

**Press Paragraphs**

Buy your casings at the Athena Vulcanizing shop. We will be pleased to look after them for you.—Adv.

D. Errett, pastor of the Christian church, is in Spokane this week, where he is attending a church conference.

A. J. Parker visited at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Raymond, near Walla Walla a couple of days this week.

Plowing is well under way and fields for spring sowing of grain are also being put into condition for seeding operations.

For Sale.—A Holt Special Gas Harvester, in good condition. See or phone Alex McIntyre or C. E. Zerba, Athena, Ore.

W. O. Read who has been ill for some time with stomach trouble, has gone to Walla Walla to receive medical treatment.

I have a thoroughbred but not registered Jack which will make the season at the Belling feed yard. G. P. Alexander.—Adv.

The work of scarifying and improving the macadam road is progressing rapidly and the improved road now reaches to Athena.

Officers of Mackenzie Chapter, O. E. S., are requested to meet at Masonic hall this evening at 7:30 for practice. By order of the W. M.

Boy scouts were noticed on the streets of Athena Saturday. Their uniforms were new and gave the lads much of a soldierly appearance.

Bert Piersol came down from his Weston mountain home this week and moved his family up, the children having been attending school here.

Joe Lewis, who recently returned to the best country on earth from a short residence at St. Anthony, Idaho, was in town Wednesday from Helix.

Announcement is made of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. E. S. McCready at their home in Portland. Mr. and Mrs. McCready formerly lived in Athena.

Potatoes for Sale.—B. D. Tharp has 100 sacks of Nettle Gems for sale at \$1.00 per sack. Also 25 sacks of choice Early Ohio seed potatoes at \$1.50 per sack.

John Wall, who has been at Camp Hancock for several months, writes that his company is preparing to move and he notifies his relatives not to write him until they hear from him again. He sent a fine photograph of his camp and company.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Onstad, of Walla Walla, March 18, 1918, a daughter. Mrs. Onstad was formerly Miss Flora Booth, a popular nurse of this city.

Ace Wagner came in from the ranch Wednesday and spent the day among his friends in town. Everyone was glad to see him and gratified to see him in such good health.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Delbert A. Clore, of Abingdon, Ill., March 19, 1918, a daughter. The Press does not note that being "Grandpa" makes Jinks Taylor look any older.

Clarence Zerba, who recently sold a quarter section of wheat land north of town to Jesse Gordon, has purchased an 1100 acre wheat ranch near Washuena, Wash., and will move there to reside.

Wm. McBride has returned from California where he spent the winter. Mrs. McBride remained in Portland for a visit with their daughter, Mrs. I. B. Sturges, and the Lumsdens will return later.

The season for gardening is here and owners of chickens are expected to keep their fowls up from now on, as provided by ordinance. The city marshal will see that the ordinance is strictly enforced.

Mrs. D. H. Mansfield was again called to Walla Walla Saturday afternoon, on account of the illness of her sister, Mrs. Robert Wright. The patient will submit to a surgical operation for relief.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dell last evening entertained the Five-hundred Club at their home on Jefferson street, when four tables were occupied with players, composed of young married people. A delightful lunch was served during the evening.

J. M. Swaggart has leased his farm land north of town to the Watts Bros. and his farm house and buildings and pasture land to his brother, A. L. Swaggart. Milt will leave about April 1st for Baker county where he has purchased a stock ranch.

Sammy Starr recently sent Athena friends cards from France, announcing his safe arrival there after having been on the way nearly a month. He says Harry Keller and Hallie Piersol are still in the United States. The weather is fine in France.

As the effect of the prick of a brass stick pin, Mrs. William Winship has been suffering extreme pain this week. The hand is badly swollen, and has been under the care of Dr. Sharp. It is thought the nerve was pierced, but it is hoped blood poisoning will not ensue.

The Athena Red Cross knitting club have purchased about \$65 worth of yarn, from the wool fund donated by LaMar school and have commenced in earnest to produce socks and sweaters for the soldiers. A meeting is being held this afternoon at the home of Mrs. Buraker.

A theater party comprising Mrs. J. C. Baddeley, Miss Margaret Lawson, Miss Helen Russell and Grant Shaffner, with Ropt. Baddeley as chauffeur, attended the concert in Walla Walla Saturday evening, where they heard the famous Mazjame Melba sing.

Mr. and Mrs. John Walker are in Clareholm, Alberta, where they were called by the death of Mrs. Walker's father, John Stephenson. The deceased was one time a resident of Umatilla county and lived on a farm south of Weston. Mr. Stephenson died March 13, and was over 80 years of age.

Every community in the county will be represented today at a meeting held in Pendleton, to make preparations for the third Liberty Loan campaign, which starts on April 6th. The meeting will unquestionably be the largest of war work meetings held since we were declared, and it will be one of great importance.

Members of the Eastern Star are notified that the Grand Worthy Matron, Mrs. Lena Mendenhall, will visit Mackenzie Chapter next Monday evening, March 25, when a special called meeting will be held in the lodge hall. All members are specially asked to be present. A social hour and refreshments after the business session.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Willaby were up this week from Condon, Gilliam county. Clyde has over 900 acres of wheat to harvest this year, and says the prospects for a big crop in his section of the country are good. He had a chance to dispose of his land recently at a price almost twice the figure he paid for it. Elmer Booher, who located near Mr. Willaby last fall will harvest over 400 acres of grain this season.

Athena responded generously to the call for clothes for the Belgian and French needy, and Mrs. Hill, as chairman of the local committee, reports that a large consignment is ready to be forwarded to headquarters at Pendleton. Mrs. Hill yesterday visited the office of Mr. Eates, head of the Belgian relief, in Pendleton, and was both surprised and gratified to see the mountain of clothing ready for shipment to the stricken countries.

Mr. David Ulrey of Milton and Miss Maggie Ferguson of Weston Mountain, were united in marriage at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Dickenson, near this city Sunday, March 17, at high noon. Rev. Geo. T. Klein, pastor of the Free Methodist church officiating. About thirty of the near relatives and friends were present. After the ceremony a bounteous wedding dinner was served by Mrs. Dickenson. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Martha Ferguson of Weston, and a niece of Mrs. Clara Clemens of this city. The newly married pair left for Milton in the afternoon, where they will make their home.

Mrs. Jennie Kemp, a lecturer of note, will be in Athena on the evening of Friday, March 29, and will deliver a lecture in the interest of Food Conservation. Her talk is not exclusively on food conservation, but deals with what women, especially, and all civilians, can do in the present moment to help win the war. Her subjects are "Over the Top," "Mother will see it through," and "War Work for Women." No admission charge is made, and the meeting will be in the school auditorium.

**School Notes.**

The majority of schools are preparing for the Oratorical and Declamatory contest, and great interest is being taken in the work. The number of words in selections has been reduced. The A division in orations in the High school has been changed from 1500 to 1350 words, and B division declamations from 1500 to 1200. The C and D divisions in the grades are changed from 1200 to 1000; 800 to 650, respectively. The dates planned for the series of tryouts will be about as follows: Local tryout, April 12; Sectional contest, April 19, at Weston; County or final Contest, May 3, at Pendleton.

The cast for the two act play entitled "Somewhere in France," has been chosen, and the play will be given as a part of the last number on the Lyceum course. The title suggests the play is up to date, with scenes laid in France, and will have modern characters. The cast is as follows:

Pierre Gaudet, a Frenchman, Henry Koepke, Madame Gaudet, his wife, Vernita Watts, Jean, their son, Ralph Haynie, Nanon, their daughter, Mildred Winship, Lisette, another daughter 6 years old, Marjorie Booher, Mary Dale, American Red Cross Nurse, Helen Russell, Dr. Montaine, surgeon in the French Army, Harry Martin.

A spelling contest was given in the grade rooms last week. Lists of test words were selected by Mr. Russell to test the ability of each class according to the lists of words given them. The percents of the classes will be given later.

Eppa and Gale Piersol have left school and have moved to their home on Weston mountain, where they will continue their school work.

Clifford Wood, who has been absent on account of measles, has returned to school.

Miss Sherman's room had the following visitors past week: Mrs. Henry Booher, Mrs. A. Booher, Mrs. Lloyd Michener, Mrs. Victor Burke, Mrs. Will Kirk, Mrs. Casper Woodward, Mrs. W. E. Emmel, Mrs. Geo. Woodward, Mrs. Baddeley, Mrs. Hansell, Mrs. Taylor, and Mrs. Shigley.

More Thrift Stamps are being sold, but the sale is not what it should be. Plans are being made to keep score cards to show the progress made in selling Thrift Stamps by children.

The regular meeting of the Literary society is being held this afternoon. An interesting program has been prepared to which the public was invited.

Last Wednesday at the regular mid-week assembly, Mr. Shaffner gave an interesting talk, which was very instructive as well.

Miss Lawson has begun to drill girls from the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, and first and second grades for a play to be given with the High school play.

The Manual Training class of the seventh and eighth grades have made some red crosses for Mr. Gribble's room.

The seventh and eighth grade girls are hemming ten towels and are also knitting for the Junior Red Cross.

Ellen Prambrun returned to school Monday after a long illness and is planning to graduate with the Senior class.

In behalf of the Red Cross, the High school have divided the town into districts and this week solicited clothes for the Belgians and French.

Lorene and Hollis Dennis will complete the third and first grades respectively, at Meacham, where their parents will reside in the future.

A Thrift Stamp contest is taking place in Miss Sherman's room between the first and second grades. This will result in each child getting the amount which the government requires, invested in stamps.

The Silver Tea, given at the home of Mrs. M. L. Watts by the Junior Red Cross last Saturday afternoon, was well attended. The sum of \$13.30 was realized. During the afternoon music was rendered by several of the High school girls.

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The man who tries to give his children a start in the world so that they will not have so hard a time as he had is unknowingly bringing disaster upon them. What he calls giving them a start probably will give them a setback in the world. Young people need all the motive power they can get. They are naturally leaneers, imitators, copiers, and it is easy for them to develop into echoes or imitations. They will not walk alone while you furnish crutches; they will lean upon you just as long as you will let them.

One of the greatest delusions that a human being could ever have is that he is permanently benefited by continued assistance from others.

### People's Theater

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### 23 Years Ago.

[From the Press of Mar. 22 1895]

Dr. Dell reports a boy born to the wife of Mr. Williams March 20th.

Lew Shaw did not take out a saloon license this month. There is but one saloon in Athena now.

Thos. Page delivered two carloads of grain fed steers and one of hogs yesterday at the W. & C. R. stock yard.

On account of the diphtheria, there was no church in the churches in this city Sunday, but there will be on the coming Sabbath.

Mrs. Jacobs is at Waitsburg and Dayton, visiting friends and delivering her popular lectures on "The Whitman Massacre."

Austin Foss has recovered from the mumps, but John still has his head tied up.

Master Henry Barrett is plowing this week on the old Woodard place west of town. Henry is quite a horseman and can manage a team much better than many older heads we know of.

Easter Sunday comes on April 14th this year.

Any indications of a raise in the price of wheat will be as welcome as the recent reported upward movement of the stock market. H. C. Rosenberg who resides near Fulton station, sold 3,500 bushels of excellent wheat, yesterday at 35 cents a bushel to W. S. Byers of Pendleton. The Reeder brothers have on hand at present nearly 20,000 bushels and there are other large lots in this vicinity awaiting favorable market.

A Pendleton gentleman shipped a carload of potatoes to Omaha, receiving 65 cents a bushel. Taking freight and commission into consideration, the price will net about 45 cents a hundred which leaves no doubt as to the profit in the potato industry.

A prize hog, weighing 700 pounds, was raffled off last Saturday in North Powder. The number of chances were thirty, at \$1 each.



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