

# Polk County Observer

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



The Dallas Observer, Dallas Itemizer and Independence West Side each submitted a bid of 20 cents a line for publishing the notice of sale for delinquent taxes, this being their regular rate to all advertisers for work of this class. The publishers had no desire to ask an unreasonable rate, but could see no reason why they should engage in a cut-throat game with each other merely to benefit a few citizens who have been slow in paying their taxes. The court admitted the justice of this view.

Some papers have been publishing an item with the glaring headline, "Oregon out of Debt," but it is nothing new or remarkable. Oregon has been out of debt for fifteen years and more.—Salem Statesman.

Immigration to Oregon during the past year has broken all records. The Lewis and Clark Fair was a great advertisement for the state and its good effects will be felt for many years to come.

A prominent Eastern lumberman predicts that stumpage will be selling as high as \$3 to \$5 a thousand in Oregon within three years. It really begins to look that way.

C. F. Soule, editor of the Toledo Leader, has been chosen Mayor of his home city by a handsome majority. A good man elected to a very undesirable office.

Never mind that red ink. The Oregonian, Journal, and other great papers also make use of it occasionally.

The Eugene Guard and the Hillsboro Independent have issued creditable holiday numbers.

## AN INTELLECTUAL TREAT

President B. F. Mulkey Entertains Large Audience With Scholarly Interpretation of "Hamlet."

The few people in Dallas who were unable to attend Professor B. F. Mulkey's lecture on "Hamlet" at Woodman Hall last Thursday evening missed one of the greatest literary treats ever given a local audience to enjoy. Those who failed to attend were few, however, as the big hall was crowded to the doors with citizens of Dallas and visiting teachers and school officers. A special train from Monmouth brought a large number of people, and the lecture was also enjoyed by many visitors from Falls City and northern Polk county. The speaker held his audience spellbound for two hours with the story of the melancholy Prince, handling his subject in almost scholarly manner.

Professor Mulkey's lecture on "Hamlet" is not so much a critical analysis as a tale of the famous play. Beginning with the opening scene on the platform at Elsinore, he carries his audience through the successive acts to the tragic end of the drama without a break in the plot, and so realistic is his portrayal of the various characters that one can almost imagine the tragedy is being presented by all the players required by the lines of the immortal Bard. Professor Mulkey has an easy stage presence, a pleasing voice, and a remarkable memory. Already noted throughout the state as a polished orator, he has won new laurels by his scholarly interpretation of this greatest of classical dramas.

## Enjoyable "500" Party.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Casey gave an enjoyable party Saturday evening in honor of their guests, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Bell, of Roseburg. Progressive 500 was the game of the evening, Mrs. W. D. Bell and R. E. Williams receiving prizes for the highest scores. After the game delicious refreshments were served.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Eakin, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Kirkpatrick, Mr. and Mrs. L. Gerlinger, J. E. Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Bell, Miss Delta Watson, of Portland; Miss Emma Dempsey, Miss Rebecca Gates and Mr. R. E. Williams.

Hon. B. F. Jones, the well known Independence lawyer and representative-elect for Polk and Lincoln counties, was a Dallas visitor, Friday.

## A Bad Stomach

Lessens the usefulness and mars the happiness of life. It's a weak stomach, a stomach that can not properly perform its functions. Among its symptoms are distress after eating, nausea between meals, heartburn, belching, vomiting, flatulence and nervous headache.

Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures a bad stomach, indigestion and dyspepsia, and the cure is permanent. Accept no substitute.

## WANT MORE MONEY

School Directors and Clerks Express Unanimous Sentiment in Favor of Higher Tax Levy.

"More money and longer terms of school" was the sentiment expressed by a unanimous vote at the school officers' convention in Dallas last Saturday. The meeting was well attended by directors and clerks from all parts of the county, and a remarkably successful and enthusiastic session was held. The entire day was devoted to discussion of school matters, and excellent talks were given by several of the delegates and also by Superintendents Ackerman, Starr and Traver. The legislative committee appointed last April submitted resolutions which were unanimously adopted, with the request that Superintendent Starr present them to the Polk county delegation to the legislature and urge their passage. The resolutions are as follows:

1. Resolved that the county superintendents be authorized to call an annual convention of school officers and that the representative or representatives from each district shall be paid their expenses from the general fund of the county provided that such expenses shall not exceed \$5 for each district.
  2. That the county court levy a tax at the time other taxes are levied, sufficient to raise an amount equal to \$150 for each district and \$7 per capita for each child between 4 and 20 years of age.
  3. That each district shall have at least five months of public school each year.
  4. That the district receiving \$500 or less from the general school fund shall not retain more than \$50 at the close of each school year, and that districts receiving more than \$500 shall not retain more than 10 per cent of the amount of the irrevocable and county school fund at the close of each school year.
  5. That we thoroughly appreciate the benefits derived from the school children's fair and pledge our enthusiastic support to its advancement.
  6. That we heartily endorse the suggestions of Superintendent Ackerman relative to elementary agriculture in the public schools, and we recommend the adoption of such a text book for the public school course.
- Hon. G. W. Myer and Superintendent Starr were re-elected president and secretary, respectively, of the association.

## A BEAUTIFUL GIFT

Uglow Clothing House Gives Dainty Calendars to All Grown People Calling at Store.

Just as in clothing and furnishing goods, "If it's from Uglow's it is the best," so it is with Art Calendars. There have been so many common calendars issued that we hesitated buying one until we found some that measured up to the standard of what we considered the best. The calendar we have selected is unique in design, something entirely out of the ordinary, and it is illustrated in the colors of the original painting, by Arthur, being one of the most popular subjects in the line of one of the leading manufacturers of art calendars in the United States.

HOW TO OBTAIN ONE. This dainty calendar is worthy of a place in every home, and as it will cost you nothing there is no reason why you should not have one. They are too valuable and beautiful to be given out indiscriminately, but if you will call at our store at any time before December 20 and register your name, we will reserve a copy for you. This offer is limited to grown-ups only. We cordially invite you to call and register.

## JONES IS CONFIDENT

Polk County Candidate for Speaker Claims Enough Votes to Win Out.

Boomed for Speaker of the Oregon House of Representatives, B. F. Jones, of Polk and Lincoln Counties, spent part of yesterday in Portland, said to have been drawn hither by the claim of Frank Davey, one of his rivals of 34 votes, or four more than required for Republican caucus nomination, and three more than enough to elect. Mr. Jones looked over Davey's fences and then his own, and announced that he was unable to see 34 votes in Davey's corral; however, in his own, he counted 31, though not so large as Davey's count, was enough for practical purposes.

"I heard that Davey and Vawter and Chapin were doing business down here," remarked Jones, "and therefore I thought I ought to come down. I'm all fixed now to be nominated and elected."

Asked to name his 31 supporters, he declined, saying that they might not desire to be thus advertised any more than Davey's 34, whom that candidate abstained from "bawling out."

"Really now," remarked Jones, growing more confidential, "I'll have a good number of supporters. However," turning toward his hobby, "I'm more interested in river improvement than in electing myself Speaker."—Oregonian.

## Notice.

To those who have orchards and fruit trees: I am ready to do spraying, and shall use the best spray that has been tried. You can get me by a call on Mutual phone 351, or P. O. Box 273, Dallas. G. W. BOWLES.

## What Do They Cure?

The above question is often asked concerning Dr. Pierce's two leading medicines, "Golden Medical Discovery" and "Favorite Prescription." The answer is that "Golden Medical Discovery" is a most potent alterative or blood-purifier, and tonic or invigorator and acts especially favorably in a curative way upon all the mucous lining surfaces, as of the nasal passages, throat, bronchial tubes, stomach, bowels and bladder, curing a large per cent of catarrhal cases whether the disease affects the nasal passages, the throat, larynx, bronchia, stomach (as catarrhal dyspepsia), bowels (as mucous colitis), bladder, uterus or other pelvic organs. Even in the chronic or ulcerative stages of these affections it is often successful in effecting a cure.

The "Favorite Prescription" is advised for the cure of one class of diseases—those requiring weak, soothing, and tranquilizing remedies. It is a powerful yet gently acting invigorating tonic and nerve. For weak worn-out, over-worked women—no matter what has caused the breakdown, "Favorite Prescription" will be found most effective in building up the strength, regulating the womanly functions, subduing pain and restoring about a healthy, vigorous condition of the whole system.

A book of particulars wraps each bottle giving the formulae of both medicines and quoting what scores of eminent medical authors, whose works are consulted by physicians of all the schools of practice as guides in prescribing, say of each ingredient entering into these medicines. The words of praise bestowed on the several ingredients entering into Doctor Pierce's medicines by such writers should have more weight than any amount of non-professional testimonials, because such men are writing for the guidance of their medical brethren and know whereof they speak.

## INDEPENDENCE NOTES

D. W. Sears was a Portland visitor this week.

Miss Grace Wallace has returned from a short visit in Corvallis.

The girls' club was entertained by Miss Helen Cooper, Friday evening.

Miss Bertha Bohannon visited friends in Salem the first of the week.

Mrs. Charles McDevitt, of Dallas, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. G. W. Conkey.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hubbard entertained the Social Whist club at their home Monday evening.

Mrs. Percy Dickinson and children, of Parker, visited her mother, Mrs. P. H. Drexler, during the week.

O. A. Kramer has opened his new clothing store and will soon move his jewelry stock into the same building.

Miss Maud Spurr, of San Francisco, is here visiting her mother, Mrs. Flora Spurr. She is a grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Mitchell.

The O. S. N. S. basketball team and the Independence team played here Wednesday evening. The score was 14 to 20 in favor of the Monmouth boys.

The Independence football team played the Reform School team at Salem, Saturday. The game proved a victory for the Independence boys by a score of 5 to 4.

The Methodist church is being improved both inside and out. A vestibule at the entrance will prove a great convenience as well as an improvement to the building.

## How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. We the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm. WEST & TEXAS, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. WALKING, KIRKMAN & MARTIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price, 75c per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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Recovering and Repairing Guns and Ammunition, Cutlery, Fine Razors, Hand Saws, Flashlights.

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## BUSINESS LOCALS.

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

For Sale. Three good work mares, weight 1300 lbs. each; wagon and harness; 50 head wether goats; 12 head nanny goats, and 12 shoats. F. K. HUBBARD, Falls City, Or.

For Sale. Clean vetch and oats mixed to sow. W. C. LEWIS, Rickreall, Ore.

Walnut Trees For Sale. English walnut trees for sale. J. E. BEZLEY, Dallas, Or.

For Rent. Farming land for rent. Inquire of Mrs. W. J. Farley, Dallas, Or.

Christmas Gifts. Come and see my new goods for Christmas. They are right. Will have the largest stock ever carried by me. Keep your eye on them as they come. Watch my window. C. J. PUGH, Falls City, Oregon.

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

Dry Slabwood For Sale. The Willamette Valley Lumber Company has some fine dry slab wood for sale cheap; also 16-inch slabs and block wood.

Chickens For Sale. For sale, two dozen full-blooded White Leghorn chickens; also incubator that will hatch sure. Address, Box 222, Dallas, Or.

Estray Notice. Strayed from my farm one dehorned Jersey bull. Please notify W. D. CALKINS, Rickreall. Bell phone 458.

For Sale. Horse, buggy and harness for sale at a bargain. Inquire at this office.

House For Sale. New house and two lots near new sawmill. Mrs. R. J. KINNEY.

Notice. I desire to notify my customers that my millinery store will be closed from December 15 to March 1, as I shall be absent from Dallas during that time. MISS BERTHA COLLINS.

# OUR FIRST INVITATION

WE respectfully invite all our customers who know they owe us to come in now and settle. We have had a fine year to make money and we all ought to be supplied with the cash and no excuses to offer.

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Fancy Dress Shirts at reduced prices to make room for Spring stock.

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I handle the "Olds" the best Gasoline Engine in the market. Just the thing for Wood Sawing, Pumping, Spraying, Feed Mills, Churning, Etc.

Come and see the best gasoline engine made for farmers' purposes.

Ed. Biddle, Agent. Dallas, Oregon.

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

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