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## CALEDONIAN PICNIC

Annual Gathering of the Clans Will Take Place in Athena This Year on May 19th and 20th.

At a meeting of the Umatilla Caledonian Society in this city last Saturday, the dates for holding the big annual picnic in this city this year were selected and the committees were appointed.

Friday and Saturday, May 19 and 20, were the dates selected, and the following committees were named:

Finance, A. B. McEwen.  
Concessions, W. E. Potts.  
Grounds, John Bell.  
Program, Dr. J. D. Plamondon.  
Entertainment, J. E. Froome.  
Sports, W. R. Taylor and F. S. Le Grow.

Sam Haworth was appointed Marshal of the Day; Jesse Smith, night watch and D. C. McIntyre will come down from Alberta to act in the capacity of official dispenser of tadges.

James Henderson, secretary of the Caledonian Society, has already been in correspondence with Portland Caledonians, relative to their participating in the program, which will be made if possible, more elaborate than those given in former years.

Walla Walla Caledonians are to be interested in the Athena picnic, and the attendance from the garden city will no doubt be large. The picnic will be held at the park grounds this year, and every convenience possible will be offered visitors. Prominent speakers will be obtained, Scottish dances will be given and the usual sports will prevail. Col. Wood's favorite pastime and amusement, the merry-go-round, will be provided with its usual concession, and will be located in a convenient spot to afford enjoyment for the Weston editor and all others who may wish to join him in the sport.

Mr. McEwen is meeting with the customary success in soliciting funds with which to finance the picnic, and the committeemen will co-operate in their efforts to make the occasion a success in every particular.

### Four Husbands, at 30.

Mrs. Carrie B. Coates, formerly Mrs. G. W. Hansell of Sunnyside and before that widow of J. W. Dixon, killed by Mike Ryan, now in the state penitentiary serving a life term for the deed committed in the hills west of Vincent two years ago this spring, although less than 30 years of age, has been married four times, says a county exchange. She has two husbands dead, one divorced and has just recently taken the fourth, for whom she bears the name of Coates.

### Mr. Lucas Is Importer.

F. G. Lucas, of Weston, has ordered a "Scottish Chief" potato digger from faraway Scotland which will arrive in time to harvest his 40-acre crop next fall. This machine is in universal use in Scotland and has been introduced in New York and Minnesota. It will be shipped across the ocean and the continent and landed in Weston at a price \$40 cheaper than the standard digger of American manufacture, says the Leader.

### Fruit Is Safe.

With the thermometer registering 31 to 33 degrees in the Walla Walla valley last week much anxiety was felt by the fruit raisers as to the amount of damage sustained. Although the temperature was two to four degrees below freezing says the Eagle a heavy wind which blew all night was responsible for the failure of Jack Frost to get in his damaging work.

### Unique Incubation.

More interest is being manifested in poultry raising in this section than ever before. Better breeds of chickens are being imported and more of

them, than in the past. An item in the Press last week relative to a young lady fancier being so lucky as to secure 12 chicks from 9 eggs is eclipsed by an original method of incubation successfully introduced by an Athena woman. A motherly old hen had hatched all but one egg in a setting of 15, and the lady in question, hearing the chick "peep" in the shell, became fearful lest it should not hatch under the hen, as nature provided. She hit upon the idea of taking the egg to bed with her, which she did and next morning was delighted to find that the chick had hatched all right and was as strong and pert as the others of the little flock.

## VICTOR SHICK DEAD

Death Claims an Old Time Resident in the Prime of Life—Leaves Wife and Six Children.

Victor M. Shick, an old time resident of Athena, died in this city Friday night, at 10 o'clock, after several days' intense suffering from diabetes.

Mr. Shick and family left their home in Stevens county, Wash., a couple of more weeks prior to his death, coming to Athena in the hope that the change would benefit his declining health. For several days he seemed to improve but the disease had gained a stronger hold on him than any one suspected, and he steadily declined until the end came.

The funeral was held at the Christian church Sunday afternoon at 1:30, the Masonic Lodge, of which he was a member, attending in a body. A. Mackenzie Meldrum delivered the sermon. Mr. Shick has been a member of the Christian church since 18 years of age.

He was born in Arlington, Washington county, Nebraska. At the time of his death he was aged 42 years. He spent his boyhood in Athena, being a graduate of the Athena schools. He married Miss Mary Kirk, daughter of Lee Kirk, who with four sons and two daughters survives him. He also leaves a father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. A. Shick, a brother, Arthur, and a sister, Mrs. Zeph Lockwood, all residents of this city.

For several years he was engaged in the grocery business here, being the junior member of the firm of Rosenzweig & Shick. After disposing of his interests here, Mr. Shick farmed in Idaho for a short time, and later purchased a hardware store in Addy, Wash., where the home of the family is at present.

He was known as an upright man, and had a wide circle of friends in this part of the county, all of whom sympathize with the relatives in their bereavement.

### Benson's Funeral.

Frank Benson's funeral was held Tuesday forenoon under the auspices of the Elks at Elks Temple, in Roseburg. Several thousand people followed the body to the grave in Odd Fellows cemetery, where the last rites of Odd Fellowship were administered. Among the mourners were Governor West and Secretary of State Olcott.

### Buys Land.

D. H. Mansfield sold 80 acres of the Mansfield farm west of town, last week, to W. R. Taylor. The land is a choice piece, and as a portion of the F. M. Mansfield estate. The price paid by Mr. Taylor was \$85 per acre.

### Easter Services.

The Easter services at the Methodist Episcopal church were well attended. The service by the children was entertaining, and Rev. Lawson preached an interesting sermon.

### Her Stipulation.

The pale young man with sheepish eyes glanced timorously at his fair companion. They had sat together in the conservatory for fully five minutes and had hardly exchanged a word.

At last, in desperation, he dived his hand into his breast pocket and brought out his cigarette case. "Do you mind, Miss Smilax, if I smoke?" he asked.

"Not in the least," replied the young lady sweetly, "if you don't think it will make you sick!"

### Close Relations.

"You advise that man's constituents to stand by him?" "Yep," replied Farmer Cornstossel. "I advise 'em to stand by close enough to watch everything he does."—Washington Star.

### His Inheritance.

"Does he inherit his father's genius?" "No; only his father's eccentricities of genius. That is why we are giving a benefit for him."—Chicago Record-Herald.

What a happy world this would be if every man spoke as well of his live neighbors as he does of his dead ones!

### A Well Done Job.

"Is she well married?" "I should say so. She's been trying for years to get a divorce and can't."—Exchange.

## COUNTY TRACK MEET

Preparations Completed for Holding 2nd Annual Meet of Athletic and Oratorical Association.

All preparations for the second annual track meet and oratorical contest of the Umatilla County Athletic and Oratorical Association, which takes place in this city one week from tomorrow, Saturday, April 29, have passed to the stage of completion.

off in Walla Walla, says the Union, if the plans of the advance manager of the International Aviators, who are to be there next week, do not go astray. He is planning a stunt that he says has never been accomplished and if it is done, should be a thriller. The scheme is to fly a monoplane from the fair grounds to the Baker building, a seven story structure, and make a landing and ceremonies of some sort on the top of the structure, the aviator is to start from the top of the structure and fly back to the grounds. This has never been done, it is stated by K. L. Bernard, advance manager of the International aviators, and he is anxious to try it out.

## NEED MORE WAGONS

Additional Teams Will Be Put on County Road Work—Force at Quarry Supply Plenty Rock.

The big rock crusher has been hammering away this week at the quarry below town. The machinery is working well, three grades of rock going into the bins from which the wagons are loaded. This week five teams have been hauling the rock to the roadway which has been surfaced east of town. The steam roller passes over the crushed rock as it is spread, leaving the surface smooth and even. The work was reviewed Saturday by County Judge Maloney and Commissioner Walker.

The present force at the quarry can supply rock to several more teams than are on the work at present, and the county will send more wagons to Athena at once. At least ten teams will be at work next week, and maybe twelve, if the wagons can be secured. The county has wagons at Hermiston and these will be shipped here.

The big crusher is capable of furnishing rock enough to keep the additional teams going, and when they are put on, the work will progress much faster than at present.

High grade work is to be done on the new road. Farmers who will do the hauling will be in a position to furnish all the teams necessary in a few days, when plowing in this vicinity will be about completed.

### Richardson Booms Baltimore.

Tom Richardson, erstwhile Portland booster, is holding what he calls "commercial evangelistic meetings" in Baltimore. He started two weeks ago to raise \$500,000 for the Greater Baltimore committee. His methods are new to Baltimore people. Never have they had such a revival. For a century Baltimore has been regarded as the rock of conservatism. Business was conducted along old and staid lines. The first thing Richardson did when he landed was to refer to the town as having "cobblestones." He suggested that the way to get rid of "cobblestones" was to "toot your own horn." He urged the staid bankers who had never attended a "livewire" meeting to "make a noise." It was something decidedly new, and so funny to them that it felt good. Then when Richardson added: "Blow your whistles and let the world know you are living" it was such an eye-opener that the bankers began to sit up and take notice.

### Gold at Milton.

Mrs. T. L. Beardley of Milton, is the second person to discover gold in nugget form in the crop of a chicken she was dressing this week and it is the belief of many that there is a deposit of gold in the bed of the Walla Walla river and adjacent gravel pits. Recently these pits have been uncovered for building purposes and near there these chickens have been feeding. Mrs. Henry Frazier, wife of the mayor of Milton, lately discovered five nuggets of gold in the crop of a fowl. Her chickens also feed on the river banks.

### Repairing Water System.

Water Superintendent Gholson has been instructed by the city council to employ men to repair the pipe line of the municipal water system between town and the reservoir. New bands will be put on the pipe connections, where many leaks are now occurring, causing much water to go to waste. The motor has recently been repaired and is now in good working order.

### Columbia Receives Gift.

Columbia College, Milton, will have a faculty of not less than six members at minimum salaries each of \$100 a month, a new and complete chemical laboratory and a conservatory of music as a result of a trip east of the financial secretary in which he received a donation of \$3,000. The money will be used mainly to strengthen the present faculty.

### Walden No Better.

John Walden, who has been suffering from tubercular trouble for several months, is at the home of his mother, Mrs. Sarah Walden, three miles south of Milton. His condition is reported to be no better than on his return from Arizona several weeks ago.

## TO PATENT FOOTHILL LANDS

Lafferty Will Introduce Bill in Congress.

If a bill introduced recently in the house of representatives by Congressman A. W. Lafferty has a successful progress through congress thousands of acres of land will be added to the taxable property of Umatilla county and hundreds of people who have paid for tracts of land will receive patents therefor without spending a year of their lives in remote foothills where none of the advantages of civilization are enjoyed, says the East Oregonian. The bill would do away with the residence requirement in the issuance of patents upon lands in the Umatilla reservation providing the secretary of interior be given satisfactory proof that the unimproved lands in question are not susceptible of cultivation or residence and are exclusively grazing lands, incapable of any profitable use other than for grazing purposes.

The lands which would be affected by this bill lie in the foothills and are absolutely barren of timber. At the time allotments were made to the Indians, there was an immense amount of land not taken and this was appraised and placed on sale by the government. The seamy land in the foothills was almost wholly ignored, the price of one dollar and a quarter an acre fixed by the appraisers being considered too high. However, as its grazing utility became apparent, much of the land was bought and paid for but patent was withheld because the purchasers refused to fulfill the residence requirement. Two previous bills have been passed by congress providing for the issuance to purchasers without living for a year on the lands and Mr. Lafferty's bill would extend the same privilege to those who have bought these lands since the passage of the last of these two bills.

### Four to the Pen.

Natt Hart, who pleaded guilty to stealing a cow and calf belonging to P. J. Kelly of Freewater, was given an indeterminate sentence of from one to ten years while Robert McComber, his partner in crime, who stood trial, was given four years. Ivan Rainorahl, who pleaded guilty to robbing a jewelry store got off with a two year sentence and Ralph Rose, who entered a like plea to the charge of robbing the house of the government trapper near Meacham, drew an indeterminate sentence of from one to seven years.

### Squaw Badly Hurt.

While purchasing goods at the Fix & Radtke store Saturday old Charley Shaplish's wife fell down the basement stairway and sustained a broken hip. She was loaded into a hack and driven to her home across the river at Thorn Hollow. Dr. Plamondon went out Sunday and reduced the fracture. On account of her advanced age, it is doubtful if the aged Indian woman recovers.

### Got the Measles?

There are numerous cases of measles in Athena and vicinity at the present time. In some instances several members of the family are afflicted, but as yet no serious results have been reported.

### New Aviation Feat.

What will be a feat unequalled in the history of aviation, may be pulled