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CLEARANCE SALE CONTINUED

Owing to the inclemency of the weather we have decided to continue our Clearance Sale until

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 1909

We do this in order to give outside residents an opportunity to buy goods at Clearance Sale prices. Our prices are a saving to you on good firstclass merchandise.

Yours Truly,

Campbell & Hollister

DALLAS, OREGON

BUILDERS, ATTENTION!

In connection with our lumber and shingle trade, we are now handling lime, plaster, cement, brick and sand. Lowest possible prices on all building material

THE CHAS. K. SPAULDING LOGGING COMPANY

Spray your Trees with

Dependable Brand LIME and SULPHUR Solution

Manufactured by GIDEON STOLZ CO., Salem, Oregon

\$100 FORFEIT IF NOT STRICTLY PURE

For Sale F. O. B. Dallas or Salem by

RAY & CO., Dallas, Oregon, or at
DALLAS SODA WORKS, Dallas, Oregon

Homer B. Slope, of Winslow, Arizona, is visiting friends here.

Mr. E. M. Guy went down to Portland Monday to attend the annual business meeting and banquet of the hardware men of the state of Oregon.

CATARRH IN HEAD.

Pe-ru-na--Pe-ru-na.



MR. WM. A. PRESSER.

Mr. WILLIAM A. PRESSER, 1723 Third Ave., Moline, Ill., writes: "I have been suffering from catarrh in the head for the past two months and tried innumerable so-called remedies without avail. No one knows how I have suffered, not only from the disease itself, but from mortification when in company of friends or strangers."

"I have used two bottles of your medicine for a short time only, and it effected a complete medical cure, and what is better yet, the disease has not returned."

"I can most emphatically recommend Peruna to all sufferers from this disease."

Read This Experience.

Mr. A. Thompson, Box 65, R. R. 1, Martel, Ohio, writes: "When I began your treatment my eyes were inflamed, nose was stopped up half of the time, and was sore and scabby. I could not rest at night on account of continual hawking and spitting."

"I had tried several remedies and was about to give up, but thought I would try Peruna."

"After I had taken about one-third of a bottle I noticed a difference. I am now completely cured, after suffering with catarrh for eighteen years."

"I think if those who are afflicted with catarrh would try Peruna they would never regret it."

Man-a-lin an Ideal Laxative.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

The following is the report of the public schools of Polk County for the school month ending December 31st, 1908.

Number of pupils remaining	Boys	Girls	Total
at beginning of month	1214	1185	2399
Number of pupils registered during month	21	8	29
Number of pupils who have been re-admitted during month	7	11	18
Number of pupils who have been re-admitted during month that have been dropped	56	51	107
Number of pupils who have been re-admitted during month that have been dropped	1008	1285	2293
Number of pupils who have been re-admitted during month that have been dropped	124	111	235
Number of pupils remaining at close of month	1284	1124	2408
Number of pupils on register since beginning of year not registered in any other school	1094	1242	2336
Number of pupils on register that have been re-admitted in some other school	29	29	58
Number of pupils over 21 and under 25	12	11	23
Number of pupils over 20 and under 25	294	277	571
Number of pupils over 19 and under 20	274	241	515
Number of pupils over 18 and under 19	269	256	525
Number of pupils over 17 and under 18	267	257	524
Total	1094	1242	2336
Number of days taught during month	17.5		
Whole number of days attendance	4256		
Whole number of days absence	5422		
Number of pupils neither absent nor tardy	2279		
Average number pupils belonging to school	2312		
Per cent of attendance	94.5		
Number of visits by parents	211		
Number of visits by members of school board	32		

The following schools were placed on the roll of honor for attendance, having made a per cent of 95 or more:

Bridgeport, Lewisville, Ballston, Salt Creek, Parkers, Monmouth, Scroggins, Gooseneck, Cackran, Rickreall, Oak Point, Elkins, Independence, Buell, Spring Valley, Popcorn, Harmony, Upper Salt Creek (100 per cent), North Dallas, Etna, Sunnyslope, Guthrie, Liberty, Falls City, Cherry Grove, Mountain View, Rock Creek, Highland, and Mistleton.

The following schools were placed on the roll of honor for having had no tardies during the month:

Smithfield, Bridgeport, Valley View, Gooseneck, Rickreall, Upper Salt Creek, Enterprise, Etna, Concord, Rock Creek, Highland, Mistleton.

The attendance for the month of December was not so good as for the months preceding, and I wish that all teachers, parents, school officers and children would try and bring the attendance back to the 95 percent that we are trying to maintain.

This report should have been published the last week in December, but several teachers were very slow in sending in the reports and some through the pleasures of the holidays, forgot that there were reports to be mailed and so my report has been delayed.

H. C. SEYMOUR,
School Superintendent of Polk county.

NEW SENATOR Popular Vote Upheld by Legislature ---Death of Oldest Polk Countyite.

JUDGE BUTLER DEAD.

Oldest Polk County Pioneer and Legislative Member.

Ira F. M. Butler died at his home at Monmouth last Saturday, being at the time of his death 96 years, 7 months and 25 days old. He was born in Kentucky in 1812, when his father was a private in the last war with England. At the age of 17 he removed to Illinois with his parents, where he remained until he came to Oregon in 1853.

He served as a private in the Black Hawk war under his father, who was a commanding officer. During his residence in Illinois he served a term as sheriff and was also clerk of the circuit court for a period of seven years under Stephen A. Douglas.

In 1835 he was married to Mary Ann Davidson, of Kentucky, with whom he crossed the plains in 1853. Upon his arrival in Oregon he located in Polk county. His home town being Monmouth, Illinois, he was one of the most influential factors in naming the town of Monmouth.

He served as a member of the legislature for three terms in which he was speaker of the house in 1857-8; he was county judge from 1878 till 1882.

In his home town on his birthday he was annually remembered by a host of friends, who would spend the day in visits of cheer and good will. In his daily life he represented the best type of the pioneer; always mindful of the welfare of his neighbors and fellow-citizens. His every effort was to give aid and help to those in need and also to conserve the interests of his county and state.

He leaves three children, his wife and five children having passed away before him. The children surviving are Miss Maggie Butler and Miss Allie Butler, of Monmouth, and S. A. D. Butler, of Napa, California.

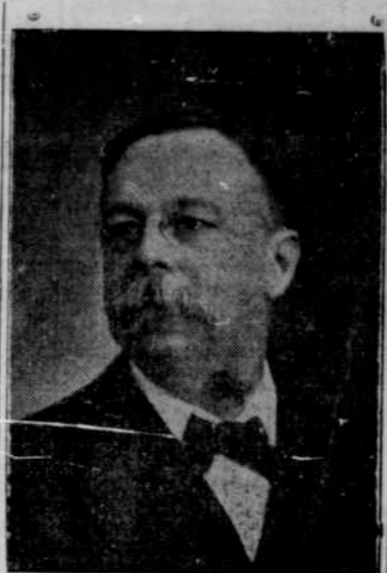
We have been honored with Judge Butler's friendship for the last 25 years. He was a courteous old-time gentleman, of which there are no better, and his word was as good as his bond. His was the true and noble spirit, practically exemplified in everyday life. Kind and generous to a fault, he carried out the principles of the golden rule in all his dealings with his fellow-men, and every day set an example, which if followed by all, would make of this earth a heaven indeed. He ranked high in the councils of the democratic party, and in his earlier life was a prime factor in the upbuilding of the county. Thus passes the only surviving member of our early legislatures. May he rest in peace.

MAY SELL TIMBER.

Supreme Court Decides Law Does Not Affect Settlers.

For the second time the United States supreme court has interpreted the timber and stone act, and for the second time rendered a decision adverse to the contention of the government. These decisions, almost identical in terms, and entirely identical in effect, strike at the most vital parts of many of the land fraud cases that have been tried, or still remain to be tried in the federal courts of various western states, and the law, as defined by the supreme court, renders lawful acts, which up to this time, have been held by the Department of Justice and the Department of the Interior to be unlawful, and contrary to the provisions of the timber and stone act.

In the Oregon timber land cases in Idaho, Colorado and California and elsewhere, the government contended that a timber entryman was not permitted to sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of his entry at any time between the filing of his initial application, and the completion of his final proof. The supreme court, first in the case of Congressman Williamson, and only a few days ago in the Colorado land cases, specifically holds that



United States Senator
GEO. E. CHAMBERLAIN

an entryman, at any time after filing his original application, may sell or contract to sell his entry, and be entirely within his legal right. The government contention to the contrary having been twice held void by the highest court in the land, it is to be presumed that new tactics will hereafter be pursued by prosecuting officers of the government.

COUNCIL MEETING.

Water Works Proposition to be Put Up to the People.

The city council met in regular session last Monday evening with all the officials present except Councilman Cosper. The assessment for the new sewers being under consideration quite an audience of interested spectators were present. By the way, if this interest in city matters is to become a usual thing, and it will as the city develops, the councilmen will have to provide themselves with a larger meeting place. For the last three nights the council chamber has been crowded with taxpayers, and a number were compelled to stand. If the city cooler were located elsewhere, sufficient room could be created to do for a few years more.

On motion of Coad the auditor was instructed to collect forth with from three parties yet delinquent on street assessment.

The ordinance committee through Chairman Ellis, reported favorably on numbering of our houses and putting up street signs, and on motion of Coad the report was adopted and the city attorney instructed to draft an ordinance providing for such. The proposition has been made to the city by Dungan & Holman, and their plan as proposed was recommended, i. e., to divide the city in three parts, making Dallas to lie west of Uglow street and south of Academy, all north of Academy to be known as North Dallas and that east of Uglow street to be known as East Dallas. The street signs are to be put in at a cost of 35 cents each, and the blocks allowed 30 numbers.

The auditor was instructed to advertise for bids for the building of a number of new sidewalks not yet laid by the owners.

Claims allowed:
O. Hayer, salary \$20.00
Cleaning crosswalks of snow \$3.00
Dallas Water Co. 107.15
Guy Bros, supplies 1.85
Willetts Valley Lumber Co. 32.85
W. L. Soehren, expanders 14.80
Total \$174.12

The building of the J. E. Smith cement walk on Main street being up for objections, Mrs. J. E. Smith appeared before the council and showed several good reasons why the building of the same should be postponed until spring. The hearing was continued.

Next on the docket was the hearing of objections to the sewer assessment levy. The committees for the several sewer districts have worked long and faithfully in going over all the properties benefited, getting correct descriptions, finding the present ownerships, and figuring valuations, also the cost of each lot and parcel, distributing as

equally and justly as they could possibly do it. It has been a long, laborious job, and the person who thinks there is any fun in it had his eyes opened at the session Monday evening a little as to their labors. The resolution governing the matter was introduced last night, but the amounts due from each property owner had not been included, although Mr. Ellis had them all figured out. The addition of these, before the resolution was adopted was in itself quite a job, lasting from 8:40 until 11 o'clock, when the resolution was adopted as read. Judge Sibley entered a formal objection on behalf of a number of Clay street property owners, claiming that it should have been done by superficial area instead of that of property valuation, and Messrs D. J. Riley and Frank Kerslake also entered objections to the amount charged against their property, claiming it to be excessive. The resolution was then adopted, Uglow voting no.

An ordinance to regulate plumbing was read first time.

Alderman Ellis started to move that certain amendments be made to the charter by the legislature, when the city attorney informed us that we were taking the wrong procedure. It seems that since Brother Uren got in his initiative proposition the legislature cannot have any more say in the granting or amending of city charters, and that the only changes that can be made must be by the people interested at a general election, when the proposed amendments become a part of the ballot, and are voted for or against. This leaves the matter of making of the city a separate district and the voting of bonds a matter to be settled by the voters at the next city election on the first Monday in April. In order to get a consensus of the peoples' desires in the matter the city council will hold an adjourned meeting next Monday evening at the court house for the purpose of feeling the public pulse. If it is then found desirable, the necessary steps will be taken for voting on the questions.

By inadvertence some property owners having been left out of the former sewer assessment notice, the auditor was instructed to publish notice to them.

Mr. W. A. Ayres appeared before the council and entered an objection to the proposed erection of a powder house in the vicinity of his residence. After some debate on this question, Ellis moved that the city attorney be instructed to draft an ordinance prohibiting the keeping of dynamite within the city limits at all, and the limiting of the amount of gunpowder carried to 25 pounds.

BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

A Recapitulation of What Happened Thrusly for 1908.

County Health Officer W. S. Carey has kindly furnished us with the following official figures of the births and deaths in Polk county, as taken from his official records: During the last year there were 136 births in Polk county, 82 of them being males, and 104 females, this being about the usual ratio of preponderance of females over males.

The month of December was credited with the largest number of female births, there being 15, and in July the males came to the front in the greatest number, there being 15. July had the largest number of births, male and female, there being 24 babies to first see the light. October was the lowest month for new arrivals, only 10 little fellows putting in appearance.

During 1908 there were 85 deaths, 44 of them being males, and 41 females. There were two male suicides, but no females, both of them snuffing out the candle of life by the carbolic acid route. There were five accidental deaths, one being from drowning and the others from injuries received while logging. There were 42 cases of contagious diseases reported to the health officer and properly quar-

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DeWITT'S KIDNEY AND BLADDER PILLS FOR BACKACHE

Weak Kidneys, Lame Back and Inflammation of the Bladder
A WEEK'S TRIAL 25c

Sold by CONRAD STAFFRIN, Dallas, Oregon.

22nd Annual Clearance Sale

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R. JACOBSON & CO'S.

Sale to begin Saturday, January 2, 1909.

Notwithstanding that the year of 1908 has been the biggest year in the history of this store, we are determined to close out the remainder of our fall and winter stock at prices which will pay you to buy your year's supply. During this sale nothing in our large stock will be reserved; prices are reduced from 10 per cent to 50 per cent. Call early while the stock is complete.

Store will be closed from Thursday at 5 p. m. until Saturday at 9 a. m. to arrange and mark down the stock.

Thanking the public for their patronage during the past year and soliciting a continuance of the same, we wish each and everyone a happy and prosperous New Year.

D. M. NAYBERGER,

Former partner and Successor to

R. JACOBSON & CO.

McMINNVILLE, OREGON.

When in need of a GOOD PLUMBER and Good Plumbing Goods, Remember Us.

We have decided to quote you prices on first-class goods and first-class work that will be lower than others ask for cheap goods and inexperienced work.

Remember it will not be long until we have an ordinance specifying the way Plumbing Work shall be done. Then if your work is done by a poor workman, it will have to be torn out and put in new.

We know how it should be done RIGHT.

Some people want to be Plumbers, because the wages are higher.

A good workman is worth good money. Think it over, but better decide to have it done once, right, than several times wrong. Its Cheaper.

Guy Bros. & Dalton

Hardware and Furniture