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## Cynical Will Left by Revolutionary Leader

Charles Lee, who was at one time second in command under George Washington in the Revolutionary war, left an odd will, the original of which still is preserved in the clerk's office of Berkeley County, W. Va. After Lee's peculiar behavior at Monmouth he was court-martialed and suspended for one year. Because of his sarcastic remarks about congress he was finally dismissed entirely. He lived for a time on his Virginia farm and finally died in Philadelphia October 2, 1782. His will contained this paragraph:

"I desire most earnestly that I may not be buried in any church or churchyard, or within a mile of any Presbyterian or Anabaptist meeting house, for since I have resided in this country I have kept so much bad company when living, that I do not choose to continue it when dead. I commend my soul to the Creator of all worlds and all creatures, who must from his visible attributes be indifferent to their modes of worship or creeds, whether Christians, Mohammedans or Jews, whether instilled by education or taken up by reflection, whether more or less absurd, as a weak mortal can no more be answerable for his persuasions, notions or even scepticism in religion than for the color of his skin."—The Pathfinder.

## Charles Dickens Also an Accomplished Actor

When he was thirty-three Dickens had the chance of his career to prove his mettle as an actor. Ben Jonson's "Every Man in His Humor" was the play selected, and the theater of Fanny Kelly the place of presentation. The actors were, if not world famous, at least London famous, and included Douglas Jerrold, Mark Lemon, John Leach Leigh, John Forster and Charles Dickens, who played a Captain Bobadil that stands, according to contemporary verdicts, as a thing of comic beauty and a humorous joy forever.

We read that the play's success outran the wildest expectation, and became the brief sensation of a London season. It was taken afterwards, on behalf of the Guild of Art and Literature, to Manchester, Liverpool and elsewhere, with Beaumont and Fletcher's "Elder Brother" as an alternate comedy.

Besides his tremendous energies in the histrionic creation of a unique Captain Bobadil, Dickens shouldered all the multifarious responsibilities of general as well as stage manager, and he was unanimously pronounced admirable, indefatigable and wonderfully efficient.

## "Down Brakes"

In accounts of railway collisions one frequently encounters this statement:

"On seeing the danger, the engineer whistled 'down brakes' and reversed the lever."

As a matter of fact, the expression "down brakes" has been obsolete for a long time. What the engineer really does when a collision seems impending is to shut off steam, apply the air-brake and open the sand valve. All this takes about five seconds, and in that time all that human effort is able to accomplish for the train and passengers may be done. Railway engineers are instructed never to reverse the engine after the airbrake has been applied, because the reversal reduces the resting power of the brakes.—Washington Star.

## Asphalt Lumber

The term "asphalt lumber" is employed to designate a board-like product, not so very long ago brought to the attention of the commercial world, which while composed of layers of a special long fiber saturated with a composition of asphalt, can be cut, worked, joined and nailed like wood. This material is designed for roofing and is water and weather-proof. The boards are made with a one-inch rabbet running the full length on both sides, enabling the material to be matched up readily and quickly, while a special asphaltic cement applied along the rabbeted point makes the joints virtually a part of the solid board.

## A Philanthropist

Sidney was only seventeen, but he had the air of seventy. Sauntering down the Strand, he took out a cigarette, only to find he had no matches. So he made for a tobacconist and asked for a light.

"We don't give matches away," he was told, rather rudely, by the man behind the counter. "We sell them."

"How much?" asked Sidney.

"A penny a box."

Sidney paid up and lit his cigarette with dangerous calm. He put the matches back on the counter.

"Look here," he said coldly, "when next a gentleman asks for a light in this shop, kindly give him one of my matches."—Answers, London.

## 31 Years Ago

October 2, 1896

Among Weston school teachers now presiding with the rod and rule in country schools are Willis Marsh, Stamper district near Weston, Norval Bradley, Banks district, near Athena; Miss Lulu Ray, Gallaher district, Greasewood; Miss Christiana Proebstel, Pleasant View. On the first Monday in October William Read begins teaching at Fulton, and G. W. Maybee at Hudson Bay. All but two of these young educators are normal graduates.

As we go to press late this afternoon it is rumored that local wheat buyers are bidding 45 cents f. o. b., for No. 1 club. If this is true, and we have reasons to believe it is, farmers are to be congratulated or their fortune.

"Handsome Billy" Powers objects strenuously to bill-posting on his new barber pole. Bill posts the bill-poster to post no bills.

United States Senator John R. Mitchell will address the citizens of Athena and surrounding country here on Monday at 2 o'clock.

Owen Rusie has leased the Morris store room, and will convert it at once into a public hall, for the benefit of those interested in balls, plays and social gatherings. Carpenters are now at work remodeling the interior. A new floor will be laid and a stage erected. We predict for Mr. Rusie success in the venture.

Everything is running nicely now up at the public school, since another teacher has been added to the corps. Before the addition of the fifth teacher was made, the primary and intermediate department were entirely too full for comfort. As it is now, the pupils in these two departments are more evenly divided, and good results will follow. In the primary department, Mrs. Freeman, teacher, there are enrolled 50 pupils; in the intermediate department, 2nd and 3rd grades, Miss Wade, teacher, 40 pupils are enrolled; 4th and 5th grade, Miss Hastings, teacher, 33 pupils; Grammar department, 6th and 7th grades, H. H. Curtis, teacher, 31 pupils; High department, 8th and 9th grades, Professor Dunn, teacher, 28 pupils. Total enrolment, 182.

Dick Brisbow has given the \$500 bonds necessary for his release from the county jail, pending action by the grand jury.

The O. R. & N., will run an excursion train to Pendleton on October 9, that people up this way may attend the Bryan ratification meeting, and hear Penoyer speak. The train is due in Athena at 2:25 p. m. The rate for the round trip is 90 cents, return on evening's passenger.

On Monday evening, September 28, a farewell party was given in honor of John and William Stanton, at the home of A. R. Booher. Games and other amusements were indulged in until 9:30 o'clock when a delicious lunch was served by the hostess, Miss Etha Booher. Those present were: Misses Ruby Calender, Edie Nelson, Anna Kirk, Myrtle Porter, Ivah Calender, Alma Kirk, Bell Johnson, Besie Church, Mary Stanton; Messrs. William Stanton, John Stanton, Mr. Kelley, Thomas Johnson, Joel Stanton, Joe Groome, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Booher.

The members of the Woodmen Circle entertained a large number of guests, at the Masonic hall, Wednesday evening. An interesting program was rendered in the way of entertainment, after which refreshments were served.

Professor M. G. Royal, of Weston, will preach in the Christian church, in this city Sunday morning and evening.

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I Kings 18:21.

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D. L. HACKETT, Pastor  
of the Church of Christ

(Equity No. 4423)  
**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**  
In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.

Tum-A-Lum Lumber Company, a corporation, Plaintiff

vs  
John H. Samuel and Alta R. Samuel, husband and wife, Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a writ of execution, decree and order of sale issued out of the above entitled Court in the above entitled suit, to me directed, and dated the 6th day of September, 1927, in favor of the plaintiff and against the defendants, John H. Samuel and Alta R. Samuel, for the recovery of the sum of \$100.64 with interest thereon at the rate of 8 per cent per annum from the 10th day of July, 1926, until paid; together with the further sum of \$68.81 with interest thereon at the rate of 8 per cent per annum from the 5th day of May, 1927, until paid; together with the further sum of \$35.00 as attorney fees, upon the plaintiff's first cause of suit; together with the further sum of \$350.00, with interest thereon at the rate of 8 per cent per annum from the 8th day of July, 1925, until paid; together with the further sum of \$60.00 as attorney fees, upon the plaintiff's second cause of suit; together with the plaintiff's costs and disbursements in said suit taxed at \$19.00; and commanding me to sell the following described real property situate in Umatilla County, Oregon, to-wit:

Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 in Block 1 of Knowlton's Addition to the City of Athena, Umatilla County, Oregon.

Now therefore, in compliance with

the demands of the said writ of execution, decree and order of sale, I will, on Saturday, the 8th day of October, 1927, at the hour of two o'clock P. M., at the front (West) door of the County Court House in Pendleton, Umatilla County, Oregon, sell, at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, all the right, title, estate and interest that the said defendants, John H. Samuel and Alta R. Samuel, had on the 3rd day of June, 1924, or the 8th day of July, 1924, being the dates of the mortgages owned by the plaintiff which are being foreclosed, or that the defendants, or either of them, have since acquired, down to and inclusive of the date of sale, in and to the above described property, or any part thereof, to satisfy the said writ of execution, decree and order of sale, with interest, costs and accruing costs.

Dated at Pendleton, Oregon, this 9th day of September, A. D. 1927.  
R. T. COOKINGHAM,  
Sheriff of Umatilla County, Oregon,  
Watts & Prestbye Athena, Oregon,  
Attorneys for Plaintiff. S907.

**NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT**  
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.

In the Matter of the Estate of John W. Keen, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have filed their final account and report in the above entitled matter and that the above entitled Court has fixed Saturday, the 8th day of October, 1927, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A. M. of said day, as the time, and the County Court room in the County Court house at Pendleton, Umatilla County, Oregon, as the place, for hearing of said final account and report. Objections to said final account and report should be filed on or before that date.

Dated at Athena, Oregon, this 9th day of September, 1927.  
LAURA MAY GROSS,  
LOUIS M. KEEN,  
Executors of the Last Will and Testament of John W. Keen, Deceased.

Watts & Prestbye Athena, Oregon,  
Attorneys for Executors. S907.

**NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING**  
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.

In the Matter of the Estate of Dora Lockwood, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed his final report as the executor of the last will and testament of Dora Lockwood, deceased; and that the Judge has set Monday, the 10th day of October, 1927, at 10 o'clock A. M. as the time, and the county court room in the county court house at Pendleton, Oregon, as the place, when and where hearing will be had thereon; all persons interested are notified to then and there appear, and show cause, if any they have, why the report should not be approved, its prayer granted and the executor discharged.

Dated this 7th day of September, 1927.  
Z. W. LOCKWOOD,  
Executor.

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Coastwise Opens Service with Belgium.  
Washington, D. C.—President Coolidge and King Albert of Belgium exchanged wireless messages early Monday, marking the opening of direct radio-telegraphic service between the United States and Belgium.

Milwaukee R. R. Value Is \$558,914,672  
Washington, D. C.—A tentative valuation of \$558,914,672, as of June 30, 1918, was placed on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad by the interstate commerce commission.

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