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COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM MAY 4-9

Baccalaureate Sermon Is by Pastor Sias—Prof. Harris, Class Address.

Commencement exercises of Athena high school will begin Sunday evening at the Christian church at 8 o'clock, when Pastor C. A. Sias will deliver the baccalaureate sermon before the graduating class of 1930. The program follows:

Hymn Congregation
Invocation Choir
Response Choir
Scripture
Anthem, "Praise ye the Lord".....
Choir
Mrs. Floyd Pinkerton, Mrs. Ralph McEwen, Mrs. R. D. Blatchford, Laurence Pinkerton, Mr. George Gerking, Mr. Kohler Betts, Mr. C. M. Eager.

Address.....Charles A. Sias
Anthem, "The Voice of Jesus".....
Choir
Benediction.
Graduating exercises will take place at the high school auditorium next Friday evening, beginning at 8 o'clock. The class address will be delivered by Prof. Mark Harris of Whitman college. Members of the graduating class are Carl Calvert, John Kirk, Cecil Pambrun, Eldon Myrick, Frances Cannon, Helen Foster, Virgie Moore, Beatrice Hiteman, Loie Montgomery and Rhoda Nelson.
Class colors are blue and silver, class flower sweet pea, class motto "No Victories Without Labor." Decorations are by the sophomore class, Marjorie Douglas, chairman.

McFadden's Pharmacy To Have New Owner

McFadden's Pharmacy changed ownership this week, when yesterday morning Gordon Watkins, formerly of St. John, Washington, the new proprietor, took charge. Mr. Watkins was in Athena last week, looked the store over and closed the deal with Mr. McFadden in Portland. George Cuthill, who came to the store as pharmacist will go to Freewater and Leonard Geissel will continue in his position at the local pharmacy. The St. John Journal speaks of Mr. Watkins as follows:

"Barring unforeseen difficulties, Gordon Watkins May 1 will take charge of the McFadden Pharmacy at Athena, Ore., which he has acquired through purchase. Formal acceptance by both parties was made by wire and letter yesterday and an initial payment forwarded.

"Mr. Watkins has been employed continuously by Chas. H. Boatright in his drug store here since graduating from the Washington state college seven years ago. He came to St. John with his mother, when a small boy and has therefore spent the greater part of his life here. Four years ago he married Miss Esther Rabam, a charming young lady, who was teaching in the local school. Mr. and Mrs. Watkins are among the most popular and highly respected young people of the community, and they and their little daughter, Norma June, will be missed by a large number of sincere friends, who will hope that "Gordon and Esther" enjoy a world of prosperity in their new home.

"Mr. Watkins is 27 years old. He is past master of the local Masonic lodge, and both he and Mrs. Watkins are prominent in lodge, church and civic movements."

Picks Up Injured Man

Jens Jensen, Athena blacksmith, happened along at the right time Sunday afternoon on the highway near Pendleton, to render aid to M. V. Witty of Cove, who had received painful injuries about the head when he was knocked down by a passing car. L. G. Sewell of Pendleton, driving a truck, struck him and while stopping to investigate, in applying the brakes the truck skidded into an approaching car. Jensen took Witty to the hospital where he received treatment for his injuries and was able to leave the institution shortly after having his wounds dressed.

View Eclipse of Sun

Everyone in Athena viewed the partial eclipse of the sun Monday forenoon. Smoked glass and photo film brought to view the solar phenomena presented by the moon passing in front of the sun, obscuring it to about the proportion of a first quarter moon.

Hermiston Asparagus

First returns from asparagus shipments arrived for local growers this week from Kennebec headquarters of the Three Rivers Growers. The season so far this year has been a good one, little interference from frosts having been experienced.

Athena Loses To Helix In Close Game Sunday, Boots Were Frequent

Boots that were frequent and costly, permitted Helix to win from Athena in the county league Sunday, 5 to 4. Helix had an errorless column while a total of five misplays were contributed by the local players. Hogen and Kirkpatrick played Athena's jinks corner at third and each were responsible for two, while one was contributed by Huffman at first. That's the story, impressively told in the twelve hits garnered by Athena to eight for Helix.

Baker led in batting with three hits in four times up, Bowers closely following with three in five times at bat. Bowers also scored two of Athena's runs.
Helix scored one in the first and another in the third. Athena tied it up in the third when after Jenkins had flew out to Tate, Bowers singled, Crowley walked, Morrison hit, scoring Bowers, Hodgens and Baker singled, Crowley scoring. With the bases loaded, Pierce struck out Harden and Kirkpatrick to the Helix hurler.

Two errors and a couple of hits netted Helix three in the seventh. Athena all but evened the score again in her half of the seventh when Bowers opened with a two-ply swat. Crowley struck out, Morrison went out Cook to King, Bowers taking second on the play. Hodgens hit for two bases, Bowers scoring. Baker's third single scored Hodgens. Harden fanned for the third out. The score:

Athena	AB	R	B	E
Bowers rf	5	2	3	0
Crowley lf	3	1	0	0
Miller lf	1	0	0	0
Morrison p	5	0	1	9
Hodgen 2b-3b	4	0	1	2
Baker c	4	0	3	0
Harden cf	4	0	0	0
Kirkpatrick 3b-2b	4	0	2	2
Huffman 1b	4	0	2	1
Jenkins ss	4	0	0	0

Helix	AB	R	B	E
Schyer ss	4	1	1	0
Shaw lf	5	1	0	0
Cook 3b	4	2	2	0
King 1b	4	1	1	0
Hargett c	4	0	1	0
Tate rf	3	0	1	0
Holgram cf	3	0	0	0
Swain 2b	4	0	2	0
Pierce p	4	0	0	0

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Bases on balls, Morrison 2, Pierce 1. Two base hits Bowers, Hodgens. Earned runs Athena 4, Helix 2. Struck out by Morrison 10, by Pierce 9. Left on bases Athena 7, Helix 9.

Governor Norblad Here

Governor Norblad spent several hours in Athena Wednesday, interviewing republican voters relative to his candidacy for nomination at the primary election, May 16. The governor was accompanied to Athena by L. L. Rogers of Pendleton and Fred Hodgen of Adams.

Cyril Gagnon Takes Acid Drink When Officer Comes

Cyril Gagnon, 68, well known in Athena took his life in the McFeely hotel at Walla Walla Monday afternoon when an officer appeared at his apartment to arrest him on a charge of liquor possession, so it is alleged.
After Officer Roff had asked him to go with him to the station, Gagnon excused himself, went into his bath room and a moment or two later came staggering out and fell and died in a few moments.

His body was taken in charge by the coroner who said that death was due to drinking carboic acid. Gagnon's death is the fourth caused by suicide at Walla Walla in the past month.

Gagnon in the past had made frequent visits to Athena. At one time he had considerable means, lived well and was liberal with his money.

Out For Re-Nomination

James H. E. Scott, present representative 23rd district, Umatilla county, is asking the republican voters for re-nomination at the primary election May 16. Representative Scott has for his slogan: "Fewer and better laws and common sense business legislation." Mr. Scott's friends and supporters are said to be strong for him on the record he has made in the legislature.

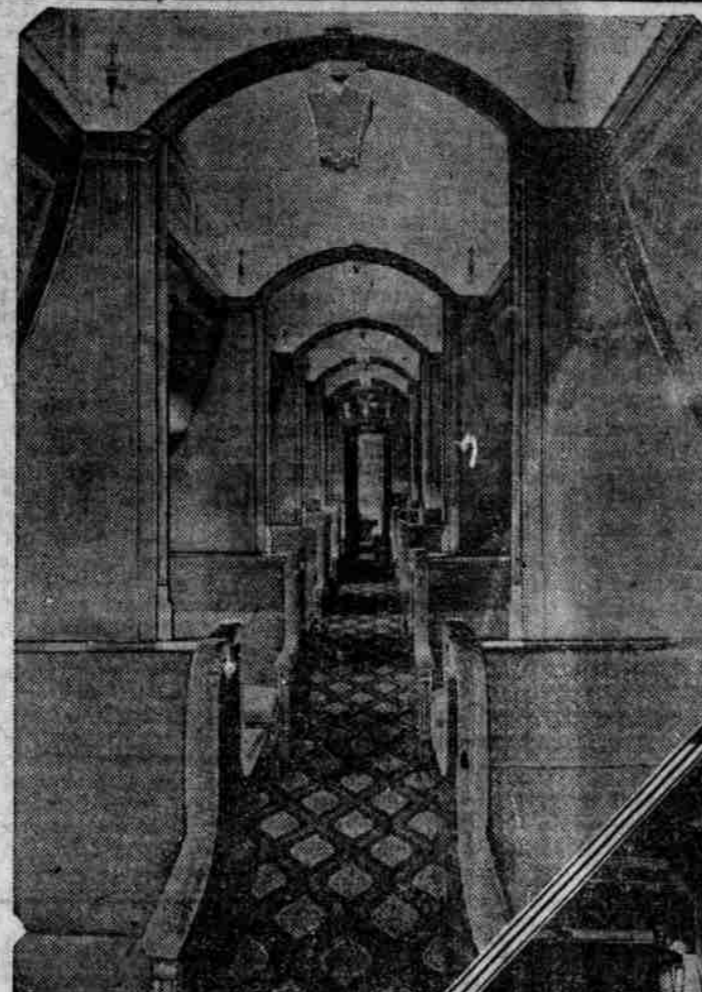
A Pendleton Candidate

Dr. I. U. Temple, a substantial taxpayer, competent business man and a pioneer resident, is a republican candidate for representative in the legislature from Umatilla county. Dr. Temple was in Athena Saturday meeting voters in the interests of his candidacy.

First Half Taxes Due

After Monday, May 5th, the first half tax payment becomes delinquent and is subject to penalty. So if you do not want your taxes to become delinquent go to the First National Bank and pay on or before next Monday.

NORTHERN PACIFIC PRESENTS NEW NORTH COAST LIMITED TO NORTHWEST



Announcement that the Northern Pacific Railway will put into service May 15 a \$4,000,000 fleet of new North Coast Limited trains was made today by E. E. Nelson, passenger traffic manager of the railway.

The new North Coast Limiteds, Mr. Nelson said, will be roller bearing, all-Pullman trains, embodying the latest improvements in railway equipment.

Seven complete trains will comprise the new fleet. Six will be always in operation, while equipment sufficient for another full train will be held in reserve.

Starting at Chicago May 3, one of the new limiteds will make an exhibition tour of the Northern Pacific system, ending at the west coast May 22. Stops will be made all along the way to permit public inspection of the train.

The 1930 North Coast Limiteds will constitute the third edition of this fleet of de luxe passenger trains operating between Chicago and the

north Pacific coast cities. The first North Coast Limiteds went into service in the spring of 1920, just 30 years ago. They were the first electric lighted trains operated in the northwest.

New equipment for the 1930 North Coast Limited fleet was built expressly for the Northern Pacific by the Pullman Company, which has been designing and constructing passenger cars for more than 70 years.

The Pullmans are of the type containing only 10 regular berth sections, instead of the usual 12 or 16 sections. This means that there will be fewer passengers in each car, making for unusual roominess. There will also be one drawing room and one compartment in each Pullman which may be used separately or en suite. Upholstery, lighting equipment and other appointments carry out new decorative schemes.

The specially built dining cars were designed specifically for the new North Coast Limited. Observation-club cars of the new trains are radio-equipped.



Interior of the artistic and commodious new Pullmans and a corner of the card room in the observation-club car on the new North Coast Limited.

Mrs. Catherine Bell Dies At The Dalles

Mrs. Catherine Bell, for 39 years a resident of the Athena vicinity, died Monday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Will Saunders at The Dalles as the result of a second paralytic stroke. Her four sons were called to her bedside several days ago, but on her improving, returned to their homes. She did not long survive the second stroke. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the Christian church. They were largely attended and the floral offerings were many and beautiful.

Mrs. Bell was born December 21, 1853, in Toronto, Canada, and she and her husband came to Oregon in 1891 settling near Athena. Mrs. Bell is survived by the following children: James F. Bell of Athena; Hugh Bell of Pendleton; Mrs. W. H. Saunders of The Dalles; Mrs. A. F. Warren of Arlington; J. V. Bell, of Pendleton; Allen Bell and Ernest Bell of Athena. A brother, D. B. Bell, of Pendleton and two sisters, Mrs. Allan Mc Kinnon of Lewiston and Mrs. Joseph Conn who lives in Canada, also survive. There are 13 grandchildren, also.

Helix Comes Sunday

Helix will cross bats with Athena in the Umatilla County league Sunday afternoon on the home grounds. Fresh from winning two straight, from the Indians and the locals, Bill King's aggregation will come to town all hopped up to make it three in a row. But can they do it? George, ol' reliable George Bannister will be in the box for the home tribe and as he has often beat ol' "Slide" Kelly in the past, he may be able to take another game from the old reliable sideporter who pitched for Helix when Charley Potter used to drive stage through Centerville. Anyway it's going to be a warm one.

Freewater Woman Selected

The Oregon Christian Endeavor Union, meeting at Marshfield, chose Medford for its next convention meeting place. Mrs. F. E. Ritchey of Freewater, was named as one of the regional vice-presidents.

Huggins Service Station

Workmen are excavating for James Huggins service station at corner of Main and Fifth streets. Lumber and Shell Oil company pressed metal finishing material is on the ground for the service station building.

Forest Service Plans To Extend Skyline Road Forty Miles To Kamela

A 40-mile extension of the Skyline road south and west from Tollgate connecting with the Old Oregon trail at Kamela will be built during the next five years by the forest service, according to unofficial advices to Albert Baker, Walla Walla district forest ranger, says the Bulletin.

Work will be started this year. It is understood that \$10,000 has been appropriated by the forest service for the first year's project, which will be between seven and eight miles. The first construction will be done north from Kamela.
The road will follow the divide of the Blue mountains north and east of Kamela to Tollgate. Approximately \$70,000 will be used on the entire road. The route follows the old logging road east from Kamela to the Summit Ranger station near the divide and then north.

When completed this road will give motorists of the Inland Empire the opportunity of two routes from Tollgate, either to the north around the present Skyline road emerging at Dayton or to the south coming out at Kamela. No surfacing funds are provided, the appropriation being limited to clearing and grading.

The reason for starting on the new project at Kamela is to give the bureau of public roads the opportunity to get a start on the road between Tollgate and Elgin which will make a road through Weston to Elgin highway. Two routes have been proposed for the remainder of the Weston-Elgin road. One is down the old Lincoln road and the other slightly to the west descending Little Phillips creek. It is probable that the forest service may save 10 miles of construction work by waiting until the bureau has laid out its road. Mr. Baker stated, as otherwise the two roads might parallel each other.

County Treasurer Candidate

Mrs. Betty DeHart, county treasurer and republican candidate for nomination in the primary election, was an Athena visitor, Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. DeHart has had seven years experience in handling county records and has served one term as treasurer. She has a number of warm personal friends in Athena, who are interested in her candidacy and who speak in very favorable terms of her efficiency in office and the courtesy she extends the public.

Henry W. Collins Takes On Regional Manager Job

A Chicago dispatch announces that Henry W. Collins of Pendleton, Ore., has been employed as a district manager of the Farmers National Grain corporation, it was announced by George S. Milnor, general manager of the corporation. Collins' territory will embrace Washington, Oregon and California and the northern part of Idaho.

Collins is one of the largest grain handlers in the Pacific northwest, according to Milnor, having been in grain and milling business for many years. He farms on a large scale, Milnor asserted. The North Pacific Grain Growers, Inc., one of the stockholders of the grain corporation, has headquarters in Rosalia, Wash., which is in Collins' territory. The rapid development of this organization indicates it will handle in excess of 50,000,000 bushels of grain of the 1930 crop.

Pendleton Shows Decline

Preliminary census announcement from the office of A. C. McIntyre, district supervisor, discloses that the population of Pendleton in common with other towns in the county has decreased over the ten year period from 1920 to 1930. Pendleton's present population is given at 6621, a decrease of 216. The smaller towns in the county have decreased in population in greater proportion. In face of these returns LaGrande is the only town in Eastern Oregon showing a substantial increase, having gained over 1100 population since the 1920 census was taken and now stands at 8,043. Weston went back from 595 to 384, while Stanfield slipped from 278 to 203. As stated last week, Athens decreased from 621 to 504.

Ranges Ready For Stock

The Milton Eagle reports that stockmen are preparing to move their livestock into the forest grazing areas about May 1. According to reports grazing conditions are excellent at the present time but a shortage of water in the mountains is feared later, due to the small amount of snow that fell the past winter.

Plant Beans About May 10

There will be little activity in the bean industry until about May 10. The company expects to start planting about that time as the ground in this county is usually warm enough to bring up the beans by that date.

Splendid Entertainment By Etude Club Given Audience At Auditorium

The Athena Etude club splendidly entertained the audience at high school auditorium Wednesday evening in presenting a worth-while concert, every number of which was generously applauded, and in two instances, so insistent was the demand that encores were given.

The chorus numbers directed by Rowena Ludwigs Lester, of Walla Walla, were easily on a par of any ever before presented in Athena by local talent. The two groups, each comprising four song selections were given by the chorus in splendid voice. The chorus was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Lester.

Miss Lois Johnson of the Malen Burnett school of music delighted her hearers at the piano with "Marche Mignonne" and "Scherzo," responding to encore with a captivating selection. Mrs. Harold Bronson and Miss Olive Spear displayed grace and technique in their violin duets, accompanied at the piano by Miss Lola Gooding. Their group of two numbers, "Perfect Day" and "Woodland Echoes" were warmly applauded and they gave a highly pleasing selection in response. The program of the evening was:

At 8:00 at DuskL. Barnes
Sleepy Hollow Tune.....Richard Kountz
Happy SongTeresa Del Riego
Chit Chat Alfred Moffat
Club Chorus

Piano Solo—
Marche MignonnePoldini
Scherzo Mendelssohn

Lois Johnson
Mrs. Harold Bronson
Miss Olive Spear

Accompanist, Miss Lola Gooding
The SkatersWaldentfel
To a Wild RoseEdward McDonald
The IcicleBryceson Treharne
Swing AlongWill Marion Cook
Club Chorus

Soprano—Verva Baker, Maude Garfield, Kathryn Hiteman, Oletia Miller, Ruby Payne, Zenna Pinkerton, Hazel Stewart.

Second soprano—Alta Michener, Ione Cresswell, Alice Eager, Maude Reeder.

Alto—Evangeline Blatchford, Mae Douglas, Grace Foster, Lorraine Pinkerton.

Hermiston Here This Afternoon

Hermiston high school, leaders in the high school baseball league will be here this afternoon to play Athena high on the local grounds. Hermiston is reputed to have a good team and a lively contest may be expected. Coach Miller will start Huffman who has made a creditable showing on the mound in every game he has pitched so far this season. The kids have a knack of finding the range and bat fairly well, and their fielding average is beginning to look better.

Consolidation Plans For Milton-Freewater Dropped

The Milton Eagle reports that the committee of eleven business men from Milton and Freewater appointed recently to investigate the feasibility of uniting the two towns into one municipality met Tuesday of this week.

After a discussion of the problem from every angle, all members present went on record as being heartily in favor of the proposal, believing that it would undoubtedly be a good thing for the entire community. However, there appeared obstacles to the plan which seem to make it inadvisable for the matter to be further considered.

The committee, nevertheless, expressed the hope and the belief that the cordial relations now existing between the people of Milton and Freewater will be continued.

Change In Bass Season

Of interest to Athena anglers is the following announcement from the state game commission: Latest ruling on bass, crappies, catfish, sunfish and perch, is open season during the entire year in all waters of the state except that Oswego Lake is closed from December 31 each year to April 15 of the following year. Tahkenitch and Sitcoos Lakes are closed from April 15 to July 1 each year.

Pendleton Defeats Mac-Hi

Pendleton won the annual county track meet Saturday from Mac-Hi of Milton-Freewater, with a total of 84 points to 58. Temple and Arterburn were the high point winners for Pendleton while Markham and Miller were the Mac-Hi leaders. Pendleton took twelve of the 14 places. Hermiston was third in the meet with nine points, and Helix fourth with three.

Collided With Horse

Enroute to Pendleton Tuesday evening, the coupe driven by Tom Cook of Helix was in a collision with a horse on the highway. The fact that Cook was driving at moderate speed resulted in slight damage to his car and minor injuries to Mrs. Cook and Mrs. R. D. Cook.

OREGON MOTHERS AT THE UNIVERSITY

Mothers of Athena Students Receive Invitations To Week-End Event.

University of Oregon.—(Special)—Oregon Mothers from every section of the state will be entertained at the University of Oregon on the annual mothers' week-end, May 10 and 11, which is also the junior week-end celebration. Meetings for the mothers, organized at last year's session, banquets with sons and daughters, as well as the various junior week-end entertainments, are all part of the extensive plans which are being laid.

Invitations have been sent to mothers and guardians of University of Oregon students from Athena including Mrs. Eva Charlton, Mrs. Dean Dudley, Mrs. F. J. Gross, Mrs. Lew McNair, Mrs. F. B. Radtke.

Mrs. Walter M. Cook, Portland, president of the Oregon Mothers, will preside at the executive committee meeting which will open the session Saturday noon, May 10. Immediately following this meeting, the Associated Women Students will entertain the mothers at a tea in Hendricks hall. All mothers will attend a mass meeting in Guild hall at 4 o'clock, and at this time various problems which concern parents and students will be taken up.

The highlight of the week-end will be the banquet Saturday evening for mothers and their sons and daughters, which will be held in Gerlinger hall. Prominent people of the state and university will be among the speakers. A special vesper service for the mothers is being arranged for Sunday at 4 o'clock in the music building.

Results of Matches On Athena Tennis Court

In the tennis matches last Sunday, Blatchford and Baker won from F. Johns and L. Gray 6-1;63, Koepke and O. Michener won from L. Michener and W. Pinkerton 6-2;6-2. W. Harden and E. C. Prestbye won over LeGrow and J. Pinkerton 7-5; 6-2. L. Geissel and D. Pinkerton took the match from Miller and A. Taylor 6-1; 6-0.

Next Sunday morning the match play will continue as follows: at 8:00 a. m. Harden and Prestbye will play L. Geissel and D. Pinkerton in a semi-final match and Johns and Gray will meet Eager and W. Pinkerton in the first consolation match. At 9:00 a. m. Blatchford and Baker vs. Koepke and O. Michener in the other semi-finals and LeGrow and J. Pinkerton versus Miller and A. Taylor in the consolation round. At 10 o'clock the winners in the consolation rounds will meet the losers in the semi-final matches, and at 11 o'clock the finals in both rounds will be played.

A Sad, Sad Death

One of the saddest deaths chronicled for some time was that of Delpha Woodward, seventeen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Woodward of Walla Walla, Tuesday, after an illness of only three weeks from the incurable disease lupemtic leukemia, for which medical science knows no cause. Delpha was born at Adams. She was exceptionally talented and led Walla Walla high school in oratory and was the author of plays presented by the school. She was a member of the Woodward and Lieullen pioneer families of Umatilla county. Athena friends deeply regret her death and will always remember her for her sweetness of character.

A Thrilling Experience

A thrilling experience befell Mrs. Henry Koepke Saturday afternoon while returning in the rainstorm from Walla Walla, when her automobile skidded and went into the ditch. The car swerved onto the soft shoulder of the highway at a point west of the Banister place and in attempting to bring the machine back on the hard surface it swerved from side to side. Finally it struck the Bruno Weber car which was passing, on a hubcap. This turned the Koepke car around and finally it stopped, leaning over on its side in the ditch. Fortunately neither Mrs. Koepke nor her infant son was injured and the cars were but slightly damaged.

Championship Cups

There are two cups for high school championship trophies on display in the show window of the Mosgrove building on Main street. One of the cups, awarded by the Helix Commercial Club to the winning grade school at the sectional track meet at Helix, was won by the Athena grade school participants. The other cup, awarded by Jack Allen of Pendleton will go to the high school baseball team winning the pennant in the Umatilla high school league.