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## Our Sale Continues



Having removed our entire stock to Falls City, our Clearance Sale will continue in the departments where we are overstocked. Our Bargain Counters there will be filled with things you can use. You can buy from us at Wholesale Prices. : : : : : : : : :

## We Want Your Produce

And will pay you for coming to trade at our new store. Remember that we carry everything, and always at the lowest prices.

## Bryan-Lucas Lumber Company

Falls City, Oregon

### REDUCED EXCURSION RATES

To the Seaside and Mountain Resorts For The Summer.

The Southern Pacific Company has placed on sale at very low rates round-trip tickets to the various resorts along its lines, and also, in connection with the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad, to Detroit and the seaside at Yaquina Bay, latter tickets good for return until October 10th.

Three day tickets to Yaquina Bay, good going Saturdays, returning Mondays, are on sale at greatly reduced rates from all points Eugene and North on both East and West Side Lines, enabling people to spend Sunday at the seaside. Very low round trip rates are also made between Portland and same points on the Southern Pacific, good going Saturdays, returning Sunday or Monday, allowing Portland people to spend Sunday in the country and the out of town people to have the day in Portland.

Tickets from Portland to Yaquina Bay good for return via Albany and East Side, or Corvallis and West Side, at option of passenger. Baggage checked through to Newport. A new feature at Newport this year will be an up-to-date Kindergarten in charge of an experienced Chicago teacher.

A beautifully illustrated booklet describing the seaside resorts on Yaquina Bay has been published by the Southern Pacific and Corvallis & Eastern Railroads, and can be secured from any of their Agents, or by addressing W. E. Coman, G. P. A. S. P. Co., Portland, or Edwin Stone, Manager C. & E. R. R., Albany, Oregon.

Yours truly,  
W. E. COMAN  
G. P. Agt., S. P. Co.,  
Portland, Oregon.

### Catarrh of The Stomach.

When the stomach is overloaded; when food is taken into it that fails to digest, it decays and inflames the mucous membrane, exposing the nerves, and causes the glands to secrete mucus, instead of the natural juices of digestion. This is called Catarrh of the Stomach. For years I suffered with Catarrh of the Stomach, caused by indigestion. Doctors and medicines failed to benefit me until I used Kodol Dyspepsia Cure.—J. R. Rhea, Coppell, Texas. Sold by Belt & Cherrington.

### LOW RATES TO SEASIDE

Fast Train Service Between Portland and All Beach Points After July 6.

Commencing Monday July 6th, the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad Company will resume its Summer Special Seaside Schedule, and trains leaving Union Depot Portland at 8:00 a. m. daily will run through direct without transfer at Astoria to all Clatsop Beach points, arriving at Astoria 11:30 A. M., Gearhart Park 12:20 p. m., and Seaside 12:30 p. m., making direct connection at Warrenton for Flavel.

Beginning Saturday July 11th, and every Saturday thereafter the popular Portland-Seaside Flyer will leave Union Depot at 2:30 p. m., arriving at Astoria 5:50 p. m., Gearhart Park 6:40 p. m. and Seaside 6:50 p. m., making direct connection at Warrenton for Flavel.

In connection with this improved service, round trip season excursion tickets between Portland and all Clatsop and North Beach points are sold at \$4.00 for round trip, and Saturday Special round trip tickets between same points, good for return passage Sunday, at \$2.50 for round trip. Special Season Commutation tickets, good for 5 round trips, from Portland to all Clatsop and North Beach points sold for \$15.00. Beach excursion tickets sold by the O. R. & N. Co. will be honored on trains of this company in either direction between Portland and Astoria.

For additional information address J. C. Mayo, G. F. & P. A., Astoria, or E. L. Lewis, Comm'l. Agt., 248 Alder St., Portland, Ore. Write for the novel and catchy Seaside pamphlet just issued telling all about Summer Girls, Sea Serpents and Sunsets at Seaside.

Mrs. Rena McLaughlin died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Rodgers, in Lebanon, Or., at 1:30 a. m., July 1, 1903, of consumption. The home of deceased was near Buena Vista, Polk county, and she was visiting her parents in Lebanon when taken with her final illness. She was born near Scio, Linn county, Oregon, on March 5, 1872, therefore was aged 31 years, 3 months and 26 days. On July 16, 1901, she married Wm. McLaughlin, who survives her. She leaves four children, three of whom were by her first husband and one by her

last. She was a faithful Christian, a member of the Baptist church. The remains were taken to Buena Vista for interment. Lebanon Express-Advance.

### Falls City Notes

Miss Maude James is back to Falls City.

Mrs. Hugh Black has been ill for several days.

Most of those who have had the sore throat find it most difficult to get rid of, but none of the cases are serious.

Several cars of lumber have been shipped over the new railroad, and this class of freight will be steadily on the increase.

The Bryan-Lucas Lumber Company and the Mountain Mill Company have reached a satisfactory agreement concerning the use of the water in Teal creek, and from now on there will be no obstacles in the way of further improvement.

Again the whistles blow, which announces to us that operation of the mills has been resumed after a few days lay-off to give the boys a chance to show their patriotism in celebrating the Fourth. Yes, we celebrated the Fourth. There were perhaps larger crowds at the Buffalo Exposition than we had here, but taking into consideration the obstacles that were in the way, we can justly say that our efforts were crowned with success. The exercises in the morning were necessarily brief. School Supt. C. L. Starr took the chair, and J. D. Mann, of Portland, made a neat and appropriate address, while the band lent its assistance by giving several well-rendered selections. After dinner, the various sports were carried out to the letter, and in the evening the fireworks were splendid for a town the size of Falls City. The dance given in Bryan-Lucas' hall was a most pleasing event.

Mrs. W. G. Campbell is visiting relatives in Forest Grove and Greenham this week.

Mrs. M. E. Smith has gone to Salem to spend the summer.

Hon. J. D. Lee, of Salem, was a Dallas visitor this week.

Stops the Cough and works off the Cold.

Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No Cure, No Pay. Price 25 cents.

### MANY PROOFS ARE ALLOWED

Wide Latitude Given Indian War Pensioners—Aged People Given Every Show

The two special agents in Portland, whose duty it is to examine claims of Indian War Veterans, are getting on very rapidly, and a large proportion of the 900 claims have already been approved. The Pension Commissioner allows the agents a great deal of latitude, as he realizes the difficulty of obtaining positive evidence in cases referring to half a century ago. If, therefore, the aged applicant is unable to find comrades to identify him, the fact that he has been known as an Indian War Veteran for 20 years past by reliable neighbors is considered sufficient proof. This is a more liberal construction of the law than was ever applied before, but the Commissioner of Pensions feels justified in it, in the light of the extreme age of the applicants, many of whom have died since they applied for the \$8 per month voted them by Congress a year or so ago.

The ages of these veterans range from 66 to 93 years, and many of them are well preserved at a very advanced age, while some of the younger ones are very feeble. One citizen of Portland named Foster is 85 years old, and still is not so gray as some men are at 45. His step is light and his faculties are keen, apparently, as they were 40 years ago.

There is a noticeable absence of young widows among the applicants, and those posted in pension matters think that ten years will be about the longest period that Uncle Sam's Oregon Indian War pension will draw on the treasury for any amount. Most of the men who fought Indians in 1850 passed away before they were accorded recognition by the government, and the handful remaining now will show rapid depletion in their ranks within the next decade.

Those awarded pensions now are allowed back pay since the law went into effect, so that many of them obtain \$96 in addition to their stipend of \$8 per month.—Evening Telegram.

### BUSY COUNCIL MEETING

Street and Sidewalk Improvements Occupy Attention of City Law-makers Until Late Hour.

The city council transacted much business of importance at the regular meeting held on Monday evening of this week. Numerous street and sidewalk improvements came up for discussion, and much repairing was ordered. City Auditor Stouffer reported that the first delivery of water bonds, amounting to \$3000, had been made to the purchaser, the city receiving for the three bonds the sum of \$3037.50.

The members of the board present were Muir, Belt, Fuller, Williams, Cosper and Shaw—the Mayor presiding.

Sidewalks were ordered repaired as follows: On the east side of Mrs. M. E. Hallock's residence property; on the west side of E. R. Tuttle's property on Main street; on the south side of E. C. Kirkpatrick's property on Washington street.

The council instructed the Auditor to notify the Nat Holman estate and the Trustees of the M. E. Church that the board will sit in the council chamber on July 20, at 7:30 p. m., to hear and determine objections and remonstrances to the passage of an ordinance requiring the construction of a new 5-ft., 4-in. sidewalk on the west side of lot 5, block 9, and the south side of the property on the northwest corner of Levens and Court street.

Certain property owners on Washington street were notified to repair the portions of the street in front of their respective premises by leveling the present grade and filling the depressions with gravel. The outhouse in the rear of the Pfeiffer property on Main street was declared a nuisance, and ordered removed at once.

The Best Prescription for Malaria Chills and Fever is a bottle of Grover's Tasteless Chill Remedy. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure, No pay. Price 50c.

Claims against the city were allowed as follows:

- Wm. Faull, merchandise... \$ 3.45
- M. D. Ellis, electric lights. 130.00
- Johnson Lumber Co., lumber 43.08
- Guy Bros., nails..... 3.75
- M. D. Coulter, sprinkling sts. 6.00
- J. J. Williams, salary..... 13.00
- Wm. Kersey, labor..... 5.25
- C. A. Black, hauling gravel. 1.05
- W. J. Stowe, hauling..... 3.00
- J. M. Grant, salary, etc..... 69.82

A resolution directing the manner of handling the city water fund, and re-transferring \$1000 from said fund to the general fund of the city was passed by a unanimous vote.

City Auditor Stouffer reported that the first delivery of bonds under the recent sale to A. O. Condit had been made, and that \$3037.50, the amount realized therefrom, had been turned over to the City Treasurer.

W. T. Muir was employed as attorney to represent the city in the Boise and Hallock water cases, now pending in the Supreme Court, his compensation being fixed at \$150 in each case.

The next regular meeting of the council will be held on July 20.

### PACIFIC CABLE COMPLETED

United States is Now in Close Touch With Its Oriental Possessions.

Another great enterprise, the Pacific cable, is completed. Last Christmas the first message was flashed through the depths of the great Pacific Ocean from Honolulu to San Francisco, 2300 miles; and now, only six and one-third months later, the big wire has carried a message sent by the President of this mighty Republic not only to Honolulu, but thence, with a supplementary loop 1633 miles farther to Guam, and thence, after a slight halt, 1700 miles farther through the unseen, unexplored watery waste to Manila; thence it was pulsed almost as quickly as thought moves in the brain to Hong Kong, and so on across two continents and narrower waters to Queenstown, and then in a breath or two across the Atlantic to New York, and so up to the little hamlet of Oyster Bay, where the President received it before he had time, after sending it forth on its journey around the world, to smoke half of a cigar.

A Pacific cable has been talked of for many years and was looked upon as a great undertaking; but the late John W. Mackay said he could and would lay it, and lo! in a few months it is done. It is an important achievement, and will aid in bringing the United States and the Orient into closer commercial relations, and in developing our volume of commerce with the thronging hundreds of millions of people across the Pacific.—Telegram.

## Worry

And Overwork Caused Nervous

Prostration—Completely Worn Out.

Dr. Miles' Nerve Cure Me.

Dr. Miles' Nerve Cure cured nervous prostration. It will bring sweet sleep and rest; it will relieve the mind of the tendency to worry; it will make the nerves strong and the patient well. It has cured thousands. It will cure you. Try it to-day.

"Some years ago I was stricken with nervous prostration caused by overwork and worry. I was in such a weakened, exhausted, run down condition that I was unable to do my household work. I felt too weak and tired to even make calls on my neighbors. Frequently when out driving I would become so exhausted that it seemed that I would die before I reached home. I was also troubled with sinking spells at night which left me so weak that I thought I could not live until morning. I was in this deplorable condition when one day Dr. Miles' Nerve Cure was brought to my notice. I had little faith in proprietary remedies but determined to give the Nerve Cure a trial. After the second dose of the Restorative Nerve Cure I was able to sit at the table and eat a meal, something I had been unable to do for many days. I have since taken a number of bottles of Nerve Cure. I consider myself cured. I am doing my own work and give Dr. Miles' Nerve Cure credit for my general good health. My object in writing this is to recommend your medicine but I cannot write as strongly as I feel."—Miss Anna E. Vankle, 405 E. Marion St., Guthrie, Oklahoma.

All druggists sell and guarantee first bottle Dr. Miles' Remedies. Send for free book on Nervous and Heart Diseases. Address Dr. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.

### PASSED TO HIS REST

John Ellis, a Highly Respected Citizen of Polk County, Died Sunday.

John Ellis, one of Polk county's oldest and most respected citizens, died at his home one mile west of Dallas, Sunday, July 5, 1903, at 11:50 o'clock a. m. The end came peacefully, and to all appearances the old gentleman passed away without pain.

Mr. Ellis had been in failing health for several years, his ailment being of the nature of Bright's disease. Two years ago he suffered a slight paralytic stroke, which was followed by one of greater severity a few months ago. He rallied from the effects of these shocks to his nervous system, however, and for the past year had been able to attend to his business affairs and to perform light labor about the farm. Two weeks ago he became violently ill, and from the effects of this attack he never recovered. During the last three or four days before his death he was entirely unconscious of his surroundings, passing into a stupor from which he never aroused.

John Ellis was born in Illinois on the 7th day of March, 1829. At an early age he moved to Iowa, where on October 31, 1850, he was married to Miss Julia Ann Stump. In the Summer of 1865, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis crossed the plains to Oregon. With the exception of one year's residence in Yamhill county and one year spent in Lake county, they made their home continuously in Polk county. About 15 years ago Mr. Ellis sold his farm two miles northeast of Dallas and purchased a tract of land just west of town, where he lived until his death. Although not a wealthy man, he provided well for his family, and the declining years were spent in comfort.

He is survived by his aged wife and five children—Mrs. Mary A. Bogue, of Corvallis; Mrs. Martha E. Plummer, of Dallas; William Ellis, of Falls City; M. D. Ellis, of Dallas, and Lee Ellis, of Roseburg. All the members of the family were with him in his last hours. Sarah, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis, died 34 years ago, and a son, Philander, passed from earth, April 17, 1898, at Separ, New Mexico.

The funeral services were held from the family residence Monday afternoon, and were conducted by Rev. James Moore, pastor of the M. E. Church, of Dallas. The remains were laid to rest in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

In the death of John Ellis, the community loses an upright citizen and a good neighbor. He was scrupulously honest in his business dealings, and of him it could be truthfully said that "his word was as good as his bond." While of a quiet, unassuming nature, he was progressive and public spirited, and took an active interest in the growth and development of Dallas.

No better proof of this spirit is needed than his generous subscription to the capital stock of the woolen mill company a few years ago—an investment which resulted, however, in great financial loss to Mr. Ellis, as well as to other promoters of the enterprise.

Mr. Ellis was a staunch Republican, but took no active part in political affairs, and never, so far as we know, sought a public office. He preferred a quiet, home life, and his interest was centered in his family. He was kind to the poor and afflicted, and was always ready to aid the distressed. He was fond of children, and had a pleasant smile or a cheerful word for the little folks wherever he met them. He was honored and respected by all who knew him, and the memory of his blameless life will long be cherished by those who were so fortunate as to be numbered among his friends and acquaintances.

OBSERVER legal blanks are best.

ACKER'S DYSPEPSIA TABLETS are sold on a positive guarantee. Cures heartburn, retching of the food, distress after eating or any form of dyspepsia. One little tablet gives immediate relief. 25 cts. and 50 cts. Belt & Cherrington, Dallas, Oregon.

### THE OLD RELIABLE



### TALK WAS APPRECIATED

County School Superintendent C. L. Starr Makes Good Impression Upon His Hearers.

C. L. Starr, superintendent of Polk county's schools, delivered the address to the graduating classes of five public schools at Bell-fountain schoolhouse, in Benton county, last Tuesday evening. The following complimentary mention of his speech is taken from the columns of the Corvallis Gazette:

"Supt. C. L. Starr, of Polk county, proved himself to be a forceful and interesting speaker. His words were full of inspiration and timely advice to the class. He congratulated the class upon their successful work, and the citizens of this section of the county for their interest and enthusiasm which they are giving their schools. He said that these exercises for boys and girls of rural schools was the only case in Oregon where a superintendent had taken up the work in this fitting manner. Supt. Starr threw into his address the same life and interest which he is putting in the schools of his county."

### CAMPMEETING AT BALLSTON

Special Motor Will Carry People Who Wish to Attend Next Sunday.

The annual basket meeting of the Christian Church will be held in the beautiful grove on the Yamhill river, near Ballston, next Sunday, July 12. In order to give the people of Independence, Monmouth and Dallas a chance to attend, Manager Hirschberg has kindly consented to run a special motor to Ballston on that day. The motor will leave Independence at 7:30 a. m.; Monmouth, at 8 a. m., and Dallas at 8:45 a. m. Returning, it will leave Ballston at 5:00 p. m. The round trip fare from Independence and Monmouth will be \$1.00, and from Dallas, 65 cents.

Ample provision will be made for the comfort and convenience of passengers, and a delightful trip is promised. This excursion will afford the people an excellent opportunity to escape the heat and dust, and spend a pleasant day on the shady banks of the Yamhill.

The needs of food-stricken Heppner have all been supplied, and checks are being returned to people in the outside world. Approximately \$52,000 was received by the Heppner organization, and of this amount Portland furnished over one-half. The executive committee of Heppner has passed resolutions thanking the people who have so generously assisted in this time of sorrow and need, and serving notice that no further contributions will be necessary.

### Played Out.

EXPERIENCE IS THE BEST teacher. Use Acker's English Remedy in any case of cough, cold or croup. Should it fail to give immediate relief money refunded. 25 cts. and 50 cts. Belt & Cherrington, Dallas, Oregon.

SICK HEADACHE ABSOLUTELY and permanently cured by using Moki Tea. A pleasant herb drink. Cures constipation and indigestion, makes you eat, sleep, work and happy. Satisfaction guaranteed or money back. 25 cts. and 50 cts. Belt & Cherrington, Dallas, Oregon.

Dull Headache, Pains in various parts of the body, Sinking at the Pit of the Stomach, Loss of Appetite, Feverishness, Pimples or Sores are all positive evidences of impure blood. No matter how it became so, it must be purified in order to obtain good health. Acker's Blood Purifier has never failed to cure Scrofulous or Syphilitic poisons or any other blood diseases. It is certainly a wonderful remedy and we sell every bottle on a positive guarantee. Belt & Cherrington, Dallas, Oregon.

DYSPEPSIA CAN BE CURED BY USING Acker's Dyspepsia Tablets. One little Tablet will give immediate relief or money refunded. Sold in handsome tin boxes at 25 cents. Belt & Cherrington, Dallas, Oregon.