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The way to build up Dallas is to pa-
rsonize Dallas people.



THE FREE LIBRARY.

The concert to be given for the benefit of the Dallas Free Library next Wednesday evening deserves the liberal support of every man, woman and child in Dallas. The library has passed the experimental stage and is now one of the permanent institutions of the town. To maintain its usefulness, it must be constantly enlarged as the town increases in population. As the library is absolutely free to the reading public, it must be supported by the people, as it has no source of revenue.

Mrs. George T. Gerlinger, to whose enterprising spirit and good-will toward the people of Dallas the credit for founding the library is due, has worked hard to establish this useful institution on a firm foundation, and it is the duty of every citizen to assist her in her worthy efforts. Mrs. Gerlinger has contributed her time and talents without a thought of personal compensation, and every cent of money donated to the library fund has been sacredly used and carefully accounted for in purchasing books and paying necessary incidental expenses. The entire proceeds of next Wednesday evening's concert will be added to the fund provided for this purpose.

The popularity of the free library movement in Dallas has exceeded all expectations. Although less than one year old, the library has issued nearly 800 borrowers' cards, which means that 800 persons are regular readers. As there are less than 600 families in Dallas, it will be seen that the number of borrowers exceeds the number of families by more than 200. The patrons of the library are not confined to the town residents, but include many of the families living in the surrounding country. It is no uncommon sight to see a farmer's wife or son or daughter going to the library for a book after finishing their trading at the stores. The excellent library books not only contribute to the entertainment of our town people, but are read and enjoyed in many farm homes in the long winter evenings when the boys and girls gather around the fire-side after the day's work is over. The free library is also appreciated by the traveling public, and strangers who pass this way are often found there enjoying what would otherwise be a lonely hour.

Considering all these facts, it is hardly necessary to add that the library is of inestimable value to the town, both from a social standpoint and viewed as a business proposition. No public institution contributes so much to the culture and refinement of all the people as a free library, and the citizens of Dallas owe it to their town and themselves to aid Mrs. Gerlinger in the good work she is doing. Those who attend the concert next Wednesday evening will get their full money's worth, in addition to helping a worthy cause. Those whose business or social engagements will prevent their attendance should at least buy a ticket to show their loyalty and appreciation. If all do their full duty toward this splendid institution, there will not be a vacant seat in the house.

The special illustrated number of the Hood River News-Letter is the handsomest paper that has come to our table this year. Twenty beautifully printed pages tell of the commercial and industrial prosperity of Hood River town and the rich resources of Hood River valley. Half-tone illustrations are used in profusion, and the mechanical work is equal to that of the best metropolitan printing houses. E. R. Bradley, the editor and publisher of the News-Letter, is one of Oregon's most progressive newspaper men. He has an office that would be a credit to a town many times as large as Hood River and turns out nothing but the highest grade of printing. Mr. Bradley is an enthusiastic member of the Oregon Press Association, and, at the recent annual meeting, gave his brother printers many practical and valuable ideas on producing high-class work. Oregon newspaperdom is honored by having within its ranks such men as E. R. Bradley and his brother editor, Arthur Moe, of the Hood River Glacier.

Scrofula

Is very often acquired, though generally inherited. Bad hygiene, foul air, impure water, are among its causes. It is called "the soil for tubercles," and where it is allowed to remain tuberculous or consumption is pretty sure to take root. Hood's Sarsaparilla Removes every trace of scrofula. Get Hood's.

For testimonials of remarkable cures send for Book on Scrofula, No. 1. C. I. Hood Co., Lowell, Mass.

No more striking evidence of the growth and development of Polk county can be found than in the steady increase in the number of realty transfers filed for record each week. More deeds are filed in the county clerk's office in a week now than were filed in a month ten or fifteen years ago. It will be noticed, too, that a great majority of the deeds cover small tracts of land, ranging in size from five to fifty acres. This means that the large tracts are being divided, and that the days of big farms and indifferent cultivation in Polk county are nearing an end. With the subdivision of these large farms will come additional population, more thorough cultivation, a greater diversity of products, and an increased measure of prosperity for all.

WILL RUSH THE WORK

Willamette Valley Company Will Hasten Completion of New Light and Power Plant.

Work on the Willamette Valley Company's big power station in South Dallas, which is to furnish electric lights and power for Dallas, Independence and Monmouth, is progressing more rapidly since the close of the harvest season has partially relieved the scarcity of labor. The carpenters are at work on the fuel bin, and the bricklayers will commence operations in the boiler room next Monday. A large dynamo and other machinery is expected to arrive this week, and as this machinery will be set up and practically ready for use before being shipped, no delay will be experienced in getting it in operation after its arrival.

The fuel bin will be one of the strongest buildings in Dallas. It is 48 by 60 feet in size, 60 feet high, and will hold one month's supply of fuel. A conveyor from the Willamette Valley Lumber Company's mill will carry the sawdust in a direct line to the fuel bin, from whence it will be conveyed directly to the furnace room at the power station.

The large water-tube boiler is now in position and everything is in readiness for the bricklayers to begin work. A temporary shed will be built for the protection of the workmen and will be replaced by a permanent building later on.

In the main building, foundations have been built for two engines, and there is room for a third. One of these engines is already in position and will be ready for use as soon as the boiler is completed. This engine will be operated day and night to drive the large dynamo while the machinery now in use is being moved to the new station. When all the machinery is in place, the old engine and dynamo will be used in supplying the day current and the new dynamo will be used only at night in supplying light for the three towns. The switchboards, however, will be arranged so that both machines can be used together if necessary.

The new plant will have five times the capacity of the present station, and, with the arrangement of the new building, it will be an easy task to double that capacity when additional power is needed. No time will be lost in changing the base of operations from the old plant to the new, as the wires are now in readiness to be connected with the machinery at the South Dallas station.

Manager Rhodes informs the OBSERVER that the work will be hurried as rapidly as possible from this time on, and that he expects to have the new plant in operation within the next few weeks. No expense has been spared by his company in installing a strictly up-to-date plant, and the people of Dallas, Independence and Monmouth will be given a first-class service in every respect.

INDEPENDENCE NOTES

Mrs. A. S. Looko was a Salem visitor Saturday.

Miss Maude Iliff will spend the winter in Portland.

Miss Grace Damon, of Salem, spent Sunday visiting here.

Mrs. August Sperling was a Salem visitor, Saturday.

The Todd furniture stock will be moved to St. Johns, this month.

H. E. Wagoner returned to St. Johns, Wednesday after a few days' visit here.

Miss Lovena Webster has gone to Woodlawn, Calif., for a visit with her grandmother.

Mrs. J. S. Bohannon and daughter have returned from a week's visit with relatives in Portland.

Mrs. E. E. Paddock returned from Portland Saturday where she spent the past week visiting friends.

The first dance of the season was given at the Auditorium Saturday night, by the Independence orchestra.

Misses Bessie Butler and Helen Cooper returned from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Cooper, in Albany, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Carlton and C. G. Sullivan, of Portland, were guests of Dr. and Mrs. O. D. Butler over Sunday.

Mrs. A. M. Hurley will leave this week for her new home in Vale, Oregon. She will move her stock of millinery, fancy goods, etc.

Sheep For Sale.

Fine Merino rams for sale. These animals are strictly choice, and growers desiring to improve their flocks will find this the best opportunity they have ever had, as the price will be lower than can be obtained elsewhere. There are no finer Merino sheep in Oregon than those I am now offering for sale. D. M. GUTHRIE, Dallas, Or.

Verdict for Dr. Pierce

AGAINST THE

Ladies' Home Journal.

Sending truth after a lie. It is an old maxim that "a lie will travel seven leagues while truth is getting its boots on," and no doubt hundreds of thousands of good people read the unwarranted and malicious attack upon Dr. R. V. Pierce and his "Favorite Prescription" published in the May (1904) number of the Ladies' Home Journal, with its great black display headings, who never saw the humble, groveling retraction, with its inconspicuous heading, published two months later. It was boldly charged in the slanderous and libelous article that Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, for the cure of woman's weaknesses and ailments, contained alcohol and other harmful ingredients. Dr. Pierce promptly brought suit against the publishers of the Ladies' Home Journal, for \$200,000.00 damages.

Dr. Pierce alleged that Mr. Bok, the editor, maliciously published the article containing such false and defamatory matter with the intent of injuring his business; furthermore, that no alcohol, or other poisonous, or habit-forming, drugs are, or ever were, contained in his "Favorite Prescription"; that said medicine is made from native medicinal roots and contains no harmful ingredients whatsoever; and that Mr. Bok's malicious statements were wholly and absolutely false. He requested the said Journal to publish a retraction, and to acknowledge that they had obtained analyses of "Favorite Prescription," from eminent chemists, all of whom certified that it did not contain alcohol or any of the alleged harmful drugs.

These facts were also proven in the trial of the action in the Supreme Court. But the business of Dr. Pierce promptly brought suit against the publishers of the Ladies' Home Journal, for \$200,000.00 damages. He requested the said Journal to publish a retraction, and to acknowledge that they had obtained analyses of "Favorite Prescription," from eminent chemists, all of whom certified that it did not contain alcohol or any of the alleged harmful drugs.

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SELLS HARNESS SHOP

Frank A. Stiles Retires From Business After Active Career of Nineteen Years.

Frank A. Stiles has sold his harness shop to F. Salficky, of Portland, and will retire from active business. Stock taking is now in progress and the new proprietor will take charge at once. Mr. Salficky was in the employ of the Breyman Leather Company of Portland for seven years, and comes well recommended as a good workman and a reliable business man.

The Stiles harness shop was established in Dallas by the late Samuel Stiles in 1869. Mr. Stiles' son grew up in the business and succeeded his father in 1887. He was successful from the beginning of his business career and gradually enlarged and improved his shop until it now ranks as one of the best in the valley.

Mr. Stiles has purchased the W. G. Campbell farm of 107 acres, two miles south of town, and will settle down to pastoral pursuits. In retiring from business, he desires to thank all of his old customers for their greatly appreciated patronage.

Accidentally Shot.

J. M. Campbell was shot in the leg by a 22-caliber rifle in the hands of George Ghorke, Tuesday. The young man was indulging in a little target practice in the rear of the bakery, when one of the bullets glanced and struck Mr. Campbell between the knee and the ankle, inflicting a painful flesh wound. Dr. McCallon located the ball with his X-ray machine and removed it without much difficulty. There is a strict ordinance against the use of firearms in the city, and it should be enforced to the letter. Bullets do not always strike men's legs when their heads are exposed.

Registered Goats For Sale. Thirteen registered nanny goats for sale. H. S. BUTZ, Dallas.

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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. BEEZLEY, Dallas, Or.

Estray Notice.

Strayed from my place one registered Cotswold ram; breeder's ear mark "F. H. Fawk, 8" in one ear tag, and Register No. 27,359 in the other. Suitable reward for information given. SETH RIGGS, Rickreall, 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.

Angora Bucks For Sale.

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

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Girl Wanted.

For light general housework, in family of two. Good wages. Address Mrs. W. T. GRIER, Falls City, Or.

Money to Loan.

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

Wagon For Sale.

One new 24 wagon for sale. N. HUGHES, 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.

Horses For Sale.

I have a good gentle 1100 lb work horse for sale; also good gentle mare will weigh about 1050; also unbroke 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.

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A better light will be secured and all danger from fire will be entirely eliminated.

With the completion of the new power plant a twenty-four hour service will be installed, thus allowing the citizens of Dallas to use electricity for POWER as well as light.

Electric Irons
will be introduced and they will be given to the consumer for 30 days trial, the consumer merely paying for the current consumed, and if satisfactory to buy the iron at end of 30 days.

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