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DALLAS, OREGON, DEC. 20, 1910.

The way to build up Dallas is to put
routes Dallas people.



The Home Rule association spent
\$40,000 in the recent campaign in Ore-
gon and the prohibitionists expended
nearly \$20,000—which indicates that
the reason both sides did not spend
more was because they did not have
more to spend.

"Out to Win" is the heading of a
poster announcing that Ernest E. Tay-
lor will speak in the Courthouse to-
night on the subject of "Prohibition."
It is possible that this brother hasn't
heard that the cruel war is over?

It now seems certain that Congress
will reject the Arizona constitution,
with its initiative and referendum, re-
call, and other populist trimmings.
"Twould serve the people of that ter-
ritory right to keep them out of the
Union until they have learned he much
common sense as has been exhibited
by their New Mexico neighbors.

The lawyers of Portland want the
legislature to provide two more judges
for the Multnomah circuit court and
two more for the supreme bench of
the state. The legislature will prob-
ably refuse to create additional
offices. Then the lawyers will carry
their request to the people—and the
people will probably grant it. At
least, the recent favorable vote on the
supreme court amendment would indi-
cate as much.

An item to the effect that Dallas
has voted 5 to 1 for a public water sup-
ply is going the rounds of the Oregon
newspapers. It would be hard to guess
where this bit of information got its
start. Dallas settled the water ques-
tion for all time about eight years ago,
when its people voted to install a grav-
ity, mountain-water system. The in-
structions of the voters were promptly
carried out by the council and Dallas
is no longer worrying about a water
supply.

The Capital Journal no longer uses
bold-faced type in its editorial col-
umns. The change for the better is
noticeable. When the Colonel desires
to shout, he now uses italics. But, as
the Observer long ago remarked, the
editor of the Journal has sufficient
command of the English language to
make himself clearly understood with-
out departing from the use of ordinary
Roman type. When the Colonel takes
his pen in hand he never fails to make
his readers know what he is talking
about. Even the italics are unneces-
sary.

An exchange thinks it strange that
farmer delegates to the various good
roads conventions should take the in-
itiative in advocating automobile high-
ways. There is nothing strange about it.
The farmer knows that a road
placed in condition for all-the-year
automobile traffic would be good for
his business as well, and he farther
knows that within the next ten years
a majority of automobile users in Ore-
gon will be farmers.

POLK PORKERS IN DEMAND.
A shipment of half a dozen "blue-
blooded" Poland China swine from a
Polk County breeder to farmers in Ma-
rion County and also to a farmer in
Washington (state) partly indicates
that there is a strong demand for such
pork producers. The fact that a road
during all of the years that he has
been engaged in swine raising he never
experienced so great a call for livestock
of this class. This is a very good in-
dication that many of the farmers
throughout the Pacific Northwest are
becoming more and more convinced
that there are large financial returns
in raising the very best livestock.—
Salem Statesman.

PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Comings and Goings as Told by Our
Exchanges.

Rev. Chester Gates, who has been
assisting Pastor S. M. Wood with the
revival meetings at Beulah, has re-
turned to his home in Portland.—Cor-
vallis Republican.

Mrs. J. S. Northrup has been in
Dallas this week attending the annual
Polk County poultry show and exhib-
iting a pen of her prize-winning Wyand-
otters.—Lafayette Critic.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Burghardt, and
Mr. Keltz, of Vancouver, enjoyed a
week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs.
Fred Thielson at their farm home in
Polk County.—Salem Journal.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. McIntosh ar-
rived in this city Friday and will
reside with the bride's parents, Mr.
and Mrs. D. L. Hedges, during the win-
ter. They were married at Salem a
week ago, instead of at Portland, as
mentioned in the papers, but it was not
until last week that the announcement
was made, and as it came from Port-
land, friends of the new couple sup-
posed that they were married there.—
Independence Enterprise.

Walter L. Tuomey, of Falls City, ar-
rived in Salem yesterday afternoon,
having just returned from a several
weeks' sojourn in Mexico. He reports
the weather down in that republic as
hot as Hades, with emphasis upon the
"Hades," and is glad to get back to
dear old Oregon, although he is seri-
ously thinking of making some invest-
ments in the natural resources of that
country, particularly mineral, in the
near future.—Salem Statesman.

Married in Malheur.
Information was received in Dallas
this week that Mr. Frank Jones and
Miss Clara E. Burton were married in
Malheur County recently. Mrs. Bur-
ton is a daughter of the late Mr. and
Mrs. John Scott and was a resident of
Dallas for many years.

Will Close on Holiday.

The Observer is requested to an-
nounce that the stores of Dallas will
be closed next Monday on account of
the Christmas holiday. All customers
will please take notice.

IMPRESSIVE FUNERAL RITES

Fred Ellis, Victim of Runaway Acci-
dent, Buried Sunday.

Funeral services over the remains of
the late Fred Ellis, who died in the
Dallas Hospital, Thursday, December
16, 1910, were conducted in Chap-
man's chapel Sunday afternoon by the
Reverend Edgar W. Miles, pastor of
the First Presbyterian Church of this
city.

An appropriate and touching sermon
was preached by the pastor and beau-
tiful music was furnished by the
church orchestra and choir. While
Mr. Ellis had been a stranger in Dal-
las, many people were present to show
their respect for the memory of a good
man who had died far from home and
kindred. At the conclusion of the ser-
vice, the remains were taken to Dallas
cemetery for burial.

The accident which finally resulted
in the death of Mr. Ellis occurred on
the farm of C. W. Minnich, four miles
south of this city, on the 24th day of
October. Mr. Ellis was employed as a
laborer on the farm at the time. While
hauling a load of water late in the
evening, the wagon became cramped
in making a short turn, and one of the
barrels was overturned. The spilling
of the water on the wagon tongue
frightened the horses and they started
to run. Mr. Ellis clung to the lines
and was thrown to the ground. The
heavy wagon passed over his body,
breaking one leg and injuring his
spine.

The unfortunate man was at once
taken to Mr. Minnich's home, where
surgeons hastily summoned from this
city dressed his injuries. It was be-
lieved for a time that he had a chance
of recovery, but the injury to his spine
proved to be of a serious nature and
the patient continued to grow worse.
A short time ago, he was removed to
the Dallas Hospital, where he died
Thursday morning.

Mr. Ellis was a native of Indiana
and was born October 17, 1859. He
was for many years a resident of
Michigan, in which state he lived a
near neighbor to Mr. C. W. Minnich.
He came to Oregon last July, leaving
a divorced wife and five children in
Michigan.

Mr. Minnich speaks in the highest
praise of the dead man's reputation
for honesty and general uprightness.
He says Mr. Ellis was a worthy, indus-
trious citizen, respected by all who
knew him. His death is deeply
mourned by his employer, who spared
no money in securing the best of treat-
ment for him after the accident which
finally resulted in his death.

TO PAVE BUSINESS STREETS

Independence Prepares to Improve
Principal Business Thoroughfares.

Independence is planning to pave
three of its business streets with hard-
surface pavement during the coming
Spring and Summer. A strong peti-
tion to the city council, asking that the
improvement be carried out without
delay, is being signed by the business
men and property owners. The Inde-
pendence Enterprise says:

"Mr. Feltz, a representative of the
Warren Construction Company, of
Portland, has been in the city several
days, interesting our business men in
the matter of pavement. We are
pleased to state that the business in-
terests of the city are considerably
enthused over the matter and every-
thing points to success in the under-
taking.

"They propose to pave Main street
from the water works plant to the
Main street steel bridge; C street from
Main street to the City Park, and
Monmouth street from Main street to
the west steel bridge. Petitions have
been circulated and generously signed
by abutting property owners, and the
whole town is becoming enthused over
the prospects of good streets.

"A year ago the same company sub-
mitted a plan to pave one of the
streets in Woodburn, and after no lit-
tle hesitation the council decided to
do the work under the same terms
that have been proposed to the citi-
zens of Independence. Instead of pav-
ing one street, Woodburn decided to
pave three, and the result has been
very satisfactory. So much so that
they are now discussing the matter of
more permanent street improvements."

MAY SOON EXTEND ELECTRIC

Mr. Hill Pleased With Conditions in
Willamette Valley.

Extension of the Oregon Electric
Railway up the Willamette Valley may
be an early result of the Thursday
visit to Salem of James J. Hill, head
of the Great Northern system, and a
party of Portland and Eastern offi-
cials, says the Oregonian.

When Mr. Hill returned to Portland,
he was highly enthusiastic over the
prosperous conditions he found in the
valley.

"The Willamette Valley is all right,"
he declared. "I never saw it looking
better or brighter. I was glad to see
it so. It shows that the people are
grasping the idea of returning to the
soil and cultivating the land. This
ought to be practiced more."

"We must see business ahead of us
before we are able to spend money in
improvements," he said. "We can't go
into it blindly. The railroads must
have a certain amount of assurance
that a new piece of work will pay be-
fore they can be justified in executing it."

Asked whether he was favorably in-
clined toward the eventual extension
of the Oregon Electric up the Willa-
mette Valley, he said:

"Eventual, eventual—I hope it will
be better. But that all depends upon the country and the peo-
ple themselves."

"Are you ready to announce the ex-
tension of the Oregon Electric then?"
Mr. Hill was asked.

"I don't like to talk about it. It
always makes a lot of trouble when we
do those things, and it always costs
us a lot of money," he replied.

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to call and settle their accounts with
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For Sale.
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Wanted, 20 or 30 good, fresh dairy
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gon. 12-6-11.

For Sale.
Oak and Cedar posts. Soehren
Warehouse Company. 11-18-11.

Wood For Sale.
For sale, 16-inch, dry oak wood, O.
DeHaven, two miles Southeast of Dal-
las. 10-25-11.

Lost.
A medium-sized dog, of light terrier
type, color, yellow, and hair short.
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ing to his recovery. J. B. Embree, Air-
lie, Oregon. Phone 2 on Camp. 11-25-11.

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Main street. Pavement, sidewalk,
nice fruit trees. The best buy in
town. See S. B. Taylor, 901 Jefferson
street, Dallas. 11-22-11m.

House and Lot Wanted.
I have a client who wishes to pur-
chase a house and lot in Dallas. Call
at my law office or phone 1092, I. D.
Brown.

Board and Lodging.
Board and lodging house two blocks
north of Courthouse on Jefferson St.
Mrs. C. Freeman, 207 Jefferson St.
11-22-11m.

House for Sale.
Good, new 9-room house on Shelton
street, for sale; wooded and out-
buildings; city water. Apply at this
office.

For Sale.
General merchandise store; invoices
about \$5500. Would take some real
estate or trade. Address Box 143, In-
dependence, Oregon. 11-25-11.

For Rent.
For rent, the Francis Wrightson
place of 240 acres, in Pecos precinct.
Oscar Hayter, Agent, Dallas, Oregon.
9-23-11.

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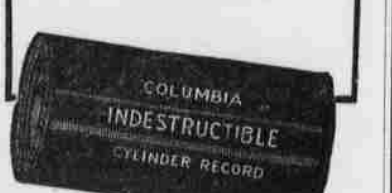


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