

Polk County Observer

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DALLAS, OREGON, AUGUST 19, 1904. The way to build up Dallas is to patronize Dallas people.



Republican National Ticket

FOR PRESIDENT THEODORE ROOSEVELT, of New York. FOR VICE-PRESIDENT CHAS. W. FAIRBANKS of Indiana. For Presidential Electors: G. B. Dimick, of Clackamas county. A. C. Hough, of Josephine county. J. N. Hart, of Polk county. J. A. Fee, of Umatilla county.

The dispatches from Washington this week contain the welcome news that President Roosevelt has instructed the General Land Office to restore to entry over 300,000 acres of agricultural and grazing land heretofore included in the Blue Mountain Forest Reserve withdrawal and 17,000 acres of similar land included in the Willows withdrawal. The order of the President was quite a surprise to officials of the Department, who had instructions from Secretary Hitchcock to release no land from withdrawal. This is the second time President Roosevelt has demonstrated his disapproval of the method of the Interior Department in handling public land affairs in Oregon. Last winter, after a statement by Senator Fulton, the President ordered the Department to desist from the practice of humiliating Oregon entrymen under the timber and stone act. This time he has made it plain that where there are agricultural lands and grazing lands remaining in the public domain, they shall be placed within reach of entrymen, the same as in other states.

The city council is deserving of commendation for its action in raising the license of transient storekeepers and auctioneers of bankrupt stocks to \$10 a day. These vendors of Cheap John trash contribute nothing to the prosperity of the community, pay no city taxes, spend as little money as possible while here, and carry away all the hard cash they can get their hands on. Their game is to work the town for all they can get and then pack up their goods and move on. They benefit the town in no possible way, and the council has acted wisely in placing a license on their business that will virtually amount to prohibition. The way to build up Dallas is to patronize Dallas people.

It now develops that the big brewery interests of St. Louis were behind the crusade for Sunday closing of the world's fair to sightseers. The crowds which would have had refined pleasure in viewing the attractions of the exposition grounds now indulge in a less refining and elevating pleasure in quaffing thousands of foaming beverages in the countless resorts which abound in the Missouri metropolis. The moral reformers have realized when too late that a mistake has been made. Those who have advocated this step in the moral conduct of the Lewis and Clark exposition should take mental note of the St. Louis precedent.—Eugene Register.

Rev. A. A. Winter, financial agent of Dallas College, returned this week from a trip through Southern Oregon in the interest of the school. He found that Dallas College has a good name abroad, and in every town visited he found friends of the institution who were glad to lend him a helping hand in his work. As a result of his visit, many new students will come to Dallas from Southern Oregon this year. He was also successful in adding \$2500 to the permanent endowment fund of the college.

Low Rates to California. The Triennial Conclave Knights Templar will be held at San Francisco, September 8th to 9th and the Sovereign Grand Lodge I. O. O. F. will be held at same point September 19th to 25th. For these occasions the Southern Pacific Company will place in effect the extremely low rate of one and one third fare for the round trip, not to exceed \$25.00, the rate from Portland. Those who are planning a trip to California should take note of these rates.

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Scrofula

It may develop so slowly as to cause little if any disturbance during the whole period of childhood. It may then produce irregularity of the stomach and bowels, dyspepsia, catarrh and marked tendency to consumption before manifesting itself in much cutaneous eruption or glandular swelling. It is best to be sure that you are quite free from it, and for its complete eradication you can rely on Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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"THE HILLS OF LIFE."

The ONSERVER is pleased to present to its readers another poem from the pen of Miss Ruth Crocker, of Portland. Miss Crocker is the 17-year-old daughter of Conductor J. W. Crocker, of the Dallas-Portland passenger train, and her poetical productions are all of a high order of excellence, showing a depth of thought and beauty of expression not often found in the literary efforts of young people not yet out of their teens. Her latest and best poem, entitled "The Hills of Life," was read at the graduating exercises of the 1904 class of the Portland High School, of which class the young lady was a member. This poem is worthy of a place in every scrap-book:

A traveler, in his long and weary climb, Had reached a knoll above a pleasant plain, And gazing downward at his starting point, Review'd the trials of the climb again. The hill was steep, and difficult to scale; Great rocks and boulders often blocked the way; With brambles, too, the pathway was beset, And thick-grown shrubs shut out the light of day. Oft had his feet been tripped by bramble roots, Oft had the boulders made the path seem hard. Oft had the steep and difficult ascent All hope of smooth and steady progress barred. Yet, struggling up again, each time he slipped, He had, by perseverance, climbed the knoll; And though above him towered more lofty heights, He firmly hoped that he could reach the goal. Great heights they were, and rocky mountain crags, With sides of high, precipitous ascent; Yet guiding hope, which led him up the knoll, He felt, would stay him, though his strength were spent. We, having reached the summit of a knoll, Needing firm courage which through trial goes, Look back again, as did the traveler, And view the paths on which we lately rose. The stumbling blocks which oft beset our path, Likewise the pleasant places meet our view. Those pleasant moments, dear and close to us, Which beautified the course we struggled through. Before us rise still higher mountains to scale, Just such as met the traveler's upward gaze; The heights are steep, and often pathless seem. Yet we must keep advancing, all our days. The same firm hope which led us on thus far, Increased by cares which our days are rife, And strengthened by mature experience, Will guide our steps o'er all the hills of life.

BUYS MANY FINE SHEEP

Prominent Shipper Says Polk County Animals Are Best He Has Seen.

A big stock shipper has been in this county for several days buying all of the buck sheep he can secure, says the Independence correspondent of the Portland Journal. He wishes to ship three double-deck carloads of the very best graded stock to eastern markets which he represents. He is taking only the registered stock as it is of a superior grade, paying as high as \$25 and \$30 for some of the best stock. He mentioned as among his principal receivers, big growers in Colorado, Montana, Wyoming and the southern states.

He states that the stock here is of the very best grade—grading in his judgment higher than the very best in the English market and in the eastern states. He accounts for this by the warm weather the year around, and that the stock not having to be stalled feed, is of better bone and build, and of an even and longer and finer grade of wool. "In fact," said he, "I consider that the Willamette valley growers should produce nothing but the very highest grades of stock, horses, goats and sheep, because the climate is conducive to the best results and no country under the sun can equal the Willamette valley in this industry. I have shipped from almost every locality, and I expect to keep this market as my best future market and will ship from here annually in the future."

He secured all of the best stock he could obtain from Riddell, Stump Griggis and Brunk, and stated that he would probably not make a personal visit here in the future, but would leave the matter with agents whom he knew to be thoroughly competent to secure the class of stock he should desire. He came here from Yamhill county, where, he stated, he had picked up all the best stock obtainable.

FLAMES UNDER CONTROL

Large Force of Men Succeed in Subduing Forest Fire Near Falls City.

The forest fire which has been raging in the mountains southwest of Falls City, and which threatened for a time to destroy the barn of the Bryan-Lucas Lumber Company, is now well under control and it is believed that no further damage will result. The Coast Range Lumber Company has a crew of twenty-five men patrolling the woods to prevent the fire from spreading.

Both mills had large forces of men in the woods last week, and effectual work in checking the vages of the blaze was done by digging trenches, cutting down dead trees, and back firing. The extent of the damage caused by the fire is not known, but it is generally believed in Falls City that it will be small, as only the underbrush and smaller trees were burned.

Prof. and Mrs. E. E. Coad, of Dallas, were in Lebanon, Monday, to confer with the trustees of Santiam Academy in regard to opening the school. Prof. Newell, of Portland, was also here last evening for the same purpose.—Lebanon Advance.

FOREST FIRES ARE RAGING

Thirty Square Miles of Fine Timber in Linn County Have Been Destroyed.

One of the most disastrous fires in the history of Linn county commenced Monday in the forests about 14 miles from Lebanon, in the eastern part of the county. Already the large shingle mill of Gilbert Bros., together with 75,000 shingles, the family homes and a number of buildings adjacent thereto, have been devoured by the greedy flames, and the end is not yet. Residents of that section of the county have been fighting the conflagration with a desperation born of necessity, but as yet have made no impression on the flames.

There are a large number of small mountain hamlets and settlements in the eastern part of the county, which are in the zone of the fire, and which are utterly without protection against such danger. Sweet Home, Foster, Sodaville and Waterloo, all settlements of more or less importance, are situated in the midst of thick growths of fir and pine timber, and will certainly be destroyed should the wind carry the fire to their immediate neighborhood.

At the present time the fire is headed toward Foster and spreading rapidly, but is some distance away. The fire is now beyond human control and spreading with alarming rapidity. There is not a finer body of timber in Oregon than that which dresses the mountains of Eastern Linn county through which the fire is now raging. Already 30 square miles of magnificent timber has been converted into charred stumps, and the loss is thousands of dollars.

The fire has already crossed three mountain streams, each of which the fire-fighters had hoped would check the mad flames. The only hope is now that a rain will come to quench the flames. No loss of life has yet been reported. Should the flames be unchecked until they reach the mountain villages, however, fatalities are almost sure to follow.

Gilbert Bros. lost all their property in the holocaust. The fire started from the camp fires of blackberry pickers who were camped in a large field of vine-covered logs near Gilbert's mill. Citizens of Lebanon were called from their work Monday by the ringing of the fire bell, to find that fire in the timber near the city threatened to wipe Linn County's inland business center from the map. The people turned out and by heroic exertion succeeded in checking the flames and finally getting them under control. Only prompt work prevented a very destructive fire. The fire originated about two miles from Lebanon, and is supposed to have started from a camp fire.

FEW FAIL TO PASS

Twenty-Two Applicants for Teachers' Certificates Are Successful in Recent Examination.

County School Superintendent C. L. Starr, Mrs. F. H. Morrison and Miss Dora Roy, sitting as a County Board of Examiners, finished the work of grading teachers' papers, Monday. Certificates to teach were granted as follows: First grade—George Murdock, Edith Montgomery, Ralph Hill, M. E. Wheelock. Second grade—Evangeline Hart, Hallie Morrison, Ethel Brown, Ida M. Smith, Lucile Reid, T. J. Gill, Hester Coburn, Tressa Moffitt. Third grade—Frances Luckey, Samantha Hart, Pearl Burk, Edna Hayes; Mrs. F. H. Buchanan, of Yamhill county; Myrtle Davis, of Marion county; Joyce Arant, Virginia Owens, Beatrice Burkhead, and Christie Burkhead, of Wasco county.

CHAPEL CAR COMING

Baptists Will Hold Revival Meeting in Dallas Early in October.

The Baptist chapel car "Immanuel," now in California, will be in Dallas early in October, and a ten days' revival meeting will be held. The church building in Dallas is soon to be repaired and re-painted. The trustees have also authorized the building of a large shed for wood and for sheltering teams in rainy weather. Rev. J. M. Green pastor of the church, will preach at Bridgeport next Sunday at 11 a. m., and at Liberty schoolhouse at 3 p. m. Rev. J. B. Thompson will fill the pulpit here. J. M. GREEN, Pastor.

Notice of the Meeting of the Board of Equalization.

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, the 22nd day of August, 1904, the Board of Equalization will attend at the office of the County Clerk of Polk County, Oregon, and publicly examine the assessment roll and correct all errors in valuation, description or qualities of lands, lots, or other property, and it shall be the duty of persons interested to appear at the time and place appointed, and if it shall appear to such Board of Equalization that there are any lands, lots, or other property assessed twice, or in the name of a person or persons not the owner thereof, or assessed under or beyond its actual value, or any lands, lots, or other property not assessed, said Board shall make the proper corrections. Dated at Dallas, Oregon, this 12th day of August, 1904. F. E. MYER, Assessor for Polk County.



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YE FAITHFUL SCRIBE

Rural Correspondent's Items Gleaned at Random From Our Exchanges.

Oh, my! hot and smokey! Andrew Siefarth has dug a new well. George Miller is the proud possessor of a new gun. The Becks, of Shedd's, Sundayed with the Fugates. Mr. Osborn recently lost a valuable mule of heart trouble. You're not the only tin can in the valley, Wolfer Prairie, 'cause you rattle lots. Phillip Miller was working for Frank Meeks of Gribble Prairie one day last week. Wright and Lot Gardner, two industrious boys, are picking blackberries on the shares. We don't know what ails Mr. George Soper, that he never comes to Sunday school since the little school teacher left the hills. We saw one of our sweet girls making goo-goo eyes at the front of our bank, and heard her giggle to her companion that Leonard looks real one behind the (bank) bars. "So note it be."

Well, Bert, many thanks for your kindness in starting the engine. Wood flew in the air Monday, the engineer handled the throttle as he does the reins of his flyer, and we all got a wiggle on ourselves. Levi Stehman traded horses and started down the lane and the supposition is, he has not found room enough in the county to turn around so as to get back home. Well, Levi, we will milk the cows and feed the pigs.

Notice to Hop Growers.

See Vaughn & Weaver before buying Hop pipe. Guy Bros. old stand on Mill street.

Horse and Buggy For Sale.

Horse and buggy for sale. Inquire of E. M. Smith, County Clerk's office, Dallas, Ore.

COURT HOUSE NOTES.

NOTARIAL COMMISSION J. N. Hart, of Dallas. PROBATE Estate of David Stump, deceased—petition granted for an order closing estate nunc pro tunc as of Monday, December 6, 1886. Guardianship of minor heirs of E B Martin, deceased—guardian's bond fixed at \$600. Estate of Bertha Ohms, deceased—final account set for hearing September 17, 1904, at 1 o'clock p. m. Estate of James I. Ball, deceased—R. C. Craven, E. J. Craven and F. E. Myer appointed appraisers; petition to sell personal property granted. REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS. A J and D L Hedges to J E Willson, 16.50 acres, t 8 s, r 4 w, \$200. Sitas Orchard to Elias W Hinshaw, lot 2, block 16, Dallas, \$175. E A Thorp to A L Wallace, lots 3, 4, 5 and 6, block 33, Thorp's Independence, \$100. H B Plummer, trustee, to Mrs Fannie Brown, lot 3, block 20, Imp Co add to Dallas, \$50. E C Key et ux to Nellie Wise, 311.75 acres, t 6 s, r 4 and 5 w, \$1. Mrs M A Montgomery to Margaret Wankey, tract in block N, south side, Falls City, \$275. United States to Jacob Doran et ux 639.47 acres, t 6 s, r 7 w, patent. Ella A Nelson to A T Cross, tract in John E Murphy's add to Monmouth, \$700. Mary T Cressy and hd to George E Brey, parts of lots 7 and 8, block 25, Hill's Independence, \$300.

ANOTHER 'PHONE DIRECTORY

Observer Will Print List of Mutual Subscribers Next Week.

The Dallas telephone directories printed by the ONSERVER job office for gratuitous distribution were evidently appreciated by the patrons of the Pacific States Telephone Company, judging from the number of calls we have had for them. Next week we will print a list of the subscribers of the Mutual telephone companies having central connection in Dallas. This list will comprise the names of the patrons of the City Mutual Exchange, the Salt Creek company, the Oakdale-Liberty Company, the Lewisville company and the Falls City company. Subscribers of these companies need not take the trouble to cut the list out of the ONSERVER, as we shall leave plenty of copies of the directory printed on cardboard at the central office in the Wilson drugstore for free distribution.

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