and was buried in Arlington cemetery with military honors on April 19. Major Thompson was an officer of the highest military efficiency. He was born in Iowa in 1862 and was appointed cadet at West Point in 1879 by General Weaver of the sixth congressional district of Iowa. He graduated with high honors in 1884 and gave valuable services to the government thereafter. Besides a wife and two sons, he is survived by his mother, Mrs. John Thompson, and his sister, Mrs. S. L. Love, both residents of Everett, Wash.

**Leave for Crook County.**

E. M. Smith, the genial and efficient agent for the O. R. & N. company in this city, contemplates leaving in a short time for Crook county, where he owns a wheat ranch. Mr. Smith's ranch is located near Madras, and now that railroad facilities are offered he sees no reason why that section of the state may not forge to the front. Athena regrets the loss of Mr. Smith and his estimable family.

**Mountain Ranges.**

Stockmen report that mountain ranges are splendid this season and stock of all kinds are doing well. Grass fed leaves are beginning to be offered on the market, and sheep are finding splendid forage.

## NOT ALL IN FAVOR OF DIVISION

John S. Vinson, East End Pioneer, Prefers "Hudson" to "Orchard."

John S. Vinson, the well known East End pioneer, writes an interesting letter to Judge Lowell of Pendleton. The old gentleman is evidently opposed to division, but of the two proposed county lines, he prefers "Hudson" to "Orchard" county.

Aside from Mr. Vinson, who resides near Freewater, there are people who live on the Walla Walla river above Milton, who are said to be radically opposed to division of the county at this time. Mr. Vinson's letter to Judge Lowell follows.

Freewater, Ore., May 19, 1910.  
Hon. S. A. Lowell,  
Pendleton, Ore.

Dear Sir:—Mr. Fred Evans asked me to convey to the promoters of "Hudson" county the appreciation of the City of Freewater, and while many of us are not in favor of the division of Umatilla county, we cannot refuse to support the proposition of establishing a county seat at Freewater. If you will have some of the petitions sent to this place we will attend to securing the required signatures to it. Would persons who signed the Orchard petition be legal signers to the Hudson county petition?

Very respectfully,  
JOHN S. VINSON.

## HANDY WITH KNIFE

Tamp Osborn, Former Yellow Kid Pitcher, Carves Captain of Chehalis Team While on Train.

Tamp Osborn, a spiky base ball pitcher, who was once on the pitching staff of the Yellow Kid team, is in trouble as the result of his disagreeable temper. The following dispatch was sent out yesterday from Chehalis, Wash.:

Tamp Osborn, a well known pitcher in the Washington State Baseball league, is in the Lewis county jail charged with second degree assault.

Osborn is alleged to have stabbed Fred Nehring, captain of the Chehalis team in the state league, three times, while intoxicated on a Northern Pacific train last Friday night.

He was captured in Pacific county yesterday after Sheriff Stevens had chased him through the woods for 12 hours.

The Chehalis team was traveling to Raymond, Osborn, it is said, became abusive toward the train crew and Nehring tried to quiet him. This angered the pitcher and the stabbing followed. Nehring's wounds are not serious but he will be out of the game for two weeks.

**Farmers' Picnic.**

The second annual Farmers' Picnic will be held in Milton on Friday, June 3. The first annual picnic was held by the farmers in this city last year and was very successful. These picnics are to be held yearly under the auspices of the Farmers' Co-operative Union, and this year it has been decided that all male members of the locals shall wear blue striped overalls and jumpers in the parade and the lady members are to be adorned with blue bandana kerchiefs aprons with pockets on each side. This information has been given the Press by County President Connor of Helix.

**Pendleton and Weston Tied.**

By losing to Pendleton Sunday by a score of 8 to 3, Weston is now tied with the county seaters for first place in the Blue Mountain league. Weston led in Sunday's game with three scores up to the fifth inning, when Nelson came to bat with the bases full and swatted a two base hit. After that it was all Pendleton, Wheeler being unable to stem the tide. Pendleton plays at Weston Sunday and Athena goes to Pilot Rock.

**Locust Blossoms Fall.**

Shriveled and trowed by the sun's rays, the locust blossoms have served their purpose of odoriferous adornment and now may properly be classed as being a pest, for every wind sends the dried blossoms scurrying into the lawns and drifting onto porches like snowdrifts. The blossoms are all right on the trees, but a littering element of debris when they fall.

**Big Apple Crop.**

From reports it would appear that the apple crop in this vicinity will be a big one this year. Trees are loaded with fruit and the mountain orchards and those on Wild Horse creek give every indication of producing bountifully. Many of the orchards have been pruned and sprayed, with the result that a choice grade of fruit will be offered on the market.

**At Weston Today.**

A large number of Athena people are at Weston today attending the Pioneer picnic, which will close with tomorrow's program. The Athena base ball team is playing the Weston team an exhibition game.

## ATHENA WINS THREE

Maroons Throw off Hoodoo and Take Three—Weston and Adams Lose—League Game From Rock.

Athena lovers of the National game were treated to the real article Sunday, when the Maroons chased off the hoodoo and put one over on the Pilot Rockers by the score of 3 to 1. The local boys got onto the habit of winning by defeating Weston at the Caledonian picnic Friday, in an exhibition game, by a score of 6 to 3, and Adams on Saturday, 10 to 8.

With gilt edge support, Picard, the new pitcher, had everything on the Rock in Sunday's game, and the Athena lads troks into the percentage column, without any trouble except in the ninth inning, when Pilot Rock forced over her lone run.

This fellow Picard seems to have everything required in the twirling category, and at no time does it appear to worry him to dish up anything which he considers to be particularly annoying and distasteful to the batter. He pitched a good game against Weston, but he showed better, if anything, against the Pilot Rock leaguers. He allowed but two hits, and only eased up in the ninth after he had his game won. His support was a great improvement over anything the team has yet put up, and if the stride continues Athena will yet play hob with certain intentions that linger in the minds of the two teams now in the lead.

Lobaugh who was on the mound for the Rock was in fine condition also and allowed but three hits one of which, a two bagger, came after a choice mixture of errors and a bunt had allowed Lieualen, DePeatt and Myrick to populate the cushions and was responsible for Athena's three runs.

It was anybody's game in the seventh, both teams working like machines and nothing but big white ovals appearing on the score board. Not until the sixth did a man reach second base. In this inning, Lieualen hit safe and floshed second, with no one down, and the fans grilled and rooted for a score. DePeatt was an easy out, Gilttert to Oakley. Boober was walked but Picard flew out to Westgate, retiring the side.

Then the seventh opened with Wilson going out, Gilbert to Oakley, Lieualen beat out a bunt and reached third when DePeatt poked one through short, which rolled into center field, DePeatt making a safe slide into the second switch. Then Myrick pinged one toward Lobaugh. The big pitcher took a hot chance, the spher deflected toward second base and Lieualen had tapped the pan and DePeatt had followed down the path, Myrick going to second when the ball was heaved to the plate to morgue Lieualen. Boober came through with the swat that registered DePeatt and Myrick.

Nothing doing in the eighth, and it looked a cinch that the first shut-out game in the Blue Mountain league was to be served up piping hot by the tail-enders, but in the ninth Gilbert stung out a single and slid into second on a close decision. Lobaugh was given life at first sack on a hard chance taken by Picard and which shows up in the records as an error, Gilbert going to third. But Picard had his revenge, for Willaby did not return the ball and the resourceful twirler fainted until the Pilot Rock slabster was coaxed off the cushion and tagged out. Gilbert scored when Starr sent a high one into left garden along the foul line, beating the throw-in, which was relayed by Willaby from Smith. The score:

Athena	AB	R	IB	PO	A	E
Stone 2b	4	0	1	2	1	0
Willaby 1b	4	0	0	16	0	1
Smith if	4	0	0	0	0	0
Wilson c	4	0	0	1	0	0
Lieualen c	4	1	1	6	2	0
DePeatt 3b	3	1	0	0	2	0
Myrick ss	3	1	0	1	1	1
Boober if	3	0	0	1	0	0
Picard p	3	0	0	0	9	2
Totals	33	3	3	27	15	4
Pilot Rock	AB	R	IB	PO	A	E
Oakley 1b	4	0	1	13	2	0
B. Gilbert 3b	4	0	0	0	4	0
M. Gilbert c	4	1	1	4	0	0
Lobaugh p	4	0	0	1	2	1
Starr of	4	0	1	1	0	1
Boober if	4	0	0	0	0	0
L. Gilbert 2b	4	0	0	2	3	0
Westgate if	3	0	0	2	0	0
Githens ss	3	0	0	0	3	1
Totals	34	1	3	24	14	3

Athena—0 0 0 0 0 0 3 0 x—3  
Rock—0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—1

Double plays, Picard to Stone to Willaby; Gilbert to Oakley. Sacrifice hits, Myrick; first base on balls, off Lobaugh, 2; struck out, by Picard, 8; by Lobaugh, 3; hit by pitcher, Gilbert; passed balls, Lieualen 1, Gilbert, 1. Umpire, Buerstrate. Time of game, 1:45.

**Will Ship Stock.**

Fay LeGrow went out to Ukiah by automobile Monday, where he received a bunch of stock he recently purchased in the John Day country. Mr. LeGrow is buying stock in this vicinity which he will ship to his ranch near Miles City, Montana.

## FIRE BLIGHT IN ORCHARDS

Pest Is Alarming Walla Walla Valley Fruit Raisers.

That serious danger threatens the apple orchards of the Walla Walla valley is not to be concealed. Orchardists must fight it, says District Fruit Inspector C. L. Whitney. Other well versed orchardists have taken even a more alarming view of the situation than that published in the Sunday Union-Statesman, and claim their trees as well as the crop are in danger. That something must be done is no longer a question, it is a certainty.

Bad as the fire blight seems, it may be safely said that trees more than four years old will withstand it. Spraying is of no avail and there seems to be little that can be done, save from treatment as suggested in that paper. One orchardist reports that his trees were taken in three days and from other sources come reports equally as alarming.

It is not true that the whole crop will be ruined, it is thought, nor is the intention of this article to scare fruit raisers or investors. But action must be taken and that quickly.

This is the most destructive and the most dreaded disease of fruit trees, especially of the pear. It is of distinctly epidemic nature, appearing suddenly in virulent form in a locality and wiping out entire orchards or injuring the trees so severely that several years are required for recovery from the attack. It may not appear again to a destructive extent in the same locality for ten or fifteen years. Nevertheless it is to be found every season to a limited extent in any locality, ready when the proper combination of seasons arises to spread rapidly and again work havoc. An epidemic of this disease not only means the loss of the season's crop, but also the loss of entire trees, or at least much of the bearing wood which is the product of years of growth and the replacing of which will require more years.

**New O. R. & N. Trains.**

The new trains Nos. 5 and 6 on the Washington division of the O. R. & N. between Spokane and Portland made their first run on the new schedule Thursday morning. Both trains pass Athena in the night time. No. 6 for Spokane is due here at 2:50 a. m. and No. 5 for Portland and the east, arrives at 12:50 a. m. The regular Pendleton Spokane day train is also running on a new time schedule. No. 8 gets into Athena at 7:40 a. m. and No. 7 at 4:10 p. m. The Walla Walla Portland local arrives at 8 a. m. for Portland and at 6 p. m. for Walla Walla.

**George J. Cameron's Boom.**

During the Saturday forenoon program at the Caledonian picnic the name of George J. Cameron, prosecuting attorney for Multnomah county, was boomed for governor on the republican ticket. The announcement that Mr. Cameron was a candidate was neatly made by Frank Hennessey of Portland. Mr. Cameron was present at the picnic but did not appear on the platform to verify his candidacy. He is at present prosecuting attorney for Multnomah county and is well known in Portland, where he was police judge for many years.

**Alumni Association.**

Weston Leader: The Alumni Association of the Eastern Oregon State Normal School announces that the annual banquet of the Alumni will be held in the dining room of the girls' dormitory on Saturday evening, May 28, at 8 o'clock. All members of the association and other friends of the school are invited to be present. The banquet will be served by the Epworth League, at the rate of 75 cents per plate.

**Lessons in Voice and Piano.**

Miss Ruppe, of Pendleton, a student of Mrs. Anna Selkirk Norton, will hereafter instruct Mrs. Norton's class in vocal music in this city. Miss Hubbard, of Walla Walla, will also organize a class in piano instruction here. Lessons will begin Tuesday and Saturday evening the young ladies will give a recital at the opera house in this city in conjunction with Mrs. Norton.

**Has Government Position.**

Ralph McEwen, who has been taking a course in the Boston School of Technology, in engineering, has accepted a position with the United States Government in the reclamation service at Klamath Falls. Ralph has entered upon his duties and his many friends in Athena wish him a full measure of success.

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Sam Haworth and Vergil Zerba were in Pendleton Sunday.

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