

# Polk County Observer

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



## Now for the Apple Fair!

Editor Nutting, of the Albany Democrat, pokes fun at the Oregon Press Association as usual. It wouldn't do the Albany editor any harm to attend a few of these conventions and pick up some pointers on improving the appearance of his paper. The Democrat is the shabbiest daily paper in Oregon, typographically.

The school children of Polk county have pointed the way to an annual county fair. Public sentiment has long been ripe for such an enterprise, and now it only remains for the business men of Dallas to provide suitable grounds and buildings for the exhibits. The farmers and stockmen will do the rest.

The fruitgrowers of Polk county will hold their first annual fair in Dallas early in November. The date will be set by the committee on arrangements tomorrow. It is hardly necessary to add that the Polk County Apple Fair will be made a permanent institution, along with the Angora Goat Show and the School Children's Industrial Fair. It is highly probable, however, that in future all of these exhibitions will be combined in one big livestock and industrial county fair.

If the editorial convention adopted resolutions pledging the support of the association to the woman suffrage movement, they most assuredly delegated to themselves a whole lot of authority. The majority of the press of Oregon are not in favor of the movement.—Itemizer.

For the information of Brother Fiske, who was not present at the meeting, we desire to say that no such action was taken by the convention. Such a resolution was introduced, but was promptly voted down. The Oregon Press Association isn't grinding anybody's axe but its own.

The Independence West Side passed into new hands this week. The purchaser of the plant and business is E. Falston, a live newspaper man from Bellefourche, South Dakota. Walter Lyon, the retiring publisher, will seek a new field, and may decide to purchase or establish a daily paper in some one of the larger towns in this state. He is an active, progressive man, and has had long experience in the newspaper business. To Mr. Lyon, in his future ventures, and to his successor at Independence, the Observer wishes the greatest measure of success.

"Municipal ownership" sounds well, and looks well in print, but it doesn't always work out in practice. The enterprising town of Cottage Grove is just now finding this out to its sorrow. The Western Oregon, published at that place, says that after spending \$35,000, the town finds itself the owner of a water system that would be inadequate to the needs of a town of 200 inhabitants. The taxpayers find a debt of \$35,000 hanging over them, with insufficient revenues to meet the interest charges and operating expenses. No sooner does one council decide upon plans for managing the plant than another council comes into power and upsets those plans, and the result is that the town finds itself getting deeper and deeper into debt, notwithstanding the fact that the plant is a gravity system and the expense of operating it is next to nothing. The paper says that had a private company conducted its affairs in the same manner as has the city, the city would have disfranchised the company in short order. All of which goes to prove that theory is one thing and practice another, and that things are not always what they seem. The municipal ownership fad is dying out, as was evidenced in Seattle the other day when city ownership of certain public utilities was voted down by an overwhelming majority.

## Men Wanted.

Men wanted. Apply to WILLAMETTE VALLEY CO., Dallas, Or.

# Bad Blood

is responsible for most of the diseases and ailments of the human system. It seriously affects every organ and function, causes catarrh, dyspepsia, rheumatism, weak, tired, languid feelings and worse troubles. Take Hood's Sarsaparilla which purifies and enriches the blood as nothing else can.

For testimonials of remarkable cures send for Book on the Blood, No. 3, C. I. Hood Co., Lowell, Mass.

The people of Polk county made no mistake when they placed C. L. Starr at the head of their public school system. A man of original ideas, tireless energy and unflinching enthusiasm, he has labored early and late for the betterment of the public schools, and has established new standards and ideals that cannot fail to prove of inestimable benefit in the years that are to come. One secret of his success and influence is found in his work of establishing closer relations between the parents and the schools. Parents, teachers and children have all been drawn together by a feeling of mutual interest and sympathy, and are working in harmony to accomplish the best possible results. Superintendent Starr conceived the idea of holding school officers' institutes in connection with the teachers' institutes, and so heartily was his plan received by the district directors and clerks that the meetings of these officers now vie in interest and popularity with those of the teachers themselves. Following Polk county's lead, school officers' institutes are now held in nearly every county in Oregon and have become a permanent feature of the educational work. The School Children's Industrial Fair was the child of Superintendent Starr's brain, and while it was largely in the nature of an experiment, the splendid results achieved at the finish fully demonstrated the wisdom of his judgment. The school officers' institutes and the industrial fair have probably been the means of bringing Superintendent Starr's progressive methods most prominently before the public, and will result in stimulating interest in school work in Polk county as never before. While this good work is appreciated by every friend of the public schools in the county, it is, after all, Mr. Starr's six long years of routine office work that entitle him to the greatest credit—the faithful, conscientious work, day in and day out, in the office in the home, and out among the districts of the county—the toilsome, never-ending detail work, of which the general public knows little or nothing—this is the work that has counted most, for, without it, such interesting and profitable events as school officers' conventions and children's industrial fairs had not been possible.

It is hoped that the State of Oregon will be successful in its suit against the Portland General Electric Company to collect tolls for the operation of the canal and locks at Oregon City. The contract made 32 years ago, by which the state was to receive 10 per cent of the annual profits accruing from the operation of the locks in return for the appropriation of \$200,000 voted by the state to the locks company, was entered into in good faith by the members of the Legislature, and the people had a right to believe that the state would receive its full share of the profits as agreed upon. No money has ever been paid to the state on this account, and the present owners of the locks claim that the statute of limitation prevails. The state contends that the obligation on the part of the company was continuing, and stands against the present owners of the locks. If the right prevails, the state will win.

Dallas is going to have a big Angora Goat Show and it behooves the growers of Douglas county to get in line and take a hand in the important gathering. Such meetings cannot help but be productive of great good to all parts of the state, and particularly to those sections which are represented at the meeting.—Roseburg News.

The friendly interest and enterprising spirit of our Roseburg contemporary is highly commendable, and it is hoped that the goat men of Douglas county will heed the timely suggestion and be on hand with a fine exhibit of blooded Angoras. It goes without saying that they will receive a royal welcome at the hands of the Willamette Valley goat breeders. There is no reason why Douglas county should not pull down some of the big prizes that are to be awarded at the coming show; so come along, gentlemen, and good luck to you!

## Appreciated Liberality.

The liberality of the Portland Seed Company toward the Polk county school fair was a judicious bit of advertising that reflects much credit upon E. B. Routledge, the firm's publicity manager. The generosity of the company has made its name a household word in every nook and corner of Polk county. Not content with giving 3000 packages or \$150 worth of choice seeds and paying the postage on the same, amounting to \$30 more, the company also contributed four prizes of \$2.50 each and lent other effective aid in making the fair successful. Mr. Routledge came to Dallas last week, at the request of his employers, and lent invaluable aid in helping to arrange the exhibits. He also officiated as one of the judges and won the good-will of all by his absolute fairness and sound judgment. The people of Polk county will not soon forget the Portland Seed Company or Mr. Routledge for the generous treatment accorded the children in their efforts to prepare a pleasing and instructive industrial exhibit.

## Card of Thanks.

I desire to extend my sincere thanks to the good people of Dallas for the many acts of kindness rendered in connection with the funeral and burial of my late brother, Albert Williams. Their goodness will ever be gratefully remembered.

HENRY WILLIAMS.

Legal blanks at this office.

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In coughs and hoarseness caused by bronchial, throat and lung affections, except consumption in its advanced stages, the "Golden Medical Discovery" is a most efficient remedy, especially in those obstinate, hanging coughs caused by irritation and congestion of the bronchial mucous membranes. The "Discovery" is no good for acute coughs arising from sudden colds, nor must it be expected to cure consumption in its advanced stages—no medicine will do that—but for all the obstinate, chronic coughs which, if neglected, or badly treated, lead up to consumption, it is the best medicine that can be used.

## GREAT MUSICAL TREAT

Best Portland Talent Has Been Engaged for Library Concert.

All people who were so fortunate as to attend the concert given for the benefit of the Dallas free library last winter are anxiously looking forward to the second annual concert, which is to be given in Woodman Hall on Wednesday evening, October 17.

Mrs. George T. Gerlinger informs us that some of the very best musical talent in Portland has been engaged for this occasion. Miss Sylvia McGuire, an accomplished Southern woman will appear and tell some of her famous Negro dialect stories. Miss McGuire is much in demand as a reader in Portland and San Francisco. The names of the singers will be announced next week. Mrs. G. P. MacGregor, of Dallas, will be at the piano. Tickets for this concert will be sold at 50 cents, with an admission to children of 25 cents. A canvass of the town will be made by the young people who are assisting Mrs. Gerlinger, and the tickets will also be on sale at the cigar stores and drug stores. Watch for further announcements.

## INDEPENDENCE NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hubbard visited in Astoria this week.

Rev. E. J. Thompson was down from Albany the first of the week.

Miss Mabel Ellis has entered the Sisters' School in Salem, for the winter.

Otis Welch and family have moved to Newberg, where they will make their home.

Mrs. E. E. Paddock and children are spending the week with friends in Portland.

Mrs. Smith, of Lafayette, visited the past week with her daughter, Mrs. A. M. Hurley.

The Independence public and high school opened Monday with a large enrollment.

A number of hunters are out this week for "Chinese" and are meeting with fair success.

Mrs. Oris Robertson and little daughter left Wednesday for Fossil, Ore., to visit relatives.

L. G. Reeves and F. M. Chatelat and their families, have arrived from Colorado to make this their home.

Mrs. Charles McDewitt, of Dallas, visited her daughter Mrs. G. W. Conkey, Thursday, on her return from San Francisco.

Mrs. J. M. Stark and daughters, Inez and Alene returned to Baker City Wednesday, after spending the past two months here.

Hop picking is over, the pickers have returned to their homes and the town has resumed its normal condition. The merchants have enjoyed an excellent trade during the fall.

## Departure is Regretted.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Ellis and son, Floyd, left yesterday for their new home in Grant's Pass, where Mr. Ellis has purchased one of the leading drug stores of the city. It is with deep regret that the people of Dallas part with this estimable family. Both Mr. and Mrs. Ellis have long been prominently identified with all that is best in Dallas' social life, and they will be missed in church and society circles. Mr. Ellis' business record has been of the highest character for honor and integrity, and he fully deserves the success he has achieved. Dallas owes its enviable position as a live business town and manufacturing center to men like Mr. Ellis, who have given freely of their means and worked unceasingly to secure important industries and public improvements. Fortunate indeed is the town or city whose business interests are in the hands of men of this character. The Observer joins with the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis in wishing them the greatest prosperity in their new home.

The Dallas cheese factory is enjoying a rapidly increasing patronage.

Klamath basin, where the United States is building irrigation works to reclaim 250,000 acres of land, offers the chance of a lifetime to home-seekers and investors. Not cheap land but good land cheap. Farmers are needed in Klamath county and land can be had on favorable terms. Write to Frank Ira White, Klamath Falls, Oregon, for further information.

## BUSINESS LOCALS.

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

## Girl Wanted.

Girl for light general housework. Good wages. Address Box 222, Dallas, Ore.

## For Sale.

Nearly new piano for sale cheap. W. I. RYAN, Dallas, Oregon.

## Oats Wanted.

Wanted, 500 bushels of oats. Quote price delivered at mill in Dallas. WILLAMETTE VALLEY LUMBER CO.

## Walnut Trees For Sale.

English walnut trees for sale. J. E. BEZZLEY.

## Found.

Found, purse containing small sum of money. Apply here.

## Estray Notice.

Strayed from my place one registered Cotswold ram; breeder's ear mark "F. H. Fawc, 6" in one ear tag, and Register No. 27,369 in the other. Suitable reward for information given. SETH BRUGS, Riekreall, Or.

## Vetch Seed For Sale.

Clean vetch seed for sale cheap. Inquire at Dallas flouring mill or Phone Bell 458.

## Farm For Rent.

Good farm of 147 acres for rent. J. R. HUBBARD, Dallas, Or.

## Rye Grass Seed.

English rye grass seed for sale at 5 cents per pound; won first prize at State Fair. C. D. NAIRN, Amity R. F. D. 2.

## Bath Tub For Sale.

Good porcelain bath tub and 40-gallon tank for sale at a bargain. SAMUEL ORR, Riekreall, Or.

## Wanted to Trade.

Wanted, to trade, five goats and one cow for sheep. ED PLASTER, Dallas, Oregon.

## Teams Wanted.

Teams wanted to haul wood; \$4 a day. ED COCHRANE, Dallas, Or.

## Angora Bucks For Sale.

Registered Angora Bucks for sale at farmers' prices. H. S. BUTZ, Dallas, Or.

## Money to Loan.

Loans at 6 per cent on First Mortgage Security. L. D. BROWN.

## Wagon For Sale.

One new 2 1/2 wagon for sale. N. HUGHES, Dallas, Or.

## Loggers Wanted.

Wanted, loggers to put in 125,000 feet of oak, before October 15. Apply to MARTIN & BLODGETT, Dallas, Or.

## Fir Wood Wanted.

From 200 to 500 cords of dry fir wood wanted. Apply to Salem, Falls City & Western Railway Co.

## Gasoline Wood Saw.

We have a gasoline wood-saw, and are prepared to saw all kinds of cordwood on short notice. REED & HAYES, Dallas, Or. Bell phone 333.

## For Sale.

Winter oats and vetch seed; also, one large work mare, one colt, set of farm harness, one farm wagon and one light road wagon. DR. M. HAYTER, Dallas, Or.

## Farm For Rent.

Good farm of 160 acres, 4 1/2 miles north of Dallas, for rent; 60 acres good farming land, 90 acres of pasture, and 10 acres of hops. Will rent for one or three years. PETER HANSEN, Dallas, Or.

## Horses For Sale.

I have a good gentle 1100 lb work horse for sale; also good gentle mare will weigh about 1050; also unbroken 5-year-old gelding—broke to saddle. Will sell all at a bargain. H. G. CAMPBELL.

## Handle Blanks Wanted.

E. Hill has leased the Dallas handle factory and wants to contract for blanks delivered at the factory. He will furnish bolter and pay \$16 for No. 1 axe blanks and \$10 for pin blanks. In his absence, call on D. J. Switzer for particulars.

## For Sale.

2 Wagons, sizes 3 1/2 and 2 1/2.  
1 Buggy.  
1 Set double buggy harness.  
1 Set single buggy harness.  
1 Set good team harness.  
1 Work horse 1200 lbs.  
1 fine yearling colt.  
3 Plows 10, 12, 14.  
2 Double shovel plows.  
1 Single shovel plow.  
1 Disc reversible.  
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Yours for Footwear,

## MRS. J. C. GAYNOR, - Dallas, Oregon.

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