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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF COUNTY ATHLETIC AND ORATORICAL ASSOCIATION

Arrangements for the Umatilla County Athletic and Oratorical Association meet in this city Saturday, April 29th, are under way. The Constitution and By laws follow:

PREAMBLE.
The purpose of this Association shall be to foster friendly interscholastic relations among the various schools of our County; to arouse and sustain enthusiasm in clean athletic sports under proper supervision and promote the systematic development of the physical, intellectual and moral powers of the students generally as a necessary preparation for a successful life.

ARTICLE I.
Name.
The name of this Association shall be the Umatilla County Athletic and Oratorical Association.

ARTICLE II.
The Public Schools, Academies and Colleges of Umatilla County shall be eligible to membership in the Association.

ARTICLE III.
Sec. 1. The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, a Secretary and a Treasurer; which officials shall be elected by the Executive Committee.

Sec. 2. The Executive Committee shall consist of the following members: The principals of Pendleton High School, Milton High School, Athena High School, Weston High School, Echo High School, the Umatilla County School Superintendent, and a representative of Pendleton Academy and Columbia College, Jr.

ARTICLE IV.
Sec. 1. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Association; to see that the Constitution and By-Laws are observed; appoint, unless otherwise stated or ordered, all committees; and call all meetings of the Executive Committee.

Sec. 2. The Secretary shall keep a correct record of all meetings of the Association; preside at meetings in the absence of the President; and make the report of the Executive Committee at each annual business meeting.

Sec. 3. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys of the Association and keep a written statement thereof, and he shall make no payments without a written order from the Secretary, countersigned by the President.

ARTICLE V.
All elections of officers shall be by ballot. A majority of all votes cast shall constitute a choice. The term of office shall be for one year, or until a successor, duly elected, shall assume the duties of the office.

ARTICLE VI.
Amendment to Constitution.
Every proposed alteration, amendment, or addition to this Constitution and By-Laws hereunto annexed, must be handed to the President in writing, who shall publish the same to the Association and at the next regular meeting it may be adopted by at least three votes.

ARTICLE VII.
Suspension of By-Laws.
A By-Law may be suspended, in case of emergency, by unanimous consent.

BY-LAWS.
ARTICLE I.
The order of business shall be as follows:
1. Call to Order.
2. Reading of Minutes.
3. Report of Standing Committees.
4. Report of Special Committees.
5. Election of Officers.
6. New Business.
7. Treasurer's Report.
8. Adjournment.

ARTICLE II.
An annual contest in Oratory and Declamation

shall be held under the jurisdiction of this Association, to be governed as follows:

Sec. 1. Each school shall be divided into three divisions, as follows:
Division A. High Schools—Oratory.
Division B. Seventh and Eighth Grades—Declamatory.

Division C. Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Grades—Declamatory.

Sec. 2. Each school shall be entitled to three representatives, one for each division.

Sec. 3. Each speaker shall be allowed to choose his or her own subject, provided that those in the "A" division shall be orations and those in "B" and "C" divisions shall be recitations.

Sec. 4. The speakers of the County Contest shall be selected by means of a local contest.

Sec. 5. No speaker shall be allowed to enter the County Contest with a selection he has previously spoken, except at the local contest.

ARTICLE III.
Sec. 1. The County Contest shall be held at Athena, Oregon, on such date as the Executive Committee may determine.

ARTICLE IV.
Sec. 1. There shall be a committee of three competent and disinterested persons appointed to act as judges. Each member of said committee shall be elected by a majority vote of the Executive Committee, and no judge shall be a resident of the County.

Sec. 2. The committee so selected shall mark on the following points:
I. Orations.

1. Voice.
2. Interpretation of Selection.
3. Stage Appearance and Gesticulation.
4. Oratorical Effect.

II. Declamations.
1. Voice.
2. Interpretation of Selection.
3. Stage Appearance and Gesticulations.
4. Rhetorical Effect.

An average of the markings shall then be taken. The one receiving the highest average shall receive first prize; the one receiving the next highest average in his or her division shall receive second prize.

ARTICLE V.
All proceedings of the Association shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order.

ARTICLE VI.
Any person having won first prize in his or her division shall be barred from competing in such division, but may compete in the next higher division.

ARTICLE VII.
The manner of choosing the order of speakers for the final contest shall be by lot, done in the presence of the committee consisting of a representative from each of the several schools, and the order thus determined shall not be varied without the unanimous consent of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VIII.
The receipts at the gate for the Athletic Contest and at the door for the Declamatory and Oratorical Contest shall be turned over to the Treasurer of the Association, provided that no moneys shall be spent unless so ordered by the President and the Secretary of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IX.
All disputes arising shall be settled by the Executive Committee, whose decision shall be final.

ARTICLE X.
The Athena Cup, which is offered by the Athena Commercial Association, shall be awarded to the school as a permanent trophy, providing the school wins it three consecutive years, and it is further provided that the school winning the cup any one year shall retain it until the next annual Contest. The school winning the largest number

of points in the Athletic Meet shall be awarded the Cup for the following year. In addition to the foregoing a separate prize will be awarded to the winning grammar school.

ARTICLE XI.
The annual Athletic Meet shall be held under the jurisdiction of this Association, to be governed as follows:

Sec. 1. Each school shall be divided into five divisions, as follows:
Division A. High Schools.
Division B. Seventh and Eighth Grades.
Division C—Fifth and Sixth Grades.
Division D—Third and Fourth Grades.
Division E—First and Second Grades.

Sec. 2. The events for each division shall be as follows:

- Division A—High Schools.**
- 100 yard dash.
 - 220 yard dash.
 - 440 yard dash.
 - 880 yard run.
 - 1 mile run.
 - Running broad jump.
 - Running high jump.
 - Low hurdles.
 - High hurdles.
 - Shot put.
 - Pole vault.
 - Relay. Four men, 880 yards.
 - Fifty yard dash.
 - Hammer throw.
 - Discus throw.

- Division B—Seventh and Eighth Grades.**
- 50 yard dash.
 - 100 yard dash.
 - 220 yard dash.
 - Relay. Four men, 880 yards.

- Division C—Fifth and Sixth Grades.**
- 50 yard dash.
 - 100 yard dash.
 - 220 yard dash.
 - 440 yard relay. Four men.

- Division D—Third and Fourth Grades.**
(Same as Division C)

- Division E—First and Second Grades.**
(Same as Division C)

Sec. 3. The points for each event shall be as follows:
First place five points.
Second place three points.
Third place one point.

Sec. 4. Each school is allowed two contestants in each event.

Sec. 5. Each contestant shall have been a bona fide student for at least three months directly preceding the meet, provided further that he shall not have been dropped at any time during the two weeks immediately preceding the meet.

Sec. 6. There shall be a gold and a silver medal awarded for first and second places respectively in each division of declamatory and oratory.

Sec. 7. The names of all contestants in Athletics and Oratory shall be sent to the Secretary of the Executive Committee at least ten days before the Meet, after which time no contestant shall be admitted, except by special action of the Executive Committee. Entries must be accompanied by a signed statement of the Principal, certifying that the contestants are eligible under these By-Laws.

Sec. 8. There shall be a meeting of the Executive Committee on Saturday evening immediately after the contest for the purpose of settling all business.

MAGADAM THE ROAD

Weston and Athena Pulling for Permanent Improvement of Main Road Between Towns.

Weston and Athena are pulling for a macadamized road between the two towns. Already Weston has pledged 150 days' labor toward the project and Athena is rustling for a like number.

The new county road machinery is now in transit from the east, and the county court has promised to have it unloaded at Athena for the work proposed, in event there is enough subscribed to place the crushed rock on the road. The county will crush the rock, prepare the roadbed and spread the rock, but it must be hauled on the highway without expense to the county, and it is for this portion of

the work that Weston and Athena are now bending every effort to raise funds. The farmers also will furnish teams and help, and the business men and property holders owners of the two towns will contribute funds.

B. B. Richards, who has the Athena end of the matter in charge, says there is no doubt but that Athena will do her share toward macadamizing the Athena-Weston road.

Portions of this road during certain seasons of the year, are the worst in this part of the county. For several weeks past it was impassable and teams were forced to take the lower road and until a few days ago all travel between Athena and Weston was over the north road.

MILL MEN VS. THE CLERKS

A Hot Game of Ball Scheduled for Sunday Afternoon on New Grounds.

The hottest base ball game of the season will be pulled off Sunday afternoon at 3:00 between Marville Watts' mill men and a team composed of players from Athena business houses.

An admittance fee of 25 cents will be charged at the gate, the proceeds to be given to the base ball fund for the benefit of the team in the Blue Mountain league. The game between the mill boys and the town fellows was one of the best, and Sunday's game promises to have more stunts in it than any game ever played in Athena.

The line-up is not given for publication, but it is whispered there will not be a man in the crowd who can deprive I John Dobson of his uniform as done last year. The umpire will carry a shotgun for protection of his august person, and Byron Hawks will appear behind the bat with a silver mask but without a chest protector. Oh, the game will be a hummer. Don't miss it.

Repairing Building.
A Walla Walla contractor has a force of men at work repairing the Cook building on Main street. The building, which is a brick structure, was damaged when the Taggart store turned several weeks ago.

ON TO HER REWARD

Mrs. L. J. Foss, Well Beloved Woman, Passes to Beyond Friday Evening Surrounded By Her Family.

After an illness extending over several months from stomach trouble, Mrs. L. J. Foss, one of Athena's most highly respected and best loved women, died at her home in this city, Friday evening, at 10:30 o'clock, surrounded by all the immediate members of her family.

For several weeks Mrs. Foss had been failing gradually, so gradually that the end came as a shock to both family and friends. In her remarkable fortitude, it was hard to discern the insidious workings of the disease, she having never consented to take to her bed until Thursday, the day previous to her death. As soon as the true state of her condition was seen, her children residing at a distance were summoned and Miss Alecy Foss from Spokane and John Foss and Mrs. Mattie Mitchell from Moro, arrived Friday evening, shortly before her demise.

A kind and indulgent mother, a loving wife and a hospitable neighbor, a Christian in the truest sense of the word and a woman who left an impression for all that is good in the community in which she has resided for so many years, her death has cast a shadow of sadness into practically every home in the city.

The funeral was held at the Christian church at 11 o'clock Sunday morning, and the large auditorium was filled to overflowing with friends who had gathered to pay their last respects. Many beautiful floral offerings were brought as a tribute. The funeral sermon was preached by Pastor Meldrum, and services at the grave were conducted by Athena Circle, Women of Woodcraft, of which Mrs. Foss was a member.

The husband and six children are left to mourn the loss of a loving wife and mother.
(Almira J. Rogers was born near Cape Visson, in the state of New

York, November 25, 1849, and died in Athena, Oregon, March 10, 1911, at the age of 61 years, three months and five days. With her parents she emigrated by team by way of the Great Lakes to Milwaukee, Wisconsin and settled in Jo Davis county in Illinois. At Monroe, Wisconsin, on February 28, 1869, she was joined in the holy bonds of wedlock with L. J. Foss. In the same year with her husband she moved to Sullivan county, Missouri. Seven children came to bless the union while they resided in Missouri, and one daughter, Sadie, preceded her mother to the grave, having died since the family came to Athena. Mrs. Foss has been a resident of this city since 1884. Besides her husband, three sons and three daughters survive her as follows: Austin Foss, of Athena; John Foss of Moro, Sherman county; James Foss of Crook county; Mrs. James Mitchell of Moro, Sherman county; Miss Alecy Foss of Spokane and Mrs. T. M. Taggart, of Athena.)

The Rural Route.
A rural route mail box with the wording: "Box 1, Route 1, A. B. McEwen, Highland Farm," displayed in C. A. Barrett & Co's show window brings to mind that Athena is to have a rural mail route, and the inspector is expected to arrive shortly to install it. Leaving Athena, the route goes north to LaMar school house, thence west to the Shrimp place, then north and west up the flat to Grandview; thence south down Gerking Flat to Alex. McIntyre's, then west and south through Sand Hollow, back to Gerking Flat to the Jackson place and then south and east to Athena.

Will Hold Services.
Rev. Father Neate, of the Mission Catholic church, was in the city Tuesday looking after the work of improving the church property in this city. Permanent repairs are being made at the church and it is the intention of Father Neate to hold services in Athena every two weeks. Announcement of holding services will be made in the Press in due time.

John Biggley, traveling salesman for a Portland paint firm, transacted business in Athena Wednesday.