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

NO MAXIMUM PRICE

For many years there has been a widespread impression in Oregon that the California and Oregon Railroad Company has no legal right to sell the land within the limits of its grant from the Government for more than $2.50 per acre. Desiring to investigate the correctness of this opinion, J. G. VanOrsdel, of this city, recently wrote to his brother, Hon. J. A. VanOrsdel, Assistant Attorney-General of the United States, for official information on the subject. General VanOrsdel replies from his office in Washington as follows:

"I received your letter some time ago requesting me to investigate the conditions under which land grants were made to the California and Oregon Railroad Company.

"This grant was made under act of Congress approved July 25, 1866, for the purpose of constructing a line of road from the city of Portland to the Central Pacific Railroad in the Sacramento Valley in California. There was granted to the railroad company 'every alternate section of public lands not mineral designated by odd numbers to the amount of twenty alternate sections per mile (ten on each side) of said railroad line.'

"In other words, the railroad company was granted each alternate odd numbered section for 20 miles on each side of the line of railroad. There is no limitation contained in the grant as to the price for which these lands could be sold by the railroad company. There was, however, a further provision in the grant, as follows:

" 'And the sections and parts of sections of lands which shall remain in the United States within the limits of the aforesaid grant shall not be sold for less than double the minimum price of public lands when sold.'

"The minimum price for the sale of public lands ever since has been $1.25 per acre. Therefore, the Government price within the limits of this railroad grant, and in fact, all other railroad grants, has been double the minimum price, or $2.50 per acre. That is probably where you got the impression of the requirement that the land should be sold at $2.50 per acre. But that provision has no reference whatever to the price that may be charged by the railroad company for the lands therein embraced. There is nothing contained in the grant to prohibit the railroad company from selling its land for the highest price that it can command. Hence there seems to be no foundation for the report that the company was required by the terms of the grant to sell its lands for $2.50 per acre.

Song of the Legislator.

Give up those passes? O, ye gods!
I'd rather lose my ears, by odds!

A Short Law.

The shortest bill introduced at the late legislature was by Freeman of Multnomah. Here it is:

"Be it enacted by the people of the State of Oregon: Section 1. Dogs are hereby declared to be personal property."

FAMILY REUNION

Grandma Hinshaw's Seventy-Sixth Birthday an Occasion of Glad Home-Coming.

The Hinshaw family met in a reunion at the home of their mother in North Dallas, Wednesday, in honor of her 76th birthday. Eight children, twenty-five grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and other relatives were present to enjoy the day, it being the first time all of the children had been together in 31 years. After partaking of a splendid dinner, the mother and children went to Cherrington's gallery and were photographed in a group.

The children present were: Zimri Hinshaw, of Falls City; Mrs Sarah Walling, of Portland; Tilghman and Anderson Hinshaw, of Gooseneck; Avery and Zenas Hinshaw, of Mill Creek; H. Hinshaw, of McMinnville, and Elias Hinshaw, of Dallas. Zimri, the oldest child, is 56 years of age, and Elias, the youngest, is 40. The children were all born in Polk county. All are enjoying the best of health. As proof of the healthfulness of Polk county's climate, it might be added that the combined weight of the mother and eight children of this pioneer family reaches the handsome total of 1,655 pounds.

Grandma Hinshaw was remembered with many beautiful presents, a number of gifts having been sent by relatives who were unable to attend the reunion. Among the childrens' gifts was a neat sum of money.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

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

For Sale.

Two good lots and 6-room house, three blocks east of courthouse, on Court street, in Dallas. For particulars apply to S. R. KENNEDY.

Horse For Sale.

Good work horse for farm or hop-yard; 10 years old, weighs 1300 or 1400 pounds. Price, $100. H. G. CAMPBELL.

Horses Wanted.

Five teams of horses, heavy teams for logging. Will buy or hire. Apply to Camp No. 3, on the LaCreole.
STANDARD LOG CO.

Walnut Trees For Sale.

English walnut trees for sale. J. E. BEEZLEY, Dallas, Or.

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.

Fine Chickens for Sale.

I have a few fine White Wyandotte cockerels for sale which are from the Duston-Hallock stock. Come to J. C. Stingley for them, Dallas, Ore.

For Sale or Trade.

House and lot in Salem to sell or trade for Dallas property. Harris the Jeweler.

Help Wanted.

Wanted, an active married man and his wife for farm and dairy work. F. E. LYNN, Amity, Or., R. F. D. 2.

Piano For Sale.

A $500 piano for sale for $285. Used but little, and practically as good as new. Call, or write to Mrs. Lottie Hedges Dorris, Independence, Or.

For Sale.

For sale, a good 2-seat hack, or will trade for cordwood or a cow. What have you to offer? L. A. DICKINSON, Rickreall.

Seed Potatoes.

Choice early seed potatoes for sale by J. S. Macomber, Dallas, Or. Phone Black 25.

Men Wanted.

Men wanted to cut 100 cords of wood; good pay. J. S. MACOMBER, Dallas, Or. Phone, Black 25.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned as administrator of the estate of Morris Jones, deceased, has filed his final account in the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Polk County, and that Saturday, the 23rd day of March, 1907, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day at the Court room of said County Court, in the city of Dallas, Oregon, has been appointed by said Court as the time and place for hearing of objections to the said final account and the settlement thereof.
ROBERT FOULKES,
Administrator of the estate of Morris Jones, deceased.
N. L. Butler, Attorney.

Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of Fred M. McElfresh, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Polk County, and has qualified.
All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified, together with the proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned within six months from the date of this notice.
Dated and first published February 15, 1907.
GERTRUDE E. McELFRESH,
Administratrix of the estate of Fred M. McElfresh, deceased.

Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Phebe A. Johnson, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Polk County, and has qualified.
All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified, together with the proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned, at his residence near Airlie, in said County, within six months from the date of this notice.
Dated and first published February 15, 1907.
FRED JOHNSON,
Administrator of the estate of Phebe A. Johnson, deceased.
Oscar Hayter, Attorney.

Summons.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County.
L. H. Treat, plaintiff, vs. D. M. Leitzel and S. W. Hampton, defendants.
To D. M. Leitzel and S. W. Hampton, the above-named defendants: In the name of the State of Oregon, you and each of you are hereby notified to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled cause and Court, on or before six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons upon you, and if you fail so to appear and answer the plaintiff will take a decree against you and each of you, as prayed for in his said complaint, to-wit: That plaintiff is the owner in fee simple of the following described real property to-wit: A part of the Donation Land Claim of S. S. Whitman and wife, Claim No. 70, Not. 1649, in Township 8 South of Range 5 West of the Willamette Meridian, in Polk County, Oregon, beginning at a point 9.50 chains South and 70 links West of Monument No. 3, situate at the Southwest corner of Block No. 11, in the Town of Monmouth, running thence South 3.50 chains, thence West 5.30 chains, to the East line of Whitman street, thence North 3.50 chains, thence East 5.30 chs. to the place of beginning, and that said defendants and each of them be forever barred and enjoined from claiming any right, title or interest in or to said real premises or any part thereof.
This summons is published for a period of six weeks by order of Hon. Ed F. Coad, Judge of the County Court of Polk County, Oregon, made on the 16th day of January, 1907, and the date of the first publication is on the 18th day of January, 1907, and the date of the last publication thereof will be the 1st day of March, 1907.
SIBLEY & EAKIN,
Attys. for plff.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned as administrator of the estate of Thomas C. King, deceased, has filed his final account in the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Polk County, and that Saturday, the 16th day of March, 1907, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day at the Court room of the said County Court, in the city of Dallas, Oregon, has been appointed by said Court as the time and place for the hearing of objections to the said final account and the settlement thereof.
PAUL B. WALLACE,
Administrator of the estate of Thomas C. King, deceased.

Notice For Publication.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878.
United States Land Office,
Portland, Oregon,
December 20, 1906.
Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, John H. Dart, of Portland, county of Multnomah, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 7148, for the purchase of the East ½ of the East ½ of Section No. 3, in Township No. 8 South, Range No. 7 West, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver at Portland, Oregon, on Saturday, the 9th day of March, 1907.
He names as witnesses: Edward T. Watts, of Portland, Oregon; Charles F. Ehman, of Portland, Oregon; George E. Barrett, of Portland, Oregon; John M. Snead, of Portland, Oregon.
Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 9th day of March, 1907.
ALGERNON S. DRESSER,
Register.

Notice For Publication.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878.
United States Land Office,
Portland, Oregon.
December 11th, 1906.
Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, George P. Conlee, of Dallas, county of Polk, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 7139, for the purchase of the N. ½ of the S. W. ¼ of Sec. No. 8 in Township No. 7 S., R. No. 6 W. and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the County Clerk at Dallas, Oregon, on Friday, the 15th day of March, 1907.
He names as witnesses: William Hayes, of Dallas, Oregon; William Tillotson, of Buell, Oregon; E. W. Hinshaw, of Dallas, Oregon; William McCarty, of Dallas, Oregon.
Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 15th day of March, 1907.
ALGERNON S. DRESSER,
Register

Administrator's First Notice.

Notice is hereby given that C. W. Beckett has this day, by an order of the County Court for Polk County, Oregon, been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Mrs. Jane Beckett-Thompson, deceased, and has duly qualified as such. All persons having claims against estate are hereby notified to present the same, duly verified, to the undersigned, at his residence near Lincoln, in Polk County, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.
Dated January 11, 1907.
C. W. BECKETT,
Administrator of the estate of Jane Beckett-Thompson, deceased.
Carey F. Martin, Attorney for estate.

Administrator's Notice.

Notice is hereby given to whom it may concern, that the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Irene Zumwalt, deceased, has this day filed with the County Court of Polk County, Oregon, his duly verified final account in the above entitled estate and said Court has set the same for hearing on Saturday, March 23, 1907, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, at which time all persons interested are hereby notified to appear in said County Court, at Dallas, in the County Court room, and present objections, if any there be, to said final account, and if they fail so to do, said administrator will apply to said County Court for an order approving said final account and ordering that said administration be closed, the administrator discharged and his bondsmen released.
Dated this 18th day of February, 1907.
G. B. ZUMWALT,
Administrator of the estate of Irene Zumwalt, deceased.
Sibley & Eakin, Attys.

Notice For Publication.

United States Land Office,
Portland, Oregon,
January 9, 1907.
Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Edward C. Richmond, of Dallas, county of Polk, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 7170, for the purchase of the Southeast ¼ of Southeast ¼ of Sec. No. 26 in Township No. 7 South, Range No. 7 West, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before Register and Receiver at Portland, Oregon, on Friday, the 29th day of March, 1907.
He names as witnesses: N. R. Dale, of Dallas, Oregon; G. P. Conlee, of Dallas, Oregon; M. A. Conlee, of Buell, Oregon; T. G. Richmond, of Dallas, Oregon.
Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 29th day of March, 1907.
ALGERNON S. DRESSER,
Register.

Notice For Publication.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878.
United States Land Office,
Portland, Oregon.
December 19, 1906.
Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Walter V. Fuller, of Dallas, county of Polk, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 7146, for the purchase of the Northeast ¼ of Section No. 14 in Township No. 9 S., Range No. 7 W., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the County Clerk of Polk County, at Dallas, Oregon, on Friday, the 15th day of March, 1907.
He names as witnesses: Paul Ronco, of Pedee, Oregon; John Cline, of Pedee, Oregon; R. J. Riley, of Dallas, Oregon; U. S. Grant, of Dallas, Oregon.
Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 15th day of March, 1907.
ALGERNON S. DRESSER,
Register.

Summons.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for County of Polk.
Elsina E. Matthews, Plaintiff, vs. Irving Matthews, Defendant.
To Irving Matthews, the above named defendant:
In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit in the above named Court, on or before Saturday, March 2nd, 1907, the said date being more than six weeks from date of the first publication of this summons, and you will hereby take notice that if you fail so to appear and answer said complaint, the Plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint to-wit:
That the bonds of matrimony now existing between you and Plaintiff be dissolved, that plaintiff be awarded the care and custody of the minor children May, Floy, Loyal and Ila Matthews, that you be barred from all rights or interest and courtesy in and to the following described property of plaintiff, to wit: situated in Polk County, Oregon and known as Lot 8, in Block 4 in Salings Addition to the town of Ballston, Polk County, Oregon; also the following described piece of land in Polk County, Oregon, and being in Section 15, T. 6 S., R. 5 W. W. M. beginning 6.15 Chains North 25 Chains East from S. E. cor. of Section 16, thence east 16.12 chains, north 33.85 chains, west 16.12 chains, south 33.85 chains to place of beginning containing 55 acres, and for permanent alimony as the Court may deem just and equitable, attorney fees and costs and disbursements herein.
This summons is published by the order of the Hon. Wm. Galloway, Judge of the Circuit Court for the State of Oregon, for County of Polk, in the Polk County Observer, a weekly newspaper of general circulation in Polk County, Oregon, for six successive weeks, the first publication being made in issue of January 18, 1907 and last publication March 1, 1907, the order of publication made and entered January 10th, 1907.
J. B. RYAN, and
CHAS. A. PETRAIN,
Attys. for Plaintiff