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



THE REAL ABUSE.

The following editorial remarks by the Oregonian concerning the State Printing Office are so sensible and directly to the point that they should be read and re-read by every voter in Oregon:

"No doubt the state printing costs too much; but the reason is not so much that the charges are exorbitant as that there is altogether too much state printing. Probably the volume of printing could be reduced one-half without depriving the public of necessary or desired information, and with actual benefit to the taxpayer. Public reports are too long and too numerous, and many of them find their way eventually to the dust heap. At every legislative session a vast number of bills and other documents are printed that are of no interest to anybody. Every state institution of every kind has its catalogues, circulars, reports and advertisements printed at Salem. Much of this material is valuable, or interesting; and if it is either valuable or interesting, there will be no complaint that the public must foot the bill to put it in type. But a great deal of it is not. Herein, then, is the real abuse in the public printing. It is in the sheer waste and extravagance of officials who grind through the State Printing Office matter that is unworthy of anybody's notice.

"The last Oregon Legislature appropriated \$60,000 for public printing for the ensuing biennial term, and \$16,000 for deficiencies. Minor appropriations will raise the total to \$80,000, no doubt. It is said that the State Printer under the present system makes a net profit of \$15,000 a year, which the Oregonians doubt; but there is no doubt that he makes money, and a good deal of it. The excessive emoluments, actual or supposed, of the Printer have led to a demand that there be a reform, and the demand is doubtless well founded. But we are not entirely sure that the schemes proposed will bring about satisfactory results. For example, the Direct Legislation League (Mr. U'Ren) proposes to place the State Printer on salary. It appears to be a consequence of this method, though not a necessary one, that the state printing shall then be let out by contract—a method that is open to grave objection. It will lead to lack of uniformity in all public work, which ought to be sufficient in itself to defeat the plan; and it will open the way to frequent scandals of competitive bidding, and the trouble, confusion, dissatisfaction and delays that are certain to attend contracts with various printing establishments.

"The typographical unions are opposed to the U'Ren plan because the defects to the contract system are obvious to them as practical printers; and they propose to substitute in its stead an initiative amendment that shall place the printer on a salary and install a state printing plant. This method is employed by the United States Government and many states. Objections to it are that it does not tend at all to correct the evil of too much printing, but encourages it, and that positions in the state printing establishment would be sought, and likely enough secured on the ground of political and personal pull. The State Printer would get his salary, and, unless he were an exceptional person, he would doubtless be susceptible to influence by the political bosses or other persons who would want to 'place' their friends. But, even with these imperfections, the union printers' plans is to be preferred to the contract plan; and it would be at least as good as the present system, if there is to be no amendment to the method of conducting the office. Yet the Oregonian does not hesitate to say that the present system, properly directed, is infinitely better than either of the proposed schemes of reform.

"The schedule of prices in the State Printing Office is too high. A perfectly simple and obvious remedy is to reduce them, and pay for the work what it is worth. There is too much

printing, which will be a fault common to all systems. Just how this abuse may be corrected need not be inquired into now, beyond suggesting that if any Legislature should appropriate a fixed sum for the public printing and binding, and should refuse to pass any deficiency appropriations, there would be more care and economy in this branch of public service. Meanwhile, if the people seriously want their printing to cost less, they may do so by getting competent and reliable experts—not political experts—to devise a new and moderate scale for printing and binding."

ARE AT HOME AGAIN

Members of Calvary Presbyterian Church of Independence Hold Re-Opening Services.

INDEPENDENCE, Or., Dec. 6.—It was a red letter day, as well as a day of jubilee, in the history of the Presbyterian church of Independence when the congregation re-entered their rebuilt edifice last Sunday, after an absence of four months. Great fear was felt late in the summer when the alarm was given that the building which had been their home for a score of years, and to which many had become attached, was unsafe and liable to fall at any time. Investigation proved that these fears were well grounded, and the congregation were compelled to leave the building while the necessary repairs could be made.

The trustees, with Dr. O. D. Butler as chairman, began at once to plan to reconstruct the edifice so that in the future it would be safe and comfortable. The plans were soon matured, the work was completed, and the church was reopened with rejoicing and thanksgiving last Sabbath. The women of the church lent invaluable aid in the good work, and the business men and people gave generous assistance in the way of money and encouragement. It was indeed a day of gladness when the happy congregation re-entered their new building last Sabbath morning to enjoy a delightful home-coming.

An interesting program of exercises for the day had been prepared by the pastor, Dr. E. J. Thompson. Three services were held. At the morning service, Rev. T. T. Vincent, of Corvallis, preached an appropriate and eloquent sermon. At 3 p. m., Dr. Thompson, assisted by the pastors present, conducted a communion service, and in the evening Rev. D. Julian Becker, of Dallas, preached an excellent sermon.

The music of the day was under the direction of Mrs. G. W. Conkey, with her sister, Miss Opal McDevitt, at the organ. Too much cannot be said in praise of the music furnished, the anthems, duets and solos all being of a high order of excellence. The sweet solos by Miss Maggie Hodge and Miss Myra Kimberlin, the girls quartette, the duet by Miss Hallie Morrison and Miss Emroy McDevitt, of Dallas, and the duet by Mr. and Mrs. Conkey were greatly appreciated by everyone.

One of the happiest features of the day was the presence of a large delegation from the sister church at Dallas. The visitors were more than welcome, and added greatly to the pleasure of the occasion.

The new church stands as a monument to the faithfulness of the trustees, who have most diligently labored to secure the desired object, and to the generosity of the good people of Independence, aided by a few fast friends from abroad. The structure is a credit to the city and a comfort and blessing to Calvary Presbyterian church.

MANY WENT FROM DALLAS

Special Motor Carried Visitors to Church Services in Independence, Sunday.

Twenty-two members of the First Presbyterian church of Dallas attended the re-opening services of Calvary Presbyterian church in Independence, Sunday. A special motor was run for their accommodation and enabled them to attend the afternoon and evening services. The visitors were given a most cordial welcome by the members of their sister church and the good people of Independence generally. The services were largely attended, and the exercises were highly pleasing and enjoyable. The Presbyterian people of Independence are justly proud of their beautiful new place of worship, and this feeling of pride is shared by every loyal citizen of our neighbor town.

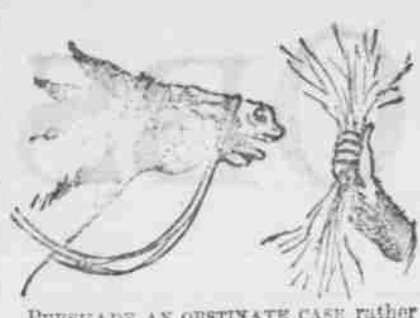
Those going from Dallas were Rev. and Mrs. D. J. Becker, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Simonton, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Dalton, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Muir, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. VanOrsdel, Miss Olive Smith, Miss May Shelton, Miss Fannie Dempsey, Miss Hallie Morrison, Miss Pauline VanOrsdel, Miss Veva Burns, Miss Alta Savage, Messrs. H. Boals and C. H. Chapman.

Dr. Steiner a Hop Man.

Dr. R. E. L. Steiner, of Salem, has purchased the thirty-acre hop yard of the Saucier Bros., for \$2000. The yard is located in South Prairie, on river bottom land, equipped with two dwellings and one new hop dryer. The yard is in fine shape and produced the first crop this year. He got a "snap," as the real estate dealers say.—Salem Statesman.

Christmas! What will you give? We all like to be kindly remembered. Would you not rather get one of those fine Platinum Photographs from a dear friend than anything else? We have lots of new cards for this purpose.

T. J. CHERINGTON.



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FIND MULLER GUILTY

Jury Brings in Verdict After Six Hours' Deliberation.

A verdict of "guilty" was returned by the jury in the case of the State of Oregon vs. F. W. G. Muller, after six hours' deliberation, Wednesday night. Muller was arrested about a month ago on a charge of committing rape upon the person of his 15-year-old daughter. At the time of his arrest, he was a resident of Buell, and was in the employ of the Government as mail carrier between Dallas and Buell. The trial lasted all day Wednesday, and was held behind closed doors, the testimony being of such a revolting nature as to cause Judge Burnett to clear the room of spectators. The jury retired for deliberation late in the afternoon, and reached a verdict shortly after 9 o'clock. Sentence will be pronounced upon the prisoner on Monday, December 18, at 10 a. m. The punishment for the crime of which Muller was convicted is imprisonment in the penitentiary for a term of not less than 20 years, or during life.

The December session of Judge Burnett's department of Circuit Court lasted three days, adjournment being reached Wednesday evening. No grand jury was called, all informations in the criminal department being filed by District Attorney J. H. McNary. Mr. McNary was unable to attend this session of court, and was represented by his brother, Charles McNary, of Salem. Docket entries were made during the term as follows:

1 John B. Dimick vs. James Plant, action for money; J. R. Dimick for plaintiff. Settled.

2 H. S. Smith vs. J. S. Cooper, action for money; Oscar Hayter for plaintiff; Holmes & Holmes for defendant. Settled.

3 G. Keller vs. J. R. Ford et al, action for money; Oscar Hayter for plaintiff. Nonsuit by plaintiff.

4 E. E. Paddock vs. Charter Oak Mill Co., a corporation, action for money; Oscar Hayter for plaintiff. Default and judgment, with order to sell attached property.

5 J. T. Rowell vs. S. P. Kimball, action for money; N. L. Butler for plaintiff; Oscar Hayter for defendant. Jury trial; verdict for plaintiff for \$72.50.

7 First National Bank of Athena vs. H. E. Turner and P. M. Kirkland, action for money; J. H. McNary for plaintiff. Continued.

8 State of Oregon vs. Royce Cook, assault with dangerous weapon. Defendant discharged and bail exonerated.

9 State of Oregon vs. F. W. G. Muller, rape. Jury trial; verdict of guilty; sentence to be pronounced December 18, at 10 a. m.

10 State of Oregon vs. Daniel Winfield, selling liquor to minors. Bail of \$100, with C. L. Fitchard as surety, forfeited.

State of Oregon vs. Thomas Fitchard, selling liquor in less quantities than one gallon without license. Bail of \$100, with C. L. Fitchard as surety, forfeited.

Notice. Notice is hereby given that I have purchased the Yiek Ching wash house and will take possession Monday, December 11. All claims against Pan and Sing, former owners, must be presented to me on Monday and Tuesday, December 11 and 12—not later. I will not be responsible for any articles of laundry that may have been lost by the former owners. Anyone who has lost such articles should present their claims to Pan or Sing before next Monday. I solicit your patronage, and guarantee good work at reasonable prices.

H. COE.

Horses For Sale. Two large work horses for sale. A. BURKHALTER, Polk Station, Ore. Postal address, Dallas, R. F. D. 1.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Cures Colds, Croup and Whooping Cough.

INDEPENDENCE NOTES

Claud Fryer, of Salem, visited here last week.

Mrs. R. H. Knox and family have been visiting relatives in Albany. Mrs. Ella Irvine visited her son, Roy, and other relatives in McMinville over Sunday.

After initiation at the Rebekah lodge, Tuesday evening, refreshments were served and a pleasant social time was enjoyed.

Edwin Wallace, Dean Walker and Sam Damon have returned to school at Corvallis, after spending a few days at home.

Dr. E. J. Thompson entertained twenty-five boys at the parsonage Tuesday evening with games, refreshments and a literary program. An organization was formed to be known as the Boys' Congress, and will meet every two weeks.

Miss Elizabeth Constance and Mr. Andrew Wilson were married at the home of the bride's parents, 3 miles south of Independence, Wednesday, Rev. Dr. Thompson officiating. The newly married couple started Thursday on a wedding trip through the South, and will make their home in Polk county when they return.

The city election resulted in favor of the Citizens' ticket. Only 233 votes were cast, many remaining away from the polls. The result was as follows: Mayor, E. E. Paddock, 159; J. W. Kirkland, 73; Recorder, W. G. Sherman, 230; Councilmen, J. L. Hanna, 121; C. A. Mattison, 149; A. Huston, 157; M. Tillery, 91; K. C. Eldridge, 89; Sam Muhleman, 88; the first three were elected councilmen.

An athletic association was organized here Monday evening, with a membership of 55 and the following officers: M. Merwin, president; Dr. O. D. Butler, vice-president; Paul Rusk, secretary; Guy Walker, treasurer; George Dunham, sergeant-at-arms; Leon Elder, manager of football team. They have leased the Auditorium for one year, and will hold business meetings on the first and third Mondays of each month. The apparatus, consisting of crossbars, basketball, punching bags, etc. has arrived and practice will begin at once.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Dr. Hayter, Dentist, Office over Wilson's Drug Store, Dallas, Oregon.

Cheat Hay For Sale. Choice cheat hay, \$8 a ton. D. C. CRIDER, Dallas, Or.

Land For Sale. For sale, thirty-acre tract in Levens donation claim, one-half mile west of courthouse in Dallas. Will sell in one tract, or divide to suit purchaser. FRANK ROWELL, Dallas, Oregon.

Hop Yard For Rent. Owing to sickness in my family, I have concluded to rent my hop yard of 65 acres, or part thereof, for one or a term of years. SAMUEL ORR, Bickraill, Or.

For Sale. Farm of 100 acres; all good land; 40 acres cleared; all lies well to farm; fine dwelling and barn; location can't be beat; on R. F. D., right at school; near small town. A great bargain; \$2500. H. G. CAMPBELL, Dallas, Oregon.

Up-to-Date Dressmaking. Ladies' up-to-date tailoring and dressmaking at the Big Store of F. A. Lucas, Falls City, Ore.

Street Improvement Notice. To L. J. Wess: Notice is hereby given, that the City Council of the City of Dallas, Oregon, contemplates the improvement of certain streets of the city, as follows, to-wit: A new sidewalk 7 feet 4 inches in width on the North side of that part of Birch street adjacent to and adjoining that certain lot or lots of lot or parcels of ground, described as Lot No. 8 in Block No. 22 of the Dallas Land and Improvement Company's Addition to the City of Dallas, Oregon.

That said sidewalks will be constructed of lumber at the time and in the manner to be hereafter prescribed by said ordinance.

That the cost of said sidewalks will be assessed to the above described property fronting and abutting thereon.

That the City Council will sit in the Council Chamber in said City on the 15th of December, A. D. 1905 at 7:30 o'clock in the evening, to hear and determine objections and remonstrances thereto, if any there be; and that all owners and other persons in interest, may attend at said time and place and show cause, if any they have, why said sidewalks should not be constructed.

Done by order of the City Council of the City of Dallas, made on the 14th day of December A. D. 1905.

Witness my hand and the official seal of the said City of Dallas, this 14th day of December A. D. 1905.

DAN P. STOFFER, Auditor and Police Judge of the City of Dallas, Oregon.

STUDIO SALE

Saturday, December 16 FROM 9 A. M. to 9 P. M.

The people of Dallas are cordially invited to come and see my goods at any time, but especially on that date, as I am preparing novelties of various kinds in wood and leather for Christmas presents.

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ELLIS & KEYT

'PHONE 246. MAIN STREET

Rev. C. H. Davis, of Montana, will preach in the First Baptist church next Sunday, both morning and evening. All are cordially invited to attend these services.

SPECIAL

FOR TOMORROW, SATURDAY.

Glass Fruit Set, 1 large dish and 6 small ones, only...30c

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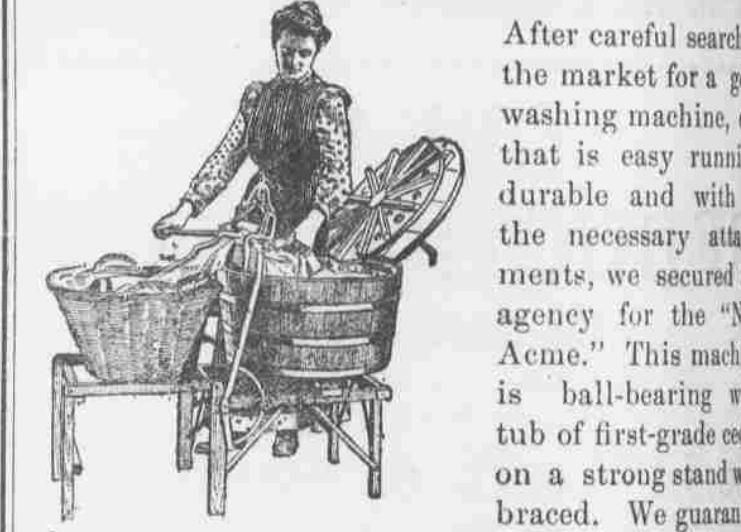
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