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The way to build up Dallas is to patronize Dallas people.



FREE EXCHANGE GRANTED.

Subscribers of the Pacific States Telephone Company in Dallas, Independence and Monmouth will hereafter be permitted to talk to each other without charge, free switching privileges having been granted Wednesday. This service is free to subscribers only. If you wish to talk to a subscriber in your neighbor town, call the central office of that town, through your own central office, and your phone will at once be connected with the person to whom you wish to talk. The new three-town exchange has been greatly desired for many years, and its installation marks an important step in the development of the business interests of Polk county. The generous and progressive action of the telephone company is deeply appreciated by every patron in Dallas, Independence and Monmouth and on the connecting farmer lines.

The bill to be introduced in the Oregon Legislature early in the session providing for the publication of the county assessment rolls is a meritorious measure, and deserves the vote of every member of the law-making body. The bill has the unanimous endorsement of the Oregon Press Association, and will be the first law ever asked by the newspaper men of the state. The publication of the county assessment rolls has proved highly satisfactory to the taxpayers in the states where the plan has been given a trial, and will prove of like value in Oregon, if adopted. The Albany Herald puts the whole matter in a nutshell when it says: "The newspaper men who are advocating the use of more advertising space in the matter of the assessment rolls, are suggesting a business proposition to the legislature. Where the rolls are published, the county saves more by many hundred per cent than the cost. Property evading taxation is brought before the assessor. Improper values find adjustment. The idea is good business and according to modern methods and action should be taken by the legislature towards the ends mentioned."

W. W. Banks, surveyor for the Board of Fire Underwriters, who has been re-rating the business and residence property in Dallas, completed his work yesterday afternoon. The reduction in rates on the various classes of property will range from 10 to 30 per cent. Mr. Banks says that the city will save about \$600 in premiums each year, with the present system of waterworks. The new rate book will be out in about two weeks. The present reduction will affect all policies written after July 27, 1904, the date when the waterworks were accepted by the city.

The Times says that since the saloons were closed in Corvallis, the local druggists have had a great run on the sale of "biters." Every druggist in town sold biters without reserve until Monday of this week, when they were summoned before the District Attorney and warned against continuing the sale of intoxicants of any kind. "You may go now; but don't sell any more biters, or I'll put you through," cautioned the prosecuting officer, and the crestfallen pill-mixers fled out of the office, cursing their luck as they went.

The Polk County Mohair Association will hold its annual goat show at Dallas Thursday and Friday, January 19 and 20. Here's wishing the association the greatest success. If the Willamette Valley had more goats it would have fewer fields growing up to brush and small trees and more fields producing grass for pasture.—Oregonian.

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The Southern Pacific Company has ordered a new gasoline motor car for experiment on the West Side line, from Portland to Forest Grove. It will have a capacity of 50 people, and will be capable of running at a high rate of speed. No cars of this kind are in use in the United States at the present time, but are said to be successfully operated in portions of Europe. If the experiment meets the expectation of its promoters, it will revolutionize the railway passenger traffic in Oregon.

President Roosevelt has appointed T. Cader Powell, a former clerk of Multnomah county, to be United States Marshal at Nome, Alaska. The appointment was made upon the recommendation of Senator Fulton in the face of strong rivalry and opposition. The salary is \$4000 a year.

The Polk County Mohair Association will begin to register goats for the pool on January 15, and it is expected that the number listed will greatly exceed that of last year.

LAWMAKERS AT WORK

Both Houses of Oregon Legislature Are Organized and Ready For Business.

OFFICERS OF SENATE

President, Senator W. Kuykendall, of Lane.
Chief Clerk, S. L. Moorhead, Junction City.
Assistant Chief Clerk, E. L. C. Farin, Marshfield.
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OFFICERS OF HOUSE

Speaker, A. L. Mills, of Multnomah.
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Calendar Clerk, J. A. Finch, Salem.
Sergeant-at-Arms, M. P. Isenberg, The Dalles.
Doorkeeper, C. A. Murphy, Salem.
Mailing Clerk, T. E. Hills, Jackson.

Both houses of the Oregon Legislature are now organized, and have settled down to the routine business of the session. The contest for the Speakership of the House between A. L. Mills, of Multnomah, and T. B. Kay, of Marion, was settled in caucus, the Portland man winning out by the narrow margin of two votes. The fight, while earnest, was good-natured, and no ill-feeling was shown by the supporters of either candidate at any time during the contest.

The Senate was less prompt in choosing its presiding officer, and the contest between the Kuykendall and Carter forces threatened for a time to end in a permanent deadlock. Knowing the sentiment of the people of Oregon concerning deadlocks in the Legislature, the opposing forces soon wearied of the struggle and in the afternoon of the second day a compromise was effected, and Kuykendall was elected.

During the roll-call when Senator Carter's name was called, that gentleman arose and addressing the senate said: "For some sixty odd ballots I have been loyally supported by my friends for the presidency. For two days the organization has been deadlocked, and after a full and careful consideration, I have decided that I will no further obstruct legislation. Therefore, Mr. President, I will now withdraw my name, and cast my vote for Senator Kuykendall."

Following Carter's lead, his nine supporters fell into line, and every republican voted for Senator Kuykendall except that gentleman himself who voted for Carter.

According to the terms of the compromise, as reported, Senator Squire Farrar, of Marion, who precipitated the capitulation, is to receive the chairmanship of the ways and means committee; Carter is to have a position on Farrar's staff, his only interest being in the Ashland Normal School, of which he is a member of the board of regents; Laycock is to have the chairmanship of the irrigation committee, and McDonald a position on the roads and highways committee.

The two houses met in joint session yesterday morning and listened to the reading of the Governor's message, and then adjourned until next Monday, at which time the House and Senate committees will be announced.

To Representative Steiner, of Lake, fell the distinction of introducing the first bill in the House. The bill would cede to the United States all such lands in the beds of Klamath and other lakes as now are submerged and as will be drained of water. Such lands otherwise would go to the state, and the National Government would not carry out the project.

George Morton, of Dallas, is one of the Senate pages, and Worthy Bock has a like position in the House.

PIANO TUNING.

Eilers' Piano House, of Portland, will have one of their regular tuners here for two or three days, and if you wish the best of work done leave your order at once at the Hotel Gail, with J. C. Gallagher, their representative.

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PIONEER WOMAN DIES

Mrs. J. G. Toner, Former Resident of Polk County, Dies at McMinnville.

Mrs. John G. Toner died in McMinnville, on Sunday, January 8, 1905, at the advanced age of 81 years. The remains were taken to Clackamas county for burial, the funeral being held in Oregon City, Tuesday.

Mrs. Toner came to Oregon from Illinois in 1852, and settled in Oregon City. In 1875, the family moved to Lincoln, Polk county, where they lived for many years. About a year ago Mr. and Mrs. Toner moved to McMinnville.

Mrs. Toner was an honored pioneer of Oregon, and was held in the highest esteem by all who knew her. She was a good mother and a kind neighbor, being ever charitable to the poor and afflicted. During their many years' residence in Polk county, no people were more highly respected than Uncle John Toner and wife.

She leaves an aged husband; one daughter, Mrs. Pleasant Wright, of McMinnville; two sons, Fred Toner and Will Toner, the former being deputy Postmaster at Dallas, and the latter living at Yaquina City, Oregon.

ALLEGED FORGER CAUGHT

O. J. Morgan, Accused of Raising Check, Occupies Cell in Polk County Jail.

Orial J. Morgan was arrested in Portland last Friday on a charge of forgery and was later brought to Dallas and lodged in the county jail. Morgan is accused of "raising" a check given him by Clark Hembree, of Monmouth, in payment of wages. A preliminary hearing was held in Justice Wilson's court in Independence, Saturday, and the prisoner was committed to the county bastille to await the action of the Circuit Court.

Morgan was employed until recently as a laborer on Hembree's farm southwest of Monmouth, and was given a check for \$8.25 in final payment of wages due him. It is alleged that Morgan raised this check to \$18.25 and after drawing the money on it, skipped out of the county. The prisoner is 24 years old, and, prior to this trouble, was looked upon as an honorable, straight-forward man.

Fee is Messenger.

Oregon's four Presidential electors met at the State Capital, Monday, and cast their ballots for Theodore Roosevelt, Judge James A. Fee, of Pendleton, will carry the record of the ballot to Washington. The electors are Judge Fee, A. C. Hough, J. N. Hart and G. B. Dimick. All but Mr. Dimick desired the honor of going to Washington, and for several hours they were in a deadlock as to the method of choosing a messenger. Finally the matter was decided by lot. Mr. Dimick drew the lucky slip and yielded it to Judge Fee. The messenger will receive compensation in the shape of mileage—twenty-five cents a mile to and from Washington—which will amount to several hundred dollars.

Large Shipments of Lumber.

The Johnson sawmill of Dallas is shipping about one million feet of lumber each month, notwithstanding the shortage of cars. The company has about eight million feet of logs at its landing in the woods, and is running one of its logging camps on full time, so there is every prospect of a long run for the mill this year.

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MANY BILLS IN HOUSE

Fifty Measures Offered at Opening Session, Tuesday.

Present prospects point to the usual number of bills being introduced in the Oregon Legislature. Fifty bills and fourteen resolutions were offered for consideration at the opening session of the House, Tuesday morning, and nearly as many more were presented Wednesday. Smith, the Democratic member from Josephine, leads in the number of measures introduced, having sent fifteen bills and two joint resolutions to the clerk's desk to date. Some of the more important bills presented are as follows:

Steiner—to cede Klamath lake lands to the United States.
Vawter—to repeal act of 1903 as to sale of school lands.
Vawter—to authorize state land board to excuse satisfactions of mortgages and other instruments without acknowledgment.

Vawter—to authorize corporations to condemn lands for logging and power uses.
Smith of Josephine—for bureau of mines.

Smith of Josephine—to prohibit free passes and franking privileges.
Smith of Josephine—to require state treasurer to file a statement of all fees collected by him and to pay into the state treasury all fees collected.

Smith of Josephine—declaring void provisions in any contract or deed reserving to the grantor any metals or minerals.
Burns of Curry—to amend the game law.

Burns of Curry—to amend code for collection of poll taxes.
Burgess of Wasco—to create county of Wasco.

Smith of Josephine—requiring statement of campaign funds to be published.
Smith of Josephine—as to depositions of witnesses in suits.

Cooper—to protect employes from dangerous machinery.
Dobbin—to amend code as to chattel mortgages.

Dobbin—for fireproof jails.
Smith of Josephine—to amend code as to duties of directors of corporations.
Smith of Josephine—regulating hours of employment of railroad companies.

Von der Hellen—to amend the code as to summonses.
McLeod—to appropriate \$15,000 for salmon hatcheries.

McLeod—for a system of uniform eighth grade examinations.
Kay—fixing salaries of state officers.
Steiner—employment of special agents in collecting evidence in civil and criminal cases.

Mayger—to require conditional sales of personal property to be recorded.
Jagger—to regulate speed of automobiles.

Settemier—to revise code as to militia.
Smith of Josephine—providing for printing bills before legislature meets.

Jagger—to authorize county courts to appropriate lands for road purposes.
Vawter—providing for condemnation of real property and water and riparian rights for public use.

Barnes—providing for change of place of trial for felony or misdemeanor.
Burns of Clatsop—to prohibit driving of salmon.

Cole—to appropriate \$25,000 for girls' dormitory at Weston Normal school.
Mayger—to amend code relating to manner of forming jury list.

Smith of Josephine—relating to service of jurors in justice courts.
Burns of Curry—regulating construction of dams and other obstructions in streams spanned by bridges.

Von der Hellen—to prohibit telephones in immoral places.
Muir—to cure defects in deeds made in execution or acknowledgement and in judicial sales of real property.

Bailey, of Multnomah—irrigation code prepared by the Irrigation Commission.
Mayer, of Columbia—to elect road supervisors.

Kuney, of Wasco—authorizing the District Boundary Board of counties to condemn land for public school purposes.
Linthicum, of Multnomah—that the articles of incorporation shall be prima facie evidence of the existence of corporation.

Mayer, of Columbia—to define the rights of riparian owners.
Mayer, of Columbia—to prohibit dumping sawdust and sawmill refuse into streams.

Cornett, of Linn—to authorize School Superintendents to use institute funds for holding local institutes.
Mears, of Multnomah—to authorize corporations to act as administrators, guardians, receivers, etc.

Mills, of Yamhill—to protect timber against forest fires, providing for the appointment of forest rangers and a closed season.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

For a good job of wagon repairing, go to N. HUGHES, Dallas, Or.
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Bracelet Lost.

Lost, in Dallas, a gold bracelet, with name "Florence" engraved on the front. Suitable reward will be paid for its return to the owner, Mrs. Joe Craven.

For Sale.

Twelve head of goats for sale. S. R. KENNEDY, South Dallas.

Wood Wanted.

Notice is hereby given that, by order of the County Court of Polk County, Oregon, sealed bids will be received at the County Clerk's office for 50 cords of clean, straight, oak-grub wood and 30 cords of body-llr wood; grub wood to be not less than 2 inches in diameter; wood to be delivered at the courthouse in Dallas on or before September 1, 1905. Bids will be opened Wednesday, February 1, 1905, at one o'clock p. m. Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

E. M. SMITH,
County Clerk.

Collection Notice.

Having sold my meat market in Dallas, I desire to close my books at once. All accounts not paid by January 15 will be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection.

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