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Patronize One Another for the Upbuilding of Town and County.

If those political plums have to go to republicans, the Itemizer knows of no two men who are more entitled to them than Lawrence Keyt and Chalmers Kirkpatrick. Mr. Keyt has all his life been a true blue republican, one that the party leaders should rely on, and who was never found sidestepping. Since Mr. Kirkpatrick joined the republican ranks, he has been in the same category, and we are glad to see them receive the appointment. Both are well qualified for the position, and if they obtain them, will fill the offices with credit to themselves and the state. Polk county is doubly honored by their selection.

The only lady speaker at the Jackson banquet the other evening in her otherwise most estimable talk, advocated the giving up of the Philippines. Her only reason was that the mothers of the land had already given enough of their sons and did not want to give more to retain them. This is an instance where sentiment runs away with business judgement. The mothers of our land are annually giving more of their sons to keep up our railroads than they would in the acquirement of a half a dozen islands, and will continue to give them for other development purposes as long as the world rolls on around. The islands have cost us too much money to now give them up, especially before we have been financially reimbursed and the development of the country and its population finished.

Lying is not altogether an unmixed evil, but may be so necessary to the accomplishment of a good purpose as to be a duty, where truth would be a sin. Lies are too precious to be wasted. Mark Twain in an essay on "The Decay of the Art of Lying" read before the Historical and Antiquarian society of Hartford, said: "The custom of lying has suffered no decay, for the lie as a virtue, as a principle is eternal. As a recreation, a solace, a refuge in time of need, the fourth grace, the tenth muse, man's best and surest friend, the lie is an immortal and cannot perish from the earth. But the noble art of lying has given way the habit of slovenly lying. Lying is a necessity, hence a virtue. No virtue can reach its highest usefulness without careful cultivation. Therefore this art of lying ought to be taught in the public schools. What chance has the uncultivated liar against the expert? Judicious lying is what the world needs. I sometimes think it is best not to lie at all than to lie injudiciously. An awkward lie is often as ineffectual as the truth. None of us could live with an habitual truth teller, but thank goodness, you don't have to. He is an impossible creature. He does not exist, and never has. The man who strictly speaks the truth to save his soul has no soul worth saving. To lie to help a poor devil out is worthy of all praise.

## NOTHING BUT TRUE BLUE.

At the meeting of the Jackson club in Portland last week it was the consensus of opinion among the 400 democrats gathered from all parts of the state that in the giving out of patronage none others should be considered excepting those who have through thick and thin remained loyal to the principles and national and state tickets of the party. It was thoroughly agreed that the everlasting kibosh should be put on the office seeking aspirations of all renegades—that they might as well keep out of the race for all the good it would do them. In all of which the Itemizer most heartily concurred, as we do not believe it right nor justice that the true blue democrat, who has for years fought the battles of his party, should now be laid aside and the reward which might be rightfully his, handed out to some half faithful follower of democracy, who never was quite certain just what stand he was going to take on national or state matters, and who every once in a while thought himself perfectly safe in voting with the other side. The keynote of all the speeches at this banquet was to the effect that to the victor belongs the spoils, and all would stand united in seeing that he got them. Unity on a certain principle is the basis of party strength, and the man who is continually wavering should be considered an outcast at all times—most certainly when favors are to be awarded, as this uncertainty of his may have been the means of causing others to waver, thus to some extent detracting from the party's strength both at the polls and elsewhere. Those who forgot to follow Bryan cannot be considered Wilson supporters, and can in no way expect now but to take the consequences of their own unfaithfulness. The meeting last week was to lay down these principles, and to pave the way for a successful and thorough organization along these lines. Only by such methods can the party be successful in the next warfare.

W. E. Arnold, a representative of the bitulitic pavement company of Portland, was a caller last week. He made a proposition to the commercial club for the placing of his hard surface pavement on our present macadam system of street covering. By scarifying the present roadway, the company say that it will be in fine condition for the application of their compound, and that it will stick just as good as though they put on the sub-grades themselves. It will raise the grade of the streets some three inches, but they assert that this will not hurt anything, as our walks are now too high to make

easy steps at the crossings, which in the event of hard surface are entirely done away with. The company stands ready to put in as small a job for Dallas as three blocks, they relying for the balance of the work on the satisfaction that is bound to ensue, and the orders for the balance needed will come later. They say that this has been their experience everywhere and they do not expect Dallas to be different. The matter of hard surfacing is no doubt growing in sentiment, especially since the bitulitic people have found it practicable to use our macadam and not have the property owner paying for excavating and doing the primary work all over again, but our council does not find itself willing to take any such responsibility on their hands, nor are they going to. Warren Bros. figure that it will cost the property owners on our main streets something like \$5 a front foot to put on the hard surface, this meaning for half the street. If hard surfacing is done this year, it will have to come up to the council by petition from the property owners themselves, showing conclusively that they desire the improvement. We understand that petitions to this effect will be circulated in the near future, and the matter definitely determined, for the coming year at least. The Itemizer hopes that the improvement will go through, and stands ready to sign up for our property on Mill street. What say the rest of you?

## Commissioners

In the matter of the petition of Chas. A. Parker et al for a new road district to be carved out of District 5, the petition was granted, the new district to be known as No. 18.

The bond of J. H. Moran for constable of district 5, with Daniel Dove and S. H. McElmurry as sureties, was approved.

The tax levy for 1913 was made as follows:  
State tax 1.42 mills  
County 3.28  
Schools 2.06  
High school .7  
Deficiency 3.00  
Roads and highways .400

Total \$15.00

Ordered that hereafter no disbursements be made or liability incurred for which the county must pay by any officer of the county except on formal requisition filed with the county court and approved by said court. It is the intention of the above order that office supplies of the various county officials, as well as all other supplies shall be included within the meaning of said order. That the county clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to have printed and requisition blanks, and that he supply each county official with a supply of said blanks, together with a copy of this order.

It appearing to the court that the old indexes to deeds and mortgages should be transcribed and brought up to date according to the indexes now being used in the clerk's office, time being wasted in looking up records, it was ordered that E. M. Smith be employed to do the work at five cents a transfer.

## DALLAS DEFEATS MULTNOMAH.

The Dallas Champions Win From Their Old Rivals, Multnomah.

Last Saturday night the Company G team scored a victory over the Multnomah Club five by the score of 22 to 19. The game was fast and a little rough, although neither team had any advantage in that line. Dallas started in the lead, scoring a field goal. The visitors soon tied the score with a field goal. Then the locals took the lead and not once did they lose it. At one time the score stood 12 to 4. The club men were not to be denied and brought the score up to 10 to 15 at the end of the first half. The second half was more exciting than ever all the men playing hard for the honor that they know would come with victory. The Dallas boys played their short passes and worked the ball to their end only to lose it. The club men worked their long passing to good advantage on several occasions but their playing did not come up to the old Dallas style of play. The scoring did

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Given under my hand this 19th day of December 1912.

SHERIDAN BRALEY, Executor.

W. O. SIMS, attorney.

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not come very fast in the last half on account of the close guarding by the determined men. The Multnomah team changed their lineup during the last half, but the Dallas lineup was not changed.

The final score stood 22 to 19. The scoring of field baskets for Dallas was: Gates 4, Ballantyne 2 and Shaw 2. For Multnomah McFarland 5, Keck 2, and Pugh 1. Ballantyne threw six fouls out of 10 tries. Keck threw 3 out of 4. Gates showed up to good advantage at throwing baskets, while the guarding of Morton and Boydston was very close. The club team's forwards not getting a basket, McFarland and Keck played fast ball for Multnomah.

The lineup:  
Dallas f Keck  
Gates f Fischer  
Ballantyne f Morris  
Shaw c Morris  
Boydston g McFarland  
Morton g Pugh  
Teats refereed the game.

## JUBILEE SINGERS.

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