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

Portland business men will charter a special train and attend the Fair at Lewiston, Idaho. The Telegram is pleased with the exhibition of sections co-operation, and adds that it is a creditable thing that at the close of the Lewis and Clark Fair the public-spirited business men of Portland should evince a desire to assist the sale of their neighbors, when occasion offers. While the business men of Portland are in this appreciative mood, the Oregonian desires to invite them, one and all to attend the Oregon Goat Show to be held in Dallas next winter. Dallas has well manifested its appreciation of people in Portland this summer, and a return excursion of Portland business men to the goat show would strengthen the element of good will and reciprocity tendencies between the two towns. Come up, gentlemen, and get acquainted with a live section of Oregon that has been paying tens of tribute to Portland for the last fifty years.

In marked contrast with the scandalous calls that are going up from some of the Oregon newspapers, concerning the Lewis and Clark Fair, is the following sweetly editorial from the pen of Billy Clarke, of the Oregon Star: "The Exposition will soon cease to exist. It is a great success in every way and all concerned in it are entitled to the best congratulations. It was possible to procure, in a fair, an effort here in Oregon was a success financially and has already done much to advance the interests of Oregon along all lines. We will continue to receive these results long after the exposition has closed and its beautiful buildings are dismantled and removed."

Hon. "Bob" Smith, of Deschutes county, Auditor-elect, moves, at the last session of the Legislature in "Deschutes-Smith," because that under no circumstances will he be a candidate for Congress in the next campaign. He says his private business affairs demand his entire attention. It is rumored that E. E. Elliott, of Union, the leading dark in the Union Democratic, last week, the Democratic nomination.

Recently C. D. Rosenfeld made a cash payment of $10,000 on the purchase of Klamath. The Democrats hope to see the money divided and with a good chance. It will undoubtedly be sufficiently filtered by the good offices of the board having it in charge to be entirely free from taint. The more of the money that goes into good channels, the better for the world, regardless of its past history of the money.—Albany Democrat.

What was it that Sen. Williamson and what he meant of the indictment of Congressman Hermann Mann by the Federal grand jury in the recent past? Did it mean by that if he were Congressman and the grand jury were a trifle slow, he would promptly resign his office? Does seem like he had something to that effect.

Dress fabrics are said to be unusually scarce and short of late years. That's no news.

Mr. A. D. Bell, the state labor commissioner, to whom the people of Oregon great credit for exceptional knowledge of Oregon matters, recently, has estimated that the product from the lumbering mills of Oregon for 1906 was 1,000,000,000 feet board measure, which is equal to 200,000 miles of lumber, a hot wide and one inch thick, a strength sufficient to go a walk around the earth at the equator 8 feet in inches wide. This statement will relieve the Eastern investors minds of the idea that were to be welcome with the capital into the lumbering business in Oregon to resort to crowding in strange trails, or gouging the capital to an unknown place. Lumber has reached its zenith place in the commerce of Oregon, everywhere, of which Portland claims a greater quantity than any other city in the land, has to resort yearly increased in relative position to its great rival. Lumber exports from only in tonnage of shipping, but in money value.—Portland Chamber of Commerce Bulletin.

POLK WINS SECOND PLACE

Competition among Counties to Have Their Judges Decide to Divide Prizes.

Competition was so close and the number of men so nearly uniform that in running in the various county exhibits of the state at the fair a jury, composed of competitive commissioners from outside the state, decided to split the awards offered by the state. The jury presented to Polk County Tuesday night.

The prize of $500 for the best county exhibit was distributed among Douglas, Linn, Lane, Marion, Umatilla and Wasco counties.

The second award of $300 was divided among Clackamas, Columbia, Jackson, Polk and Morrow counties.

The third award of $200 went to Baker, Benton, Hallmark, Union and Yamhill counties.

Seven counties—Douglas, Harney, Josephine, Lincoln, Wallowa, Sherman and Washington—earned the fourth prize of $100.

The special jury of commercial exhibits was composed of J. A. Elmer, of California; Wilson E. Barrows, of Massachusetts; W. S. Ware, of North Dakota; Charles Gates, of Wyoming; H. J. Wheeler, of Idaho.

RECENT HOP SALES

Several Hundred Bales of Choice Quality Bought at Dallas for St. Louis.

The hop market in the Dallas district opened up in some several big dumping sales of late over the last of the week. Sales were reported Saturday as follows:

Stowe & Lewis, 20 bales; Sigmund Brown, 17 bales; John Middleton, 10; Jesse Shaver, 5; Schatz, 5; Walter Bird, 10 bales; E. Cantrell, 100 bales (Clackamas). The greater portion of these hops will be shipped to the New York market in all honesty.

The Oregonian says: "The hop market, though comparatively dormant as yet, is declaring considerable activity. Quite a number of dealers have orders, and it is taught from 11 to 12 cents, and their agents are very busy in the country trying to hoodwink sellers. In the market has a good undertone, with apparently no dumping midland buyers are out to give the purchasers of last transactions, which amount to the numerous unsolicited orders that are constantly coming.

"Some big transactions have occurred, however, one of them involving 300 bales. The details of the business have not been made, but it is known that the price was 12 cents and the quality choice. The market report Friday was to the effect that the lot was bought by Schmidt & Son, who also paid 12 cents for another lot.

"A report was received Friday evening that Sherry & Baker had bought in Polk 12 thousand of the Illinois hops, at 12 cents. This is another lot of choice Oregon hops. There is no lighter crop and none the less attractive market."

DEATH FOLLOWS OPERATION

Thomas Gill Succumbs to Acute Attack of Bladder Trouble in a Portland Hospital.

Thomas Gill, a well-known resident of Dallas, died at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Portland, Sunday morning following an attack of bladder trouble. He had been in failing health for several years, the immediate bring on a change of the bladder. He was taken to the hospital Saturday morning, where an operation was performed in the hope of saving the life, but the result was the week of exhaustion to the shock, and he died early Sunday morning. Sunday morning and passed away at 4 o'clock. The remains were shipped to Dallas for burial, arriving here Sunday night.

The funeral was held from the family residence Monday afternoon, the services being conducted by Rev. C. L. Gambell, pastor of the Christian church. The funeral was attended by many friends of the surviving family, and the floral tributes were numerous and beautiful. Burial took place in the Old Bellevue cemetery.

Mr. Gill was born in Scotland, May 11, 1841, and came to the United States at an early age. He married Miss Mary E. Moore in Marshfield, Wisconsin, in April, 1866. He moved to Dallas, with his family, about four years ago. He was a quiet, inoffensive man, and was well liked by his neighbors.

He leaves a wife and an adopted daughter. Mrs. Gill has no relatives in Oregon, and the sympathy of the entire community goes out to her in her sad bereavement.

Indian Children Will Not Be Sent Out.

County School Superintendent C. L. Stout has arranged for an exhibition in the fair for the numbers and school children of the county, showing Oregon without railroad rates and free admission to the fair have been secured, and many of the teachers and pupils will take advantage of this offer to see the last day of the fair. The children will be used for by their teacher and the expense number, a special train will be run from Polk City to accommodate those living along the line of the Dallas and Polk City railroad.

The bales were then put in the wagon, in order to get the most of the space, and the result is the wagon, which is the only one, is now loaded to the capacity of the wagon. The bales are piled up in the wagon, and the result is the wagon is