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We are headquarters for the famous Spalding line and do not lie down for any others. Give us a call.

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to-date Candy Kitchen in rear. We invite you to inspect it

OUR MARKET LETTER

Receipts and Sales at Portland Union Stock Yards.

PORTLAND, Or., Sept. 17.—Receipts for the week at the Portland Union Stock Yards have been as follows: Cattle, 2000; sheep, 2500; hogs, 2500; horses and mules, 400.

This week's cattle market has shown a strong upward tendency since the opening of business on Monday. A new high price was set on Friday when a lot of choice steers sold at \$4.75. The butcher division has been especially strong all week. Cows have advanced \$4.75. Calves have been steady to firm at \$7 for best quality.

The hog market has been up and down since the opening of the week's business on Monday. For top quality the price has advanced to \$10.75 where it has remained steady to firm. Hogs of lesser quality were worth anywhere from \$10.25 to \$10.50. The market at the Missoua river points has shown the same fluctuations as the local market. Heavy shipments of Nebraska have featured the market this week and receipts of the local product have been very good, all things considered.

The market on sheep for the first half of the week was very drab, and with the exception of a single sale of lambs there were no other sales reported. On Thursday the market was livened up to some extent by the sale of several lots of wethers and ewes, but no new high points in the quotations were reached. The market may be considered a shade weaker than that of last week as the demand is not quite so strong. Lambs were not in very great demand and the receipts were nominal.

Representative sales have been as follows: Steers, \$4.25 to \$5.75; cows, \$4 to \$4.75; calves, \$5.50 to \$7; hogs, \$10 to \$10.75; wethers, \$3.50 to \$4; lambs, \$5.50.

LIVE LONG LIFE TOGETHER

Aged Polk County Couple Celebrate Sixtieth Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Walker, of McCoy, celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of their wedding September 15. After more than half a century of wedded life and with good prospects of seeing the diamond anniversary of 75 years, the event was a memorable one.

A reunion of the family was a delightful feature of the occasion, the following being present: Mr. and Mrs. John Shields, of Cherry, Washington; Mrs. Alice Walker and children, Clara of McMinnville and Mrs. H. A. Walker of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Shields and children, Boyd, Otho, Ava, Harry; Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Shields and G. L. Shields, McCoy, Oregon; Miss Fannie Walker, McCoy; Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Stairs and sons, Harvey and Arthur, McCoy; W. L. Walker, Corvallis, Oregon; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bewley and sons, Floyd and Virgil, McCoy; and five of their great-grandchildren. Other relatives invited were: Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Walker and son, T. F., of Salem, brother and sister of Mr. and Mrs. Walker; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fruit, of Brooks, Oregon; Mr. and Mrs. F. Wheeler and son, Amity, Oregon. Mr. and Mrs. Walker received many beautiful presents.

Mr. Walker is 84 and Mrs. Walker is 76 years of age. E. P. Walker, a brother, is 78 and Mrs. E. P. Walker, a sister, of Mrs. Walker, is 73, so that long lives in both families is shown.—Sunday Statesman.

COUNCIL HOLDS MEETING

Mayor Appoints R. E. Williams Member of Library Board.

The city council held little other than routine business awaiting disposal when it met in regular session last night. The greater part of the session was devoted to the consideration of street improvement matters.

The macadam improvement on South Main street was accepted and a warrant for \$1250 was ordered drawn in favor of the Dallas Macadam Company.

The proposed ordinance regulating the storage and handling of dynamite and other explosives was referred to the Ordinance Committee.

Mayor Eakin announced the appointment of R. E. Williams to serve as a member of the Free Library Board for the next two years. A warrant for the remainder of the city tax due the library was ordered drawn.

An order was made notifying the Southern Pacific Company to remove from Church street all of the loose rock that has rolled from the roadbed onto the macadam pavement.

An order was made requiring the Dallas Telephone Company to remove all stumps of poles from the sidewalks of the city.

A. R. Stout was appointed night watchman and required to furnish a bond in the sum of \$1000.

The Street Committee was instructed to have the beginning of the winter season on all streets where such improvement is needed.

Which Is Taxpayers' Friend?

Republicans and others should read the arguments, published in the Corrupt Practices pamphlet, supplied by William J. Clarke and Willis S. Donald, and then decide who was telling the truth. Which one is the taxpayers' friend? (Paid Adv. by W. J. Clarke.)

Public Sale.

Don't forget the auction sale on Wednesday September 22, at the farm of F. M. Smith, one and one-half miles east of Lewistown, of horses, cows, east of Lewistown, of horses, cows, Calves, ewes, many goats, farm implements, etc.

Catholic Services.

Services will be held in the Catholic Church in Dallas next Sunday as follows: Sunday school at 9 a. m.; mass (low) at 10:30 a. m. All are invited.

AMENDMENT DEFEATED

MILL RACE QUESTION DECIDED AGAINST CITY COUNCIL

Voters of City Say by Their Ballots That No Change Is Wanted in Existing State Law.

By the decisive vote of 153 to 109, the people of Dallas yesterday defeated the city's proposed charter amendment to give the city exclusive control of all improvements hereafter to be made on the mill race and to assess cost of such improvements wholly against the owners of the ditch.

The issue, which at first attracted little attention or comment, developed into a burning question in the last few days of the campaign and state and county politics went into temporary eclipse. The contest was good natured, however, and no sore spots were left.

It seemed to be the general opinion that the race company should not be forced to bear the entire burden of maintaining the race and let property owners escape all cost in building and maintaining sidewalks over the ditch in front of their respective lots or tracts of land.

Notwithstanding the volume of argument produced and the keen interest taken by the partisans on each side of the question, a tight vote was cast. Had anything like a full vote been polled, it is certain that the majority against the amendment would have been heavier than it was. Many laboring men expressed their confidence that the amendment would be defeated and refused to leave their work, declaring that their votes would not be needed.

The unofficial vote by wards is as follows:

Ward	Yes	No
First Ward	38	50
Second Ward	30	52
Third Ward	41	31

LOSES HEAVILY BY FIRE

Sheridan Lumber Company's Camp at Cedar Creek Is Destroyed.

The Sheridan Sun gives the following account of the recent destruction by fire of the Sheridan Lumber Company's logging camp in the Mill Creek mountains:

The most damaging result of a forest fire in this immediate vicinity was the burning of the Cedar Creek logging camp of the Sheridan Lumber Company, Monday. This camp is located near the junction of Mill and Cedar creeks in Polk county, some fifteen miles southwest of Sheridan, and was a bustling, busy place employing 30 to 45 men. It consisted of a new cook house 20x24 feet just completed, three bunk houses, foreman's residence, coal barn, supply house, and blacksmith shop and an expensive dam. Contained in the buildings was practically all the winter's supply of feed and provision. All of this was destroyed except the barn, dam and blacksmith shop.

This fire was caused from the one started near there accidentally two weeks ago by sparks from the donkey engine. At that time the high wind had taken the burning mass and scattered it high up the ridge, creating a ground fire of the ferns and underbrush that could not be prevented from spreading. Prompt efforts were made to stamp it out, but it gradually worked itself over the ridge to Pine creek, and during the high wind Monday the flames were fanned into renewed life and coursed down Pine creek to Mill creek and thence up to the logging camp. It was impossible to stop the fire and the loss of the camp resulted.

The area burned over is estimated at two thousand acres, with a loss of perhaps a half million feet of logs in the Jam and river. The fire was simply a ground one and but little damage was caused to standing timber. In some particulars the fire was a benefit, in that it cleared the ground of the underbrush and decayed timber. Some loss will be occasioned by the fire eating into the ends of the logs lying upon the ground and this can only be stopped by raising the logs.

Both fires were the result of natural conditions that could not be avoided and were not the result of carelessness on the part of employees, and no blame is attached to anyone by the company. The actual monetary loss to the company will be quite heavy, being principally on provisions, of which there were several thousand dollars worth on hand, and the buildings and logging tools, but no estimate of the amount has been made.

For Attorney-General

A. M. CRAWFORD
Republican candidate for re-nomination for Attorney-General, has saved the State over \$500,000.

See Voters' Pamphlet, First Congressional District, page 15.
See Voters' Pamphlet, Second Congressional District, page 24.
Respectfully submitted for the consideration of the voters.

A. M. CRAWFORD,
Present residence address, 417 Summer Street, Salem, Oregon.
(Paid Advertisement.)

A Burglar in Town

His name is "bad cough." He doesn't care for gold or silver but he will steal your health away. If he appears in your house arrest him at once with Ballard's Horehound Syrup. It may mean consumption if you don't. A cure for all coughs, colds and chest troubles.
Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Conrad Stafrin.

People You Know.

C. V. Clodfelter, wife and son went to Independence, Saturday, for a few days' visit.—Jefferson Review.
A Myrtle Creek firm packed a carload of dried prunes last Wednesday, probably the first car of prunes ever packed in the state in month of August.
Legal blanks for sale at this office.

COLLEGE OPENS TOMORROW

Will Begin Year's Work With Large Enrollment of Students.

Dallas College will begin its eleventh year of work tomorrow. The opening exercises will be held in the chapel at 10 o'clock in the morning and the public is most cordially invited.

The students will miss President C. A. Mock, who will spend another year at Yale to complete his work. Acting President Winter will also be absent, as he is now in the East to attend the general conference of his church. He will return to his work about November 1.

Acting President Winter has almost completed a canvass for the endorsement of the college. In his campaign he succeeded in raising the endorsement of the school to \$25,000, which was a condition upon which he is assured that at least a like amount will be given to this fund by the church in the East. One purpose of his present trip is to see that this assurance is made good.

The other instructors will all be in their accustomed places, except Mrs. Wright, who, owing to ill health, will not resume her work in vocal music and dramatic art. Mrs. Etta Weaver Carter will again take charge of the art department, which place she acceptably filled during the first years of the college.

The prospect is good for a full enrollment of students. Most of the former students will return and some new faces will be seen among the group which will meet to begin the work of the new year. The organization of high schools will detain for a time some who otherwise would enlarge the student body at this time.

But most of these will come later, when they are more fully prepared to enter upon the work of the college.

Mrs. Cummings, formerly of Corvallis, will have charge of the dormitory and the young people of the college may expect to have their physical needs well supplied.

BENSON WILL BE WELL

Condition 100 Per Cent. Better Than Week Ago—Will Soon Return.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 15.—Governor Frank W. Benson, of Oregon, when seen today in the office of his physician, Dr. George Culver, said to a representative of the Oregonian that he expects to leave for his home after the primaries. In the meantime he will visit relatives in San Jose. Governor Benson has improved rapidly, but it was on the advice of his physician that he decided he would not go to Oregon for the present primaries.

The Governor has also secured from Dr. Culver the following signed statement as to his condition and his improvement. The report which covers his case in detail is as follows:

"I have seen Governor Benson at my office today and dressed his wound. The local condition is steadily and rapidly improving and his physical condition is practically 100 per cent better than it was one week ago which means a great deal, as he has been making steady progress for the last two months.

"Our only reason now for keeping the Governor here is to get him in such shape that he will be physically equal to any amount of strain that may be put upon him when he goes back to his work.

"The many reports in reference to his eyes being in danger are all false, as his eyes are perfect and as clear, undoubtedly as they have been for years. The fact is Governor Benson is getting well and is getting well rapidly, and he is going to be a perfectly well man, fully capable of holding the most difficult position.

"GEORGE D. CULVER."

DALLAS BOY MAKES GOOD

J. C. Plankinton Secures Position With Wealthy Eastern Concern.

J. C. Plankinton, a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Plankinton, of Bridgeport, left a few days ago for Schenectady, New York, where he will enter the employ of the General Electric Company.

The young man was recently graduated from the course in Electrical Engineering at the Oregon Agricultural College. While in the school, he was a promising student, and out of a class of 127 was one of the honor graduates.

After working for the Schenectady concern for a time, young Plankinton intends to finish his course in Cornell University, the largest engineering school in the United States.

PORTLAND GETS GOAT SHOW

Display Will Be Held in Conjunction With Woolgrowers' Meeting.

Officers and members of the Northwest Angora Goat Association held a meeting on the State Fair grounds last week and decided to hold a goat show in Portland in conjunction with the meeting of the National Wool Growers' Association.

It is not known whether this show will take the place of the annual goat show held in Dallas, but it is probable that it will, unless the members of the Polk County Mohair Association take some contrary action in the meantime.

We Sell Varnish.

It will no longer be necessary for you to buy 50 cents worth of varnish hereafter when you want 5 cents worth to varnish a chair. We sell the best brands in any quantity desired. Come to the new paint and wall paper store on Washington street.
W. P. HOLMAN.

VOTERS SHOULD READ

CHIEF PROVISIONS OF CORRUPT PRACTICES ACT.

What the Law Says Voters May and May Not Do During Election Campaigns.

As the primary election will be held Saturday, and as many persons are not familiar with the provisions of the Corrupt Practices Act, the Observer prints the following brief outline of its principal features.

A little study of these provisions might possibly save some voter from violating unknowingly a law, the terms of which are binding in the extreme, and thus save him worry and expense in defending himself in court. The measure was enacted by the people of Oregon, and the natural presumption would be that they are all familiar with its provisions; but the fact is, none of us are, and it is well, therefore, to explain it here.

The corrupt practices act, known as the "Huntley Bill," makes it unlawful for a candidate to give clothing, meals, liquors, cigars or tobacco, with intent or hope to influence a vote.

Makes it unlawful for any religious, political or charitable organization to solicit any payment or contribution from a person seeking a nomination or office.

Makes it unlawful for any person to make use of force, coercion, threats, etc., in influencing the vote of another, and for ministers, preachers, etc., otherwise than by public speech or print, to urge, persuade or command any voter to vote for or against any man or measure on account of his religious duty.

Any person may do as much writing, speaking, publishing or other work, and spend as much time as he wishes, without pay, for any candidate, political party or measure, except on the day of the primary election or the day of the general election, and except as above noted.

Hired workers at the polls are prohibited, except as challengers and to watch the count.

On the election day no badges or buttons are to be given out or are to be worn, and on that day the voter is to be allowed to go to the polls and vote as his own judgment dictates, absolutely free from solicitation, question or argument for votes, either for men, measures or parties.

Makes it unlawful for a candidate, in order to aid or promote his election, to promise another person any public or private position or employment.

Makes it unlawful to bet or wager anything of pecuniary value on the result of an election.

Makes it unlawful for any person to pay another for any loss or damage due to attendance at the polls, or for the expense of transportation to or from the polls.

Makes it unlawful to solicit or invite any candidate to subscribe to or support of any club or organization, or to buy tickets to any entertainment or ball.

Makes it unlawful for any publisher to solicit any candidate to buy advertising space in any book, periodical or other publication.

SEEMS LIKE USELESS WORK

Little Interest Shown by Voters in Proposed New Laws.

Numerous readers of the Observer have asked us recently why we do not print an outline of the proposed measures to be voted on in November and at the same time give an editorial opinion as to the merit, or lack of merit, of each. As this newspaper has been doing this very thing for the last two or three months, these requests make it evident that few of our readers have read what we had to say. It is not a fact that the average reader is too busy, or thinks he is too busy, with his own affairs to give much time to study of these proposed laws and amendments?

The Observer would be only too willing to devote any amount of time and space necessary to a proper explanation of these measures if it could but be made to know that its subscribers would read what it might say about them. But under the circumstances, such a task would seem discouraging, if not useless.

However, we shall grant the request of these subscribers and give the voters as much information as we are able to obtain about each measure. We might say, in advance, that our advice on most of the proposed laws will be to vote No.

Notice of Meeting of Board of Equalization.

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, the 17th day of October, 1910, the Board of Equalization will meet at the County Courthouse in the city of Dallas, in the county of Polk, State of Oregon, to examine and correct all assessment rolls, to correct all errors in valuation, lots or other property, or incorrectly assessed as to description or quantity, or where assessed in the name of a person or persons not the owner thereof or assessed under or beyond the actual cash value thereof, and to assess all lands, lots and other property appearing to have been omitted or that was not assessed.

Petitions or applications for the reduction of a particular assessment shall be made in writing, verified by the oath of the applicant or his attorney and be filed with the board during the first week it is by law required to be in session, and any petition or application not so made, verified and filed shall not be considered or acted upon by the board.

Dated September 20, A. D. 1910.
C. S. GRAVER,
Assessor of Polk County,
9-20-10.

Why a Deficiency Bill?

If the present State Printer, Willis S. Dunway, has kept the expenses of his office within the appropriation, as he states, then why did the State Legislature of 1909 pass a deficiency bill amounting to \$19,555.84? (Paid Adv. by W. J. Clarke.)

BETTER THAN LAST YEAR

Hops in Independence District Better in Quantity and Quality.

From reports from many of the leading hop growers it is evident that the hops of this section are superior to the crop of last year, in both quality and quantity, says the Independence Enterprise. Krebs Bros. will harvest about 1500 bales. C. A. McLaughlin's yard will yield 1100 bales, which is 100 less than last year. His hops suffered considerably on account of the dry weather.

W. W. Percival has the best yield of any of the large yards. He has sixty-five acres which will average about 2500 pounds to the acre. Mr. Damon has a three-acre yard that will produce 9000 pounds which is the best record of any of the yards reported. Only a few yards have finished picking. It is safe to say that the yards of J. H. Burton, Horat Bros., Walker Bros., Davidson & Hedges, J. E. Hubbard, Sloper & Patton, and a number of others will yield more than last year.

Candidate's Announcement.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination to the office of Representative, subject to the will of the Democratic party at the Polk County Primaries, Sept. 24, 1910. I am the candidate of no clique or combination. I believe in the Direct Primary and Statement Number One, and earnestly believe that the PEOPLE and not the BOSSES should rule.

LOTT D. BROWN.
(Paid Advertisement.)

GOOD WORDS FOR M'CAMANT

Doctor Withycombe Resents Attacks on Honest and Capable Man.

(Dr. Withycombe in Corvallis Times.) There are times when one finds it difficult to hold his peace. This is my condition at present, and I ask your indulgence for a brief space to enter a protest against the unwarranted attack upon Mr. Wallace McCamant. It has been my pleasure to know Mr. McCamant for a number of years, and I know him as an able lawyer, statesman, scholar, and above all, a thorough gentleman. He has been a citizen of this state for a number of years and his life among us has been, as it were, an open book without a blemish upon a single page. As a lawyer he is the equal of any in the Northwest and always found unwaveringly faithful to his clients.

Many of our citizens will doubtless remember his eloquent and inspiring address at the decoration exercises in this city some two years since. This is thoroughly characteristic of the man. His voice has been heard all over the commonwealth in behalf of civic righteousness and higher ideals of civilization and absolutely fearless to do that which he thinks is right, regardless of public criticism. I can assure your readers that if Mr. McCamant is nominated and elected to the high office to which he aspires, he will bring strength and honor to the supreme bench of Oregon.

Best \$15 suits ever received in Dallas. New Fall patterns—Dallas Mercantile Co.

W. C. Hawley

Member of Congress

Republican Candidate for Renomination to

CONGRESS

Has a good clean record of effective service and has faithfully lived up to his motto adopted four years ago:

"No Interests to Serve but the Public Interests."

Some of the things accomplished at the recent session of Congress: Secured over \$800,000 for river and harbor improvement in this Congressional District. Secured over \$600,000 for public building and other purposes in this District, including Oregon's Civil War Claim. Defeated the Lefean Apple Box Bill. Aided miners and settlers on the public domain, including Biletz settlers.

Secured passage of many bills of interest to localities and for the relief of veterans of our wars. Has been an active supporter of the administration in redeeming platform pledges and assisted in passage of Railroad Rate Act, Postal Savings Bank Act, Bureau of Mines Act, Reclamation Certificates Act, and many other acts of great national importance.

He has won the hearty commendation of ex-President Roosevelt for upholding progressive measures urged by him while President of the United States:

Washington, May 29.—President Roosevelt today issued a statement commending the Oregon members of the House for their support of administration policies and wishing them success in the coming elections in that state. The statement follows:

The President today said goodly to the two Oregon Congressmen, Messrs. Hawley and Elin, and stated publicly that he took the occasion to thank them for the attitude they had consistently maintained in support of the administration's policies, and to wish them success in the election which is to take place on Monday next.

The President stated that he wished publicly to express his appreciation of the cordial manner in which the gentlemen have backed up the policies and the measures which the President felt were of such consequence for the welfare of the country, in connection, for instance, with such matters as: — * * * securing proper employers' liability legislation, both as regards interstate commerce and as regards the employees of the government itself; securing child labor legislation, and the effort to secure the proper administration by the courts of the power of injunction, and finally securing by the nation of thoroughgoing and adequate control over the great interstate corporations, a control which shall be both effective to prevent any wrongdoing by them and at the same time of-sing by them and at the same time of ward in ample fashion of all business which is so conducted as to be for and not against the public interest.—From the New York Tribune, May 30, 1908. (Paid Advertisement.)



DEMONSTRATION WEEK
September 26 to Sat. October 1
ADAMS' BIG STORE