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LAWSON BOOHER IS LAID TO HIS REST

After months of excruciating pain and suffering, Lawson Booher died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Booher, in Athena, Sunday forenoon and was laid to rest in Athena cemetery Monday afternoon.

The cause of death was sarcoma, an affliction which made its appearance two years ago, and resulted from a bruise on the knee sustained while playing basketball in Athena High school gymnasium.

Measures were at once taken to combat the disease, and everything possible was done by relatives and friends for the young man's relief, but he continued to decline until relieved by death.

Lawson Booher was born in Athena, Oregon, April 1, 1899, and died May 18, 1919, aged 20 years, one month and 18 days.

His was a lovable disposition and his worth was recognized and esteemed by all who knew him. His illness prevented him from graduating this year from Athena High school.

Lawson was everybody's friend and in turn everybody was Lawson's friend and while all did what they could to make the boy's declining days as peaceful and restful as possible, no one contributed more to that end than did B. B. Richards, who had from the first inception of illness, taken a personal interest in the lad's welfare.

Mr. Richards took him to Portland for the operation, and since has stinted no effort where assistance and kindly consideration could in any degree prolong life or alleviate suffering.

Card of Thanks.

We take this means of expressing our deep appreciation and gratitude to all who so kindly assisted us and extended help and sympathy during the long illness of our son, and in the hours of our bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Booher.

TO TOUR EUROPE AND U. S. IN RIFLE DRILL EXHIBITIONS

In a letter dated April 30 at Niedermendig, Germany, John Wall, local boy who is in the Headquarters Co., 88th regiment of the 3rd division, writes his mother the following interesting news:

"They are making up a regiment with men from the different units of the 3rd Army Corps, to tour England and give exhibitions in rifle drill and line maneuvers. The 88th furnishes 125 men, or half a company, and Greenleaf and I have both been picked. I feel pretty proud to be chosen out of 8700 men.

"I will probably tour France and Belgium also, and then on to the U. S. We are to drill here until the 14th of May, then go to Coblenz, where the whole regiment assembles, and leave there the 26th for England. It means quite a lot of drill, but I want to see all of this country before I leave, because I know I'll never come back.

"I had a letter from Harry Keller yesterday, he said he thought they would go to Paris to do M. P. duty. My division, (3rd) is slated to sail in August, so if nothing happens, will be home for Thanksgiving. If all goes well, by the time you get this I will be on my way to England."

CERTIFICATES OF AWARD FOR PERFECT ATTENDANCE

The following pupils in the Athena schools were granted certificates of award for perfect attendance and punctuality:

For one year: Thelma Russell, Belle Anderson, Lorena Schubert, Dorote Gussel, Elizabeth Steele, Doris Schubert, Lucille Smith, Helen Downing, Valma Schubert, Lela Schubert, Areta Littlejohn, Henry Knight, Brooks Anderson, Eva Carstens, Dean Pinkerton, Hol Schubert, Gail Anderson, Kohler Betts.

For two years: Lucinda Dell, Elsa Ringel, Myrtle Downing, Elver Miller, Ruth Butt.

For three years: Delbert Read.

For four years: Marvel McAlexander, Beethen Read.

For five years: Conrad Miller, Edna Pinkerton.

Weston Spuds Sold.

It is estimated that all the potatoes in the Weston country have now been disposed of with the exception of about a thousand sacks, says the Leader. Andy T. Barnett, produce buyer of the Weston Mercantile Co., took on 600 sacks this week from C. M. Schneider and Tom Booher at \$38 per ton. He has shipped this spring a little over 800 tons. Weston's entire last year's crop was approximately 55 cars. Fifteen cars went out last fall and 25 this spring.

Ideal Wheat Weather.

Weather conditions for the past week have been ideal for growing grain. With sufficient moisture the warm days have had the desired effect, with the result that prospects are continually growing brighter for a bumper wheat yield this year. In some localities damage from frost is reported, but to what extent has not yet been determined.

Lucky Dog



OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Vive la France, a senior 4-year-old Jersey cow owned by Pickard Bros. of Marion, has broken the world's butterfat record for Jersey cows of all ages, and has probably broken the senior 4-year-old record for all breeds, although no official record has yet been issued by the American Jersey Cattle club.

The port of Astoria commission has authorized the construction of pier 3 at the port dock, with a warehouse 1500 feet long by 180 feet wide, the estimated cost of the proposed improvement being approximately \$900,000.

At a meeting of the Roseburg chamber of commerce steps were taken for issuance of a booklet illustrative of the resources of Douglas county. Business interests are taking on new life, and with returning of the men from the service the situation begins to assume pre-war activity.

J. H. Upton, president of the Oregon irrigation congress, called a meeting of all officers and committees of the Oregon irrigation congress to meet in Portland Tuesday and Wednesday for the purpose of perfecting plans to carry on a campaign of publicity throughout the state in behalf of the amendment to the state constitution, authorizing the state, under well-defined restrictions, to guarantee for a period of not over five years the interest on bonds issued by drainage and irrigation districts.

One benefit of modern surgery is that any soldier now can have a face built to order on his own plan. The privilege of picking a face in, indeed, one of the modern miracles.

Boys of 63rd Home. Allie Bell and Herbert Parker, of Co. B, 63rd Infantry, are home, discharged from the service. They came from Baltimore, Md, where their regiment has been stationed for some time, to Camp Lewis where they received their discharge.

Dokeyized at Walla Walla. After fraternizing with the Dokeys at Pendleton Monday night, Athena Knights of Pythias Dokeyized at Walla Walla Wednesday night. They were served with all the trimmings of a good time at both sessions.

SCHOOL IN DISTRICT 17 CLOSES WITH EXERCISES

A very successful school year's work was brought to a close in District No. 17, three miles west of town, Wednesday, May 21, by a program commencing at noon and lasting until five o'clock. About thirty-five patrons and friends of the school assembled for the occasion.

The set program was rendered on the porch of the school house, which was made into a bower of spring flowers and foliage with a large green rug on the floor, and pink and white streamers festooned from May baskets attached to the building.

Near the close of the program, Jos. N. Scott clerk of the district, in behalf of the school board and patrons, spoke very highly of the satisfactory progress made by the school under the direction of Miss Lois Porter, and of the love and esteem in which she is held by the pupils, five out of the ten of whom have had their entire school experience in the two years Miss Porter has taught the school.

In closing, Mr. Scott presented Miss Porter with a beautiful wrist watch, a gift from all the patrons of the school. Miss Porter plans to enter college next year.

MISS BURTON PRESENTS CLASS IN MUSICAL RECITAL

Yesterday afternoon in the auditorium of the Christian church, Miss Hazel Burton presented fifteen of her pupils in recital, the invited guests of honor being the mothers and the grandmothers of her pupils.

- 1. Melody in F. - Jemamae Read
2. Recreation. - Charlotte Fisher
3. Study. - Fay Beilin
4. The Cuckoo. - Laura Woodward
5. On the Meadow. - Lois McIntyre
6. Meadow Brook Schottische. - Dorothy Berlin
7. May Day. - Blanche Johnson
8. Chasing the Squirrels. - Elizabeth Steele
9. Right and Left March. - Dale Stephens
10. At Sunrise. - Jessie Dudley
11. Gypsy Dance. - Lois Johnson
12. Sonatina. - Ellen Henry
13. Flower Song. - Edna Pinkerton
14. Fireflies. - Verna Gross
15. Valse Caprice. - Lucinda Dell

Teachers on Vacation.

Of the teachers of the Athena school for the past year, who are now on their vacations, Superintendent Hall with his family will spend the summer on his ranch in Walla Walla county; Mr. and Mrs. Gribble will be at Audubon, Iowa; Miss Embensen, Miss Grant and Miss Wiley are at their homes in Portland; Miss Sherman will remain at her home here, and Mr. Hubbs will spend the vacation period at his home in Freewater.

WATTS & ROGERS SELL WESTON HARDWARE STORE

Watts & Rogers, hardware and implement dealers, have sold their stock and business at Weston to a Spokane firm, and will retire from commercial pursuits in that town.

Mr. Rogers will move his family to Athena at once and will give his undivided attention to the implement business here, which was recently purchased from the C. A. Barrett company. Mr. Robert Prouditt and family will also move here from Weston.

Dick Winship at Home. Dick Winship arrived in Athena this morning from Camp Lewis, coming by way of Walla Walla and arriving on the 7:45 train.

Bright Financial Outlook. Harry McBride is inclined to believe that his days of hard work on his little farm are drawing to a close and that a brighter and easier channel for accumulating wealth has opened before him.

148TH REPORTED HOMEWARD BOUND

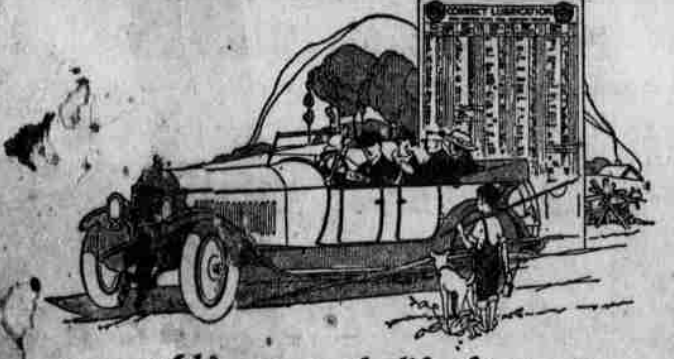
Athena relatives and friends of men in the 148th Field Artillery with the Army of Occupation in Germany, were elated Wednesday evening when they read in the Pendleton Tribune, the following news dispatch:

Portland, Or., May 21.—Washington dispatches say that the 148th field artillery, comprising three Portland troops and Troop D of Pendleton, and the former national guard is now on the way home from the army of occupation; it is believed that no Oregon units are left in France.

This is the first authentic information had here relative to the return of the Troop D boys, although numerous letters of lets from Athena boys who are serving in the 148th F. A. contained mention to the effect that they expected to leave shortly for home.

Garage Changes Ownership. Burke & Son have sold the Ford Garage and agency to Wm. Winship, Samuel Haworth and Isaac Davidson, and the parties to the deal are in Portland, where arrangements for transfer of the Ford agency are being made.

Lou Hodgens has moved his family over from Umapine, to the farm northwest of town, for the summer.



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