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NEW TREES FOR THE CITY PARK

SELECTION EMBRACES SEVERAL POPULAR VARIETIES.

Trees Paid For With Funds By Ladies Auxiliary of Commercial Association.

The ornamental shade trees for the City Park arrived this week from the Washington Nursery company...

The assignment embraces some of the very finest ornamental trees which have proved to be of practical value as shade trees throughout the Northwest...

In His Own Back Yard. Clark Wood, the well known publisher of Weston's leading newspaper, was an Athena visitor Saturday.

Meneley Concert Company. Concerning the Meneley Concert company, which closes the season's lyceum course in Athena on Saturday evening, April 6, the El Paso, Texas Journal says: "Never before have the El Paso people had the pleasure of listening to such a treat as that given by the Meneley Quartet."

Another Good Lecture. A. Mackenzie Meldrum delivered his famous lecture, "The Adventurous Cruise of the La Ventura," at the church Wednesday evening, to a large audience.

NATURE'S LAUNDRY.

It is liable to Play Pranks With the Wash in Yellowstone Park. Nature's gifts are widely and variously distributed. In one place the elements of things are given, to be made available by labor; elsewhere she provides things ready for man's use.

In the Yellowstone National park the family washing is easily disposed of. The soiled bedding and clothing are put into a stout bag, which is hung in one of the boiling springs and left there while the party wanders about sightseeing.

CHINESE TREASURES.

"Rubbing" on Paper From Ancient Tablets and Monuments. Chinese men of letters are exceedingly fond of ancient records in the shape of long scrolls of paper "rubbing" from famous stone tablets and monuments.

To the forefinger in China rubbings from the tablets the one left by the Nestorian Christians at Sianfu, in Shensi, about 600 A. D. and the Mohammedan tablet are especially interesting.

Man More Liquid Than Solid. Every fiber and every cell that enters into the formation of a living body is bathed in moisture, by which means alone these ultimate elements are kept alive and are enabled to carry out their duties.

Tortoise Shell. The finest of tortoise shell is said to be that which comes from the Indian archipelago, although much of that obtained on the Florida coast is of the very best quality, says the Scientific American.

A Policeman's Duty. Some of the answers given by candidates for the Chicago police force at a recent examination were: "The duties of a policeman are to guard the peace and limb of the city."

His System. "Do you count your chickens before they are hatched?" asked the visitor. "You bet I do!" says the dealer in mining stocks and promoter of town sites.

A want of sympathy leads to the greatest ignorance in the intellect as well as in the heart.

ATTORNEY WATTS FOR CIRCUIT JUDGE

MAY OPPOSE PHELPS FOR REPUBLICAN NOMINATION.

Friends Prevail Upon Athena Lawyer to Enter Race With Present Incumbent.

The friends of Attorney Homer I. Watts of this city are prevailing upon him to enter the campaign on the republican ticket as candidate for circuit judge of this district.

Mr. Watts' encouragement comes from both republicans and democrats in this and Morrow counties. At the present time there is but one avowed candidate in the field for the judgeship—Judge Phelps, the present incumbent.

In addition to his law practice, Mr. Watts is identified with extensive farming interests here, and for this reason he naturally hesitates to strive for judicial office at this time. The test, so he realizes, would require practically all of his time and would require his residence at the county seat.

BAND CONCERT TOMORROW

Second Appearance of Athena Band in Public Concert This Season.

For the second time this season, the Athena Band will appear before an Athena audience in public concert at the opera house tomorrow evening. The band will be assisted in the concert by a number of vocalists, and special selections on the piano and violin are prominent features of the program.

Under the direction of Prof. Edgar Smith, the Band has made commendable advancement and the selections for tomorrow night's entertainment comprise classical productions as well as the lighter and popular compositions of the day.

Deed Over Allotted Lands. Ralph McBain, who was bonded over in the sum of \$1500 to appear in the federal court on the charge of stealing Indian horses, has furnished bonds in that sum and was in the city this week, interviewing his attorney, Homer I. Watts.

Call for City Warrants. Notice is hereby given that the City of Athena will redeem outstanding City Warrants bearing serial numbers 431, 432, 433, 434, inclusive, interest on said warrants will cease on and after this date.

Properly Placed. "John," exclaimed the inebriated printer's wife, "when you come home in that condition at this unseemly hour I hardly know what to call you!"

KING OF THE ASPES.

This Reptile, the Most Venomous of Snakes, is Death Itself. The most venomous of snakes is said to be the Echis carinata of India. It is about eighteen inches long and of a gray color.

Fortunately, however, for man, it is not, like the cobra, a house frequenting snake, for its aggressive habits would make it infinitely more fatal to him than its dreaded relative.

This king of the asps does not turn to escape from man, as the cobra will, or flash into concealment, like the kobra. But keeps the path against its human assailant and, pitting its own eighteen inches of length against its enemy's bulk, challenges and provokes conflict.

It is said that no one, having once encountered this terrible reptile, can ever forget its horrid aspect when thus aroused, its eagerly aggressive air, its restless coils, which in constant motion one over the other and rustling continuously all the while, stealthily but surely bring it nearer and nearer to the object of its fury.

TWO NEW HATS.

The Scheme That Won Them and the Way It Was Worked. A man who used to be in politics and was a constant borrower found himself in need of a new hat, but he couldn't find anybody who would lend him a cent.

Finally he went to an acquaintance and said: "I want to borrow \$50 for five minutes."

"You can have it if you will put up a couple of fingers for security."

"Nix. Now, I've got a scheme. You lend me the fifty and you needn't let me get out of your sight. If you do it I'll stake you to a new hat."

There was a scurrying around, a search of books and a reply that no such orders had been presented.

The History of "Stepmother." "Stepmother" is a word with a commonly unsuspected history. Probably most people if called upon to explain it would say that it meant a woman who had stepped into the place of the true mother.

Japanese Landowners. A landowner in Japan owns the surface and products of the land only. All minerals under the surface appertain not to him, but to the Japanese government.

His Motion. "Do meetin' had to disband very sudden." "Did you make the motion to adjourn?" "I did."

Y. M. C. A. for Pendleton. A mass meeting, presided over by Judge J. W. Maloney, was held at Pendleton Monday evening for the purpose of organizing a branch of the Young Men's Christian Association in that city.

LEAGUE MOGULS IN SESSION HERE

ORGANIZATION PERFECTED BY CLUB DELEGATES.

Pendleton Clamors Against Proposed Salary Limit Restricted to Batteries.

With delegates from Walla Walla, Milton-Freewater, Athena-Weston and Pendleton, the Blue Mountain League was launched for the season of 1912, in this city Saturday.

A splendid feature introduced into the schedule for this year is the doubling of the number of games to be played. Saturday and Sunday games will be played in series, the same teams participating in the two games, dividing the gate receipts on the basis of 60 and 40 per cent, the home team taking 60 per cent and the grand stand receipts, the visiting team 40 per cent of the gate receipts.

A salary not to exceed \$25 per month for batteries is provided for in the articles of agreement, other players on the teams to be paid only from the net gate receipts, to be apportioned as the respective managers may deem best for the interests of the club he represents.

Mr. Estes, who represented Pendleton at the meeting, acquiesced in this part of the agreement but it appears from reports in the Pendleton East Oregonian that the county seat fans do not approve of the \$25 limitation on salaries.

The provisions of the agreement give umpires a salary not to exceed \$10 for each game and they are authorized to suspend players or fine them for disorderly conduct, the fines to be not less than \$5 nor more than \$25.

Managers will not be permitted to borrow players from any club in the league and should a player be released from a team, he shall be released for the entire season and shall be disqualified from playing in the league without the written consent of all four managers.

Weston Cast Play Here. "A Noble Outcast," the well known and ever popular drama will be presented at the Athena opera house this evening by Weston talent under the auspices of the Epworth League of that city, the proceeds from the play to be devoted to paying for a piano, recently purchased by the League.

The season opens with Athena-Weston at Walla Walla, and Milton-Freewater at Pendleton on Saturday, April 6.

Boy Hurt in Fight. Joe Garrett and John Bannister, two Weston school boys, became involved in a fight on base-ball grounds of the school Tuesday, and the Garrett boy was struck on the head and was unconscious for several hours.

John, exclaimed the inebriated printer's wife, "when you come home in that condition at this unseemly hour I hardly know what to call you!"



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