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A Contraction



spection of schools.

county this week on a supervisory in-

church, looks upon her husband's wed ding fees as her own partioniar property. She has been martied for over 22 years and as her busband started the custom when they started to travel in double harness, it is easy to see just why she thinks every minister should give his wife these perquisites. Naturally, Mrs. Armfield regrets that there are not more weddings."

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Athena Merchants Carry Big Stocks

### Editors to Meet Tuesday.

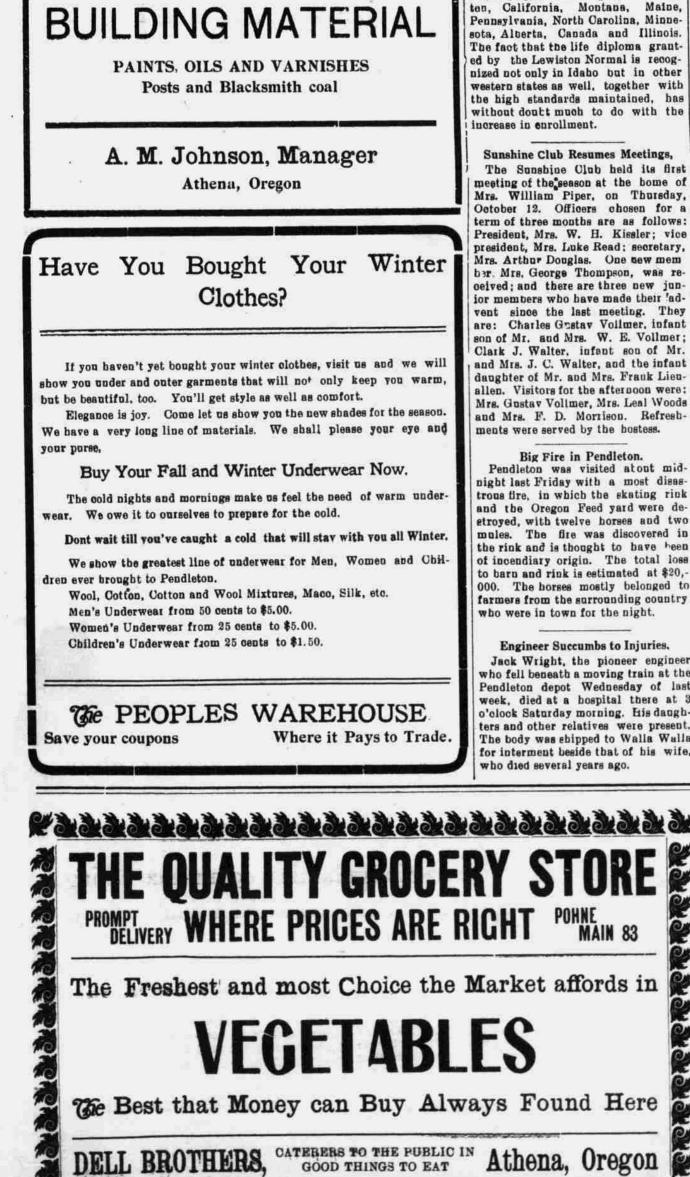
The Pendleton papers report that responses from country editors of Umatilla county indicate that the attendance of "molders of public opinion" at the meeting to be held in that city under the Commercial club auspices will be well attended and that the Umatilla County Press club will have an auspicious beginning. Arrangemetus are being completed for a suitable bangent for the visiting scribes. Secretary Keefe is sending out the following invitation to the country editors: "Your presence is earnestly requested at the meeting in Pendleton on October 24, 1911, the occasion of the formation of the Press Association. Banquet in the evening;



Walla Walla Pupils Take High Hand When Heck Suspends Men.

Intoxicated with a spirit of vengeance, says the Union, the result of losing two of their best football players for what they consider a minor offense, according to regulation rules, about 60 high school students, with appropriate ceremonies preceding, burned in effigy their principal, Professor F. C. Heck, on the high school lawn, following a hostile demonstration in the vicinity of the school, in which the leaders waxed warm in denunciation of the present administra-

The whole trouble arose when Principal Heck expelled Booker and Cox. halfback and center on the football full dress suit, and is said to have refused to recognize the petitions that were presented to him in their behalf. This is the second time a party of high school students have publicly proclaimed their feeling against the principal of the school, former Principal E. J. Klemme having also been ourned in effigy a few years ago when



Lumber, Mill Work and all Kinds of

The fact that the life diploma granted by the Lewiston Normal is recognized not only in Idaho but in other western states as well, together with the high standards maintained, has without doubt much to do with the

have enrolled from Oregon, Washing-

Sunshine Club Resumes Meetings, The Sunshine Club held its first meeting of the season at the bome of Mrs. William Piper, on Thursday, October 12. Officers chosen for a term of three months are as follows: President, Mrs. W. H. Kissler; vice president, Mrs. Luke Read; secretary, Mrs. Arthur Douglas. One new mem ber. Mrs. George Thompson, was received; and there are three new junior members who have made their 'advent since the last meeting. They are: Charles Gustav Vollmer, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Vollmer; Clark J. Walter, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Walter, and the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lieu-

**Big Fire in Pendleton.** 

night last Friday with a most disastrous fire, in which the skating rink and the Oregon Feed yard were destroyed, with twelve horses and two males. The fire was discovered in the rink and is thought to have been of incendiary origin. The total lose to barn and rink is estimated at \$20,-000. The horses mostly belonged to farmers from the surrounding country

Engineer Succumbs to Injuries. Jack Wright, the pioneer engineer who fell beneath a moving train at the Pendleton depot Wednesday of last week, died at a hospital there at 3 o'clock Saturday morning. His daughters and other relatives were present. The body was shipped to Walla Walla for interment beside that of his wife,

about, and breathing their breath, must be inspired with a tremendous desire to get away and above it all." Coxwell leaned forward and said very good humoredly, "Well, Mr.

"I don't know," said Kingsley. "A

man who is always looking down

people's throats, and pulling their teeth

an extraordinary idea!"

Kingsley, it is true that I am a dentist, but it was not that that made me become an aeronaut." "My d-dear Mr. Coxwell," said Kingsley, flushing red, "I am sure I

beg your pardon. I had no idea it was so. You must have thought me singularly ill mannered to make a joke of

Kingsley could not recover his spirits for the rest of the evening. He hated giving pain to any human being more perhaps than anything in the world.

Why Dean Swift Didn't Go to Ascot. Dean Swift was the earliest man of note to make mention of the historic Ascot race meeting. It is in one of his "Letters to Stella" in August, 1711, that the great Jonathan says he "saw a place they have made for a famous island to pieces .-- Scientific American. horse race tomorrow, when the queen will come." But being "tired with riding a trotting, mettlesome horse a dozen miles, having not been on horseback this twelvemonth," Swift deter-

mined "not to go to the race unless I can get room in some coach." As he was hindered by a caller all the coaches were filled before he could reach one, and as a consequence the world lost the description of that earliest Ascot that only the author of "Gulliver's Travels" could have penned .- London Spectator.

The Humbling of Deacon Todd. "I tell you, Edgely," said Deacon Todd as they sat in the park, "the way women dress these days is absurd. And nine times out of ten it is the fault of men. Just, for instance, take that woman coming down the path. Some fool husband has told her icle. she looks perfectly charming in that outrageous getup, lacking the stamina to come right out bluntly and tell her that she looks positively ridiculous." Since this remark Mr. Todd has never been seen in public without his glasses. The woman was Mrs. Todd .-Judge.

Aroused.

The young woman in the stern of

# top piece of string, although the ends were even at the start."

to the wheel, one at the top and the

other at the bottom, where it rests on

the ground. Now run your engine for-

ward two feet and see what happens.

Plants Breaking Up an Island. The layman would scarcely associate great strength with so delicate and fragile a thing as maidenhair fern, yet if its roots have not sufficient of Agriculture, the Oregon spring room they will break the pot in which the plant grows. Blades of grass will bushels, as against 5,346,000 bushels force the curbstones between which last year. The yield per aore is given they spring up out of their place, and in a single night a crop of small mushrooms has been known to lift a large stone. Indeed, plants are on record as having broken the hardest rocks. The island of Aldabra, to the northwest of 11,745,000 in 1910. The yield per A. L. Swaggart, Jos. Key and A. L. Madagascar, is becoming smaller through the action of the mangroves advance of last year's yield, but the that grow along the foot of the cliffs. They eat their way into the rock in all directions, and into the gaps thus as 6,728,000 bushels, as compared formed the waves force their way. In time they will probably reduce the

Bathrooms In Paris.

An observant English journalist in Paris has-as a hot weather amusement-made a private census of bathrooms. He calculates that in all the flats and private houses of Paris there are about 2,800 bathrooms. And this writer, lying in his own bath and making another calculation, will bet a bathful of water that he could get up and pitch a cricket ball from the garden about his modest flat this way and that over as many bathrooms. It is a curious little difference of national architecture. And the quaintness of the difference comes with the fact that you see more people in London who look-yes-dirty than in Paris. Even the beggar in Paris is clean in face, finger nails and clothes .-- London Chron-

"I didn't expect any better treatment than this," said the lady on the pler scanthingly to the inspector whom she suspected of rudeness. "You can't make a sllk purse out of a sow's ear!" "As to that I don't know, madam," said the inspector placidly. "I do not recall any ruling of the treasury department on that point. If you are bringing in any of either you'd better declare them and leave the classifica-

The bottom string has moved forward, too, but not nearly so far as has the WHEAT FIGURES MADE KNOWN things did not go to suit the students.

Over Five Million Bushels.

taught, 20; number of pupils enrolled, 19; pupils who were neither absent or tardy, and are on the roll of honor, are as follows: Charley Henley, Lester Goodrich, Ellis Hopper, Bazil Van Cleve, Elmer Corporat, Wilbur Goodrich, Freddie Johnson Schubert, Helen John Barnes, Vergie Key, Lola Key, Minnie Johnson and Lela Schubert. Visitors for the month are: School Com. Alwas 16,419,000 bushels, as against tert White Mrs. Sarab Swaggart, Mrs.

Lillian Downs-Dobson,

Teacher.

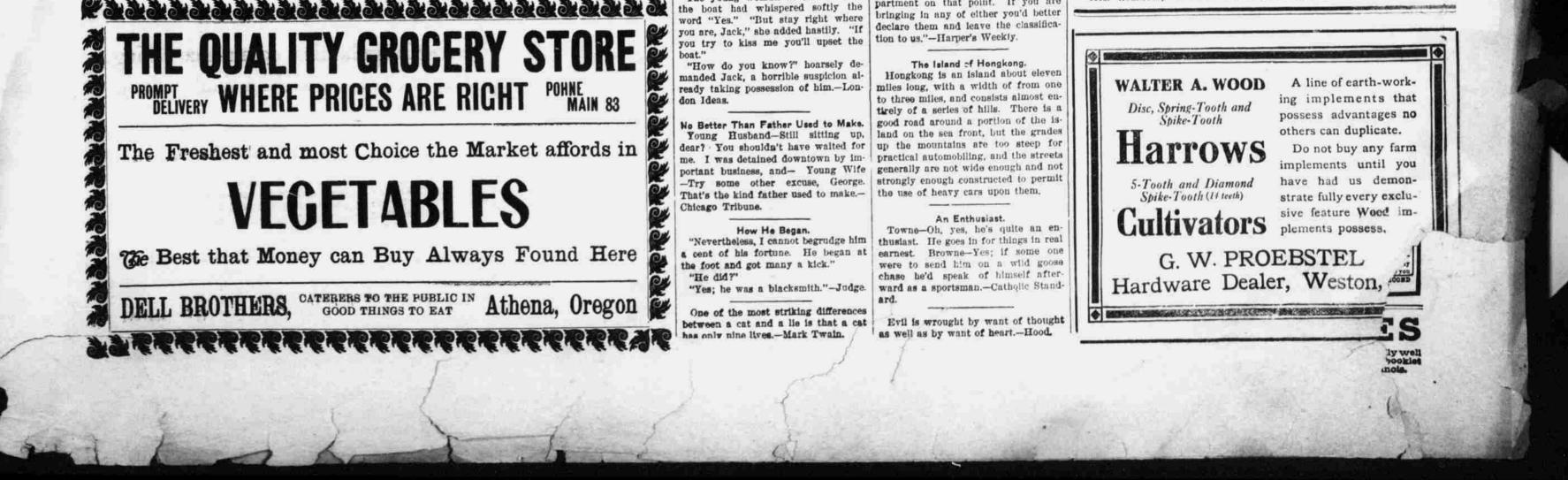
## At Work on Green Springs.

At a meeting of the city council Tuesday evening it was decided to take immediate action in regard to the Green springs, a property which has been in the hands of the city for some time, Mayor Gross, J. E. Froome and Wm. Tompkins, members of the council, with Water Superintendent Gholson, drove up to the springs yesterday taking a force of men, who were left there at work. with the purpose of giving the flow a thorough test. It is the firm belief of the city authorities that a plentiful supply of pure spring water may be obtained by piping the Green springs

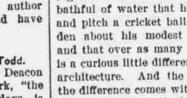
to the city reservoir, and combining the flow with that already obtained from the Gallaher springs.

Travelers Heard From

A. B. McEwen, Miss Jessica and Dan McKenzie arrived safely in Southampton England, September 30, having made the trip across the Atlantic on board the "Oceanic," in seven days. The trip is reported as a pleasant one, though a storm was encounfield, wife of a former popular M. E. tered at sea on the day before lauding. pastor of this city, were pleased to recognize her portrait in an illustrated Mr. McEwen's ecclesiastic cast of feaarticle in the Sunday Spokesman-Re- tures must have been deceiving, for he was listed among the passengers as view, last Sunday. The article in question speaks in jocular tone of the "Rev. John McEwan." It is snarcepreacher's wedding fees, and telling ly probable that Athena's ex-mayor of an interview with the lady, says: would have been purposely poging as "Mrs. Armfield, wife of W. E. a "reverend."



He Didn't Know.



School Report.

The oilowing is the report of La-Spring Crop in Oregon Makes Total of

Mar District. No. 30, for the month ending October 6: Number of days According to the October Crop Reporter, just issued by the Department wheat yield this year was 5,250,000

as 17.5 bushels, as against 18 bushels in 1910, and the quality of the crop is rated at 92,1 point below last year. Washington's spring wheat yield

acre was 19.5 bushels, five bushels in | Swaggart. condition was rated at 88. The wheat crop of Idaho is listed

with 4,427,000 bushels in 1910. The per acre yield in Idaho was 29 bushels, an increase of nine bushels over 1910. The condition of Idaho wheat was 96, highest in Northwest.

The Crop Reporter indicates that the condition of apples in the Northwest this year is far below normal. According to the department's figures, the condition on October 1 was: Oregon, 56; Washington, 58:; Idaho, 80. On October 1. 1910, the condition was given as Oregon, 93; Washintu, 90; Idaho, 88.

Died in Colorado.

News was received here Saturday, o the effect that Edgar V. Ridenour, well known in Athena, had died at Colorado Springs. Colorado, whither he had gone for the benefit of his health. He was a nephew of Mrs. F. B. Boyd, and several years ago was employed on the Press.

## Mrs. Armfield Interviewed. The friends of Mrs. W. E. Arm-