

## Press Paragraphs

"Whispering Smith" Standard tomorrow night.

Fuel dealers were swamped with orders during the cold snap.

F. S. LeGrow made a short business trip to Portland this week.

Wade Goodman, of Walla Walla, was a business visitor in Athena, Monday.

Miss Ellen Henry is expected home from Willamette University for the holidays.

Mrs. Nell Underwood of Condon, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Creswell.

Lee Banister is home from Cheney, where he attended the first semester at the normal school.

Roland Richards who has been quite ill with an attack of intestinal influenza is improving.

Sim J. Culley, prominent farmer, and Lance Kellogg, Weston banker, were in Athena, Monday.

Miss Phyllis Dickenson who is a student at Monmouth Normal school will come home for the holidays.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Smith, December 13, 1926, a son. The youngster has been named Cecil Morris.

Mrs. I. E. Severson of Walla Walla is in Athena. She attended the funeral of Mrs. Z. W. Lockwood Wednesday.

"Sweet Daddies" Standard, Sunday night.

Jesse Gordon recently returned from Spokane, where he visited his father, John Gordon, who is in ill health.

Manager Ames of the local Standard Oil company station reported the lowest temperature registration for Monday night—ten below.

Jack Cunningham came up from Pendleton and installed a new Delco lighting plant at the home of Sheldon Taylor, west of Athena.

Mrs. E. E. Goff who has been visiting at the home of her daughter, for the past three weeks has returned to her home at Newberg.

M. L. Watts and Lloyd Michener spent Sunday in the pits at the Watts duck shooting preserve in the Umatilla district, with good success.

Vernon Miller is home for a few days visit with his parents. He is employed on a steamboat, plying between Portland and St. Helens.

Miss Dorothy Lee and Miss Juanita Woodruff who are attending Cheney Normal school, are expected home tomorrow morning, for the Christmas holidays.

Jack Calder, plumber, has been much in demand by Athena householders as the result of cold weather, a time when water pipes will freeze up once in a while.

Owing to the cold weather and snow-covered ranges, stockmen are now winter feeding their herds. Until

several days ago, stock was foraging and doing well without much barnyard feeding.

Local duck hunters have been moderately successful this week in bagging game. The cold and snow-covered fields have driven the wild ducks to the creeks and rivers.

Miss May Lanning who has been in Walla Walla, at the home of her parents for some time, has returned to Athena, where she has resumed her duties as marcellist in Pearl's Beauty Shop.

Marion Hansell, John Pinkerton and Norman McIntyre shot 16 ducks in the lower Pine creek country Sunday. Tuesday Marion visited a branch stream near town and bagged a goodly number.

As customary, the First National Bank of Athena, is giving its patrons a fine calendar, for the new year. An out door scene of rare beauty, embellishes the new calendar, which is worthy a place on any wall.

Mrs. Powers of Pendleton is in a hospital at Portland, where she is receiving medical treatment. Mrs. Powers will be remembered in Athena as Miss Thelma Keen, having visited here a number of times.

Miss Blanche Johnson, Beryl Hodgen, Scotty Kretzer, Lefty Kretzer and James Hodgen who are attending U. of O. at Eugene, will arrive in the morning, to spend the vacation period with their parents in Athena.

John Keen of San Diego, California who came here to attend the funeral of his father, the late J. W. Keen, will return the last of this week to his home. He has been a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Dickenson.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Dudley left here Monday for Portland, en route to Long Beach, California, where they will spend the winter. Their son Glenn accompanied them to Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Dudley are motoring south.

Miss Roma Charlton and Miss Lois McIntyre who are attending Washington State college at Pullman, will leave there Friday and will stop over at Pomeroy and spend Saturday with girl friends, continuing on their way home Sunday.

Mrs. M. L. Watts entertained at luncheon, Thursday at the Country club in Walla Walla with two tables of bridge. A Christmas motif was used as decoration. The guests included, Mrs. Clubb, Mrs. Seabeck, Mrs. F. M. Anderson of Walla Walla and Mrs. H. I. Watts, Mrs. E. C. Prestbye, Mrs. Max Hopper, Mrs. R. B. McEwen and the hostess from Athena.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Venable and children who are domiciled at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hales, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Martin. Mr. and Mrs. Venable and children and Mr. and Mrs. Hales and daughters, contemplate spending the holidays in Portland. They will make the trip weather permitting, as they plan going by motor.

The study taken up by the Athena Study club is being much enjoyed this season by its twenty-two members who meet alternate weeks. The study of Scotland, as a country and its famous authors and poets is being completed and Ireland will be the next subject to be taken up. A topic is assigned to each member who

gives points of interest gathered and a general discussion follows. The last meeting was held at the home of Mrs. F. B. Boyd with a good number in attendance. Mrs. E. E. Goff was a guest of the club.

The young folks report a pleasant time at the Legion dance in Athena, Saturday night. The local Legion Post has resumed the regular Saturday night dances, the second to take place tomorrow night. The Jolly Joy-Makers Orchestra has been engaged to furnish the music for the dances.

Mrs. Lee Johnson who last week went to Bend, returned to Athena Sunday night, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson who have been residing at Bend, will take up their residence with Mr. and Mrs. Al Johnson, at their country home. Mrs. Ethel Montague and daughter Marjorie who have been staying at the home of Mrs. Montague's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, will come to town and live with Mrs. Hamp Booher.

Mrs. James Creswell surprised her husband Thursday evening of last week by inviting in a number of friends to observe his birth anniversary, and the occasion was a delightful one for those present, and a very pleasant evening was spent at the Creswell home. Those present were Miss Pearl Rasmey, Miss Hilda Dickenson, Miss Helen Hodgen, Miss Edna Pinkerton, Mr. Paul Lieuallen, Mr. Mose Banister, Mr. John Pinkerton, Dr. Cowan and Mrs. Underwood, of Condon.

## High School Notes

The school will give a Christmas program next Thursday afternoon at 1:30 p. m. The public is invited. The program will be as follows:

Song.....The School Recitation, I Can't Blame Him.....Raymond Murphy

A Doll Drill.....Primary Room

Famous War Tunes to Modern Settings.....5th & 6th Grades

Song, Jolly Old Santa Claus.....3rd & 4th Girl

Dance of the Snow Flakes.....Monolog, Christmas Presents.....Nadine Elder

Play, Two Santa Clauses.....7th and 8th Grades

Recitation, A Present From Dottie.....Teddy Miller

Play, A Corner In Heart, High school

A Christmas Lesson.....Primary Room

Candy Cane Drill.....3rd & 4th Grades with Robert Lee

The sewing class gave an exhibition and a tea at the hardware store Saturday afternoon. They made \$17.45. This amount will be used in purchasing a display cabinet.

Jessiedeanne Dudley, Alberta Charlton and Lenore McNair were in Pendleton Saturday.

Raymond Murphy has been out of school for the past week on account of illness.

Miss Rodman is taking the teachers examination. Mrs. Hadley is substituting in her place.

Mr. and Mrs. Hadley were in Walla Walla Saturday.

Mr. Pinkerton has managed to keep the school building warm in spite of the cold weather.

Doctor Cowan addressed the student body Wednesday afternoon. He told the pupils to check the skin disease usually known as impetigo. There are several cases of this disease in the schools of Umatilla county at the present time.

Miss Terry assisted with the music at the funeral of Mrs. Lockwood, Wednesday afternoon. A substitute was secured from the high school.

Each grade room has a Christmas tree.

The Christmas vacation begins next Thursday afternoon, after the program and extends through the following week.

## Nicaragua Behind Times

Nicaragua is a Spanish-speaking republic, the population of which is about 650,000. The people are principally of mixed Spanish and Indian race. Agriculture, lumbering and mining are the principal sources of the national wealth. There is very little manufacturing. The climate is largely tropical, and the principal agricultural products are bananas, coffee and sugar cane, besides some grains for home consumption. The forests contain mahogany, cedar and dye woods, which are largely exported to the United States. Nicaragua is to a considerable extent mountainous, and there are some gold mines, worked by American or British companies.

## NOTICE

Light bills are due and payable on the 15th of each month. If bill is not paid by the 25th, it will be presumed that service is no longer desired and will be discontinued without further notice. In the past it has cost us a lot of time and money to have our collector call several times. In the future he will make but one call and if for any reason the bill is not paid, patron may mail check to this office. We ask the support and co-operation of our patrons along this line, so that we will be able to render the best possible service.

PRESTON SHAFFER MILLING CO.

# Xmas Suggestions

## For the Ladies

Sweaters, Scarfs, Silk Underwear, Silk Slips, Silk Hose, Garter Sets, Rubber Aprons, Fancy Dishes, Shoe Trees, Fancy Box Handkerchiefs, Bags and Suitcases, Etc. Etc.

## For the Men

Gloves, Hats, Caps, Garters, Belts, Armbands, Neckwear, Dress Shirts, Silk and Silk and Wool Hose, Silk Shirts, Cuff Links, Watches, Watch Chains, Etc. Etc.

# Toys

## For the Children

Phone Your Order To 152

## Athena Department Store

# Grebe & Company

## Going Strong

Alfred H. Grebe & Company, the set manufacturers de luxe of Richmond Hill, Long Island, New York, and of New York City, are now on their usual and seasonal over-time schedule. The Grebe receivers have an exceptional prestige on the Pacific Coast, where one of the very best jobbers in the radio industry accelerates the sale of Grebe sets to such an extent that in the past season they have occupied the first position as largest sellers in their class around the Golden Gate of the far west.

On display at

## Thompson's Garage

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## THE KILGORE CAFE

GERALD KILGORE, Proprietor

Short Order Lunches and Meals served at all hours. Ice Cream and Soft Drinks. A full line of Candies.

NONE BUT WHITE HELP EMPLOYED

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# Steves

Grocery and Furnishings Store

## Toys-Toys-Toys

One of the finest line of Toys ever carried in Athena. A big, new stock to select from. We also have a big line of Presents for Men and Boys. Comprising Shirts, Handkerchiefs, Silk Socks, Ties, Etc

Neatly packed in Christmas Boxes

Remember, we carry a full line of Vegetables and Fruits for the Holiday and Party table

## STEVE'S GROCERY

Quality Quantity, Service.

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Athena, Oregon

## THE STANDARD THEATRE

Saturday, December 18

Romance and Thrills go Hand in Hand in

# "Whispering Smith"

A Mighty Epic of the Railroad and the Wild,

Portrayed By an Unrivalled Cast

You've Read the Book-See the Play!

The Metropolitan production, "Whispering Smith," a picturization of Frank H. Spearman's highly successful novel, is an unusual photoplay of great dramatic interest and, therefore, one that promises much clean, wholesome entertainment. Lillian Rich, John Bowers, Lylian Tashman and H. B. Warner are in the cast; George Melford directed the play!

International News

Comedy

Admission Prices, 10c-35c

Sunday, December 19

# "Sweet Daddies"

Will Get the Sugar

It's an Alfred Santell Production

With

Charles Murray, George Sidney and Vera Gordon

## A Fine Play

"Let's try it again—we have to keep faith with our friends." When you go beyond the twelve mile limit there's no limit to the drama and thrills. "No matter what your dad or my dad says about the matter—we're going to get married." "D'ya see wot's going on!"

Pathe Review

Comedy

Admission Prices, 10c-35c

## Coming:

Christmas Night "Welcome Stranger"

New Years Night "Ella Cinders"

Regular Prices