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

"REPUBLICAN GOVERNMENT."

It is possible; some think it highly probable; others deem it very certain, that the initiative and referendum methods of legislation—particularly the former—will be set aside by the Supreme Court of the United States, because violative of the Constitution of the United States. The Oregonian "shouldn't wonder," yet it doesn't know

We have a lot of it. It appears in our methods of state legislation; by democracy simple and straight, instead of by representative bodies. It appears in the effort to set aside (virtually) the constitutional method of election of United States Senators. It appears in the ingenuity of many of the states to suppress the vote of the man who is black. In all these and other instances the hope is to beat the Constitution by the cleverness of the trick.

But suppose the Supreme Court of the United States shall judge all these fine practices by the historical principles of the Constitution of the United States, which some suppose is still the supreme law of the land. Possibly then the Supreme Court will perish. Possibly then our statesmen of Oregon will become the Dantons and Robespierres and Marats of the new era. Yet the last fortune of these great protagonists of our revolutionary reform, we believe was not happy. However, the individual is of small consequence. More statesmen always arise as good as those who perish by their own folly. And better.

That document which the wisdom (or folly) of our ancestors formulated, known as the Constitution of the United States, declares that "the United States shall guarantee to every state in the Unión a republican form of government." What is a republican form of government? Is it government through laws enacted by representative bodies, or government by direct legislation carried by plebiscite?

There can be no doubt that those who made the Constitution of the United States and those who have interpreted it till now, believed and held that a Republican form of government was representative government; not government by straight democracy. That is, that laws were not to be made by the people acting en masse, but by representative bodies chosen by the people. There is a question here that is to come before the Supreme Court of the United States; if not for determination, at least for an opinion. It will come up most probably on tax laws. Indeed a case of this kind, from Oregon, is already taken to the Supreme Court.

The popular initiative, so-called, is not a proceeding of representative government. On the contrary, its distinct purpose is to substitute direct government by democracy for representative or republican government. One of its evils is that it affords no opportunity for discussion, amendment or modification of its propositions before their final adoption. It is offered to the elector, and he responds yes or no, seldom with knowledge. It is not republican government.

The authorities on the subject are infinite in number and of most weighty character. That we shall have some of them stated by the Supreme Court after a while can scarcely be doubted. Then their weight will be considered. Meantime it is just as well we should bethink us that ours is a republican or representative government, and not a type of primitive democracy, and stick a pin there.—Oregonian.

"REAL" INDEPENDENCE

In a recent editorial William J. Bryan took occasion to compliment an exchange on its position as an independent, and in the discourse he proceeded to distinguish between the "real" independents and the "so-called independent newspapers in a manner that indicates that he has observed closely the workings of a very vicious system exploited under the guise of something respectable.

"The real independent paper," says the editor of the Commoner, "is a valuable thing and will, I think, increase in popularity, but the paper that calls itself independent merely that it may betray its constituency will sooner or later be discovered and driven out from lack of patronage."

The really independent paper is one that gives its news without partiality or prejudice, and leaves the reader to form his own opinion, but the spurious colors its news stories with insinuations and bolsters up the cause it seeks to further under the guise that it is conveying public opinion. Not willing to stand for an editorial utterance in favor of a proposition, it injects into its news columns a variety of matter that seeks to create sentiment in favor of plans it is projecting for others.

In politics, such papers hope to fatten the cash box by playing to both parties. Under the guise of "fairness" they seek to create and keep alive dissensions; under the plea of "keeping still" they play both organizations for "influence," which they dare not openly to use. They are the parasites of publicity and the masked highwayman that put even the modern Raffles to shame.

Really, a fellow wouldn't be required to look farther west than the Pacific ocean to find a few such sheets in Oregon.

Peculiar to Itself

In selection, proportion and combination of ingredients,

In the process by which their remedial values are extracted and preserved,

In effectiveness, usefulness and economy,

Curing the widest range of diseases,

Doing the most good for the money,

Having the most medicinal merit,

And the greatest record of cures,—

Hood's Sarsaparilla

In usual liquid form or in chocolated tablets known as **Sarsatabs.** 100 doses $1.

COURT HOUSE NOTES

Items of Interest From the Records in the County Offices Briefly Told.

PROBATE.

Estate of William Livermore, deceased—petition of L. R. Livermore for probate of will granted; H. L. Crider, J. J. Wiseman and D. S. McDonald appointed appraisers.

Estate of C. A. Mattison, deceased—final account approved; executor discharged.

REAL ESTATE.

Louis Gerlinger et ux to Salem, Falls City & Western Railroad Company, block in Dallas, $500.

United States to Charles McSheery, 160 acres, t 8 s, r 8 w, patent.

Delilah V Keller et al to S A McSheery, interest in 160 acres, t 8 s, r 8 w, $1.

Nathaniel Crosiar to William Branchflower, land in t 6 s, r 4 w, $2500.

Laura B Cooper to Emil Arndt, 80 acres, t 6 s, r 6 w, $4800.

Peter Helgerson et ux to R C Houser, land in t 7 and 8 s, r 5 w, $150.

Judson Mitchell et ux to E R Lewis, land in t 8 s, r 6 w, $250.

United States to Fred H Brock, 80 acres, t 9 s, r 8 w, patent.

W J Clemens to Adam Mueller, lot in Falls City, $1.

T J Gilpin et ux to Alice C Gilpin, 20 acres, t 8 s, r 5 w, $1.

Fredrick Loose to Edwin Loose, 53 acres, t 7 s, r 3 w, $1723.

I L Smith et ux to J O Smith, 7 acres, t 9 s, r 5 w, $150.

L Gerlinger et ux to E E Gerlinger, 20 acres, t 8 s, r 6 w, $10.

Elizabeth Cooks to David Martini, 40 acres, t 6 s, r 8 w, $120.

J. L. Atwater, of Lewisville, was a business visitor in Dallas today.

J. G. VanOrsdel is having a cement sidewalk laid around his residence property.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tennis, of Cottage Grove have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Tennis.

Mrs. Eliza Emmons and P. A. Finseth are having a cement curbing built in front of their property on Main street.

Mrs. Myrtle J. Hall died at her home near Bridgeport, Friday, aged about 29 years. The funeral was held at the home Saturday, and the remains were interred in the Hubbard graveyard.

County School Superintendent H. C. Seymour is sending out the questions for the June examinations to the various public schools of Polk County today. The examinations will be held Thursday and Friday, and the same examining board that served in the May and February examinations will grade the papers.

The picnic held at Shady Lane was attended by a large crowd from the surrounding country, and was a complete success. The program had been thoroughly prepared, and every hour of the entire day was filled with entertainment for all. Many people from this city attended, and the music for the occasion was furnished by the Dallas band.

The graduation exercises of the eighth grade of the Dallas Public School will be held at the Woodman Hall, Saturday night. A class of about 20 students will graduate, and an excellent program is being prepared. To defray the incidental expenses of the entertainment an admission fee of 15 cents for adults and 10 cents for children will be charged.

The workmen who are drilling for coal on the W. C. Brown property north of Dallas, report that at a depth of 300 feet they encountered a slight flow of oil this morning. The well will be cleared and the drilling continued for a short distance, after which they purpose to fire a blast of nitro-glycerine in it, hoping to start a flow which will produce a paying quantity of oil daily.

New Prices of Ice.

On and after this date, the price of ice will be:

50 lbs. and under, 1¼ cents per lb.
100 lbs., $1.25 per 100.
200 lbs., $1.00 per 100.

Cash must accompany all out-of-town orders, and add 15c. for each sack.

61 DALLAS ICE COMPANY.

A Bold Step.

To overcome the well-grounded and reasonable objections of the more intelligent to the use of secret, medicinal compounds, Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., some time ago, decided to make a bold departure from the usual course pursued by the makers of put-up medicines for domestic use, and so has published broadcast and openly to the whole world, a full and complete list of all the ingredients entering into the composition of his widely celebrated medicines. Thus he has taken his numerous patrons and patients into his full confidence. Thus too he has removed his medicines from among secret nostrums of doubtful merits, and made them *Remedies of Known Composition.*

By this bold step Dr. Pierce has shown that his formulas are of such excellence that he is not afraid to subject them to the fullest scrutiny.

Not only does the wrapper of every bottle of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, the famous medicine for weak stomach, torpid liver or biliousness and all catarrhal diseases wherever located, have printed upon it, in *plain English*, a full and complete list of all the ingredients composing it, but a small book has been compiled from numerous standard medical works, of all the different schools of practice, containing very numerous extracts from the writings of leading practitioners of medicine, endorsing *in the strongest possible terms*, each and every ingredient contained in Dr. Pierce's medicines. One of these little books will be mailed free to any one sending address on postal card or by letter, to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., and requesting the same. From this little book it will be learned that Dr. Pierce's medicines contain no alcohol, narcotics, mineral agents or other poisonous or injurious agents and that they are made from native, medicinal roots of great value; also that some of the most valuable ingredients contained in Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription for weak, nervous, over-worked, "run-down," nervous and debilitated women, were employed, long years ago, by the Indians for similar ailments affecting their squaws. In fact, one of the most valuable medicinal plants entering into the composition of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription was known to the Indians as "Squaw-Weed." Our knowledge of the uses of not a few of our most valuable native, medicinal plants was gained from the Indians.

As made up by improved and exact processes, the "Favorite Prescription" is a most efficient remedy for regulating all the womanly functions, correcting displacements, as prolapsus, anteversion and retroversion, overcoming painful periods, toning up the nerves and bringing about a perfect state of health. Sold by all dealers in medicines.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

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Figures count as one word. For instance, the numeral combination "$250" counts as one word.

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For Sale.

A nice home for sale at a bargain. Inquire of owner, Miss Martha Thompson. 5-22-8t

Lost

At ball grounds, a plain band ring. Finder will please return to this office. 6-5-2t

Cow For Sale.

Good Milk cow for sale. Call at stable. W. J. STOWE. 6-2-tf

For Sale.

A tract of fine fruit land—easy terms, long time, low interest. H. G. CAMPBELL.

Eggs for Hatching.

Single Comb Buff Orpington eggs, $1 for 15.

4-2-tf J. E. BEEZLEY, Falls City.

Wanted.

Work on a farm during summer, by boy 16 years old. Address Box 313, Dallas, Oregon. 5-26-4t

Pasture.

Horse and cow pasture on Dolph farm, Polk Station. See J. G. Trent on premises. 5-19-1m

Implements.

All parties intending to buy implements had better see F. J. Wagner before making their purchases. 1-17-tf.

Oak Wood.

16-inch grub oak heater wood for sale. E. M. COCHRAN. Leave orders at Webster's confectionery store. 2-27-tf

Wanted.

Girl to assist in the care of young children and light house work, in a family where cook is kept. Answer, Box, 353, Dallas. 5-22-tf

Lost.

In Dallas. A solid gold Woodman watch charm. Finder please return to H. C. Seymour. 4-17-tf

Farm For Sale.

Good 300-acre dairy and stock farm, two miles from railroad; good grass and farming land; plenty of running water; good house and barn and sheds. Call on or address JAMES A GIBSON, Sheridan, Or., R. F. D. 1. 8-10-tf

For Service.

German Coach horse, "Alban," will make the season of 1908 as usual at Farmers' Feed Shed. Terms, $20, $15 and $10. First-class pasture for mares at $1 a month. W. H. MCDANIEL, Dallas, Or. 4-28-tf

For Sale.

Fine two-seated, covered hack; new wheels, long-distance axles, up to 1300 pounds, $30. Buggy, double and top in good order, $10. Road cart, $5, good order. One mile south of Falls City. See Frank Butler at Falls City. 5-22-tf

Wood For Sale.

Do you need wood? We want to remind you that the block wood from the Willamette Valley Lumber Company's sawmill is the best and cheapest wood you can buy. $1.75 per load, delivered. Mutual phone 1407, or leave orders at Webster's confectionery store.

11-22 tf. BOWMAN BROS.

LOW RATES EAST

WILL BE MADE THIS SEASON BY THE

SOUTHERN PACIFIC

(LINES IN OREGON)

FROM DALLAS, OREGON

AS FOLLOWS

TO	BOTH WAYS THROUGH PORTLAND	ONE WAY VIA CALIFORNIA
Chicago	$74.40	$89.40
St. Louis	69.40	84.40
St. Paul	64.40	83.65
Omaha	64.40	76.90
Kansas City	64.40	76.90

TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE

May 4, 18
June 5, 6, 19, 20
July 6, 7, 22, 23
August 6, 7, 21, 22

Good for return in 90 days with stopover privileges at pleasure within limits.

REMEMBER THE DATES

For any further information call on

I. N. WOODS, Local Agent

or write to

WM. McMURRAY
General Passenger Agent, Portland, Oregon

I have recently obtained several fine 10 ACRE TRACTS which are suitable for fruit, in fact the very best of fruit land and nicely located. For prices see

A. J. BARHAM
REAL ESTATE
1st door west of post office
DALLAS, - OREGON

Street Improvement Notice.

To M. C. Wilson, O. E. Williams, M. E. Williams and J. B. Thompson:

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Dallas, Oregon, contemplates the passage of an ordinance requiring the improvement of those certain streets or parts of streets in said city, adjacent to or adjoining the herein below described lots or parts of lots or parcels of ground in the manner following, to-wit: By the construction of a cement sidewalk ten (10) feet in width (1) on the North side of Court Street adjoining Lots 7 and 8 Block 10 Original Town of Dallas; (2) on the North side of Court Street adjoining Lot 6 in Block 10, Original Town of Dallas; (3) on the North side of Court street, adjoining Lot 5 in Block 10, Original Town of Dallas; all in the city of Dallas, Polk County, Oregon.

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

That the cost of said sidewalk 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 day of June A. D. 1908, 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 3d day of June, A. D. 1908.

Witness my hand and the official seal of the said city of Dallas, this 4th day of June, 1908.

L. D. BROWN,
(Seal) Auditor and Police Judge of the City of Dallas, Oregon.

The Publisher's Claims Sustained

UNITED STATES COURT OF CLAIMS

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We are of the opinion that this allegation most clearly and accurately describes the work that has been accomplished and the result that has been reached. The Dictionary, as it now stands, has been thoroughly re-edited in every detail, has been corrected in every part, and is admirably adapted to meet the larger and severer requirements of a generation which demands more of popular philological knowledge than any generation that the world has ever contained.

It is perhaps needless to add that we refer to the dictionary in our judicial work as of the highest authority in accuracy of definition; and that in the future as in the past it will be the source of constant reference.

CHARLES C. NOTT, Chief Justice.
LAWRENCE WELDON,
JOHN BANCS,
STANTON J. PEELE,
CHARLES B. HOWRY,
Judges.

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PUBLISHERS,
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DALLAS MERCANTILE CO.

A GOOD BUTTER

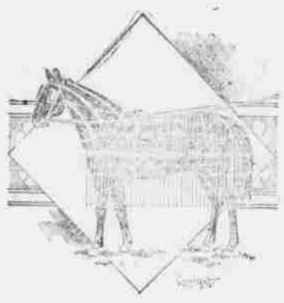
in the goat line won't do to spread bread with. For cooking, pastry, pan cakes and bread, you want

BUTTER THAT'S SWEET

We have it and it's low in price. Butter that's strong enough to argue with you, or do stunts, you can get at other grocery stores, but not ours. Try ours and smile and be happy.

E. BOYD & SON

Phones: Bell 63, Mutual 314.



HOW ABOUT YOUR HARNESS

generally? Don't you want a new set for summer driving? Lots of people on the road then, and you want your rig to look as good as any, of course. A new set will not cost you much here.

Dallas Harness Shop
F. Salficky, Prop.

Between Meat Platters and Toilet Sets

there's a whole host of excellent things here. Only a catalogue could give names and prices of all the

CHINA, CROCKERY AND GLASSWARE

in this remarkably complete assortment.

The woman who dearly loves a bargain will find much cause for satisfaction here.

Just come and get our prices and you will be convinced that this is a Right Price Shop.

W. H. ROY & CO.
Dallas, Oregon

CASTORIA.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

Where did you go so early this morning, Mrs. Wise? I was down to HALL & HAYES to get one of those

Silk Floss Mattresses

they make. They are strictly all floss and each bed guaranteed, and they have the most complete line of Carpets, Rugs, Matting, Lace Curtains, etc. in the city. And say, those Couches they make are just simply grand. And they said they would not be beat on prices.

HALL & HAYES

Successors to F. J. Chapman.

Electricity for Lighting

Is only expensive to people who are wasteful and careless. To you, who are naturally careful, it does not come high. ∴ ∴ ∴

It is economical because it can be quickly turned off when not needed. With gas or kerosene there is the temptation to let light burn when not needed to save bother of lighting and adjusting. In some homes the electric light bills amount to only one or two dollars per month. You can probably get some kind of artificial light for less money than electric light, but does it save you anything when it limits opportunities for work and recreation—ruins your eyesight—smokes your walls—mars decorations and increases household work. You could probably save a dollar tomorrow by going without your meals but it wouldn't be economy. It is not so much what you save, but how you save that counts.

WILLAMETTE VALLEY CO. RATES—Residence on meters, per Kilowatt 15c; Residence, flat per month, 16cp 50c. RATES FOR BUSINESS HOUSES—25c per drop and 5c per Kilowatt up to 10 drops; over 10 drops 20c per drop and 5c per Kilowatt up to 40 drops; over 40 drops 17½c per drop and 5c per Kilowatt. A drop figures 16cp or less. For power rates apply at the office. We are always ready to explain the "ins and outs" of the lighting proposition to you, call on us or phone to us, we are never to busy to talk business.

Willamette Valley Company

E. W. KEARNS, Manager for Dallas.

Office on Mill street, just north of the Court House. Phones Bell 421, Mutual 1297.

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It is not business to buy real estate without an abstract of title. Let us make it; we guarantee same to be correct.

C. B. CROSNO and C. E. HAWKINS, Abstractors

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BLACK'S STABLES

Having purchased this well-known barn, we solicit a share of your patronage.

EVERYTHING FIRST-CLASS

Excellent accomodations for commercial men.

STOWE BROS.

MAIN STREET DALLAS, OREGON