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



SPELLS PROSPERITY.

How and alfalfa. That sounds like money. One of our farmer readers says it is a "combination that cannot be beaten," and he is right. The Observer has long believed that the day will come when thousands of acres of alfalfa hay will be raised in Polk County every year. Possibly not every part of the county is adapted to the raising of this valuable staple, but it is certain that in certain favored localities it can be grown to perfection. One such locality, it appears, is the American Bottom, south of Independence. R. H. McCarter, a farmer residing in that neighborhood, writes that one of his neighbors cut his first crop on Monday of this week and will cut two more crops this year.

The American Bottom, a rich river bottom, as its name implies, has long been noted as one of the rich soil growing districts of Oregon. The soil is a rich black loam, with an abundance of moisture to cause the hay vines to grow luxuriantly and bear heavy crops. This soil, it appears, is also admirably adapted to the growth of alfalfa, and the farmer who is desirous to turn their attention from the top business to the hay industry, for the very good reason that hay is even more profitable than hay.

What is true of the American Bottom, is probably true of the rich valleys of the Luckiamute, the LaCrosse, and the Yamhill. While little attention has been given to alfalfa raising in these rich river bottoms of Polk County, those farmers who have given a portion of their time to experimenting with this valuable crop have found themselves amply repaid for the effort expended. The experience of the two progressive farmers in the Willamette bottom, as printed elsewhere in today's paper, proves beyond question that alfalfa can be grown successfully and profitably in Western Oregon, even without the aid of artificial irrigation. This experience should encourage other farmers to devote attention to experiments with this crop.

All of the older residents of Polk County will remember a time when it was said that clover could not be grown successfully in the Willamette Valley. If you know more learnedly, by men who knew more or nothing of what they were talking, that the soil of the valley lacked those certain chemical qualities necessary to the life of the clover plant, and that any effort spent in experimenting with its growth would, as a consequence, result in a loss of time and money. This false theory was accepted as true for many years, to the great financial loss of the farming community, and would doubtless have been prevailing today, had not a progressive doubter knocked all theories into a cocked hat by producing a crop of clover, that was pronounced by a Government farming expert to be the finest he had ever seen in the United States. From that year, clover farming began to claim its rightful share of attention in Polk County, and today it is rated as one of the important sources of wealth throughout Western Oregon.

It is not unreasonable to conclude that alfalfa raising will prove even more successful, if given requisite attention and intelligent investigation by the valley farmers. The Observer is glad to print the experience of Mr. McCarter and his neighbor in the hope that it will encourage other farmers to experiment further along the same line. The writer of these lines spent seven months last year in a section of the country where alfalfa is the principal crop, and it did not take him long to discover that "alfalfa" spells "prosperity." It is true that larger crops can be produced in the irrigated country than the farmers of Western Oregon could ever hope to raise, but it should also be borne in mind that Western Oregon is the best hay country on earth, and that a comparatively

small crop of alfalfa turned into 11-cent pork hogs will produce a far greater income than is realized by the farmers in that portion of the country where it is necessary to convert the entire output into hay and certain brands of smoking tobacco.

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For Sale.
Two lots and new 6-room house, barn and outbuildings. For further information, apply to G. W. McEwen, Dallas, or J. L. Wheeler, Falls City. 5-17-10

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Good horse chest hay, W. P. Miller, Mutual phone 1292. 5-19-10

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Twenty head of water goats for sale. John E. Barber, Mutual phone 1292. 5-19-10

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An 8-horse gasoline engine, 1-horsepower. Nearly new. Hugh Hayes, Dallas. 1-23-10

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New six-room house, with good woodshed; on nice lot, 50 by 124, corner Ash and 23th streets. Price, \$1400. A. K. Oiler, Mutual phone 274. 5-1-10

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For Sale or Trade.
A first class well-bred 1 1/2 year old, would sell or trade for team of horses. Address I. Schaeffer, Dallas, Or. 1222

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Eighty acres of fine land all under cultivation 1 1/2 miles west of South Yamhill. 8 acres in hops, 2000 bushels. Hog house, building and barn close to Yamhill river. Price if taken at once, \$2250. Inquire at this office. 5-21-10

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\$ 10,000

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3.00 " "	2.15
2.50 " "	1.75
2.00 " "	1.48
1.50 " "	1.10
1.00 " "	.75
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2.00 Quilts for	1.48

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FRIDAY, MAY 20th, 1910

All sizes for Misses 13 to Ladies 36 inclusive

All \$ 4.50 Garments at	\$ 3.00	All \$19.00 Garments at	\$15.00
" 5.00 " "	3.25	" 22.50 " "	19.00
" 7.00 " "	5.00	" 25.00 " "	21.00
" 8.50 " "	5.50	" 27.50 " "	22.50
" 10.00 " "	7.50	" 32.50 " "	25.00
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