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THE ECONOMY CASH GROCERY
Phone 532

Crisco small 55c
Crisco medium \$1.05
Crisco large 2.05

Citrus Washing Powder, 2 pkg 55c

Ground Chocolate per pound 30c
Eulk Macaroni per pound 11c

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Mount Vernon Milk large cans 2 for 25c
Mount Vernon Milk small cans 4 for 25c

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ECONOMY CASH GROCERY
Quality Always Service First

3rd Carload is here

A real satisfied farmer's smile is one of the most pleasant sights we have about our place and now we are having many of them every day because of the arrival of the

New McCormick Combines

The third carload has arrived and your time is well invested to come and see them. You can see gold dollars in this machine and besides the saving in your harvest of this year, you probably save \$500 to \$700 on the price of next year. Come and see, then decide. Get busy Take out your binder twine, while the taking is good.

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W S S

Show Your Patriotism!
Buy a
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We carry the best
MEATS
That Money Buys
Our Market is
Clean and Cool

Insuring Wholesome Meats.
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Main Street, Athena, Oregon

THE WAR SAVINGS STAMPS DRIVE ON

Each call for war funds finds Athena district even more ready to respond than in the previous successful campaigns. The big W. S. S. push is on today and when the Press forms were closed the total receipts for the day could not be stated. Athena's quota is \$27,000 maturity value. To cover this amount the committee is asking that the pledges be made today, payment for the W. S. S. purchase to be made during the next six months. The total sales to January 1, 1919, must cover the amount stated above.

The same committee that put Athena over in six hours on the Third Liberty Loan is handling today's drive. Precinct chairmen are at the helm in their respective precincts. W. S. Gleiser, chairman of Athena district, is using the Postoffice as the central office for the drive. Pledges made today will be filed at the local Postoffice.

Therefore in order to secure proper credit on pledges it is essential that the W. S. S. be purchased at the Post-

office. The people of this section know little of outside affairs. They live at an altitude of from 11,000 to 10,000 feet above sea level, in the highest populated altitude in the world. If they descend as low as 5,000 feet, the unaccustomed atmosphere causes illness. But they are happy in their isolation, and view complacently the monotonous grandeur of the mountains, which cut them off so effectively from the rest of the world.

PLAN ACTIVE WAR ON PESTS
West Indian Sugar Planters Seek Aid of the Lizard and a Species of Fungus Growth.

Lizard farming and fungus cultivation are means adopted in the West Indies to protect the sugar industry. It has been discovered that the frog-hopper (Thaumaspis saccharina), so called on account of its great leaping powers, is the greatest pest of the sugar cane, and that it multiplies by thousands on single plants, sucking the sap from roots and leaves. In the last three or four years two remedies have been developed. F. W. Ulrich, a West Indian entomologist, has demonstrated that lizards devour great quantities of the immature hoppers, and J. B. Rorer, a United States mycologist, has shown that spores of the fungus known as "green muscardine" are peculiarly fatal to the adults. As part of the work to save the cane, war has been begun in Trinidad, where the investigation has been made, against the rapacious mosquitoes, which has made lizards scarce. In addition, hundreds of lizards are collected in a protective enclosure, and are encouraged to multiply under favorable conditions of sand banks for burrows, with an abundance of food and water. The fungus is grown in test-tube cabinets, which produce spores that are dusted over the cane fields by special distributing machines.

NO FINER GRAVE FOR MAN THAN FRANCE BATTLEFIELD

East Oregonian: Dell Blancett's grave is in the battlefield of France and before he died he did "considerable execution" on the foe, according to word received by J. R. Raley from Major P. S. Torrance commanding the squadron to which the former Round-Up star belonged. The major's letter, highly interesting in its details follows:

"France, May 21st, 1918.

"My dear Mr. Raley:

"Unfortunately there was no error in the report of the death of Pvt. Blancett and your letter of 22nd April was, opened by the writer.

"I can readily understand the desire for full particulars of his death since it is certain that he must have been a very popular man wherever he went. He was only with us a short time but was loved by all and was an exceptionally good soldier.

"On the 30th of March the Brigade became engaged in an operation the success of which seemed for it the personal thanks of the C. in C. and this Regt. took the leading part. The enemy had forced a way into a large wood on a prominent hill which we undertook to clear and this we did both mounted and dismounted. Blancett was with the dismounted party which pushed through the wood while the others galloped around it. On reaching the farther side it became necessary to consolidate and it was while this digging in was being done (about noon) that he was shot through the stomach by a German sniper, but not before he had done considerable execution to them with his rifle from behind a tree. Some of the men went to him and he said: "These German bullets are bit hard—well, boys, there's a little change in my jeans which you'd better divide up between you." He died a few minutes later quite cheerfully and without suffering.

"The fighting was very intense during the day and at night when the Regt. was relieved it was impossible to bring out any but the wounded. There is, however, no finer grave for man today than the battle field of France. Yours very sincerely,
P. S. Torrance, Major.
"A" Sqdn."

More Booze Seized.
Another booze haul has been made by the county officials. Two men and a woman, hailing from Seattle, driving a seven passenger car were arrested at Umatilla with two suitcases of liquor in their possession and taken to Pendleton.

Five gallon kegs purchased at Pendleton and taken to Umatilla, presumably to be filled with liquor later, led to their detection by the officials. The kegs however had not been filled when the parties were arrested. They were released from custody by depositing \$500 bonds each. The three led themselves out of jail by depositing cash and diamonds.

APART FROM REST OF WORLD

People Dwelling in High Valley of the Indus Are Isolated, but Completely Satisfied.

In the high valley of the Indus, guarding the entrance to mysterious Tibet, lies Leh, the capital of an Indian province, writes Nilsah in Chicago Daily News. Leh is not a haven for tourists. Occasionally a few travelers with a passion for adventure and a lack of consideration for the comforts of home, work their way through mountain passes and over rivers, on caravan ponies and primitive rats, and at last reach Leh.

Usually the Journey is taken for the pleasure of unconventional travel and not for the purpose of visiting Leh, for merely to view the town is hardly worth the hardships of the trip. If you are an astronomer, however, you look at the matter differently. The meteorological observatory of Leh is the most elevated in Asia; and your true lover of the stars will not balk at the blinding snow and scorching sun which follow one another in such unending succession in the Himalayas.

Devout Buddhists find congenial surroundings in Leh, for the neighborhood is filled with monasteries, as the monasteries of Tibetan Buddhists are called. Over half the men are priests, or "red coats," and spend their days in the worship of Buddha. Nowhere else are there so many prayer wheels endlessly revolving. On these wheels are manuscripts bearing the inscription, "Jewel in the lotus, Amen," written many times. As the wheel turns, the paper unwinds and the prayer is considered said.

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COUNTY WIDE SOLDIER ROLL IS WANTED

NAME AGE
HOME ADDRESS (City)
OCCUPATION BEFORE WAR (MARRIED)
ENTERED SERVICE WHEN? WHERE?
BRANCH OF SERVICE
TRANSFERS
RANK (Include promotions and dates)
NEAREST RELATIVE
ADDRESS RELATIONSHIP
PRESENT ADDRESS
SIGNATURE OF INFORMANT

Friends and relatives of boys in service are asked to fill out above and mail to M. R. Chessman, Sec. Pendleton, Ore., Phone 123.

SHORTAGE OF WOOLENS IN AMERICA IS DENIED

Reports of shortages of woolens and woolen clothing for the civil population were officially denied by the war industries board in a warning to dealers not to speculate in woolen commodities.

"There is no official warrant," the statement said, "for statements of rumors to the effect that it will soon be impossible to buy woolens or woolen clothing sufficient to meet actual requirements for the civil population."

"The present speculative movement in cloth and clothing will undoubtedly compel definite penalizing action if persisted in. There are at present ample stocks of cloth and clothing and there is no excuse for inflation."

ATHENA HONOR GUARD IN PENDLETON PARADE

The Athena Girls Honor Guard participated in the patriotic parade at Pendleton Tuesday morning, when seventy-two Umatilla county men entrained for Camp Lewis to join the colors.

Under the leadership of Mrs. Ralph Hassell, the Guard members drove to Pendleton in automobiles and took up their position in the parade formation in section three. Thousands of people lined the streets along which the parade moved and other thousands were on the side streets and at the railway station where the soldiers took a special train for Camp Lewis.

Two Athena men were among the soldiers, leaving for the training camp. They are Dick Winship and Charles Brown.

Good Word for Snakes.

"Only 17 of the 111 varieties of snakes in America are poisonous," writes Glynne K. Norton in American Forestry. "None," he asserts, "will attack a human being except in self-defense. All of them destroy rodents that injure crops and carry communicable diseases."

The United States department of agriculture places our annual crop loss due to rodents at over \$500,000,000, or something like \$5 a person.

Just how many more snakes we need in America to save this \$500,000,000 of food no one claims to know, but it may be a good idea for snake haters to permit the wiggling reptiles a longer lease of life—a reprieve, you might say, until all the rodents are gone.

Rain and Hail Storm.

Saturday and Sunday were marked days in a meteorological sense in this county. The first rain storms of the summer fell in different sections and in some instances hail accompanied the rain. A hard rain fell for half an hour at Pendleton and only a sprinkle occurred here Sunday a cloud burst struck Meacham creek, damaging the O.-W. roadbed to some extent and hard showers fell at Athena, Weston and the mountain districts. South of Pilot Rock hailstones as large as marbles covered the ground and a cloud-burst struck on the watershed of upper McKay creek. Other sections of the county received no rainfall whatever.

Grain Grading School.

Under the direction of Prof. H. J. Hislop, of O. A. C. and H. A. Martin of the grain standardization bureau of Portland, sessions of the grain grading school were held at Pendleton this week. Those attending from Athena were: Melville Johns, Arthur Coppock and Chas. T. Smith.

Most of the wheat hay is in the shock and will be ready for hauling from the fields in a few days.

INDEPENDENT LITERATURE.

A writer in the Boston Transcript, speaking of a man who had written much for publication but always anonymously, says: "I doubt the wisdom of this on practical grounds; for the public likes to know whose work it is reading; a pseudonym is far better than nothing, and if persisted in is as good in the long run as the right name; but a book by an abstraction, by nobody, generally fails to win the reader's interest, unless a rumor is put about that there is a mystery concerning the authorship, and that the author is a famous man trying a new experiment." He might have added that anonymity is not profitable to the writer, especially if he is capable of good work. He gets no credit with the public for what he does; whereas his name if it accompanied his published writing should become a distinct asset, editors, especially of magazines, being governed to some extent in their acceptances by the value of a name, and persistent use of a name even when attached to matter of trivial quality has become a source of liberal income to many a writer."

To Warm Room Evenly.

The temperature of a heated room is several degrees warmer at the ceiling than at the floor. To equalize the temperature, it is necessary for the air to be in circulation. This may be accomplished with an electric fan, but to prevent any unnecessary draughts, the blast from the fan should be confined. As the air must be driven from the floor to the ceiling, place the fan in one corner of the room in such a position that it will drive the air upwards. To keep the air confined make a cardboard tube about six inches in diameter to carry the air up and across the ceiling to the opposite corner of the room. This will take the cold air from the floor and force it out at the ceiling level. Naturally the air currents are forced from a lower to a higher level, thus equalizing the temperature.—Popular Science Monthly.

All Class 1 Called.

With the calling of 93 men Saturday evening to report for duty July 21, Class 1 in Umatilla county is exhausted and further drafts will begin in Class 2. Friday evening a call for 48 men from this county was received by the local board and they are to leave Pendleton July 5. In this call three Athena men, Jesse Myrick, Leroy McCubbins and Bert Stone are in the draft. With the 72 men that left Pendleton Tuesday, Umatilla has called for 212 men before August 1. To this number the five volunteers for special service to leave Saturday should be added, making a total of 217.

Innkeepers' Signs.

In the middle ages, before turnpikes were constructed, the castles of the barons and the monasteries offered shelter and food to travelers. The baronial arms were always hung before the castles in prominent positions, the object being to enable wayfaring strangers to identify a given house by the most conspicuous object in the device. Thus, if a rose, lily or lion appeared in bold relief the building was named by the traveler by one or other of these terms. After the overthrow of the feudal powers and the suppression of the monasteries the wayside hostelry was the only resource left to wanderers, and it took over the former custom by displaying signs.

The One Achievement.

"I do not feel that I have really seen 'Hamlet' played," mused Mr. Stormington Barnes.

"But you have played the part yourself."

"My dear fellow, I could not watch myself act, could I?"

Italian Flag Floats.

Commemorating the great victory of the Italian army over the Austrians on the Piave river, the Italian flag has been flying below the folds of Old Glory on the Athena flag staff this week. The flag was hastily made Monday evening, in honor of our victorious ally, the emblematic design being copied from a color art card at the Press office. It has been suggested that the flags of all the allied nations should be at hand, for convenience of display wherever occasion warrants.

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Harvest Supplies

Now is the time when everyone will be wanting harvest Clothes, and we have everything in that line. In buying for 175 J. C. Penney stores for strictly cash and selling for cash, you will find that our prices are lower than shown elsewhere.

Canvass Gloves 10c and 15c	6x12 8 oz Canvass Bed Sheets \$2.69
Leather-faced Canvass Gloves 25c	6x14 8 oz " " " " 3.49
Hog Hide Gloves 69c	6x14 10 oz " " " " 4.49
Heavy Gloves 98c to \$1.69	6x14 12 oz " " " " 4.98
Drying Gloves \$1.69	Harvest Blankets \$1.98 to 4.98
Work Sox 10c, 2 for 25c, and 20c	Harvest C. mforts \$1.49 to 1.98
Straw Hats 25c to 98c	Good blue and grey Work Shirts 69c
Mens Khaki Pants \$1.69 and \$1.98	Heavy blue Work Shirts 89c
Heavy blue bib Overalls \$1.89	Extra heavy blue Work Shirts 1.19
Blue stripe Overalls \$1.49	Harvest Union Suits 89c to 1.49

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