

Press Paragraphs

Mrs. Isaac Davidson is with the operating force in the local telephone exchange.

Mrs. Arthur Coppock and two sons are visiting relatives in Walla Walla this week.

Ralph Haynie, after a tussle with the flu, is again on deck at the Economy Grocery.

Virgil Willaby went to Pendleton yesterday and left a troublesome molar in care of a dentist there.

Wanted.—Lady would like work at housekeeping on farm for the summer. Inquire at this office.—Adv.

For Sale.—Two 3-bottom 16-inch new style Flying Dutchman plows. Chas. Betts, Athena. Phone 30F13.

Maurice Hill has returned to Havre, Montana, where he has resumed his old position in the Bank of that city.

Miss Eshensen, instructor in the Athena High school, has returned from her home at Portland, where she went some weeks ago on account of ill health.

Born, at Sunnyside, Wash., to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Partch, January 17, 1919, a son, Mrs. Partch was formerly Miss Georgia Hansell, a popular Athena girl.

Mrs. Gary Taylor and Mrs. Lee Johnson attended the funeral of young Fred Neagle at Pendleton Wednesday.

Mrs. Jesse Myrick and Miss Pauline Myrick witnessed the performance of "So Long, Letty," at Walla Walla Monday evening.

Everett Zerba, who is in the service stationed with troops at Camp Taylor, Kentucky, is expected home shortly on a 20 day furlough.

Salmon have made their appearance in the Umatilla river. Three fine specimens are reported to have been taken at Pendleton Monday.

Jesse Myrick and Bert Logsdan, proprietors of the Athena Meat market, are again on duty after an enforced vacation with the flu.

Dr. Brundage, of Pendleton, was in the city Tuesday, having been called here to attend Mrs. Win Burden, who is confined to her home with illness.

The leader reports that the directors of the Weston Mercantile Co. declared a 14 per cent dividend, and increased the capital stock by \$10,000.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sams, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morrisette, January 20th, 1919, a fine girl. Mother and babe doing nicely.

The condition of the roads having improved somewhat, Dean Willaby has replaced the team used on the mail route for several days with his jitney.

Ben Gerking, an inmate of the State Hospital for eleven years, died in that institution Tuesday. He was admitted from Hood River, where his father, B. F. Gerking, resides.

A flight of mallard ducks yesterday morning was an unusual incident for this particular vicinity. The birds were southward bound, probably in search of feeding grounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Booher came in from Sacramento Cal., on this morning's train for a visit with Athena relatives. Mr. Booher has received his discharge from the navy.

The school at LaMar three miles north of Athena was reopened for work Monday, under the teacher, Miss Anice Barnes. The school has been closed since before Christmas.

Omar Stephens arrived home last evening from Umatilla, where he had been called to the bedside of his brother, Jeff, who is ill with influenza. He left his brother much better.

"So Long, Letty," musical comedy with pep, drew a number of Athena people to Walla Walla Tuesday night. It is said to have been a good show, "Letty" being a special favorite.

The municipality of Pilot Rock has taken over the electric lighting plant and will run it in connection with the water system. A new 25-horse-power gasoline engine will furnish the power.

Will Tucker, member of the book-binding force of the Preston-Shaffer Milling Co., at Waitsburg, has been here for several days assisting the force at the local mill in the absence of E. A. Zerba.

Milton A. Miller, collector of internal revenue for Oregon, has given notice that forms for income tax returns will not be distributed until the new revenue bill now pending in Congress becomes a law.

People who have been over the Athena-Walla Walla road the past week say that the bottom to the macadam road north of Freewater, has virtually slumped out. The road is practically in an impassable condition.

Bert Warren was in town yesterday from his ranch near Helix. Bert was exhibiting to critical friends a series of drawings by a famous Scotch artist, who has the faculty of coupling verse descriptive of his art subject.

From popcorn gathered 15 years ago, George Banister has been making delectable syrup-coated popcorn balls which his juvenile friends acclaim the best ever. Grownups also attest to the deliciousness of the confection.

Dr. Sharp has been kept at home during the past week on account of a severe cold, contracted during his heavy practice while the flu epidemic was raging here. The doctor feels that he will be ready for work next week.

N. Buroker has returned to Athena from Portland, where he spent a portion of the winter. He reports the condition of Mrs. Buroker to be about the same, which means that her serious condition has not materially improved.

Rev. and Mrs. M. G. Bentley write friends here that the family are recovering from a serious siege with the influenza at their home near Milton. Two children were critically ill for several days, but are now considered out of danger.

The Inland Empire Bank is the name of the new institution which will be granted a charter to do business in Pendleton, with J. W. Maloney, former Athena resident, as president. It is said the bank will have capital stock of \$250,000.

V. R. Zerba is again managing the Zerba Bros. Garage, having taken possession Saturday of last week. S. C. Lininger, who had the garage under lease, turned the business over and left Athena for Heppner, where he expected to go in business.

Oil wells are being developed in Texas near land owned by S. L. Spencer of this city. Mr. Spencer has recently received offers for lease or sale of the land, but is disposed to hold title until the wells are proved a success. Then he will talk trade.

Mrs. F. S. LeGrow has received a letter and a card from the mother of her French protegee, little Odele LePen, expressing gratitude for her adoption of the little girl for one year. The letters are written in French, and were translated by Mrs. J. A. Baddeley.

Mr. Haffner, father of Mrs. Roy McPherrin, who will be remembered as the proprietor of a restaurant in Athena a couple of years ago, died at his home in Spokane January 17. Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Errett, formerly of Athena.

Mr. and Mrs. George C. Sutton arrived in the city Saturday evening from Aberdeen, Wash., where Mr. Sutton received his discharge from service in the Spruce Division. Mrs. Sutton is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Clevenger. They are guests at the parental home on High street.

Umapine asks for correction in the "Lest We Forget" list of slackers, now published in the county press. Denial is made that the slackers reside in Umapine neighborhood, which has always been 100 per cent loyal. The information is given that their residence is in the Fruitvale district.

Mrs. Carstens will continue the cleaning and pressing business of her late husband, W. J. Carstens, and will appreciate the public's patronage. Mrs. Carstens assisted her husband in the work before his death, and will carry on the business with the exception of taking orders for suits and overcoats. Clothing and garments to be cleaned and pressed will be called for and delivered.

Donald McFadyen will again engage in the poultry business after temporary cessation on account of high price of feed. He has received two pens of 16 birds for breeding purposes, from the Ferris poultry farm in Michigan and at the proper time will have his incubators running. Mr. McFadyen considers that he has an ideal location for his poultry business, recently adding to his holdings by purchase of acreage from the O. W. R. & N. Co., in the north part of the city.

William Rice, who has been in the employ of the Tum-a-Lum Lumber company, has purchased a Ford truck of the Burke & Son agency, and will operate an express and general delivery service in Athena. He has made arrangements to take over the delivery service of Athena stores and business houses on February 1. It is reported that Neil McFadyen, a former employee, will take the position vacated by Mr. Rice, with the Tum-a-Lum people, as soon as he receives his discharge at Camp Lewis.

Wheat fifty cents per bushel here. Golly, ain't we flyin', though!

Full sown grain is growing finely and looks even and rank in the fields.

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New officers for Pythian Lodge No. 29, Knights of Pythias, installed by J. W. Maloney, were: P. C. C., Chas. Stancell; C. C., Joseph Groom;

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In the shipyard of the Columbia iron works at Baltimore, Md., is an engine of destruction which is expected to be more formidable in navy warfare than England's greatest battleship. It is a submarine torpedo boat. When completed the new destroyer will outwardly be a cigar shaped steel shell, with a small turret and a smokestack just forward of the center.

Isiah M. Johns, one of the pioneers of '47, and a well known citizen of the Walla Walla valley, died at his home there Friday morning. He leaves his wife and two children, M. M. Johns and Mrs. Adna Hasletine. He located in Weston in 1872, later going to the Walla Walla valley to reside.

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