



OREGON'S PRINTING BILL

The bill providing for the purchase of a printing plant by the state is receiving some sturdy whacks from the newspapers of Oregon. The editors of these papers are, with scarcely an exception, practical printers. They know that a state-owned and state-operated plant, with a strictly political management and an ever-increasing payroll, would soon make the annual printing bill one of the heavy burdens to the taxpayers. The expense of the state printing is already far too high, and a state-operated plant would make conditions much worse.

Oregon does not need a printing plant. This fact has been plainly pointed out to the legislators, and any member of the house or senate who casts his vote in favor of the proposed bill is a traitor to the taxpayers. The bill is a revision of the existing scale of prices, so that the state will be required to pay no more for its printing than any other corporation or individual would be charged for a like amount of work in the open market. This is all that any reasonable taxpayer can, or will, ask. Such a revision of the existing antiquated scale could be made in a few hours by any of the master printers of Portland, in whose offices four times as much work is turned out annually as is produced by the State Printer. Such a revision need not cost the state \$100, and it would save the taxpayers \$20,000 a year.

The Salem Statesman, a newspaper that works with commendable energy to secure new industries for its home city, draws the line at a state-owned printing plant. It points out that while such an industry would be worth far more to Salem than the present printing office, the expense to the taxpayers of Oregon would be doubled, or even tripled. Answering an accusation made by the Eugene Guard that the Statesman is "influenced in its opinions by work given it by the State Printer," the Salem paper says: "The Statesman is not sharing in any way in the profits of the printing done at the expense of the state. That statement is a plain lie. The Statesman is not doing any work for the State Printer."

"The Statesman can stand it very well, if the State Printer is put on a flat salary, for it will be a good thing for Salem. The Statesman Publishing Company gets about one-fourth of its business from this city, which business, of course, will be better if conditions are improved here."

"Putting the State Printer on a flat salary would mean a new building in Salem. It would mean a thoroughly equipped new plant with which to do the printing. It would mean more men employed here. In doing the state printing, or, rather, in doing the business in the front office. More men, also, in the typesetting and press rooms. This would all add to Salem's prosperity."

"But it would cost the state more, and that is all the Statesman has said in defense of the present system. It would not be long till the sum invested in building and plant if put out at interest, would be enough to pay the present cost of the state printing. And it would not be long till the changes of the front office would cost a like amount."

"So the state printing, under the flat salary system, would cost about three times what it costs now."

"The legislature can do as it pleases, but it knows the facts. That is all the Statesman has contended for."

The readers of the Oregonian expected a great Semi-Centennial Number and they were not disappointed. Whatever the Oregonian does, it does well. The splendid 128-page paper, with its wealth of descriptive and historical matter and handsome illustrations, would seem the very acme of twentieth century newspaper achievement. The thousands of friends of Publisher H. L. Pitcock congratulate him that he has lived to see the newspaper in which he came as a bare-footed boy, nearly 50 years ago, now recognized as one of the powerful forces in the social and business life of the State and Nation. The achievement is one of which all Oregon is proud.

Those alleged "lily pie" at Black Rock, like Abe Lincoln's rat-hole, will be looking into it. The people of Polk County voted last November to abolish illicit liquor selling, and it is the duty of every citizen to see that the law is enforced. If bootlegging was a misdemeanor when the county was dry, it is even more of a misdemeanor now, when liquor may be obtained in licensed and regulated saloons. The saloons of Polk County are giving the authorities no trouble, and there are no complaints of illicit selling save in the one precinct of Black Rock. These complaints have become so insistent as to merit official investigation. With twenty-three precincts in the county quietly obeying the law, the officers should see to it that the good behavior is made unanimous.

Head in February Sunset Magazine. See Dingo—The City of Dreams Come True; beautifully illustrated in four colors. Terrific singing in the Streets of San Francisco, Christmas Eve. Now on sale. All news stands 15 cents. 121-41

NEWS OF PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Comings and Goings as Told by Our Exchanges.

Miss Gertrude Cobb went to Dallas, Tuesday.—Falls City News. Mrs. J. Dornase left for Dallas Monday.—Monmouth Herald. P. M. Churchman was an over-Sunday visitor at Dallas.—Sheridan Sun. Mrs. T. W. Hart was a Dallas visitor Wednesday.—Independence Enterprise. Mrs. W. W. Percival was a Dallas visitor Wednesday.—Independence Enterprise. Supt. Seymour was in town Wednesday, and took a south-bound train.—Monmouth Herald. G. A. Muscott attended the funeral of Mrs. E. T. Piaster at Dallas Wednesday.—Monmouth Herald. L. Gerlinger, Jr., manager of the Salem, Falls City & Western, was in the city today.—Salem Journal.

Mrs. I. G. Singleton spent several days of last week with Mrs. S. T. Jones of Dallas.—Falls City News. Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Muscott visited in Dallas Sunday, having gone there Saturday evening.—Monmouth Herald. Carl Klyver was shaking hands with old friends in Willamina Saturday. He now resides in Dallas.—Willamina Times. Mrs. Margaret Wilson has been quite sick at her home in Dallas since her return home from Sheridan last week.—Sheridan Sun. Walter L. Toose, of Falls City, was in the city today, and went to Portland to attend to legal business.—Salem Journal.

Miss Agnes Windover has returned to her home in Dallas after a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. George Vick.—Falls City News. The Reverend Joseph Hoberg was down from McMinnville the first of the week, visiting his daughter, Mrs. W. W. Nelson and family.—Newberg Graphic. The Reverend M. J. Ballantyne of Dallas, held quarterly meetings at the Evangelical Church in Dayton, Saturday and Sunday.—McMinnville Telephone-Register.

Averil Harris is visiting friends in Portland, but will return home Sunday. Miss Harris is from Polk County but will enter the high school here Monday.—Salem Statesman. C. B. Sundberg, manager of the Dallas Telephone Company was in Falls City Monday, superintending repairs to the telephone line, made necessary by the fire Sunday night.—Falls City News. Mrs. Will Toner of Corvallis, and Fred Toner of Dallas, attended the funeral of their nephew, Master Carroll Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Wright, Wednesday.—McMinnville Telephone-Register.

Mrs. Iun McCambish, of Dallas, arrived in the city Monday for a few days' visit at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. McCourt and friends in the city. "Bunnie" stopped off between trains on his way to Hillsboro, where he will look after business interests.—McMinnville Telephone-Register.

Gilbert Atlee Eldredge Delights Audience With Character Sketches. Gilbert Atlee Eldredge, messenger of mirth, prince of portrayers, and emperor of emotion, delighted an appreciative audience at Woodman Hall, Friday night, February 3, and brought to a close the lecture course of entertainments provided by Dallas College for this season. No more complete and yet varied performance could have been given by one person, for his character sketches ranged from the roasting school boy to the asthmatic wheeze of the Widow Hedoff, knitting in hand; from the embarrassed, school girl, speaking her first piece, to the bent and withered frame of the aged grandaunt. Of paths there was plenty; of humor there was more, and he who came to smile remained to laugh. Throughout it all the delicacy and refinement of the true artist was apparent, whether in his German dialect reading of "Dot Little Boy of Mine," by James Whitcomb Riley, the nasal twang of the downcast Yankee, or the broad accent of the North of England village.

Eldredge's facial play is well in keeping with all his characterizations, and his voice is at all times under perfect control and quickly responsive to the mood. Every one of the 11 numbers which comprised his program was warmly received and wholly enjoyed, but perhaps none more so than his presentation of David Harum in the horse trade.

Order of Eastern Star. A special meeting of Naomi Chapter, No. 22, Order of Eastern Star, will be held Thursday evening, February 9. The Worthy Grand Matron is present. All members are requested to attend. By order of Worthy Matron, WINNIE M. CHAPMAN, Secretary.

Hear Mr. Wilbur Ross, the sweet tenor singer, in illustrated songs at the new Grand Theater.

Teachers' Examinations. Notice is hereby given that the County Superintendent of Polk County will hold the regular examination for applicants for State and County papers at the County Court House in Dallas, Oregon, as follows: For State Papers, Commencing Wednesday, February 8, at 9 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Saturday, February 11, at 4 p. m. Wednesday—Penmanship, History, Spelling, Physical Geography, Reading, Psychology. Thursday—Written Arithmetic, Theory of Teaching, Grammar, Book-keeping, Physics, Civil Government. Friday—Algebra, Geography, Composition, Physiology, English Literature, School Law. Saturday—History, Plane Geometry, General History.

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More Fine Stock. J. E. French, manager of the Vallejos Stock and Poultry Farm, out northwest of town, shipped today to R. M. and W. B. Ewing, the Dallas stock raiser, a fine high-grade Berkshire sow.—Corvallis Gazette-Times.

STAR PHOTOPLAY THEATER The Home of Good Pictures. Running the same kind of pictures as the famous Star Theater of Portland. Using only licensed pictures, which are approved by the National Board of Censorship of New York City. The names of the films are the famous Biograph, Edison, Essanay, Gaiety, Kalem, Lubin, Urban Eclipse, George Melies, Pathé Freres, Selig, and Vitagraph, which are the best pictures to be had and are used by all the leading picture houses of the East and West.

TAX COLLECTION BEGINS

ROLLS FOR 1910 COMPLETED AND TURNED OVER TO SHERIFF.

Amounts Apportioned Among the Various School and Road Districts of County.

County Clerk E. M. Smith completed the new tax roll for Polk County Monday evening, and turned it over to Sheriff J. M. Grant, who began collection of 1910 taxes this morning. A summary of the amounts apportioned to the different funds is given herewith, followed by the distribution among the road and school districts of the County:

Table with 2 columns: County, State and School, County road tax, Cities, School districts, Total. Values range from \$110,298.05 to \$235,301.47.

Table with 2 columns: District No., Amount. Lists districts 1 through 22 with amounts ranging from \$131.48 to \$63,856.70.

SCHOOL TAXES.

Table with 2 columns: District No., Amount. Lists districts 1 through 67 with amounts ranging from \$131.48 to \$59,212.53.

TEACHERS TO BE EXAMINED

Applicants For State and County Papers to Assemble Wednesday.

The regular examination of applicants for State and County certificates for teachers in Polk County, will be held at the Courthouse, in this city, Wednesday, February 8, beginning at 9 o'clock, a. m. Examinations for County papers will be in progress Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, while the tests for State papers will not conclude until Saturday at 4 p. m. The examination will be conducted by Professor H. C. Seymour, County Superintendent of Schools, assisted by Mrs. F. H. Morrison and Mrs. H. C. Seymour.

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DALLAS BUSINESS ACTIVE

January Postal Receipts Show 12 Per Cent Gain Over 1910.

The first month of the new year has been an active one in the commercial life of Dallas, and the usual period of depression that follows the holidays was not apparent. In spite of the disagreeable weather, which prevented many from reaching the city from the outlying districts, the business of the merchants has been very satisfactory for that period of the year which is usually noted for its stagnation. Had the climatic condition been more favorable, the volume of business would have been above the record. As it is, the merchants are well pleased with the results, and look forward to a year of unusual prosperity.

An indication of the advancement of the business affairs of Dallas and vicinity is shown by the fiscal receipts of the postoffice, which are always looked upon as a reliable guide to the amount of business that is done in a town. According to the records of Postmaster C. G. Coak, the postal receipts for the month of January of the present year are 12 per cent greater than for the corresponding month of 1910, which is a very satisfactory evidence of expansion. The total receipts for January, 1911, were \$865.25, while those for January, 1910, were \$761.95, the increase for this year being \$103.30.

Fined For Gambling. Jack Nort and C. L. Overmyer were tried before Justice of the Peace Hardy Holman in the Courthouse, Saturday, February 4, on a charge of gambling. They pleaded guilty and were fined \$25 each, which amount will go to help the school fund. The charge was preferred in Falls City, and the case brought to Dallas on a change of venue.

Buried in Portland. The remains of George Pappas, a Greek, 19 years old, who died at the Dallas Hospital, Friday afternoon, of appendicitis, after six weeks' illness, were shipped to Portland for burial.

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; 10 words or less, \$1 per month. No advertisement inserted for less than 15 cents.)

For Sale.

Open rubber tire buggy, auto seat; also set single harness. Outfit nearly new, and in first-class shape. Harry Hill, Glen Dal, Dallas, Or. 27-47

For Sale.

Four crystal white Orpington cockerels, Kollerstrass strain. C. H. Kugel, Dallas, Or. 2-7-21

Eggs For Hatching.

S. C. Rhode Island Reds, Barred and White Rocks, at \$2 per setting of 15. Mrs. Winnie Braden, P. O. Box 290, Dallas, Oregon. 23m1

For Rent or Sale.

A fine place for sale or rent. Plastered bungalow and five acres of land, in city limits of Dallas. A. B. Baird, Box 256, Dallas.

Wanted.

Wanted, 100 Brown, White or Buff Leghorn pullets. Monmouth Real Estate Company, Monmouth, Oregon.

Hay For Sale.

Nice, clean baled out hay for sale. H. G. Campbell. 1311f

For Sale Cheap.

Solid black walnut child's bedstead and springs for sale cheap; good as new. H. G. Campbell. 1311f

For Sale.

Oak and cedar posts. Soehren Warehouse Company. 11-18-1f.

Wanted.

Wanted, 20 or 25 good, fresh dairy cows. R. A. Campbell, Sheridan, Oregon. 12-6-1f.

For Rent.

For rent, the Francis Wrightson place of 240 acres, in Polk precinct, Oscar Hayter, Agent, Dallas, Oregon. 9-23-1f.

Contract to Let.

Six acres, half mile from Dallas, to grub and burn; stumps are blasted; owner to furnish machine and horse. Wednesday, February 8, beginning at 9 o'clock, a. m. Examination for County papers will be in progress Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, while the tests for State papers will not conclude until Saturday at 4 p. m. The examination will be conducted by Professor H. C. Seymour, County Superintendent of Schools, assisted by Mrs. F. H. Morrison and Mrs. H. C. Seymour.

For Sale.

Pir Vista farm, 207 acres, John L. Riggs, owner. Excellent for farming, dairying, hops and fruit. Will divide. Also, other North Polk County farms, and a sawmill. Barton Z. Riggs, Real Estate, Amity, Oregon. Route 2, Phone Dallas 525. 1311f

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, 1194 2nd, 442. AUGUST BOMAN.

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ATTENTION

With our mills at Falls City and yards at Salem, West Salem and Falls City, we are prepared to furnish

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We make and handle Lumber, Lath, Shingles, Moulding, Sash and Doors, Frames, Posts, Cement, Plaster, Hardware, Wood, Coal, and Ruberoid and Resisto Roofing.

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