

**Polk County Observer**

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The way to build up Dallas is to fast-track Dallas people.



**WATER CASES TRIED**

Jury Awards Judge Boise and Mrs. Hallock Much Smaller Amounts Than Were Asked.

The actions brought by the City of Dallas against Mrs. M. E. Hallock and Judge R. P. Boise to appropriate a right-of-way and certain water and water rights was tried before Judge Burnett this week. The trials lasted three days, and aroused a considerable amount of interest. Mrs. Hallock claimed that the appropriation of 500,000 gallons of water from Canyon Creek daily would damage her in the sum of \$10,000. She also claimed \$100 for a right-of-way through her lands. The jury, after making an inspection of her premises and hearing the evidence, decided that the amount asked was far in excess of the actual damage that would be caused by the appropriation of such rights, and returned a verdict for \$600. Judge Boise who claimed damages in the sum of \$5,100 was awarded \$51 by the jury.

The defendants were represented by W. H. Holmes, of Salem; Sibley & Enkin and N. L. Butler, of Dallas. Wm. T. Muir, of Portland, appeared as attorney for the city. The jury was composed of representative citizens of Polk county, and gave both cases the most careful consideration. The defendants received full justice at their hands, and the city is satisfied with the result. It is hoped that Dallas will be put to no further expensive and vexatious delays, and that the council will now be allowed to go ahead with the important work of supplying the city with a system of water-works.

**B. H. REASONER DEAD**

Well-Known Resident of Liberty Neighborhood Passes Away After One Week's Illness.

B. H. Reasoner, a highly-respected citizen of Polk county, died at his home southwest of Dallas, Sunday, May 24, 1903, at 2 o'clock a. m., of strangulation of the small intestines. His last illness covered a period of nine days. He was 73 years of age, and leaves a wife and two sons. Burial took place in the Dallas cemetery Monday afternoon. Mr. Reasoner was an honest, industrious citizen, and his loss will be keenly felt by his neighbors and friends.

**CHAIR OF ORATORY**

Miss Edna Parrish Elected To Professorship in Dallas College.

Miss Edna A. Parrish, of Salem, a student of the Willamette school of oratory, has received notice of her election to the professorship in expression and oratory at Dallas College, says the Salem Statesman.

Miss Parrish entered the college of oratory three years ago, and will receive her diploma this coming June. She is the treasurer of the senior class and has shown more than common interest in the various student enterprises. Miss Parrish's appointment has caused much joy to her many friends, who recognize in her a young lady with a promising future in her chosen line of work. She is decidedly popular among university circles, and her winning personality has won her a host of friends in the city. She has been much in demand as a reader and has made favorable appearances on lodge programs. At the commencement exhibition she will appear in the Merchant of Venice.

**From a Cat Scratch**

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**TRACK IS COMPLETED**

Trains Are Now Running Between Dallas and Falls City.

The track-laying crew of the Dallas and Falls City railroad is at work in the edge of the latter town this morning, and the first train will run into the depot tonight. The turntable is ready for use, and the depot building is nearing completion. The road is now ready for business, and active freight and passenger traffic will begin next Monday.

General Manager George T. Gerlinger informs us that the new passenger coach is expected to arrive next Monday night, and he hopes to be able to begin passenger service in time for the Dallas Street Fair and Carnival. The new coach is roomy and comfortable, and will accommodate a large number of people.

A steam-shovel having a capacity sufficient to load 50 cars of gravel daily has been ordered, and will be put in operation at once. Every foot of the track will be thoroughly ballasted, and the road will be made a model one in every respect. The gravel will be taken from the bed of the Luckiamute near the bridge, and the work of ballasting the track will last about 30 days.

The completion of this road marks an important epoch in the history of Polk county, and its influence will be powerfully felt in all succeeding time. The people of Dallas and Falls City have worked long and earnestly to establish rail connection between the two points and to open up the vast forests of the Luckiamute and Siletz. The benefits that will be derived cannot be overestimated. Both towns will eventually become sawmill centers of great importance, and all the country lying between will be brought to a high state of development.

Louis Gerlinger, the enterprising Portland capitalist, who has built and equipped the road with his own money, is entitled to the loyal support and hearty co-operation of every citizen in his endeavor to build up Polk county and develop its vast resources. The influence and friendship of such a man is worth having, for, while it has meant much in the past, it means infinitely more in the future. The people of Dallas who subscribed to the small subsidy asked—which was a mere fraction of the cost of the road—are rejoiced that Mr. Gerlinger was enabled to complete his road within the time named in the contract, and will pay their subscriptions promptly and cheerfully, knowing full well that every dollar paid to the road will be returned to them an hundred-fold in the benefits that will accrue.

George T. Gerlinger, the resident manager of the road, is a young gentleman of splendid business qualifications and is courteous and obliging in his relations with all. In addition to his office duties, he had active charge of all the construction work, and his workmen found him a kind and reasonable employer. With Mr. Gerlinger at the General Manager's desk, the road will be in good hands.

No better testimonial to the skill and efficiency of Chief Engineer J. W. Coovort is needed than the road itself. Constructed on strictly modern lines and in the most substantial manner, it is excelled by no railroad in the West. Mr. Coovort had charge of all the field work, and his duties were performed faithfully and well. And while the people of Dallas are rejoicing over the completion of the railroad and are congratulating Mr. Gerlinger on the successful termination of his work, they do not forget John Talbot, whose years of untiring effort finally resulted in bringing the project to the attention of men of capital. No man ever worked more unselfishly and unceasingly than did Mr. Talbot for the building of this road, and he will always be remembered for his energy and enterprise.

Now, that the railroad is completed, the people of Dallas will take a few days off and enjoy the Carnival. Then they will turn their attention to water-works and never rest until a part of Canyon Creek is brought to the city and every home is supplied with pure, cold, mountain water. That is the kind of people they are.

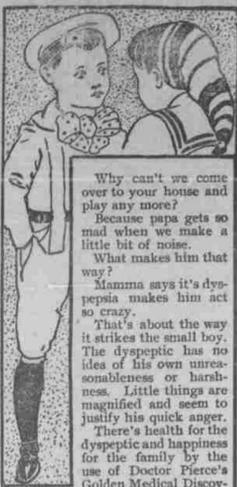
**COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM**

Exercises at Dallas College Will Begin June 11.

June 11, 8:00 p. m.—Annual meeting of the Home Literary Society.  
June 12, 8:00 p. m.—Annual meeting of the Sorosis Literary Society.  
June 14, 11 a. m.—Baccalaureate sermon by Pres. C. O. Poling.  
June 14, 8 p. m.—Annual sermon to the Christian Associations, by Rev. Leon M. Booser, of Portland, Oregon.  
June 15, 8 p. m.—Lecture before Literary Societies by Rev. D. V. Poling, of The Dalles.  
June 16, 8 p. m. Annual Musicale.  
June 17, 10 a. m.—Commencement.  
June 17, 3 p. m.—Library Association meeting.  
June 17, 8 p. m.—Alumni Reunion and Banquet.

**COUNTY OFFICIALS.**

STATE SENATOR—B. F. Mulkey.  
REPRESENTATIVES—G. L. Hawkins and B. F. Jones.  
COUNTY JUDGE—J. E. Sibley.  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS—Seth Riggs and J. B. Teal.  
CLERK—U. S. Loughary.  
SHERIFF—John T. Ford.  
TREASURER—E. V. Dalton.  
ASSESSOR—F. E. Myer.  
SCHOOL SUPT.—C. L. Starr.  
SURVEYOR—L. Grand.  
CORONER—W. E. Cary.



Why can't we come over to your house and play any more?  
Because papa gets so mad when we make a little bit of noise.  
What makes him that way?  
Mamma says it's dyspepsia makes him act so crazy.  
That's about the way it strikes the small boy. The dyspeptic has no idea of his own unreasonable or harshness. Little things are magnified and seem to justify his quick anger. There's health for the dyspeptic and happiness for the family by the use of Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It cures diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition, and restores perfect health and strength, by establishing the perfect digestion and assimilation of food.

**COURT HOUSE NOTES**

**PROBATE.**

Estate of James Wheeler, deceased—final account set for hearing June 27, at 1 o'clock p. m.

Estate of R. L. Skinner, deceased—petition to sell real property granted. Guardianship of George L. Gwin, insane—petition to sell real property set for hearing June 27, at 10 o'clock a. m.

**REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.**

J T Ford, sheriff, to Abel Uglov, lots 1 and 2, block 13, Monmouth, \$474.22.

Sol Hirsch et ux to Northwest Real Estate & Investment Co., 163.63 acres, t 7 s, r 6 w, \$1.

N W Real Estate & Inv Co to M A Ward, 163.63 acres, t 7 s, r 6 w, \$550.

United States to L Pfandhofer, 160 acres, t 8 s, r 7 w, patent.

Polk County Bank to H S Calkins, lots 1 and 2, block F, 1st add Falls City, \$20.

H S Calkins et ux to Joseph Trueax, lots 1 and 2, block F, 1st add to Falls City, \$30.

Polk County Bank to Joseph Trueax, lots 13 and 14, block F, 1st add to Falls City, \$25.

Christina Gage and hd to Joseph Trueax, 10.42 acres, t 8 s, r 6 w, \$100.

David Peters et ux to Jacob Schulson, 208.25 acres, t 6 s, r 5 w, \$3500.

Mary E Gibson to Alex Turnbull, tracts in Polk County, \$1625.

Frank Gibson et ux to Alex Turnbull, lots 5 and 6, block 2, Fair Oaks, \$1.

T J Gardner et al to G W Gardner, tract in Falls City, \$500.

J W Brown et ux to C A Kau, 171.68 acres, t 9 s, r 6 w, \$1350.

M M Dougan to Lucy E Rowell, 14.87 acres, t 7 s, r 5 w, \$520.45.

Henry Hill et ux to F A Douty, lot 2 and north 1/2 of lot 3, block 25, Hill's Independence, \$1.

W A Messner to F A Douty, lots in Independence Fruit Farms, \$1700.

A M Bryant et ux to M B Hogue, lots in Falls City, \$700.

Susan C Bryant to G W McCormick, lots 9, 10, 11, 12, block G, 1st add to Falls City, \$1.

Kate O Warren to E A Nelson, fr lot 1, Murphy's add to Monmouth, \$75.

W C Brown to E A West, block 5, Germantown, \$175.

Saloma Osborn and hd to J W Brown, 45.70 acres, t 9 s, r 6 w, \$475.

B F Smith et ux to J W Brown, 36 acres, t 9 s, r 6 w, \$400.

F A Douty to W A Messner, lots in Hill's Independence, \$2350.

J B Erikson to C S Sheldon, tracts in t 7 s, r 7 w, \$2090.

**BRIGHT'S DISEASE.**

The largest sum ever paid for a prescription, changed hands in San Francisco, August 30, 1901. The transfer involved in coin and stock \$112,500.00 and was paid by a party of business men for a specific for Bright's Disease and Diabetes, hitherto incurable diseases. They commenced the serious investigation of the specific Nov. 15, 1900. They interviewed scores of the cured and tried it out on its merits by putting over three dozen cases on the treatment and watching them. They also got physicians to name chronic, incurable cases, and administered it with the physicians for judges. Up to Aug. 25, eighty-seven per cent of the test cases were either well or progressing favorably. There being but thirteen per cent of failures, the parties were satisfied and closed the transaction. The proceedings of the investigating committee and the clinical reports of the test cases were published and will be mailed free on application. Address JOHN J. FULTON COMPANY, 420 Montgomery St., San Francisco, Cal.

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**Falls City Notes**

Full line of confections carried at C. J. Pugh's. Ice cream served on Saturday and Sunday.

For several days the locomotive whistle has been heard from town and each day it becomes more distinct, and it looks very much like the road would be completed by Saturday.

Royal & Son are getting along splendidly with the turntable. It is quite evident that the train will leave here not many times "wrong end too."

The construction of the depot is well under way. It is a neat structure, and is amply large to accommodate the business of this place for some time. The Coast Range Lumber Company's flume is nearly completed, and in a few days their planing mill will be started.

Prof. Scott Leavitt has secured a position as principal of the North Yamhill public school.

Mrs. Barnum, of Moro, formerly Miss May Kunsman of this city, is here on a visit.

Gilbert Tyson went to Portland, Wednesday.

Ben Beezley will play baseball with the Monmouth team this season.

Mr. Butler made the survey for the prospective waterworks and found the elevation sufficient to give us a good head and the source sufficient to supply water all the year. It is a good thing, so move it along.

There is much work needed on the streets and sidewalks in different parts of town.

Mrs. E. M. Wright is making extensive improvements to her house.

Robert Wonderly and J. R. Ford are assisting T. D. Hollowell in the construction of his house.

Mrs. Elsie Parry left Monday for Southern California.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Willis, of Portland, are visiting R. E. Bryan this week.

W. E. Wills, of Salem, was in town the first of the week.

Monday forenoon Ray Kimes' dwelling house was burned to the ground. The fire was not discovered until too late to save the household goods. The house was not insured.

James Wilson is up from Southern Oregon on a visit.

The Polk county wool pool will be sold about June 10.

The trial of W. P. Peacock for the murder of Alex Kerr has been set for June 15.

Fred Elliott, foreman of the Ossineux office, has been severely ill with fever this week. He is some better this morning.

For a good meal go to the Cottage Hotel. The table is always supplied with the best the market affords, and the hotel is well filled with guests at all times. If you are not already a patron, you are invited to become one.

United States Senator Charles W. Fulton spoke to a large and enthusiastic audience at the Courthouse on Tuesday evening, in support of Binger Hermann for Congress. He made a telling speech in favor of the Republican candidate, and we deeply regret that we are unable to give his talk the attention and prominence it deserves. Senator Fulton's speeches are always worth hearing. Hon. George L. Hawkins presided over the meeting.

To the woolgrowers in the Southeast part of the county: I will be at Airie next Monday to receive wool. As we were unable to get the warehouse there, I have made arrangements to weigh in to car and bring to Dallas warehouse without expense to the grower. Those not ready to deliver next Monday will be taken care of later on, or can deliver to I. M. Simpson's warehouse at any time. H. L. Fenton, secretary Polk County Wool Pool.

**LET 'ER BOOM.**

Tell us not in mournful numbers That this town is full of gloom. For the man's a crank who slumbers In these bustling days of boom. Life is real, life is earnest. And the grave is not its goal; Every dollar that thou turnest Helps to make the old town roll. But enjoyment, and not sorrow, Is our destined end or way; If you have no money, borrow— Buy a corner lot each day. Lives of great men all remind us We can win immortal fame; Let us leave the chumps behind us, And we'll get there just the same. In this world's broad field of battle— In the bivouac of life, Let us make the dry bones rattle— Buy a corner lot for wife! Let us, then, be up and doing, With a heart for any fate; Still achieving, still pursuing, Soiling early, soiling late.

**The X-Rays.**

Recent experiments, by practical tests and examination with the aid of the X-Rays, establish it as a fact that Catarrh of the Stomach is not a disease of itself, but that it results from repeated attacks of indigestion. "How Can I Cure My Indigestion?" Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is curing thousands. It will cure you of indigestion and dyspepsia, and prevent or cure Catarrh of the Stomach. Kodol digests what you eat—makes the stomach sweet. Sold by Belt & Cherrington.

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HATS, CAPS, LADIES', MEN'S AND CHILDREN'S SHOES LADIES' WAISTS AND MEN'S FURNISHING GOODS Many of these lines are just in, and some are still on the road All will be included in the sale. Many things at less than cost and you don't have to buy \$5 or \$10 worth to get the discount

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Men's \$3.75 Pants, to close, at	\$2.50	Ladies' and Men's Shoes, \$3.00 val.	\$2.25

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