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DALLAS, OREGON, DEC. 23, 1910.

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



MORE TINKERING.

Passing upon the supreme court
amendment recently adopted by the
voters of Oregon, the judges of that
court hold that the amendment does
not abolish all courts save the supreme
court, as had been argued by many
lawyers, nor is the authority of the
circuit courts and county courts taken
away or abridged in any manner. Until
further legislation shall change them,
the circuit and county courts will con-
tinue to exist and to exercise the same
power and jurisdiction they exercised
before the adoption of the amend-
ment.

As to that portion of the amendment
which seeks to invest the supreme
court with original jurisdiction in habeas
corpus, mandamus and quo war-
ranto proceedings, the court is of the
opinion that it was not the intention
of the voters to thrust upon the su-
preme court the burden of hearing,
considering and determining in the
first instance every such application as
might be presented. Such a construc-
tion, it is pointed out, would over-
whelm the court with a mass of origi-
nal business, including the examination
of witnesses, hearing arguments of
counsel and considering the merits of
the causes presented which would in-
terfere seriously with those duties for
which the supreme court was primarily
constituted, namely, the hearing and
decision of cases coming before it in
the usual manner upon appeal. It is
further pointed out that a defendant
has several other plain, speedy and
adequate remedies, without asking the
supreme court to exercise such extra-
ordinary jurisdiction to the detriment
of other and more meritorious busi-
ness. The court concludes that it will
exercise no such jurisdiction except in
cases containing very unusual points.

The fact is, not one voter in a hun-
dred knew what he was voting for
when he was dabbled with this
amendment. Probably not one in
fifty would know a "mandamus" or
"quo warranto" proceeding if he met
it in the road in broad daylight. What
the average voter saw in the ballot
title of this amendment was something
about "providing for a verdict by
three-fourths of a jury in civil cases."
That was enough. He wanted that,
and so he voted his "X" without
reading further. He didn't know what
jurisdiction he was conferring upon
the supreme court, nor what additional
duties he was imposing upon that
body, and he doesn't know even now,
after the court has told him. The
court has apparently been spending
much valuable time in an effort to as-
certain the voters' real intention in
passing this measure. The voter had
no intention further than to authorize
three-fourths of a jury to return a
verdict in civil cases. Probably not
one voter in a hundred knew that any
further change in the judicial system
was contemplated by the proposed
amendment.

The Ulfen pills are always sugar-
coated, and the jury clause was the
coating in this particular instance. The
pill tasted sweet, and the voter swal-
lowed it without considering what
effect the inside might have, either on
the state's judicial system or on his
own. The supreme court wastes time
in trying to ascertain the voter's ob-
ject in passing this amendment. Far-
ther than to provide for a jury verdict
by nine men, the voter had no well-
defined object. Farther than that
clause in the amendment, few took the
trouble to read.

Hops Reach 16 Cents.

W. W. Percival, of Independence,
sold 82 bales of hops to Charles Fitch-
ard yesterday at 16 cents. The mar-
ket is strong at this figure.

Will Close for Holidays.

The Dallas free library will be
closed Christmas eve, Christmas day
and Monday.

New Phonograph Records.

January records are now on sale at
Stockwell's Music House.

Legal blanks for sale at this office.

Notice to Bidders.

Notice is hereby given, that bids for
construction of a ferry boat for Inde-
pendence, to be delivered there when
completed, will be received at the office
of the County Clerk of Polk County,
Oregon, up to Saturday, the 24th day
of December, 1910, at 10 a. m. of said
day. Bids will be opened at the County
Court room in presence of the County
Court of Polk County and the County
Court of Marion County, acting jointly
in the matter. Plans and specifications
are now on file in said Clerk's office.
Right is reserved to reject any or all
bids. By order of the two County
Courts above named.

E. M. SMITH,
County Clerk.

Notice to Bidders.

Notice is hereby given that bids for
the construction of a piece of county
road way, 12 feet wide, will be re-
ceived at the office of the County Clerk
of Polk County, Oregon, up to Tues-
day, the 27th day of December, 1910,
at 10 a. m. of said day. The road to be
constructed is to begin at the north
end of what is known as the J. C. or
Cal Kramer road, running thence
south not exceeding one-fourth mile
in length. Road way to be cleared
and graded thoroughly. Bids will be
for the entire work as a whole.
Prospective bidders may examine the
road to be improved on the ground.
Payment will be made on completion
of the work to the satisfaction of the
County Court. The Court reserves the
right to reject any or all bids. The
bids will be opened at 10:15 a. m.

E. M. SMITH,
County Clerk.

Services at Presbyterian Church

Sunday school 10 a. m. Preaching
service 11 o'clock. Topic of sermon,
"The Spirit of Christmas." Christian
Endeavor meeting 6:30. The time of
usual evening service will be used for
rendition of Cantata by choir. Mid-
week prayer meeting, Thursday even-
ing, 7:30. You are cordially invited to
attend our services. The program of
special music follows:

Morning.

Voluntary, "Carol".....Ashford

Response, "Hallelujah to our Lord
and King".....Lorenz

Offertory, "Holy, Holy".....Spohr

Anthem, "The New Born King".....

Wilson

Evening.

Cantata
"THE PRINCE OF PEACE"

Music by E. L. Ashford.

Hymns by E. R. Latta.

PART I.

"The Promise."

No. 1. Sing to Heaven. (Chorus.)

No. 2. The Heavenly King. (Bass
Solo.)

No. 3. And There Shall Come
Forth. (Quartet.)

No. 4. Fear Thou Not. (Solo and
Chorus.)

No. 5. Hail Bethlehem. (Contralto
Solo.)

Offertory.

PART II.

"The Fulfillment."

No. 6. O, Holy Night. (Male Quar-
tet.)

No. 7. There Were Shepherds. (So-
prano Solo, Quartet and Chorus.)

No. 8. Bright Star of Hope. (So-
prano and Contralto Duet.)

No. 9. March of the Magi. (Male
Quartet.)

No. 10. O, Blessed Lord. (Soprano
Solo.)

No. 11. Blessed Be the Lord God.
(Final Anthem.)

Benediction.

Christian Church News.

Last Sunday's services started with
the church crowded to the limits. The
growth in interest from Sunday to
Sunday at the Christian Church goes
to show that it pays to be alive and
active in the Lord's work. Two hun-
dred and thirty-six persons were pre-
sent at the Bible school. At the two
services, four people, representing two
homes of Dallas, gave their services
and themselves to Christ and His work.
The Bible school work is indeed
gratifying as is also the other depart-
ments of the church work, when the
results are considered. We think that
the Christian Church is verifying the
verse as well as true statement that "It
pays to deliver the goods."

Thursday the prayer meeting begins
at 7 p. m.

Saturday night, a splendid Christmas
program is to be given by the Sunday
School. You are welcome to hear and
enjoy it. Come early to get a seat.

Next Sunday is to be a great day.
Bible School, 10 a. m.

Sermon subject, "Two Views of
Christmas."

Senior C. E., 6:30 p. m.

Sermon for evening, "Dallas People
That Are Mentioned in the Bible."

7:30 p. m. Don't miss these services.
You cannot afford to do it. Best music
in town. Remember the hour and the
fact that "the goods will be delivered."

LEON MYERS Minister.

United Evangelical Services.

Subject of 11 a. m. sermon next
Sunday, "The Birth of Christ." Even-
ing subject, "What the Birth of Christ
Has Brought to Us."

Sunday School at 10 a. m.; K. L. C.
E. at 6:30 p. m.

H. L. PRATT, Pastor.

Christmas at St. Philip's Church.

Mass will be celebrated in the Cath-
olic Church in Dallas Christmas morn-
ing, after the arrival of the 11 o'clock
Portland train. All are cordially in-
vited to attend.

H. J. McDEVITT.

Utopians Entertain.

The Utopian Literary Society of
Dallas College gave its first open
program Tuesday evening. A large crowd
was in attendance and all enjoyed the
entertainment.

Salt Creek Farm Sold.

H. G. Campbell has sold the Henry
Lehmann farm of 30 acres in the Salt
Creek neighborhood to J. S. Shanks.
The purchaser paid \$4000 for the prop-
erty.

Shasta Route

and
"The Road of a Thousand Wonders"

Southern Pacific Company

Up-to-date trains, first-class in every
respect, unexcelled dining-car service,
quick time and direct connections to
all points south.

SPECIAL ROUND TRIP FARE OF

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Portland to Los Angeles and Return
With corresponding low fares from all
other sections of the Northwest. Lib-
eral stop-overs in each direction and
long limit. Interesting and attractive
literature on the various resorts and
attractions of California can be had
on application to any S. P. or O. R.
& N. Agent, or from

WM. McMURRAY
General Passenger Agent
Portland, Ore.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the un-
designated as administrator of the es-
tate of Eva Peterson, deceased, has filed his
final account in the County Court of
Polk County, and that Saturday, the 21st
day of January, 1911, 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 ob-
jections to the said final account and
the settlement thereof.

HARRY S. BUTZ,
Administrator of the estate of Eva
Peterson, deceased.

Oscar Hayter, Attorney.
Dated and first published December
22 1910.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the un-
designated as administrator de bonis
non with the will annexed of the es-
tate of Cyrus Jones, deceased, has filed his
final account in the County Court of
the State of Oregon for Polk County,
and that Saturday, the 21st day of Jan-
uary, 1911, 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 objec-
tions to the said final account and the
settlement thereof.

BENJAMIN F. JONES,
Administrator de bonis non with the
will annexed of the estate of Cyrus
Jones, deceased.

Oscar Hayter, Attorney.
Dated and first published December
22 1910.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

(Advertisements under this head
are charged at the rate of 1 cent per
word, first insertion; 1/2 cent per word
for each insertion thereafter; 20
words or less, \$1 per month. No ad-
vertisement inserted for less than 15
cents.)

Notice.

Persons indebted to the estate of the
late Dr. T. V. B. Embree are requested
to call and settle their accounts with
Mrs. Annie Embree. 12-2-tf.

Position Wanted.

Girl wants to do housework. Call
at this office. 12-23-11.

Typewriter for Sale.

For sale, \$100 Oliver typewriter, in
good condition. Used less than a
year. Will sell for \$50. Inquire at
this office. 12-2-tf.

For Sale.

House and lot on Washington St., 2
blocks from Court house. 50 x 100 lot.
Bath complete. All modern improve-
ments. A snap if taken at once.
\$1850. Inquire Brown & Sibley.
12-13-11.

Wanted.

Wanted, 20 or 30 good, fresh dairy
cows. R. A. Campbell, Sheridan, Ore-
gon. 12-6-tf.

For Sale.

Oak and Cedar posts. Soehren
Warehouse Company. 11-18-tf.

Wood For Sale.

For sale, 16-inch, dry Oak wood. O.
DeHaven, two miles Southeast of Dal-
las. 10-25-tf.

A Bargain for Cash.

Two \$500 lots for \$350 each, on
Main street. Pavement, sidewalk,
nice fruit trees. The best buy in
town. See S. B. Taylor, 201 Jefferson
street, Dallas. 11-22-11.

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. L. D.
Brown.

Board and Lodging.

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

House for Sale.

Good, new 3-room house on Shelton
street, for sale; woodshed and out-
building; 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-tf.

For Rent.

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

Lost.

A medium-sized dog, of bull terrier
type. Color, yellow, and hair short.
Liberal reward for information lead-
ing to his recovery. J. B. Embree, Air-
lie, Oregon. Phone 2 on Camp. 11-25tf

Wanted.

All kinds of iron, rubber, brass, cop-
per, zinc and hides. Highest cash
prices paid. A. N. Hallock, Monmouth,
Oregon. 3-12-tf.

Your Winter's Wood.

Order your slab wood now and be
sure of having a good dry supply for
Winter. I can sell you either slabs,
blocks, or trimmings. Can furnish any
other kind of wood desired. Plenty of
good oak and fir. Send in your orders
by either phone. Mutual, 1196 Bell,
443. AUGUST BOMAN.



No one thing will give
so much pleasure, to
so many people, for so
long a time, at so little
cost, as a

Columbia Graphophone

And if you will come in
and see this "BKT" outfit
you'll believe it. A new
aluminum tone-arm cylin-
der machine with flower
horn and 6 records, cost-
ing \$37.10. Plays both
2-minute and 4-minute re-
cords. Other outfits from
\$20 up—and you can buy
them all on easy terms.



FIDLER'S CASH
STORE

CHRISTMAS

ONLY TWO DAYS OFF

We have good and suitable presents for all at our regular reasonable
prices. We make no attempt to double our profits because it is Christ-
mas. Come, look our big stock over, and convince yourself. We always
have the lowest prices for good goods, and we want you to compare our
goods and prices with all our competitors.

A Flying Machine Given Away With Each Boy's Suit

Take a look at our Suits, Overcoats, Sweaters, Boys Suits, Trunks, Suit
Cases, Bath Robes, Smoking Jackets, Mufflers, Gloves, Umbrellas, Shoes,
Slippers. The nattiest line of New hats to be found in the city. The
largest and finest assortment of Handkerchiefs and Ties ever shown here.

Everything for the lady. Shirt Waists, Silk Petticoats, all kinds of Silks,
Furs, Kid Gloves. A swell line of Head Scarfs. Umbrellas, the strong-
est line ever shown in Dallas. Silk and Lisle Hose, Hair Switches, Fancy
Hose Supporters, Pillow Tops, Laundry Bags. A very complete line of
Fancy Drawn Work at from 20 cents to \$8.00. A new line of Fancy Rib-
bons. The swellest line of Dolls ever shown in Polk County, 10c to \$5.00.

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Dallas Mercantile Company

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING FOR MEN MADE EASY

Come in and look over our magnificent display and see what a splendid
assortment of goods we carry that are suitable for Christmas gifts. You
will then have no more worry over what to buy the men for Christmas.



One of These as a
CHRISTMAS PRESENT
Will Bring Joy to
The Heart of Any Man

Only Two More Days to Christmas Buy Now and Avoid The Last Day Rush

We invite special attention to our superb display of Holiday apparel, em-
bracing all the desirable novelties of Christmas Clothes, Furnishings and
Headwear. Our line of the Famous Florsheim Shoes is complete.

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