

Press Paragraphs

F. G. Lucas was in the city this week.

Jas. Bryan was up from Helix Saturday.

B. B. Richards was in Pendleton yesterday on business.

Earl Urquhart transacted business in Pendleton Tuesday.

J. C. Burke is in Pendleton this week, doing jury duty.

Money to loan. Inquire of Hugh McIntyre, Athena, Oregon.

Chas. May was down from his mountain ranch Tuesday.

Principal Kyle McDaniel of the Adams schools, was in the city Saturday.

Frank Berlin is in Pendleton this week, where he was called for grand jury duty.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Ferguson returned Friday after a week's visit in Washington.

R. T. Brown has been confined to his home this week with a bad case of grip.

Messrs. Benz and Luna, of the Mosgrove Mercantile force, spent Sunday in Milton.

Mrs. Kinnear a well known Weston lady, spent Monday at the Worthington home in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Rogers were up from their home near Adams, shopping in the city Friday.

Mrs. Byron N. Hawks arrived home Wednesday after a three weeks' visit with her parents in Spokane.

Miss Georgetown Dolzal, teacher in the seventh grade, visited over Sunday with friends at Freewater.

Get your cracked corn and other chicken supplies of B. D. Clemons. First quality feed at right prices.

Harry Alexander is on his third trip to Eastern Washington, on the mission of soliciting for a Portland firm.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wright of Hood River, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wright, in this city.

Mrs. Agnes Craft, of Walla Walla, is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McBride, south of town, this week.

Mrs. F. S. LeGrow was in Walla Walla Tuesday visiting her mother, before the latter lady's departure for California.

A hard times dance will take place at the Athena opera house tonight. Prof. Gordon's orchestra will furnish the music.

An extra stove has been put in at the Dreamland theater building, which gives warmth and comfort to patrons these cold evenings.

After being tried three times on the charge of horse stealing, Lynn Hill was convicted at Pendleton, this week. He will receive sentence today.

Letters received from Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tompkins, who are receiving medical treatment in Portland, state that both are very much improved.

The Athena Truck company is preparing to lay in its summer supply of ice. About 120 tons of ice from North Powder will soon be in storage.

Astunning good game of basket ball is scheduled to take place at Weston tonight. The competing teams are Weston and Columbia College of Milton.

Millard Kelly and Pat Shaw, who have been spending the winter in the mountains near Toll Gate, walked in to town yesterday. They report about 6 feet of snow at the summit, a rather more conservative estimate than that given in other reports.

Interest in the revival meetings at the Methodist church is increasing, and yet there is room. You can not find a better place to spend an hour in the evening than at these meetings. Services all next week. Don't forget this announcement.

The Mothers' Club will meet at the home of Mrs. W. W. Wiley on Friday, Jan. 24, at 2:30, p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to every lady interested.

G. B. Kidder has bought in the bankrupt Kidder stock of paints for \$75, and will open up a paint shop in the building formerly occupied by Bundy & Christian.

Miss Lillian Anderson, of Walla Walla, who is teaching voice and piano in this city, will sing a solo at the evening service at the Methodist church Sunday.

Donald McFadyen yesterday received from Grand Rapids, Mich., three Single Comb White Leghorn fowls, which will add greatly to the value of his poultry business.

Sunday services at the Methodist church: Sunday school at 10 o'clock, preaching at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. Children's meeting at 2:30, young people's meeting at 8:30.

Fred Soll, manager of the Golden Rule Store in this city, left Saturday for Salt Lake City, where the managers of the various stores of the system are assembled in convention.

Sherman Burden, a stockman of the Okanogan country, is in the city visiting his brother, Wm. Burden. Mr. Burden will go to Halsey, Oregon, to visit his mother, before returning home.

Services at the Christian church January 19th: Bible school 10 a. m.; sermon and Communion at 11 a. m. The subject for the evening, illustrated, will be: "The Women of the Old Testament"

Among the efficient butter makers who have had butter wrappers printed at this office this week, have been the following: J. F. Zarba, B. G. Caplinger, Mrs. W. B. Taylor, Mrs. Chas. Cannon, Mrs. Claude Walten, Mrs. Chas. May and Mrs. D. H. Sander.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Watts and daughter Verita left for Portland Wednesday evening. Mrs. Watts and daughter will proceed to California, where they intend spending the winter. Mr. Watts will return from Portland the first of the coming week.

Dean Willaby, rural mail carrier from Athena, had a hard time Monday getting through the heavy snow-drifts which filled the roads along his route to the north and west of town. However Dean has overcome all difficulties and is delivering his mail on schedule time.

Parcels post is proving convenient for Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Dudley, who are spending the winter in Portland. Last Friday four chickens, weighing eleven pounds were sent them from the ranch. The poultry arrived in Portland at a cost of 55 cents in time for Sunday dinner serving.

Thomas Wilkinson of St. Paul, Minn., and Robert Wilkinson, of North Dakota, were visitors from Saturday till Monday at the home of Mrs. Wilkinson in this city. The two gentlemen left Monday evening for Buhl, Idaho, where they will visit with their brother, W. J. Wilkinson.

C. W. Avery, manager for the Blue Mountain Sawmill company, was in the city yesterday on his way to Pendleton. Mr. Avery reports five feet of snow at the mill site, Cold Spring, and estimates the depth of snow on the summit at 12 feet. Operations have ceased at the mill for a time.

The program at the Dreamland for Friday and Saturday evenings: 1.—"Hello, Central," Lubin. 2.—"Tenderfoot Bob's Regeneration," Selig. 3.—"With the Boys of Figure Two," Selig. For Sunday: "Sins of the Fathers," Pathe. 2.—"Punishment," Biograph. 3.—"Taken by Surprise," Eclipse.

Little Jack Vincent is "some pumpkins," in the capacity of cartooning. He caught the Press man in the act of scrubbing chickens to be entered at the Pendleton show, and became incoated with an inspiration. The result is a clever caricature of a clever

man. We suggested that the cartoon be sent to Wood in the hope that the inspiration would be infectious enough so that he would have something worth reading in his dog-eared mealy sheet. We left it with "pap" to see that the trimmings were properly amalgamated.

Fix & Radtke have made noticeable improvement in the interior of their store. The enclosure has been removed from the east window and the grocery department has been moved to the front on the east side of the room. The shoe department will take the place formerly occupied by groceries in the rear of the building.

Principal Drew of the Athena schools intends to take up the matter of the county school track meet at once. In the past the matter has been deferred until but a short time before the event took place. This year an early start is to be made. A new cup will be offered and a number of medals will be given as prizes.

Stevens Lodge Knights of Pythias of Weston, announces its grand annual ball for the evening of January 24. The Pythian annual ball is considered the social event at Weston, and the one announced will prove to be no exception to the rule. Lee Johnson's orchestra, of this city, has been engaged to furnish music for the occasion.

All officials of the First National Bank of Athena were reelected to succeed themselves for the coming year, at the annual meeting of the stockholders, which was held Tuesday afternoon of this week. The condition of the bank was shown to be in a flattering condition, a fact which speaks well for the financial standing of the institution and the community.

Weather conditions have been variable during the week. Alternate thawing and freezing has failed to remove the snow, which fell Sunday and Monday to a depth of eight inches. Sleighting is good and every one who can is taking advantage of it. All kinds of rigs are brought into requisition and many laughable incidents occur. One in particular transpired the other evening when a sleigh broke down and the occupants, a young lady and gentleman were compelled to walk home from a point near Weston.

Mrs. Della Crowder Miller, presenting the fourth number on the lyceum course in this city Wednesday evening delighted the audience with her versatility. The first part of the program was replete with humorous impersonations, while in the second part Mrs. Miller gave a graphic reading from the leper scenes in General Wallace's great classic, Ben Hur. Mrs. Miller emphasizes the spiritual side of the story, giving the scenes of the imprisonment of the lepers and their final healing by the Christ, in a most impressive manner. The last entertainment of the course will be given by the Allen trio, March 6.

Athena, Weston and Helix purchasers of stallions from C. A. Blanchard, a dealer who was in this city for several weeks, seem to be "up in the air," figuratively speaking. A complaint has been made against Blanchard by A. H. McIntyre, S. C. Stone, W. E. Potts, Wm. Piper Jr., O. J. Piper, J. C. Holcomb, Frank Berlin and Wm. Potts, in which they ask for a judgment of \$1800. They allege their agreement called for the delivery of a certificate of registration, and it has not been forthcoming and for want of which they refuse to receive the stallion. Blanchard is now in Denver. Homer I. Watts is attorney for plaintiffs.

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Notice.

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of Athena that a mass meeting will be held at the City Hall at 7:30 o'clock p. m. on the 31st day of January, A. D. 1913, for the purpose of nominating a Mayor, three councilmen a treasurer and a recorder for the ensuing year. E. E. Koontz, Mayor.

What is the Answer?

It happened during the construction of one of Kansas City's skyscrapers. The noon whistle blew, and a plasterer, working on the floor above that on which he had left his street clothes, wanted some change from his pocket-book and ordered his tender to go and get it.

The tender paused. "Look hyah, Mistah Jim," he objected, "if some-body has already stole yo' money an' I comes back hyah an' tells you dat it's gone yo' is gwine to say I tuk it."

Although struck by the seeming justice of the objection, the plasterer was impatient. "What's the matter with you?" he ejaculated. "Nobody has stolen my money. You go ahead, and if the money is gone I won't blame you."

The tender departed, to return in a few minutes and stand just inside the door. "Well," said the plasterer pointedly.

The tender shuffled his feet, wide eyed and innocent. "It's jes' like I tole yo', boss, jes' like I tole yo'. Somebody done robbed yo'. Dey wuzn' a cent in dem clothes."—Kansas City Star.

A Quaint Oriental Story.

A recent English traveler in Baluchistan had from a holy man in that country a story about Moses which does not appear in the Scriptures, yet which has its pertinence to this matter of politicians proposing to do away with all the evils of the human lot, says the Century Magazine. The patriarch was sitting in his house very sad, and the Lord said to him, "Prophet Moses, why art thou cast down?" "Alas," said he, "I see so many people sorrowful. Some are unclothed, and some are hungry. I pray thee make all happy and contented." The Lord promised it should be so. But soon Moses was again disconsolate, and once more the Lord asked the cause. "Lord," cried the prophet, "the upper story of my house has fallen down, and nobody will come to mend it; they are all too busy enjoying themselves." "But what art I to do?" "Lord, make the people as they were before!"

Music Among the Negritos.

The music and dancing of the Negritos are especially interesting. Many of them know how to make and to play both the bamboo nose flute and a kind of Jew's harp made from bamboo. Some of them use crude stringed instruments fashioned from single joints of bamboo, the strings being cut from the outer layer of wood, to which their ends remain attached, and being raised up by means of bridges. The distribution of the several kinds of musical instruments above mentioned is more or less local, but the bronze tontom or "ganza" is in universal use, although some Negritos play it with a drumstick, while others beat it with their hands. Many of their dances are pantomimic. Their singing is often weird in the extreme. It would be idle to describe it. Only phonographic records could do it partial justice.—National Geographic Magazine.

Anecdote of Sheridan.

When Richard Brinsley Sheridan was in distress in early life one of his resources was that of writing for the fugitive publications of the day, in which he was materially assisted by his wife, and many years after his entrance into the sphere of politics he was heard to say that "if he had stuck to law he believed he should have done as much as his friend Tom Erskine; but," continued he, "I had no time for such studies."

"Mrs. Sheridan and myself were often obliged to keep writing for our daily leg or shoulder of mutton; otherwise we should have had no dinner." One of his friends, with whom he conversed thus, wittily replied, "Then I perceive it was a joint concern."

Paraguay's "Spider Lace."

Missionaries in Paraguay more than 200 years ago taught the native Indians to make lace by hand. Since that day the art has greatly developed, and in certain of the towns lacemaking is the chief occupation. Almost all the women, many children and not a few men are engaged in this industry. A curious fact with reference to the Paraguayan laces is that the designs were borrowed from the strange webs woven by the semitropical spiders that abound in that country. Accordingly this lace is by the natives called nanduti, which means "spider web."—Exchange.

Gravel.

"I made these biscuits myself, David," said Mrs. Copperfield, with honest pride.

"They look very nice, Dora," replied David, picking one of them up and making an effort to split it. "And they are still hot. How long ago did you—ah!—cast them?"

Not Unlucky.

"Arry—I've brought yer a ring, 'Arriet. Ain't it a beauty? 'Arriet—Why, it's a opal. Arry, and opals is awful onlucky, so they ses. 'Arry—You needn't worry yourself over that a little bit, cos it ain't a real un.—London Express.

Well Instructed.

Miss Fifth Avenue—Maudie claims to be an un-instructed delegate. Miss Boston Street—Impossible! She's from Boston—Life.

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