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WATER WORKS FOR DALLAS.

The question has been much discussed, there being a variety of opinions as to its feasibility at the present time. The following proposition has been made to the city authorities: Hillsboro, Ore., August 29, 1901.
 To the Honorable Mayor of Dallas, Oregon:
 Agreeable to promise made to a number of the citizens of your city, I offer herewith a brief proposal to construct and equip a water works for the City of Dallas—taking the water from Canyon creek, or other equally as good a source and conducting the same to a spacious reservoir 6,000 feet west of Main street. The works would consist of masonry reservoir, 30,000 feet of mains from reservoir into and on the streets of Dallas, five miles of conduit leading to the reservoir, 20 hydrants, etc. The whole would cost \$25,000. Its efficiency would be water supply for population of 5,000 and four good fire streams.

Terms would be: Complete ownership of the entire plant by the city; city to pay \$10,000 on completion of plant; city to secure all rights of way, reservoir site and water rights; city to give me 20-year lease of the plant for \$1 a year, with right of renewals, etc.; at end of 20-year period, by arbitration, the actual value of the plant to be determined, the city paying me for all equities this value as found, less the \$10,000 first paid.
 This gives the city free service up on 30 hydrants for the interest upon \$10,000, or \$500 yearly, and insures the investment by actual ownership and return of property at end of 20 years at actual value, of course, I binding myself to make such improvements as become necessary.

Now, if you wish to go more into detail, so as to submit the matter to the voters, I will be pleased to call on you not later than September 4th, and arrange the same. My idea was that you might discuss this measure statement with your leading citizens and learn if there was any use going further with it. I am respectfully,
 H. V. GATES.

Miss Lola Taylor has been spending a week in Portland.

John McBee is drying hops for Geo. Smith north of Rickreall.

The recent storm of lightning injured several telegraph poles at Crowley.

Miss Glennie Rannels will probably teach at Bridgeport and Miss Abbie Weikart at Falls City.

Our merchants have sold several hundred hop baskets, completely exhausting their supply.

Kirkpatrick & Williams have some sixty pickers in the Lyle yard, about half of them being Indians.

President Poling has returned from Tillamook county and reports bright prospects for school patronage from there.

The mail route from Sheridan to Buell has been suspended, and hereafter all of that mail will go via Dallas. The present schedule will be changed to leave here at 1 o'clock, then they will get the Portland mail the same afternoon.

A number of farmers over in the Waldo hills have gone in a pod with 30,000 bushels of wheat and 50,000