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CHAIRMAN WOOD TALKS ON SCHOOL

Status of Athena High Is Given In His Banquet Address.

Arnold Wood, chairman of the board of directors of Union High School District No. 7, gave the principal address at the community banquet, Friday evening. Mr. Wood took the general status of the school and spoke as follows:

"In 1924 the Union High School District No. 7 was formed, we had a joint meeting with the directors of District 29, in regard to a place to have school. District No. 29 agreed to give us free of charge the use of the building and also turned over to us all the high school equipment, then we in turn agreed to pay one-half of the up-keep on the building, one-half of the running expense which is janitor's salary, fuel, light, water and necessary repairs.

"Our district was formed late in the summer of 1924, although we were a High School District the school was not under our supervision 1924 and estimated a budget for the future. school year of 1925-1926, The school year of 1924-1925 was of no expense to us because in May, District No. 29 have at the present time one of the ning the winners of the Umapinehad contracted for the teachers of 1924-1925, so their contracts were fulfilled. Our budget estimate was \$6,-600, which included \$5,000 for teachers, janitor \$500 and \$500 for miscellanous items. It was agreed that District No. 7 should pay 2-3 of the principals salary and No. 29 1/8. So on May 8, 1925 we received \$3528 and when we started school on September 8, 1925 we had on hand \$3215. Then, on November 16, 1925 our budget committee adopted a budget for \$6,-600, we received on December 5, 1925, \$3,173 and on June 15, 1926 before the end of our school year we received \$3,183. So the estimated total expense for the school year 1925-1926 was \$9,815, of which only \$6,600 was school pupil of our school in the year raised during the school year. At 1926-1927 was the lowest in the the close of the school year we had county and we have 12 Union High on hand only \$51.

Then came the school year of 1926salaries, a little extra building repairs, a few extra expenses-the adding of a sewing class takes some of this expense-a sewing machine, and a few typewriters. On November 29, 1926 the budget committee estimated the budget at \$9,958, then along came a lot of extra building repairs which ran into a large sum of money, about \$900 to our part. So at the end of the school year June 1927 we had outstanding warrants for \$1040.

"When the time came for hiring teachers for 1927-1928, the patrons made a demand on us that our school was not up to their expectation, so we began to see if we could make it up to their standard. We began by hiring a new superintendent at an increase of salary and retained one teacher at an increase in salary and hired two new teachers, and we found that the way the courses in our school had been arranged and the various subjects the scholars wished to take, our classes could not be arranged properly, so we had to add a 1/2 time teacher at a salary of \$75 per month.

"We also added at the beginning of this year a manual training course. The argument in favor of the manual training course was that the boys should have a course to coincide with the girls sewing class. I think the girls have made wonderful progress in sewing. We also made this course open to the 7th and 8th grade boys and the sewing class open to the 7th and 8th grade girls, so when the budget committee met in November 1927 they estimated the budget at \$12,952 of which \$10,500 was voted.

"This was estimated on the budget of the year 1926 plus 6 per cent. This will leave a shortage of \$2450 at the end of our school year and plus the \$1040 of outstanding warrants will make us \$3490 in debt at the end of our term, which is a small amount for a District which has over three and one-half million dollars of tax-

able property. "There are a few things the taxpayers of this district should look mto very carefully; one is the roof on roof several times in the past few years, but with very little success, A short time ago we repainted and caleverything looked very good but as Portland, yesterday. soon as wet weather set in, the roof leaked and the result is the walls are all spotted and in a number of places the walls became wet and the plaster by Tom Kirk on the Lumsden place leg. A couple of years ago a truck fell off which looks very bad, and to at Dry Creek, was seriously injured ran over the dog and broke one of save the interior of any building you must have a good roof.

has been a great lot of trouble and ed and has been unable to work since stance it was impossible to set the in extreme cold weather it is impos- the accident occurred.

M. WALDEMARAS



M. Waldemaras is the able premier of Lithuania.

sible to keep some of the rooms warm enough, and it is a great expense to coal each year at an average cost of bye. about \$10. We find that other buildings of the same size are being sucf coal, or a saving of about \$500 each year. These are two items that will until 1925. We met on November 12, demand your attention in the near the winners of the Adams-Ione game;

our State Superintendent. We fulhigh school. We offer all of the required subjects of a standard school, leton-Athena game. but we do not offer as many courses as the larger schools, we have 6 comand about 9 selective subjects.

"We do not offer all the selective subjects for we could not afford teachers for so small classes, so we have tried to have a college entry course which is 15 credits for gradua-

"The cost of educating each high School Districts in this county.

27. There was a little increase in year. Our superintendent has had year, and we think the classes can be games. o arranged that we will be able to handle all the subjects with the serrices of 4 teachers, which will be one 1/4 time teacher less than this year. We also hope to add a course in short- championship game will be played at property was being used other than hand with our typing class but this can be done without any added ex- the consolation title will play at 7:15 deed. By alleged breaking of the pense; so we hope to cut down the expense of our school next year approximately \$1500. Our manual training class is all established and that will be no expense next year, nor have we any typing machines or sewing machines to buy. Our manual training class has been very successful this year. There has been no tools lost or broken in that department so

> "The school is a community affair. It is the property of every tax payer. It should be of great interest to them and the patrons of the school. The records are public property. The The minutes of our meetings are public. Any one who is a tax payer or a patron of the school can inspect them at any time. The teachers would be glad to have you visit at any time and answer any question in regard to school work. Cooperation between the teachers, the directors, the taxpayers and the patrons of the school all go to make a good school and we all hope for a good school."

Soliciting Under Way

The committee having charge of soliciting funds for construction of the swimming pool in Athena City Park, have met with satisfactory financial encouragement, and will make its report at the next meeting of the Legion Post. Plans for the construction of the pool are expected soon from the architect of the Tuma-Lum Lumber Co.

Death of R. H. Duffield

R. H. Duffield was called to Portland Saturday by the death of his father, R. H. Duffield of that city, our building. We have repaired the who died at the age of 79 years. Funeral services which were in charge of Mt. Hood Lodge, A. F. & A. M., were held in Portland, Monsomined the walls and ceilings and day. Mr. Duffield returned from

Injured While Plowing Charles Mathews, who is employed LeGrow is again carrying a broken game up there. one day recently, when he was thrown its hind legs. Last week it broke the from a plow when it struck a rock, same leg at the hip, when running, "Another thing is our furnace. It Mr. Mathews was considerably bruis- it fell off a street curb. In this in-

EASTERN OREGON TOURNEY STARTS "HANGS" ONE HERE

Athena Quint Has Its First Forges Name of Roy Can-Round With Pendleton This Morning.

teams participating: Weston vs. shortly before closing time. Arlington at 8:30.

game will play the loser of the second game ta 8 a. m. The remainder under 30 years of age, sharp features, of the morning schedule is as follows: wearing a dark suit, a tan colored Heppner vs. Mac-Hi, 9:45; Pendle-

Tonight the teams will meet as follows: the winners of the first round cessfully heated with less than 50 tons will play the winner of the Stanfield-ment. Boardman contest. The winners of the Hermiston-Echo game will play the losers of the Adams-Ione game "Now, I wish to say a few words will play the losers of the Umapineabout our present school. I think we Arlington contest. During the evebest schools of its size in the state, Arlington game will play the winners we rank among the highest with our of the Heppner-Mac-Hi tilt and at county superintendent and also with 8:15 the winners of the Pendleton-Athena game will play the Fossil five. fill every requirement of a standard The losers of the Heppner- Mac-Hi trace of the forger has been found. game will play the loser of the Pend-

the Weston-Helix and Stanfieldpulsory subjects, the first two years; Boardman contest will play the win- place is the belief of Mrs. Eager, ners of the Hermiston-Echo and Adams -Ione games at 9:15.

The winners of the Umapine-Arling- in an automobile. ton, Heppner-Mac-Hi games will play the winners of the Pendleton-Athena, Justice Richards Holds Fossil group at 10:30. At 8 o'clock on Saturday the losers of the Weston-Helix, Stanfield-Boardman group will play the losers of the other group of games, and the winner of this game will play for the consolation title.

Tomorrow night the two winning to the state meet in Salem. The community, because, as he claims, the 8:30 and the two teams competing for public purposes, as provided in the o'eleck.

most of the games.

Fifteen teams are entered in the zens de-padlocked. hree-day schedule. This is the largest number of teams it is said, to ever compete for the title in an Eastern place terminated in the arrest of tinued for that product alone. Oregon meet.

ven chance to win the right to represent the district at the state tourney in Salem. There will be 20 games played this week, with double elimination ruling. The losing teams will also have a consolation round. Only one team is to be picked to represent the district. Of the teams entered, Mac-Hi and Helix look the strongest, judging from their season's records

Held Ease Ball Meeting

A meeting of those interested in baseball was held Tuesday evening, and matters of interest pertaining to Mrs. Frank Coppock, Mrs. Wm. Mcorganizing the team which will represent Athena in the Big Six League this season, were discussed. The committee which solicited funds reported grams for the meetings to follow. the sum of \$97 subscribed. It was decided to purchase new bags for the bases, some bats and mitts for the players. The matter of working over the baseball diamond and erecting a backstop was discussed.

Celebrates 84th Anniversary Mr. and Mrs. Henry Koepke Jr., arrived home from Glendale, California, home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Koepke | March 28. Sr. On February 18, Mr. Koepke Sr., celebrated his 84th birthday annivereary by entertaining a large number of friends at his home. Sixty persons were in the group that observed the anniversary. Mr. Koepke is enjoying good health, but Mrs. Koepke is not so well as usual, her son re-

Dog Injured Again "Biddy," the bird dog owned by Fay I fractured bone in splints.

BAD CHECK ARTIST

non and Passes Check At Eagers.

The Eastern Oregon district A sleek "paper hanger" conjuring cholastic basketball tournament the familiar name of Roy Cannon opened its three-day schedule in the with a bank check to the tune of McLaughlin High School gymnasium \$22.50, passed it at Rowe's Cash yesterday morning, with the following Grocery in Athena, Monday evening

Helix at 1:30; Stanfield vs. Board- The dark complexioned, well-dressed man, 2:45; Hermiston vs. Echo, 4:00; forger walked out of the store with During the evening, Adams will meet his purchase of a two-pound can of Ione at 7:15 and Umapine will play coffee, two cans of canned corn, a couple of cans of tomatoes and \$20 This morning the loser of the first in cash, and hasn't been seen since.

Described as rather good looking, jersey vest and tan hat, the fellow run it. It takes about 100 tons of ton vs. Athena, 11.00; Fossil drew a entered the store complaining of mud on his shoes, as though he had walked in from the country, made his purchases and tendered the check pay-

Mrs. Eager was skeptical over cashing the check, on account of its presentation by a stranger, but Mr. Cannon's name on the spurious paper decided the matter, and Mrs. Adair

cashed it. The name of Mr. Cannon was forged to a First National Bank of Athena check, and the fraud was at once detected Tuesday morning. Officials were notified, but up to this time no That his complaint of mud on his shoes was made to impress those in Tomorrow morning the winners of the store with the fact that he had walked to town from the Cannon owner of the store, but in reality it is probable that the fellow left town

Justice of Peace Richards, in his Athena court Saturday, held Justice and two nephews, Shed Price and Stephens. of the Peace Howton of the Free- John Price, of Weston. The losers in the Adams-Ione gan e water court, to the grand jury on his what subjects they wish to take next Heppner-Mac-Hi, Pendleton-Athena the charge of nailing and padlocking buffalo hunter. school property.

The case which grew out of How-Clark Yenney, former Whitman title reverts to him, and to get possesas fast as padlocked, Ferndale citi-

Finally the neighborhood squabble over the use of its community meeting Howton and Small and the case set Mac-Hi is conceded more than an for hearing Saturday.

Justice Richards held that Howton exceeded his rights in using force to take the hall, and that recovery of the property lay through the courts

M. E. MISSIONARY SOCIETY

the M. E. Missionary Society at her Islands was given with readings by graphic possibilities. Read. Mrs. Wm. McPherson was appointed to supervise the musical pro-

After a social hour a dainty luncheon was served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. John Burke, Mrs. Lee Johnson and Mrs. W. O. Read.

The President, Mrs. Read expressed appreciation of the cooperation of members and visitors as there has been from 18 to 30 present since the club began last fall after summer vacation. The next meeting will be where they spent the winter at the at the home of Mrs. W. O. Read,

George Mullen Here

George Mullen, well known to old time Athenians, was here for a short time Saturday last. George for a number of years has been farming in Alberta. Asked if he still drove his white horses, he replied: "Have four of 'em, but not the ones I used to drive 'round here." He likes the country over the line, and says that he is making money in the farming following telegram from Senator Mc-

See Tournament Games the championship team of this dis-destroyer leaders and submariues."

Honored Her for Long Switchboard Service



International Newsreel

Mrs. Chin and Her Daughter The illustration shows Mrs. Maud Chin (left) chief day operator at the Chinatown Exchange in San Francisco, and her daughter Grace also an operator at the same

exchange.

Mrs. Chin is reading a citation card presented to her by the President of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company in recognition of her 20 years' service with that company. A service button accompanied the citation. Mrs. Chin and her daughter are both American

Taps Sound for a Civil War Veteran At Weston Cemetery

A. Wrager, well known and respected citizen of Weston, and civil war principal address of the evening. veteran died in that city Monday, aged 79 years. Funeral services letics, and Lee Meyer, superintendent charge of Athena-Weston American half of the faculty, and for the student body Ray Johnston, Ethel

present during the services, and the DeFreece responded. Other Justice to Jury old soldier was given the honors due

"Now, about our school for next will play the loser of the Umapine. own recognizance, while William Umatilla county for about 25 years. ing was enjoyed during the remain-Arlington game and the winners of Small, arrested with Howton at Fern- His early life, after the civil war, was der of the evening. Again the kindthe students express their desire for this game will play the winner of the dale community hall, was released on spent on the Western plains as a ness of the Pendleton Music House struction of the Union Pacific through splendid music for the dance was Wyoming, Mr. Wrager furnished the furnished by its Orthophonic. teams will compete for the title of the ton's attempt to recover the hall, buffalo meat for the construction tournament which will send one team which had been deeded by him to the crews, which required that Mr. who made arrangements for the ban-Wrager and his party of hunters kill quet, express themselves grateful 100 of the animals per day.

> men dressed the buffalo, the meat be- ed the dinner, for the Orthophonic proviso in the deed, Howton claims ing distributed to the various con- and for all other assistance rendered struction camps. The pelts were in making the affair an outstanding center, will handle the whistle for the sion he padlocked the door, and about often left to rot on the ground at success. first, but later a market in the East was established for the hides, and after the railroad was completed, the destruction of the buffalo was con-

Lon Chaney Coming Wednesday in Mr. Wu

As a special mid-week presentation at the Standard Theatre, Lon Chaney, GIVES A HAWAIIAN PROGRAM the world's greatest character actor on the Screen, is coming Wednesday Mrs. Wm. McLeod was hostess to night in "Mr. Wu," an elaborate ried out in a color scheme of green. Metro-Goldwyn production, at regular home Wednesday afternoon, when admission prices. The great Goldwyn program, relative to the Hawaiian atmosphere of wonderful photo-

Leod, Mrs. H. H. Hill and Mrs. W. O. management is pleased to announce, of the Wauna group. Jack Holt will be starred in another of Zane Grey's best stories, "The Mysterious Rider." In this fine Western picture with great outdoor scenes, Mr. Holt is supported by Betty Jewel and David Torrence.

Slide on Mountain Road

Major Jack Chapin, general superintendent of the Weston Mountain market road, now has the big slide near the Dick. Morrison ranch pretty well under control, as the saying goes, reports the Leader. He has fenced off the slide and built a fairly passable road around it. The slip is a big affair, extending along the road for a distance of some 70 feet and covering it deeply in places. It uprooted trees from six to ten inches in diameter.

Word from McNary

Mrs. Ida E. Cowan, president of the local W. C. T. U. is in receipt of the

"After prolonged hearings the house naval committee last week re-

FRIDAY BANQUET A FEATURE EVENT

High School Students Are The Honor Guests At Dinner.

The community banquet honoring the students of Athena High School, sponsored by Mayor Stephens and Arnold Wood, chairman of the board of directors of Union High School District No. 7, was without doubt the feature social event of the season in

Athena. The banquet dinner was served by the ladies of the Methodist Episcopal church in the Masonic dining room and covers were laid for 126 banqueters. Three tables the length of the room were required to accommodate those in attendance and the service was on par with the excellence of the

Guests at the outer tables were standing in their places at 6:30 when Mayor Stephens and Mr. Wood ushered the high school student body to the center table, where its members as honor guests of the evening took their

espective seats. During the dinner hour, through the kindness and generosity of the Pend-leton Music House, the banqueters were regaled with appropriate selecions on one of its famous Ortho-

Presiding as toast master for the occasion, M. I. Miller made a short preliminary address before introduc-ing Arnold Wood, chairman of the board of directors, who made the

Clarence Toole, director of Athwere held at the grave and were in of the Athena schools, spoke on be-A firing squad from the Post was Pittman, Jessiedeane Dudley and Roy

Others who made short addresses him. He is survived by one niece, were C. L. McFadden, Mrs. E. C. Mrs. W. Crawford of Walla Walla, Rogers, F. B. Boyd and Mayor

Following the banquet, the assem-Mr. Wrager had been a resident of blage went to Legion Hall where danc-During the con- management was appreciated, for the

Mayor Stephens and Mr. Wood, for the manner in which the ladies of Wagons followed the hunters and the Methodist Episcopal church serv-

Guardians Entertain Their Campfire Girls

The Guardians were hostesses to Wauna Campfire girls at the home of Miss Hilda Dickenson, Wednesday evening. Progressive games were the diversion of the evening, three tables being in play. Mary Tompkins won first prize, and the consolation went to Nylene Taylor.

Sweet peas predominated in the decorations, and the favors were car-Mrs. LeRoy, Miss Dickenson,

guardians and twelve Campfire girls twenty ladies were present. A brief presentation is made in an Oriental enjoyed the evening. Singing Campfire songs was a feature enjoyed by those present. Mildred Hansell and Tomorrow night, the local theatre Esma Hiteman are two new members Harness and Shoe Shop

> erly conducted a shoe shop in Athena, has purchased the tools and equipment of the Charles Norris harness shop, leased the Main street building of Mr. Norris, and will come to Athena to reside. Mr. Hall will carry on the harness business at Mr. Norris' old stand and will also engage in shoe

Perry Hall of Pendleton, who form-

Sells Mountain Spuds John Park's completed a deal last week for the sale of another car of Mountain Seed potatoes to a Yakima valley grower, making two care he has disposed of for delivery April 15, says the Leader. The spuds are taken at the pit by the buyers, who sack and haul them. The price

is said to approximate around \$25

repairing.

Snow Flurry Aids Grain

per ton f. o. b. Weston.

Farmers of the Athena district are divided in opinion reflecting upon the amount of probable damage sustained by growing grain as the result of re-Athena basketball fans are attend- ported a naval program reducing the cent cold weather. The situation was ing the tournament games at Me- original amount of seven hundred relieved somewhat by a two-inch snow Laughlin High School gymnasium as forty millions to two hundred seventy fall which protected the grain. Howthey are being played to determine four millions, and entirely eliminated ever, in some localities the snow soon melted and since then freezing "CHAS. L. McNARY." temperature prevailed.