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DALLAS, OREGON, MAY 19, 1911.

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



LOOK TO THE FUTURE.

The men controlling the affairs of
LaCreole Academy have published a
statement to the public in which it is
asserted that the school cannot be
maintained as a separate institution
of learning and that the only hope of
its perpetuation lies in a continuation
of the present combination with Dal-
las College. The college has now
reached a stage in its growth and ex-
istence where it must expend all of its
funds and energies in the erection of
needed buildings—if not in Dallas,
then in some other Oregon town where
aid and encouragement will be forth-
coming from a community desirous
of securing an institution of higher
learning and willing to unite in its
support.

Having found the present working
arrangement satisfactory, and desir-
ing to continue the combined school
in the town where it is already estab-
lished, the trustees of the college and
of the academy have devised a plan
whereby the academy course may be
perpetuated by turning the academy
lands into the academy endowment
fund, and using the interest arising
therefrom in paying instructors to
teach the academy grades, thereby
making it possible for the college to
use every available dollar of the col-
lege funds in purchasing suitable
ground and erecting the necessary
buildings to accommodate a strong
and useful institution of learning.
This plan, which doubtless is under-
stood by all of our readers, is to sell
the academy building and campus to
the public school district and to place
the money arising from the sale in the
permanent endowment fund of the
academy. An election to decide
whether the district shall issue bonds
to the amount of \$20,000 and pur-
chase the property, consisting of a
building and a little less than two
blocks of land, has been called for
Monday of next week.

It has been urged from certain
quarters, from whence the spending
of public money is not usually ob-
jected to as an important matter, that
\$20,000 is more than the property is
worth. Considering this objection
from a strictly commercial standpoint,
and not taking into account the desir-
ability of the academy campus for
purely public purposes or its value as
a suitable campus for the new high
school, there may be some merit in
the argument. But looking at the
matter from the opposite viewpoint—
appraising the worth of the campus
according to its desirability as a pub-
lic playground; considering that its
value will increase enormously as the
city grows, and further keeping in
mind that the property is subject to
taxation—the price fixed upon it by
the academy trustees would not seem
at all exorbitant.

It must be borne in mind that the
time is not far distant when every
room in the new high school build-
ing will be needed for high school
purposes. When this time shall ar-
rive, it will be necessary for the dis-
trict to provide a school building for
the lower grades that are now being
temporarily accommodated there. By
purchasing the academy property now,
the district will have a six-room
building in readiness for the lower
grades at any time, and the problem
of additional land for school purposes
will be permanently solved, as such a
purchase would give the district land
in both the north and the south ends
of town, a plan which has always
met with general favor. The purchase
of the property at this time would
save the district from the necessity
of issuing more bonds for many years
to come.

Some expressions of doubt have
been heard among the voters as to
the authority of the academy trustees
to sell this property to the school dis-
trict without violating the terms of
the gift of land by the original donors.
The most reliable information on this
point is to be gained from the acad-
emy records and the deeds them-
selves. The minutes of the first meet-
ing held to consider the founding of
an academy say that the object was to
establish an academy "at or near
Dallas." The minutes further show
that Solomon Shelton agreed to do-
nate 25 acres of land south of the
LaCreole River, on the condition that
John E. Lyle and William Lewis
would donate 40 acres each for a like
purpose. The proposal was accepted
and 105 acres were donated to the in-
stitution. The deed to 40 acres from
Mr. Lyle reads: "For \$11 and in con-
sideration that the school be located upon
or in the vicinity of the premises
granted." There is nothing in the re-
cords to indicate that the school
building must be located upon the ac-
tual tract of land donated in order to
hold the title; in fact, the deed from
Mr. Lewis does not even mention the
location of the school. The last-
named instrument merely conveys 40
acres of land "for supporting and
maintaining an institution of learning
to be called LaCreole Academy." It is
plainly evident from the records that
the only object of these men was to
assist in founding and maintaining an
academic school upon or in the vicinity
of the land donated—in other
words, in or near Dallas, Polk County,
Oregon.

Any talk of "graft" in connection
with the proposed sale is worse than
idle. The men who compose the board
of academy trustees are not grafters.
On the contrary, they are substantial
business men and property owners of
the city—men who are interested in
seeing Dallas grow and prosper. It
has been explained over and over

again that no individual or institution
would receive a cent of the money
arising from this sale, but that, on
the contrary, the entire proceeds
would go into the academy endow-
ment fund, to be used in perpetuating
the academy school—the sole object
the pioneer residents of Dallas had
when they donated this land for
school purposes. If the land cannot
be sold and the present arrangement
with the college continued, the acad-
emy will have to go out of existence
and the very purpose of these old
pioneers will be defeated. Not only
this, but it is extremely probable that
the college itself, in view of federated
educational interests with the Evan-
gelical Association, would be com-
pelled to close its doors and seek a
new location in a more friendly com-
munity.

During the many years the Ob-
server has been published in Dallas,
it has always sought to build up—not
to tear down. The paper may have
made mistakes at times, but it is sat-
isfying to reflect that it has always
sought to hold the institutions and
industries we have, as well as to gain
new ones. When we have had grounds
to believe that the city was in danger
of losing a valuable institution, we
have endeavored to sound a warning
and urge that no mistake be made
which might hasten the separation
and the consequent loss to Dallas. So,
in this instance, we earnestly ask the
voters of Dallas to carefully consider
all existing circumstances and condi-
tions connected with this important
question before going into the voting
booth and casting a ballot that might
result in the loss to Dallas of two im-
portant educational institutions—
schools which aside from their value
to the young men and young women
of Oregon have been the means of
bringing into Dallas each year more
new money than is asked for the val-
uable ground now offered for sale by
the academy trustees.

Every person that has observed the
work of the college knows its worth
to the rising generation; every mer-
chant in Dallas knows the value of
this school to his business. If the
college is worth \$20,000 or more each
year to Dallas under present condi-
tions, how much greater its value
would be as the only Western insti-
tution of learning of two, and possibly
three, churches having strong mem-
bership in every state in the Pacific
Northwest. Let every taxpayer con-
sider the future as well as the present
when casting his ballot on this ques-
tion next Monday afternoon.

LA CREOLE ACADEMY.

(Editorial in Oregonian, March 29.)
The question of the discontinuance
of LaCreole Academy is agitating the
citizens of the thriving little town that
holds the distinction of being the
county seat of Polk County. The Ob-
server, printed at Dallas, takes up the
subject at some length, making a
strong plea for retention of academic
courses in conjunction with the col-
lege work in Dallas College.
The history of LaCreole Academy is
identical in detail with that of the
early educational institutions of higher
grade in Oregon. It is one of the pio-
neer schools, the date of whose begin-
ning extends back into the storied and
misty past. Like other schools of its
kind, its history has been one of ups
and downs in a financial sense, yet its
standards have always been high and
its supporters have ever been loyal to
its interests.

The question agitating the acad-
emy's friends and patrons at the
present time is one both of finance
and management. The plan of the
trustees is to sell the grounds belong-
ing to the academy, which were do-
nated to its use many years ago, and
add the sum realized from this sale to
the endowment fund, for the better-
ment of both Dallas College and La
Creole Academy under one manage-
ment.

A new location would be sought
within the limits of Dallas, new build-
ings and equipment would follow, and
the combination would result in a
stronger institution, with both acad-
emic and college courses, which
would be to Dallas and the Evangeli-
cal Church what McMinville College
is to McMinville and the Baptist de-
nomination—i. e., a rallying point for
sectarian as well as secular education
and a broad construction of the
educational idea.
It is cited by the Observer that a
movement is on foot to bring about a
union between the United Evangelical,
the Evangelical Association, and the
United Brethren churches. Since these
names represent practically a distinc-
tion without a difference in belief and
effort, such a union would redound
not only to the growth in grace of the
brethren of these names, but to the
largely increased constituency of the
school under consideration. The day
of the Protestant denominational
school, within the strict purpose and
limit of that term, is practically ended,
and the small college conducted on
wider lines, without insistence upon
orthodox or evangelical beliefs and
observations on the part of its stu-
dents, is a great gain for thereby. This
is not to say that the fundamental
principles of Christianity are not to
be observed and taught in these
schools, but rather that because of the
expansion of the Christian idea these
schools will have a broader curricu-
lum and a larger constituency. Hence
they will not be mere struggles for
existence, but well-supported, grow-
ing, useful educational institutions.
The union of the three evangelical
bodies above noted as now pending is
an indication of a growing spirit of
Christian tolerance and human brother-
hood that augurs well for the
school under this lineage.
Aside from this, many memories,
fragrant with the subtle essence of
renewal, filtered through the
tender power of the years, are called
up by the simple mention of LaCreole
Academy. May this school of hon-
ored memory, combined with Dallas
College, live long and grow with pass-
ing years in usefulness and in har-
mony of thought, purpose and en-
deavor, testifying to the fact that the
academy and small college still have
a place in shaping the destinies of
the state through the wise and consistent
direction of its youth.

The Commercial Club is to be com-
mended for its efforts to secure the
headquarters of the Dayton Mutual
Insurance Company for Dallas. If the
head office is to be moved from Day-
ton, Dallas wants it.

Women of Woodcraft.

There will be a special meeting of
the Women of Woodcraft at the home
of Mr. U. S. Grant tomorrow, Sat-
urday, evening, May 26, for the purpose
of raising and arranging for the big
big rally at Salem, May 26. All
members will please attend.
MISS V. P. FISKE,
G. V. P. FISKE.

COURT HOUSE NOTES

Court Items, Real Estate Transfers,
And Other News Briefly Told.

PROBATE.

In the guardianship of Joseph
Tharp, Insane—guardian authorized
to execute right of way deed in favor
of Portland & West Coast Railroad
Company.

REAL ESTATE.

H. P. Allen to J. D. Allen, 36 acres,
t 7 s, r 4 w, \$2880.
Ernest P. Dosch to Winifred I.
Dosch, one-fourth interest in 322
acres, t 7 s, r 4 w, \$2000.
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Taylor, 146 acres t 8 s, r 5 w, \$6750.

"The Little Pearl."

Come and see a new style
photo called the "Little Pearl."
This is neat and attractive and is
something new.
59tf. T. J. CHERRINGTON.

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Best values in Plumes ever offered
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cents.)

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Some fine young horses and colts for
sale at the C. N. McArthur farm, one
mile east of Rickreall. 254tf519

Ducks For Sale.
Twenty-five Indian Runner ducks.
Inquire S. D. Steffy, Dallas. Phone
535. 256tf516

Mare For Sale.
Weight 900, age 4 years. Phone
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To Let.
A furnished house. Inquire at
Lynch's blacksmith shop. 252tf519

For Rent.
Two furnished light house-keeping
rooms with use of bath. Phone 774.
248tf516

For Sale.
Fresh milk cow, and seven head of
hogs. Phone Green 25, Dallas. 247-23

Hay For Sale.
Good vetch and oat hay for sale.
Ewing Brothers, Polk Station, Phone
15, Smithfield No. 1. 248-526

Practically New.
One two-horse power International
gasoline engine used three months.
Price for quick sale, \$90. Oregon
Power Company, 615 Mill street, Dal-
las. 255tf519

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1. Your home merchant can duplicate the prices made by any re-
sponsible concern anywhere on goods of equal quality, in the same
quantities and on the same basis of delivery and payment.
2. You can examine your purchases in the home stores and be as-
sured of satisfaction before investing your money.
3. Your home merchants are always ready and willing to make
right any error or any defective article purchased.
4. Your home merchants help support, through direct and indirect
taxation, your schools, churches, libraries and other public institutions.
5. Your home merchants help make a good local market for every-
thing you have to sell, and that market—more than any other factor—
gives your land its present value.
6. Your home merchants are your good friends, ever ready to ex-
tend a helping hand in time of need.
7. If this community is good enough for you to live in and make
your money in, it is good enough to spend your money in.
8. The best citizens in this community are those who believe in and
practice home patronage. Be one of the best!
9. The merchants in the distant city give you nothing valuable
that the home merchant cannot give you—and the former cannot and
will not do for you many things that the latter will do gladly.
10. Every dollar kept in circulation in this community helps in-
crease property values. Every dollar sent out of this community, that
could as well be spent here, hinders the wheels of progress and helps
build up some other community at your expense.

Did You Ever Hear of THE MOSS FAMILY?

Next Sunday, the Moss family will have charge
of the Bible School at the

Christian Church

SPECIAL—Esther Moss, the youngest singing evan-
gelist in the world will sing.

Attendance 284 on Mother's Day
We expect 300 on May 21.

Summons for Publication in Foreclosure of Tax Lien.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Polk County. Department
No. 2.

Ruth Graves, Plaintiff, vs. Daniel Rodgers, Defendant.

To Daniel Rodgers, the above named defendant.
In the name of the State of Oregon: You are hereby notified that
Ruth Graves, the holder of Certificate of Delinquency numbered 7, issued on
the 4th day of December, 1908, by the Tax Collector of the County of Polk,
State of Oregon, for the amount of Three & 66-100 (\$3.66) Dollars, the same
being the amount then due and delinquent for taxes for the year 1907, to-
gether with costs and interest and costs thereon upon the real property tax-
assessed to you, of which you are the owner as appears of record, situated in
said County and State, and particularly bounded and described as follows,
to-wit:

South West 1/4 of South East 1/4 in Section Fifteen (15), Township Seven
(7) South, Range Six (6) West of the Willamette Meridian, in Polk County,
State of Oregon.

You are further notified that said Ruth Graves has paid taxes on said
premises for prior or subsequent years with the rate of interest on said
amounts as follows:

Year's Tax.	Date Paid.	No.	Amount.	Rate of Interest.
1908.	March 11, 1909.	3123.	\$2.91.	12 per cent.
1909, 1st half.	March 16, 1910.	2738.	1.45.	15 per cent.
1909, 2nd half.	Sept. 12, 1910.	3462.	1.45.	15 per cent.
1910.	March 15, 1911.	2845.	2.15.	12 per cent.

Said Daniel Rodgers, as the owner of the legal title of the above de-
scribed property as the same appears of record, and each of the other per-
sons above named are hereby notified that Ruth Graves will apply to
the Circuit Court of the County and State aforesaid for a decree fore-
closing the lien against the property above described, and mentioned in said
certificate. And you are hereby summoned to appear within sixty days after
the first publication of this summons exclusive of the day of said first pub-
lication, and defend this action or pay the amount due as above shown to-
gether with costs and accrued interest, and in case of your failure to do so,
a decree will be rendered foreclosing the lien of said taxes and costs against
the land and premises above named.

This summons is published by order of the Honorable J. D. F. Cook,
Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Polk,
and said order was made and dated this 11th day of April, 1911, and the date
of the first publication of this summons is the 11th day of April, 1911.

All process and papers in this proceeding may be served upon the under-
signed, residing within the State of Oregon, at the address hereafter men-
tioned.
L. D. BROWN, Attorney for the Plaintiff.
Address, 615 Mill Street, Dallas, Oregon.

For Sale.
Ten tons baled vetch and oat hay.
first class; 300 bushels white oats, ex-
tra good. G. W. Carroll, Rickreall,
Oregon. 245-520

For Sale.
Good, fresh Jersey cow; also, good
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pendence R. F. D. 1. 241tf57

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Cash paid for eggs by Townsend
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321-2m

Eggs at Half Price.
S. C. R. L. Heda, high-class, prize-
winning stock, great egg-laying strain.
Eggs \$1 per 15. J. S. Macomber, Dal-
las, Oregon. Phone Black 25.

New Wall Paper.
Wall paper, direct from the factory
—a very select line—at W. P. Hol-
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Old buggy and harness, and set of
double work harness; cheap. A. H.
Harris, Jeweler. Phone 452. 233tf425

For Sale.
Oak and Cedar posts. Soehren
Warehouse Company. 11-18-1f.

Wanted.
All kinds of iron, rubber, brass, cop-
per, zinc and hides. Highest cash
prices paid. A. N. Halleck, Monmouth,
Oregon. 2-12-1f.

Wanted.
I have 20 acres of fine fruit land, 5
miles from Dallas, on dry good county
road; will sell very cheap. Will con-
sider a good team of horses in ex-
change; also two or three good milk
cows. For particulars write Harold
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251-519

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tate Company, Monmouth, Oregon. 314tf

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Latest styles improved carpet and
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