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THE HUB CLOTHING CO.

WILL CONTINUE THEIR
SALE UNTIL JANUARY 15

We Now Offer You Our Clothing at a Bigger Cut Than Ever Before.

Our finest Clothing the Celebrated HART, SCHAFFNER & MARX will go now at 20 PER CENT DISCOUNT instead of 15 per cent. A \$15 Suit will cost you only \$12.

OUR THIRD LOT OF CLOTHING will now go at 33 1-3 PER CENT DISCOUNT A \$12.00 Suit in this will cost you only \$8.00

The Hub Clothing Company

Kirkpatrick Building. Dallas, Oregon.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

the simplest way in which we can express our good wishes to our customers and friends. We wish them the joys and comforts that the year can possibly bring and we agree to use our efforts toward making this year both economical and pleasurable.

The success of this store in the past does not measure its standard for the future. We shall endeavor more than ever before, to justify the expressions of good feeling which are coming our way.

We ask you to judge us by what we do. We earnestly believe that if you do the greater part of your buying here, 1905 will be a happier year for you. We know it will for us! As an earnest of our good intentions, we ask you to read what we offer for this first business week:

Special January 2 to January 7

LACE CURTAIN AND EMBROIDERY SALE.

Curtains.....75c	\$1.50 Curtains.....\$1.15
".....\$1.40	".....\$1.75

Laces and Embroideries at great reduction. One week only.

C. DODSON & CO.

MILL STREET, DALLAS, ORE.

REAL ESTATE!!

—Nice Homelike place, good buildings and fences— in cultivation—lots of fine fruit trees.....\$1500

—with a good little House barn—all fenced and under cultivation, only.....\$ 650

—3 acre tract, finely situated—worth \$20 per acre—only \$ 32

—100 acre farm, well improved.....\$5000

—improved farm of 117 acres \$2500

—improved farm of 400 acres.....\$9500

—Ranch 900-200 acres under cultivation—Can't be beat.....\$9000

—the Home of 15 acres.....\$1100

—and Grain farm of 230 acres including good place at a.....\$1500

—30 under cultivation—fenced—only.....\$1500

—the cheapest place in the county.....\$1500

—81 acres, House, Barn, well improved—worth \$ 800

—for all classes of Ranches and for sale—I can suit you in any price.

HENRY CAMPBELL,
DALLAS, OREGON

Do you renewed your magazine subscription?
We can give you prices as good as any clubbing agency.

Isler & Meiser

DALLAS, OREGON.

Do You Want Lumber?
We have all kinds; also Moldings everything needed in building. We have soft Yellow Fir at lowest prices. Send us your specifications and we will quote you our figures.

RYAN-LUCAS LUMBER CO.

DALLAS' PROSPERITY

Brief and Concise Description of Polk's County Seat in New Year Statesman.

The New Year number of the Salem Statesman is on our desk. It is a handsome paper of 28 pages, with a beautifully illustrated cover. The industries and resources of Marion and Polk counties are set forth in an attractive style, and the entire paper is full of valuable information for the home-seeker. Many thousand copies of the annual will be circulated in the Eastern States, and a large number of papers will be reserved for free distribution at the Lewis and Clark Fair.

The information relative to Dallas is presented in a brief and concise form; and practically covers every point of interest and importance. The article is as follows:

Dallas, the county seat of Polk county, is 60 miles south of Portland and 14 miles west of Salem. It is on the Yamhill division of the Southern Pacific. It has a motor line to Independence and Monmouth, with cars twice daily. There are two trains daily to Falls City, and a stage to Salem, daily.

Ninety new dwelling houses were built in 1904.

Dallas has a large number of substantial brick buildings. One of the best was built last summer by E. C. Kirkpatrick, the well-known hop grower and dealer.

There are two newspapers, the Polk County Observer, published by J. C. Hayter, and the Polk County Itemizer, by W. A. Wash.

Dallas Industries.—Electric lights, two sawmills, sash and door factory, foundry, machine shops, flouring mill, planing mill, hardwood handle factory, tannery, brick and tile factory, organ factory, wagon factory, ice factory, stone quarry (Polk county court house built of this stone).

Churches.—Methodist Episcopal, Presbyterian, M. E. South, Christian, Baptist, Adventist. All these churches have modern buildings.

United Evangelical—New building just completed; seats 800 people.

Educational.—Dallas College; 140 students. The school is four years old, and the endowment fund is nearing \$25,000. President Charles C. Poling is now in the Eastern States working to increase the endowment, and is meeting with remarkable success. This is the only college of the United Evangelical church west of Iowa.

There are two public schools—400 pupils in one and 50 in the other.

Railroad to Falls City.—Completed in 1903. Length, nine and a half miles. Dallas raised a subsidy of \$10,000 for this road. It is a standard-gauge commercial road. It has a large freight and passenger traffic. Chief shipments, lumber and logs. Rails are now being delivered for a three-mile extension into the big timber beyond Falls City. This will bring the road into one of the finest bodies of timber in Western Oregon. The road is owned and operated by L. Gerlinger, a capitalist of Portland. L. Gerlinger, Jr., is a resident manager.

New Industries established during the year 1904.—"Charter Oak" sawmill, owned by L. E. Knapp. Capacity, daily, 10,000 feet. There is a ready sale for the product. It is located on the terminal grounds of the Dallas & Falls City railroad. The logs are delivered by rail from the oak hills between Dallas and Falls City.

Dallas Hardwood Handle Company, Covert & Weybright, owners. Manufactures axe handles, pick and hammer handles, etc., plow beams, tent pins, insulator brackets, etc. Grub oak is used. The quality of the wood obtained around Dallas is said by experts to be the best in Oregon. This factory finds a ready sale for its output in Oregon, Washington and California.

Dallas Ice Factory, John J. Fidler, of the Dallas-Salem stage line, is owner and manager. It is a first-class ice and cold storage plant. It supplies ice for West Side towns, and has agents in Independence, Monmouth, Falls City and McMinnville.

Improvements on Industries already established.—The W. W. Johnson Lumber Company, wealthy sawmill men of Minneapolis, are owners of the Dallas sawmill, Dallas' leading manufacturing concern. George E. Johnson is resident manager. The company spent \$75,000 in improvements in 1904—such as additional boilers, machinery, lumber sheds, log ponds, dams, etc. Nearly the entire product is shipped to California and Eastern points.

Dallas Sash and Door Factory, Frank J. Coad, owner. Built large new building in 1904, and moved old plant into it. Put in large amount of machinery. It is a well equipped and splendidly arranged plant. All on ground floor, with skylights.

Municipal improvements.—The city water works; completed in June. Cost of system \$35,000. Gravity system, circulating mains. The water is brought from Canyon Creek, a clear, cold mountain stream eight miles west of town. It is piped into a 400,000-gallon reservoir three-fourths of a

VATICAN TREASURES FOR FAIR

Valuable Acquisition of Papal Relics Secured for Lewis and Clark Centennial.

The fine arts exhibit at the Lewis and Clark Centennial will receive an almost priceless addition in the shape of Vatican treasures from Rome. The Cardinal Secretary of State has given permission to Rev. J. T. McNally, special commissioner to Rome, to transfer the sacred treasures, which were exhibited at St. Louis and supplement the collection by additions imported from Rome. The exhibit embraces manuscripts, mosaics, paintings, Byzantine work from the Aps of the basilica of St. John Lateran, and some objects of art never before shown.

At least four very valuable pieces of mosaic may come, which will be highly prized by art lovers visiting the Exposition. These are copies of Raphael's Madonna della Seggiola, in mosaic; of the Madonna of Barbino, both originals in the Pitti Palace at Florence, Italy; of the Arch of Titus; and a tavola di lavoro, or a small table showing the method of working the mosaics. Seven pieces of Byzantine work from celebrated architecture are also expected, as well as a very fine death mask and hand of Pope Leo XIII.

New Work for Many Hands.

The completion by the Smith Brothers of their new visible typewriter, which is now on the market, is a step in the progress of industrial Syracuse. The new machine is said to be worthy of the genius of Lyman C. Smith and his brothers and of their home city, which largely through their efforts has already achieved wide fame as a typewriter town. The placing of the new machine on the market will mean steady employment for a large number of men and increasing prosperity for this city.

No Syracuse can more loyally serve his home city than by investing brains and capital in industries in our midst, and in such way Lyman C. Smith has proved himself true to Syracuse. For years he has kept the wheels of manufacture busy here and all his fellow townsmen wish the Smith Brothers good fortune in their latest mammoth venture.—Syracuse (New York) Telegram.

E. G. Heath Drops Dead.

E. G. Heath dropped dead at his home in Independence, Friday night. He was last week elected commander of the General Gibson Post, and was janitor at the public school building. Mr. Heath was a potter by trade. He came to Independence six months ago from McMinnville and had lived in Falls City and Buena Vista. He was born July 6, 1841, and had lived in the Willamette Valley the past 31 years. Mr. Heath was an active member of the Methodist Church.

Close Branch Store.

Irvin & Petteys, the Salem shoe merchants, have closed their branch store in Dallas, and the stock has been shipped back to the Capital City. The Dallas store was opened two months ago, but proved to be an unprofitable venture. With one large shoe store already well-established and all the general merchants carrying heavy stocks of footwear, there was no room in Dallas for a second exclusive shoe store. Mr. D. L. Green, who had charge of the business, is a courteous and obliging gentleman and made many friends during his stay in Dallas.

Merry Surprise Party.

A pleasant surprise party was given by Miss Ada Osfield at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Osfield, on Friday evening, in honor of her cousin, Miss Gertrude Campbell, of Portland. Instrumental music and the games of pit and flinch were some of the features of the evening. The young folks made merry until a late hour, when light refreshments were served.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Osfield, Misses Ella Butler, Etta Phillips, Leona Allen, Edna Scott, Eula Phillips, Mamie Allen, Ruth VanOrsdal, Carrie Folland, Florence Palmer, Gertrude Campbell, Ada Osfield; Messrs. Lelf Finseth, Lester Butler, Orra Arnold, Roscoe Ballantyne, Louis Gates, Martin Meiser, Lew Ballantyne, Edward Dunn and Carl Osfield.

Mutual Telephone Meeting.

Notice is hereby given to the owners of the Falls City, Dallas & Lewisville Telephone Company to attend a special meeting at Falls City, on Saturday, January 14, 1905, at 10 a. m., to receive the report of the Executive Committee and for other most important business.

F. K. HUBBARD,
Chairman.

Attest:
FRANK BUTLER, Secretary.

H. G. Campbell, agent McMinnville Insurance Co.

Notice to Club Members.

The regular annual meeting of the members of the LaCrooke Club will be held in the club rooms on Saturday, January 7, 1905, at 7:30 p. m. In addition to the regular business, those present will vote on some amendments to the Constitution and By-laws. A full attendance of members is desired.

TRACY STAATS, Secretary.

Legal Blanks for sale at this office

FAILURES ARE UNKNOWN

Nature Does Not Go Back On Her Promises in the Willamette Valley.

The range of profitable crops that can be successfully grown in the Willamette valley is greater than anywhere else in the United States, or elsewhere.

This is a broad statement. But it is supported by the facts. There is no crop that can be successfully grown in the Mississippi valley states that cannot also be grown here with profit. It may be contended that corn is an exception. It is true, to some extent. Forensilage, however, corn is as successfully grown here as elsewhere. Corn does not mature here as in the East, though very good corn for milling purposes is raised some years, and by some people. This is not a corn state, however.

But we can raise profitably many things that are not profitable there, or not grown at all.

This is the greatest hop state in the Union, and Salem is the greatest market in the world for hops from first hand. There are only four hop states, and Oregon is as great as any other two.

There is no other section of the country that can raise the now famous Oregon prune to perfection, as it is raised, cured and packed here.

We lead the United States in Angora goat breeding, and will soon lead the world.

In long woolled sheep, we are now ahead in the United States and will be more so.

There is no other section of the United States that can produce a flax fiber equal to the best grown in Ireland, Belgium or France. This fact will ere long result in the building up here of a linen industry that will be worth millions of dollars a year in income.

Clover is a profitable crop. Also alfalfa.

Or any other forage or hay crop grown in the temperate zone.

Onion growing pays well.

There is more money in dairying than elsewhere in the wide world.

Also in poultry raising.

And swine breeding. (No hog diseases here.)

Strawberry growing is profitable and on the increase.

There is good money in Loganberries.

Same with all orchard and small fruit crops.

Wheat and oats and all grain crops are better than in most other sections.

There has never been and will never be a total failure of a well cultivated crop. Nature is good to the farmer here. It makes him a business man. His note is as good at the bank as that of the merchant. There are no failures if he does his part. He is therefore reliable, if he is by nature that kind of a man. The rains always come and the sun always shines. Nature does not go back on her promises. She performs her obligations to the letter. The element of chance for the farmer is eliminated.

If you have industry, if you have capital, if you are the kind of a man to do things, don't hesitate about coming to Oregon. This is the place for you, and the place for your children to grow up.—Salem Statesman.

WANT MORNING TRAIN

Towns on Lower Yamhill Division of Southern Pacific Ask For Increased Service.

A petition was circulated in McMinnville this week asking the Southern Pacific Company to place a daily train on the Yamhill division connecting McMinnville with Portland. The request is, that a train be placed on to leave Portland in the morning, to come to Whiteson on the Yamhill division, then down on the west side division from that point to McMinnville, and leave McMinnville in the afternoon for Portland.

This would give direct railroad connection from McMinnville to all parts of the county and would also give better service to Portland. This train would be a great convenience to all persons living along that road and would doubtless be a paying proposition for the railroad.

The petition asks that the train be placed on January 4, as an experiment and also to give transportation to persons desiring to attend the meeting called for that day at McMinnville.

The petition was numerously signed in McMinnville, and we understand a like petition was circulated at Newberg and other points along the road.—McMinnville Telephone-Register.

Married in West Salem.

William H. Squier and Miss Jeanette Smith were married at the home of the bride's parents in West Salem, on Wednesday, December 28, Rev. H. A. Ketchum officiating. Mr. Squier is the carrier on the Rural Mail Route No. 2, leading out of Salem. The newly-married couple will reside at the home of Mr. Squier's mother, Mrs. Skinner, in West Salem.

Impoverished Soil

Impoverished soil, like impoverished blood, needs a proper fertilizer. A chemist by analyzing the soil can tell you what fertilizer to use for different products.

If your blood is impoverished your doctor will tell you what you need to fertilize it and give it the rich, red corpuscles that are lacking in it. It may be you need a tonic, but more likely you need a concentrated fat food, and fat is the element lacking in your system.

There is no fat food that is so easily digested and assimilated as

Scott's Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil

It will nourish and strengthen the body when milk and cream fail to do it. Scott's Emulsion is always the same; always palatable and always beneficial where the body is wasting from any cause, either in children or adults.

We will send you a sample free.

Be sure that this picture in the form of a label is on the wrapper of every bottle of Emulsion you buy.

SCOTT & BOWNE
CHEMISTS
409 Pearl St., New York
50c and \$1.00.
All Druggists.

VACANCY IS FILLED

Dr. H. L. Toney Elected Councilman for Second Ward—Reduced Insurance Rates Assured.

Dallas once more has her full quota of councilmen, the vacancy in the Second Ward having been filled by the election of Dr. H. L. Toney at the regular meeting of the Board on Monday evening. This vacancy was created when Councilman C. E. Shaw moved out of the ward early last Summer. No matters of vital importance coming up for consideration, the city business was carried on by six councilmen and the vacancy was permitted to continue until the first meeting of the new year. Dr. Toney was elected by a unanimous vote. His term of office will expire on the first Monday in May, 1906.

The following telegram from the head office of the Board of Fire Underwriters of the Pacific District, relative to the reduction of insurance rates in Dallas, was read:

San Francisco, Jan. 3, 1905.

Mayor of Dallas, Oregon:

It was decided November 22 that reduction in rates account of recent improvements should be published to take effect as of date of completion of system. We are pledged to the reduction, and reduced rates will be published as soon as possible and will date as of date when installation was completed.

(Signed) ALFRED STILLMAN.

A letter from J. C. Stone, manager of the Portland office of the Board of Underwriters, notifying the council that the re-survey of Dallas will be commenced not later than January 15, was read and placed on file.

Claims against the city were ordered paid as follows:

W F Muscott, oak wood.....	\$ 1.90
J E Richter, labor.....	3.50
E G Kirkpatrick, right-of-way.....	23.80
J VanOrsdal, electric lights.....	130.50
Guy Bros., nails.....	4.25
J J Williams, salary.....	21.00
J M Grant, salary, etc.....	36.00
F J Coad, doors for hall.....	6.90

Deserves Swift Punishment.

The man or woman or child who spells it "Xmas" or speaks it "Xmas" should be permanently excommunicated without the benefit of clergy. There has never been anything in its line or savoring of its class so entirely and hopelessly without justification or reason as this senseless custom of referring to Christmas. Why not speak of "Xtianty"? Or the early disciples of "X"? The idiot who originated this intruding hypallage ought to be made the permanent victim of epileptiform convulsions. We can't just on the spur of the moment think of any other species of adequate punishment for the offense, as we see the word "Xmas" in every column of every paper we open, and thrusting itself to the forefront of every display in the otherwise beautiful shop windows that so noticeably adorn our streets.—Salem Statesman.

Great Demand For Souvenir Postals.

The first issue of souvenir Lewis and Clark postal cards is about exhausted and more will be provided. Through the courtesy of Secretary Henry E. Reed, of the Fair corporation, the OBSERVER received 500 of these cards for gratuitous distribution, but the supply lasted less than three days, so great was the demand for them. The Telegram says that the work of distributing the first issue of 200,000 has not cost the Fair management over \$5, as postage is paid on them by the people sending them to friends. It is believed by the management to be the best way of attracting general attention to the big Fair, as a postal of this sort arouses inquiry on the part of the recipient.

Miss Pauline Snyder, of Wrangell, Alaska, is here for a month's visit with the family of Capt. V. P. Flake. She is spending the winter in the valley to perfect her musical education, having already gained enviable fame as a pianist.

Dallas College Resumes Work With Increased Enrollment of Students.

Dallas College opened Tuesday morning for the new term with an increased attendance of students. The school is constantly enlarging its field of influence and usefulness, and the attendance this year is larger than ever before. The faculty of Dallas College will compare favorably with that of any older or stronger school in the Pacific Northwest, and the advantages offered to students are such as to attract the favorable attention and consideration of young men and young women who are seeking a thorough education.

Rev. A. A. Winter, the financial agent of the institution, has been working steadily for the past six months to increase the endowment fund, and has met with flattering success in his efforts. Many large cash donations have been received, and endowment notes aggregating thousands of dollars have been turned over to the college trustees. President Charles C. Poling, who is in the East on leave of absence, has been doing good work for the school among the members of his church in Pennsylvania, and has pledged of substantial support. It is safe to predict that before the end of another year, the endowment fund of the college will have reached the sum of \$25,000.

One strong reason for the popularity of Dallas College among the young people of Western Oregon is found in the fact that no school attaches a greater amount of importance to the value of a thorough athletic training. When one considers the comparatively small number of young men in a new school like this, from which to choose

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