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The Store of the Christmas Spirit

Here in our store we have gathered together the crystallized hopes cherished by our own dear friends and loved ones. The secret deep desires they have hidden in their hearts, unspoken for years, wait here for the love-enchanted touch of your hand.

Christmas Giving

Here your Christmas shopping will be a delight and a pleasure—the music, the merry voices and smiling faces, the "Glad Service" of our clerks, willing and glad to serve you—the glow of the bright lights—the profusion of holly and Christmas decorations—make this truly

The Davis-Kaser Co.

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Complete Furnishers of Homes, Offices and Schools—10-20 Alder St.
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If you are loyal to the Red Cross you're loyal to home, and that gets us

Come and see our bargains on Electric Washers
Two-Spool Sewing Machine Cream Separator
A Bathroom outfit guaranteed, for \$65.00

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Just Over the Hill

The First National Bank of Athena

Conducts a General Banking Business

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We are always prepared to care for the proper needs of our Customers.

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MEATS

That Money Buys
Our Market is
Clean and Cool

Insuring Wholesome Meats.
LOGSDEN & MYRICK
Main Street, Athena, Oregon

ATHENA'S BOATS RAISED IN 2 DAYS

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather the soliciting committees under the direction of Campaign Manager Glasser made a fine showing in the first day's drive for membership, the 500 mark being reached. Tuesday with the rain still pouring the committee finished up their quota of 450 members with two to the good, having 452.

Had all the teams here in the field on Monday a whirlwind campaign would have been the result. As it was, but six of the eight teams reaching their divisions on Monday. One team did not report, and the manager divided that district on Tuesday between the two highest teams of Monday's drive.

Every person in Athena territory has been reached. Memberships are still coming in and a surprise may be expected when the final report is published on December 27.

The solicitors were met with a splendid spirit of co-operation, very few failing to respond with enthusiasm. And most of them few non-catching the spirit, came through and are still coming. Many whole families will be represented on the service flag in the window and we would like to give all the names but space forbids.

The service flags have arrived, and the buttons and stars will soon be here. These may be secured from the manager, Rev. W. B. Gleiser.

The following are the committees, with the organizations they represent, and the sums reported:

District of Honor—Mrs. Mary Sharp, Mrs. Kathleen Barrett; \$105.

Eastern Star and Star Club—Mrs. Anna Littlejohn, Mrs. Ida Dell, Mrs. Anna Foss, Mrs. Marie Ware; \$85.

Red Cross—Mrs. Mattie Hill, Mrs. Louise Boyd; \$65.

W. C. T. U.—Mrs. Elbe Haworth; \$64.

Baptist Aid Society—Mrs. Maggie Banister, Mrs. Jennie A. Watts, Mrs. Margaret Washburn; \$64.

Library Board—Mrs. Jennie G. Watts, Mrs. Jessie LeGrow; \$49.

Robekahs—Mrs. Bessie Thompson, Mrs. Alta Michener; \$39.

Total, \$452.

A MATTRESS ON A WARSHIP.

It is Both a Comfortable Bed and a Fine Life Preserver.

It must afford considerable consolation to the navy recruit to realize that the mattress on which he sleeps so comfortably at night will stand him in good stead in case of an accident to the ship. In fact, the very buoyancy which makes it such a comfortable bed is also the quality which makes it possible for it to be converted at a moment's notice into a life preserver, says the Popular Science Monthly.

The mattresses are stuffed with kapok a lighter than cork material which is imported from the West Indies in bales similar to bales of cotton. It is made from the seeds and silk of a tree not unlike the cotton wood tree, but instead of being in puffy balls the kapok is in slender threads, which when compressed make a mass that is six times more buoyant than cork.

Thin layers of the kapok are inclosed in strong ticking for the mattresses. Each mattress is provided with tapes long enough to tie around the body and over the shoulders. It requires only a minute to adjust them.

PROGRAMS FOR ATHENA CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES

Christmas festivities will begin in Athena with exercises in the Methodist church Sunday evening. A cantata representing The Nativity, will be presented by the students of the Sunday school, which promises to be a beautiful spectacle. This will be followed by Dickens' "Christmas Carol," which will be thrown on the screen. Appropriate music will accompany the program, and the true Christmas spirit will be exemplified, the children receiving their holiday treat, without the usual Christmas tree.

Monday evening, Christmas Eve, in the Christian and Baptist churches, programs will be given. At the Christian church, the program will be:

"White Gifts For The King," choir prayer, "Holy Night," D. Errett Hymn No. 59, D. Errett choir Scripture reading, Luke 2:1-14, pastor Recitation, "Christmas Prayer," Orel Michener

Piano duet, Elizabeth Mather, Bethene Read "A Legend of Cathay," Savannah Smith

Vocal duet, "Ring, Merry Bells," Jeannette Miller, Clifford Parker Reading, "Christ and Christmas," Mrs. D. Scott Fisher

Presentation of the Gifts of the Primary Department.

Pres. of the Gifts of the Clover Leaf Class.

Pres. of the Gifts of the Little Gleaners' Class.

Vocal solo, Mrs. Geo. B. Woodward

Treas. of the Gifts of the Star Class.

Pres. of the Gifts of the King's Sons.

Pres. of the Gifts of the Loyal Daughters' Class.

Pres. of the Gifts of the Loyal Helpers' Class.

Pres. of the Gifts of the Loyal Beavers' Class.

Hymn, No. 62, Geo. R. Gerking

Benediction, Piano Postlude.

At the Baptist church, the Christmas Tree, ever popular with the little folks, will make its annual appearance and the following program will be given:

"Welcome," Fay Berlin

Song, "Battle Hymn of the Republic," "Mother's Helpers," Hayden Dennis

"Santa and His Beindies," Elver Miller

Song, "The Light of the Christmas Star," four girls

Recitation, Edna Pinkerton

Duet, "While the Stars Shine Down," Mildred and Andrea Winship

Rec., "Things I Want," Hollis Dennis

"In Santa's Workshop," Mrs. Watts' Class

Song, "One Christmas Day," Primary Dept.

"The Little Missionary," Maxine Kipper

Song, "Crown Him Lord of All," choir

Rec., "Christmas in the Mansion," Elizabeth Steele

"At the Naturalization Court," A boys Duet, "Gifts for Christ," Connie Baker and Hazel McFarland

Song, "Joy to the World," Short address by the Pastor.

Gifts, Santa Claus

Red Dragon of Wales.

Henry VII., the first of the Tudor monarchs, introduced the red dragon of Wales into the royal standard after the battle of Bosworth.

Queen Mary had it removed, and Queen Elizabeth replaced it, but it was finally displaced as one of the quarters by James I. in favor of the unicorn and has never since been accorded a place on the monarch's personal flag.

King George, however, when the Welsh Guards were added to the army a few years ago, approved of the red dragon being emblazoned on the king's color of that regiment.—London Chronicle.

Persian Ware.

True porcelain was never produced in Persia, but hard paste porcelain in Persian forms and styles of decoration was made in China for the Persian market. Fine ewers with powder blue glaze and gold overglaze decoration, small vases and bowls with bronze luster glaze and designs reserved in white are found in collections of Persian ware, but these are unquestionable of Chinese origin.

Frequently the Case.

"We endeavored to keep an account of our expenditures, but, after all, it didn't give us a very clear idea of where the money went."

"Why not?"

"Because both my wife and myself had too many items that we wanted to list as sundries."—Lamb.

Opportunity.

It is a maxim agreed upon in agriculture that nothing must be done too late, and, again, that every thing must be done at its proper season, while there is a third precept which reminds us that opportunity lost can never be regained.—Pliny the Elder.

Makes For Trouble.

"Just because a man is always giving himself away is no sign that he has a generous disposition."

"No, it isn't. But unless his wife has a generous disposition it's a sign that he is always in hot water."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Many a man's vices have at first been nothing worse than good qualities run wild.—Hare.

PLUCKY KORNILOFF.

Russia's Famous General Made Himself a Popular Hero.

General Korniloff is considered the pluckiest general in the Russian army. The story of his career reads like a fairy tale.

Short of stature, with a bristling mustache, Korniloff, who is a general of the Russian coast-guard, first became known during the Russian retreat in the Carpathians in 1915. Against desperate odds he held out with his division till he himself was taken prisoner by the Teutons. For several months he was interned in Austria and had a very hard time there.

In 1916 he decided to escape. Disguised as a peasant, risking his life on many occasions, he walked hundreds of miles across the Carpathians into Roumania. When he finally arrived in Russia he was greeted with unbounded joy by the army. His feat also made him very popular with the entire nation. This made it possible for him to gain the great honor, immediately after the revolution, of being the first commandant of the revolutionary army at Petrograd.

In this capacity he was dispatched to Tsarskoye-Selo to arrest the czarina. The scene that followed his arrival at the residence of Nicholas Romanoff on March 21 has become historic.—New York Times.

WILL HELP FIGURE YOUR INCOME TAX

In a communication received by the Press, Collector of Internal Revenue Milton A. Miller, announces that a federal income tax officer will be sent into this county on January 3, and will be here until January 30. He will have his office in the Court house in Pendleton and will be there every day and willing to help persons subject to the income tax make out their returns without any cost to them for his services.

How many income tax payers will there be in this county? If you can guess how many married persons living with wife or husband, who will have net incomes of \$2,000 or over and how many unmarried persons will have net incomes of \$1,000 or over this year, then you know.

Returns of income for the year 1917 must be made on forms provided for the purpose before March 1, 1918. Because a good many people don't understand the law and won't know how to make their returns, the government is sending in this expert. If a person does not make return as required before March 1, he may have to pay a penalty ranging from \$20 to \$1,000, pay a fine or go to jail. So if you don't want to take chances on going to jail, you had better call on the income tax man. If you are not sure about being subject to the tax, better ask him and make sure. Whether you see the income tax man or not, you must make return if subject to tax.

Of course, persons resident in other counties may, if they want to, come and see the income tax man, who will be at the county seat on the date above named.

The collector suggests that everybody start figuring up now his income and expenses so as to be ready with the figures when the expert arrives. Expenses, however, don't mean family expenses, money used to pay off the principal of a debt, new machinery, buildings, or anything like that. They mean what you spend in making your money—interest, taxes paid, hired help, amount paid for goods sold, seed, stock bought for feeding, rent (except for your dwelling,) etc. Income includes about every dollar you get.

VULCANIZATION WORKS TO BE OPERATED IN ATHENA

R. A. Thompson returned last week from Portland, where he purchased a vulcanizing plant. Mr. Thompson has leased the building west of the post-office and will operate his plant there.

He will be in a position to do first class work, the machinery being modern in every particular. The vulcanizing will be done by steam. Mr. Thompson having purchased a boiler for that purpose. The machinery will be electrically driven.

In addition to vulcanizing automobile tires, Mr. Thompson will carry a general line of accessories, lubricating oils, gasoline, etc., and will have free air facilities. He has the agency for Racine corded tires and Vedool lubricating oils, the best oils on the market. The new enterprise will be ready for business about January 1.

Death of David Ferris.

David Ferris, formerly a well known farmer residing north of Athena, died at Walla Walla Monday, after an operation for appendicitis. The funeral took place in Walla Walla Wednesday afternoon. The deceased is survived by his wife, three sons and three daughters. The family reside on a farm near Walla Walla, on which they have made their home since leaving Athena several years ago.

Didn't Sound It.

"What was that your daughter was singing at the piano?"

"Oh, that was 'Street and Low,' I believe."

"Well, I certainly would never have taken it for anything like that."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Colors of Austria.

The Austrian black and yellow were the colors of the Holy Roman Empire. They were adopted, so the story goes, by Frederick Barbarossa, whose fancy was captured at a ceremony in Mayence by the black and gold flooring of the hall.

Hereditly.

June—Does he get his mechanical ingenuity from his father's side or his mother's? Her: From his mother's; she was a poetess.—Life.

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HARVEY STARKWEATHER
Candidate for Governor

A DOCTOR AND A THRONE.

How England's Present Royal Family Gained the Crown.

That George V. now sits on the throne of England is due in no small measure to the prognosis of a seventeenth century physician, Dr. Richard Mead, who was born in London Aug. 11, 1673. When Queen Anne, last of the Stuart rulers, became fatally ill in 1714 Dr. Mead was called in consultation. After an examination of the stricken queen he found that she was near death's door, and the doctor so informed the leaders of the Whig party, with which he was affiliated.

The Whigs favored the Hanoverian succession and immediately on learning that Anne was soon to succumb began to plan for the realization of their ambitions. The regular physicians of the queen did not believe that she was so near to death, so when Anne breathed her last in 1714 the supporters of Anne's brother, James, were unprepared for the event. Anne's Tory ministry was in favor of placing James on the throne, but the Whigs, thanks to Dr. Mead, had already taken such action as to insure the succession of the elector of Hanover, and in September George I. made his triumphal entry into England.

Dr. Mead was rewarded by being made physician to the new royal family. Many English historians have attributed large importance to the physician's prognosis in bringing about the succession of the royal house which has ruled England for two centuries.—New York World.

TWELVE HORSES BURN IN BARN

Fire which destroyed the barn at the Grand place on Pine creek, recently purchased by C. A. Barrett, burned twelve head of horses, a cow, wagon, harness and feed. The origin of the fire is a mystery, and just how it started will probably never be known.

Those at the farm house were awakened by the glare of the flames shortly after three o'clock Monday morning, and when they reached the barn the horses were all down and the interior nearly burned over. The horses were among the best Mr. Barrett had, all being young and in good condition. They had been kept segregated from other horses because of the walking disease, which has caused death to a number of horses in the past on the Barrett ranch, he having lost six head from the disease since harvest.

Various theories are advanced as to the cause of the fire, the most plausible one being that it was started from sparks from the flue at the house, which is located south of the barn and in line with it as to direction from which a strong wind was blowing during the night. Another theory is that the fire may have been deliberately set, this arising from the discovery of tracks of an automobile that had passed the place some time during the night of the fire.

The monetary loss, though considerable, there being no insurance whatever, does not distress Mr. Barrett so much as the knowledge that the twelve fine horses lost their lives in the flames.

MASONS WILL PUBLICLY INSTALL OFFICERS TONIGHT

Tonight at Masonic Hall, Dolph Lodge No. 80, A. F. & A. M., will install officers elected to serve for the ensuing year. Installation exercises will be public, families of members and invited guests being present. After installation a luncheon will be served, and a short program rendered.

Following are the officers to be installed: Reed Hill, W. M.; Ralph Cannon, S. W.; J. R. Mathers, J. W.; A. M. Johnson, Treasurer; A. B. Steele, Secretary; A. R. Coppock, S. D.; Floyd Pinkerton, J. D.; Jacob Bobber, Frank DePreese, Stewards; E. R. Cox, Tyler.

On Sunday evening the members of the Masonic Lodge will meet at the hall at 7 o'clock and march in a body to the Christian church, where David Errett, the pastor, will deliver a sermon in commemoration of the anniversary of Saints John Day. All members of the order are requested to attend this service.

O. E. S. Installation.

Wednesday night, at their regular communication in Masonic Hall, Mackenzie Chapter, No. 112, Order of Eastern Star, installed officers for the ensuing year as follows:

W. M., Mrs. Bertha Steele; W. F. Samuels, Pambrun; A. M., Mrs. Ida Dell; Sec., Miss Lillie Ware; Treas., Mrs. Stella Radtke; Conductress, Mrs. Jennie Watts; A. C., Mrs. Phoebe Mathers; Ada, Miss Angie Pambrun; Ruth, Mrs. Marie Ware; Esther, Mrs. Mary Pambrun; Martha, Miss Ada DePreese; Electa, Mrs. Louise Boyd; Warder, Mrs. Anna Littlejohn; Sentinel, J. O. Russell; Chaplain, Mrs. Vida Russell; Marshal, Mrs. Marie Pinkerton; Organist, Mrs. Anna Foss. Installing officer Mrs. Anna Littlejohn.

Freddie, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Radtke, is ill with a slight attack of appendicitis.

Buy Practical Gifts

This is the year for practical gifts. Something useful will be appreciated by everyone this year, above all others. We are showing a wonderful assortment of practical gifts for Men, Women and Children. Our prices are drawing customers not only from Athena territory, but from neighboring towns. There is a reason.

FOR MEN	FOR WOMEN	FOR CHILDREN
Bath Robes - \$1.98 to \$4.98	Fancy Towels - 10c to 85c	Bath Robes - 98c to 1.69
House Slippers - 98c to 2.25	Laundry Bags - 49c to 89c	House Slippers - 59c to 1.49
Silk Handkerchiefs - 25c to 98c	Fancy Linens - 25c to 3.98	Indian Moccasins - 69c to 1.25
Mens Handkerchiefs - 5c to 35c	Fancy Box Handkerch'fs 25c to 98c	Fancy Box Handkerch'fs 10c to 25c
Mens Initial Handkerch'fs 2 for 25c	Bath Robes - 1.98 to 4.98	Box Stationery - 10c to 35c
Watch Chains - 98c	House Slippers - 1.69 to 1.98	"Lassell" Beauty Boxes - 29c
Wash Cloths - 98c	Indian Moccasins - 1.69	Furs, all kinds, - 1.69 to 3.49
Gold Knives - 98c	Pillow Tops - 25c to 69c	Sweaters - 49c to 1.98
Dress Shirts - 49c to 1.98	Sweet Grass Baskets 29c to 1.35	Knit Sets - 1.33 to 3.98
Silk Shirts - 2.98	A large assortment of fancy pins, lavaliers, purses, cardrops, collars, Boudoir Caps, etc.	Lavaliers - 89c to 98c
Silk Socks - 25c to 49c		Baby Pin sets - 49c
Indian Moccasins - 1.89		Books - 5c to 39c

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