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RESOLVED!
THAT TIME FLIES AND
THE FIRST THING YOU KNOW
ALL THE CHOICE THINGS
WILL BE GONE—THEY ARE ALL
CHOICE AT OUR STORE—BUT
SOME ARE PRETTIER.
BUSTER



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ELECTRIC LIGHT STREET POSTS

Merchants attract trade to their stores by illuminating the store front and sidewalk with electric lamps on artistic posts. INVESTIGATE our new offer on this form of lighting. Ask our New Business Dept. Telephone 24.

OREGON POWER CO.
J. L. WHITE, Mgr.

Open Season For Trout Fishing April 1st

Long recognized as Fishermen's Headquarters for Polk County, we are better than ever prepared to supply your needs.

Rods, Lines, Reels, Leaders and the Best Flies on Earth

W. R. Ellis' Confectionery

DALLAS' POPULAR GROCERY

Simonton & Scott Dallas, Oregon

NEWS OF PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Comings and Goings as Told by Our Exchanges.

C. C. Lee, of Monmouth, was in Seio on Memorial Day.—Seio News.
George L. Kelly was visited by his father, from McCoy, Wednesday night.—Newberg Graphic.
Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Salling and little daughter, of Portland, visited this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Campbell.—Sheridan Sun.
T. B. Stone this week purchased the Vie Gross property in the rear of the National bank. He has also taken over the stock of D. B. Parks in the Williamson State bank.—Sheridan Sun.

George Hinshaw, of Dallas, was in the city Wednesday.—Independence Enterprise.
Mr. White, superintendent of the Oregon Power Company at Dallas, was in the city on business the latter part of the preceding week.—Independence Enterprise.

Mrs. Charles Tate, of Dallas, was in town Thursday, visiting her father, C. C. Lee.—Monmouth Herald.
Mrs. David Carter, of Dallas, is the guest of Mrs. A. J. Haley this week.—Monmouth Herald.

Rev. M. Moss and family, singing evangelists, who are associated with E. Olsen in a meeting at Dallas, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Harritt yesterday, this being Mr. Harritt's first visit here since 1876.—Salem Statesman.

Mrs. A. E. West, of Rickreall, visited Mrs. Joe Walsh, in North Salem, yesterday.—Salem Journal.
Mrs. S. E. McCulloch and daughter, Mattie, went to Ballston Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. McCulloch's sister.—McMinnville Telephone-Register.

Cleve Burch, of Dallas, spent Memorial Day in Amity.—Standard.
Rev. Jackson and wife and Miss Tyler departed Monday evening for Dallas, where they were to stop for a few days' rest before going to Vancouver, Washington, to again take up their revivalist work.—Amity Standard.

Sheriff Grant, Dr. Patterson and Druggist Fuller, of Dallas, were in the city Monday night.—Independence Enterprise.
Bert Heath, who founded the newspaper "The Telephone," at McMinnville, when the county seat was removed from Lafayette to that city, passed through Newberg on the way to McMinnville last Monday. Mr. Heath was a member of the Second Oregon regiment, and while stationed in the Philippines he became so impressed with the possibilities for engaging in profitable business industries in that country that he remained after the close of the war. His business ventures are said to have been highly successful and he is reported to have made a fortune. He is still in business there and expects to return.—Newberg Graphic.

Marshall Simpson, of Elk City, passed through Corvallis yesterday en route to his home, after a brief visit with his mother in Polk County. Mr. Simpson was the first Oregon child born south of the Luckiamute. This event took place 73 years ago. His mother is 96 years old.—Corvallis Gazette-Times.

Mrs. H. Comstock, of Dundee, returned Monday from a week's visit at Dallas.—McMinnville News-Reporter.
Rev. E. C. Alford, of Dallas, is spending a few days with his brother, J. G. and family here. Mr. Alford is an exceptionally brilliant speaker and the people of Dundee enjoyed one of his splendid sermons Sunday evening.—McMinnville News-Reporter.

J. E. Thompson, of the Gail Hotel, Dallas, was a Polk County visitor Thursday.—News.

WEEKLY MARKET LETTER

Receipts and Sales at Portland Union Stock Yards.

PORTLAND, June 3.—Receipts for the week have been: Cattle 2025; calves 19; hogs 1490; sheep 7750; horses and mules 156.

In the face of light receipts the cattle market continued in its downward trend and there was 75c difference in prices, as compared with two weeks ago. Killers bought extensively in Colorado and Nebraska and were slow in taking hold of the offerings here. With the coming of spring and the demand for beef has fallen off and the high prices which have existed for the past six months could not be maintained. The lower prices have accelerated trading in stock cattle.

The hog market was lightly supplied and there was a general strengthening of prices. Hogs weighing around 260 pounds sold at \$6.85 and the demand was very active.

There was a fair run of sheep, but not many that could be considered as first-class. Lambs sold at \$5.50 and a fair lot of wethers that averaged 95 pounds, sold at \$4.25. One lot of thin wethers sold at \$3.25 and 1243 stockers sold at \$2.50.

The horse market showed more activity, with smooth drafters selling at \$100.

The following sales are representative: Steers, \$2.45 to \$4.15; cows, \$2.10 to \$5.15; calves, \$2.25 to \$5; pigs, \$5.50; bulls, \$5; hogs, \$5 to \$6.85; lambs, \$6.50; wethers, \$2.65 to \$4.25; stockers, 2.50; horses—teams drafters, \$100; drafters, \$200 each; delivery horses, \$125 each; plugs, \$75 each.

Timely Discovery.
It has been discovered by Dallas people that A SINGLE DOSE of Adler's, the new German Appetitica l-ka, relieves wind or gas in the stomach or bowels, sour stomach or constipation. Conrad Strain, druggist, Dallas.

Wool Wanted.
I am in the market for wool, and will pay the highest market price. See me before disposing of your clip elsewhere.
H. L. FRENTON.

FESTIVAL OF PLEASURE

HUGE JOINT PICNIC AT RICKREALL WAS COMPLETE SUCCESS.

Many Forms of Entertainment Provided For the Thousands Who Were There.

The gigantic joint picnic given by the Artisans and the Polk County teachers at Rickreall Saturday was a complete success. Not a drop of rain fell, not a hitch, not an accident occurred to mar the day's plethoric round of pleasure. Thousands were in attendance. Polk County was there en masse and Marion and Benton and "old Yamhill," and even Multnomah, were represented by a goodly throng of recreation seekers, who helped to add to the glory of Rickreall as the home of the picnic.

By 7 o'clock in the morning the people were beginning to arrive on the grounds, and they kept coming in constantly increasing numbers until after noon. Trains loaded from the west and from the east came and wended their way along the winding road and they came in by automobiles and they came in by hacks and in buggies from everywhere, and they were glad they were there and pitied those few who were not. No such vast number of people has ever attended any similar attraction in this part of the valley.

Records Outdone.
Long famous for the size and attractiveness of their annual gatherings, the Artisans, assisted by the teachers, set a mark that they could not hope to equal by the State Superintendent—will have to "go some" if they beat next year.

There was no lack of amusement or entertainment. The literary programs were unusually replete, the sports abundant and lively, and the conventional and time-worn concessions were there to contribute to the universal festivities. Every time you hit the cowbell you got a cigar; for every ring that could be thrown over the goose's head you got another cigar, worse than the first; and for every one who could throw cold-storage eggs at a suppositious negro's head, it did not hurt the extremely colored gem, but did help raise the price of a staple farm product.

Nothing contributed more to the enjoyment of the picnic, nothing was more universally admitted or more generally or more deservedly praised, than the Dallas band. Their music struck the popular fancy, and although they played many selections, the cry was still for more, and the neat uniforms and fine individual appearance of its members won commendation everywhere.

Graduating Exercises.
The event of the morning was the graduating exercises of the eighth grade classes of Polk County—the largest similar class ever assembled in the county, comprising, as it did, something like 175 members. The appearance of that proud and happy band was an inspiration in itself. Beneath the tapering fins and the broad and aerodynamic canopies that canopied the scene, they stood in silent expectancy, awaiting that recognition of their studious labors which custom has decreed. No one could gaze upon those bright young faces and say that the common school system of Oregon is a failure. Not one who looked upon them but was resolved that that system should be encouraged and extended and broadened, that those young learners might not be numbered in their search for the solution of the mysteries that lie before them, but that schools for the people, of the people and by the people might not perish from the earth.

State Superintendent's Address.
After a vocal duet, "Come Joining Into My Flying Machine," given by Miss Joan McInturf and Miss Lorette Shore, of the Monmouth high school, County Superintendent H. C. Seymour introduced State Superintendent L. R. Alderman, who spoke as follows:

"I feel as if I was on top of Mount Hood trying to talk to the State of Oregon, but if you will bear with me I will try to talk as loud as I can, and I will try to make myself heard. I did not expect to meet so many people as I find here today. It seems to me that this is a move in the right line. It shows progress. We are social beings. We have need to encourage and extend and broaden, that those young learners might not be numbered in their search for the solution of the mysteries that lie before them, but that schools for the people, of the people and by the people might not perish from the earth.

Earning Capacities.
"Some one with a genius for figures has estimated that the earning capacity of an eighth grade graduate is \$580 per year. That may appear a large sum, but when you come to realize that bacon is 30 cents a pound, and that spring hats—how much are spring hats? You see, I do not know how much spring hats are worth, because I always buy my wife's hat on the installment plan. Well, when living is so high, \$580 is not very much. The same authority has figured that the average high school graduate is worth \$1200 a year. The difference between \$580 and \$1200 is \$700, which multiplied by the average duration of life of 40 years makes a difference in the earning capacity of \$28,000 that these boys will earn over the average by attending high school.

"There is no school in the State of Oregon that these students cannot finish if they want to. It is worth their while to go on and finish the high school, and then to finish college. It will help them to serve their fellow men better.

Their Best Friends.
"We do not want them to forget that there are those who are willing to sacrifice for them. We do not want them to forget the best friends they have—their parents. The saddest thing we can find is a boy or a girl that neglects his or her parents. The best friends you ever had, or ever will have, is your mother and your father, and the best thing you can do is to show your appreciation of them now.

NO CELEBRATION HERE

MERCHANTS DECIDE BENEFITS WILL NOT WARRANT EXPENSES.

Prefer to Provide Money For Saturday Evening Band Concerts During Summer.

When comes July Fourth, the patriotic eye peering out on Dallas town will not be greeted with the fluttering of gay tri-colored bunting in the cool morning breeze, the patriotic ear will not hear sweet strains of national airs or the shrill tones of the bagpipes calling merrily, nor will the patriotic nose inhale the pungent odor of exploded powder that like sweet incense tickles the nostrils of the small boy with an ecstatic enjoyment that is not always contagious. Contrary to its custom in alternate years, Dallas will not hold a public celebration this year in honor of the national holiday. A decision to that effect was arrived at Wednesday night at the special meeting of the Commercial Club, after the question had been thoroughly threshed up one side and down the other by nearly every member present.

At first, the general sentiment was against the usual form of celebration, and in favor of a general picnic in the city park without any fuss and feathers, but it was finally decided to cut it out altogether, as the merchants did not think the benefits would warrant the expense necessary.

Prefer Band Concert.
By way of atoning for this action and for the purpose of assisting Dallas' peerless band, and at the same time adding to the social gaiety of the city on Saturday nights during the summer months, the Club enthusiastically paved the way for weekly concerts to be given on the court house plaza, and in order to back up its theory that such entertainments would be of value to the town, the Club voted to contribute the sum of \$10 toward the cost of each performance, the remainder of the amount required to be made up by popular subscriptions.

A committee consisting of R. E. Williams, W. A. Ayres and C. L. Crider was appointed to solicit the subscriptions. Manager J. L. White, of the Oregon Power Company, offered to furnish gratis the necessary electric lights and current for the concerts if the band would provide proper support.

Street Lighting.
At the suggestion of R. E. Williams, Manager White presented to the consideration of the members of the Club a project of providing the main business streets with the latest and most successful form of cluster lights, such as are being adopted by most of the leading towns. His plan included the installation of 25 iron posts, to be placed on Main street, between Oak and Washington, and on Mill and Court near Main, and for half a block on the north and south sides of the court house plaza. On the part of the company he offered to donate \$50 toward the cost of installation, and to provide for the maintenance and to furnish the current at a cost of about 10¢ per month per merchant. The matter was referred to the board of managers for consideration.

The Club is making strenuous efforts to obtain a fruit packing establishment for Dallas, and a representative of a big Eastern company has been here looking over the situation. Further data required by the agent will be gathered and forwarded.

A Kansas City commission merchant who wished to come to Dallas to establish a commission house, dealing in farm produce, is in correspondence with the Club, and an effort will be made to induce him to come here. A fruit evaporating plant and a furniture factory are among other enterprises that are seeking locations here.

WILLAMINAS NEXT SUNDAY
Corvallis Ball Players Win Over Dallas Greys in Sunday Game.

In the Sunday game of ball played here between the Dallas Greys and the team from Corvallis, the latter won, the score being 18 to 8. About 200 were in attendance. Cooper, short stop, and Monroe, left fielder, for Dallas, distinguished themselves by their work. The latter put one over the right field fence in the second inning, and made the only home run of the day. The game was umpired by Teats and scored by R. W. Finneath, and lasted two hours and 25 minutes.

Next Sunday on the Dallas diamond in North Dallas, the Williamson team will play the Greys a return game, that is expected to be worth while. When the two teams met in Williamson some time ago, it took 12 innings to decide who was entitled to the victory. The Dallas boys hope to have their team strengthened by that time.

Fruit Prospects Good.
Fred Elliott, who has been taking careful inventory of his fruit trees, believes that the acre about a shortage in fruit this year is unjustified. Saturday he brought into the Observer office a branch broken from one of his soft shelled almond trees. In a length of two feet it had 14 well developed almonds, and he will have a good crop of them this year. His apple crop will be fair and he looks forward to an excellent yield of prunes.

To Visit Fair.
The Reverend George F. Hopkins, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, left for Salem this morning to be present at the graduation of his daughter, Miss Mae Hopkins, at Willamette University. At the conclusion of the exercises he will go to Portland to see the Rose Fair, and will be accompanied by Miss Hopkins and her cousin, Miss Pearl Green, of Vancouver, British Columbia. They expect to return next Thursday.

Legal blanks for sale at this office.

DANDELION EXTERMINATOR

Iron Sulphate Spray Said To Remove Them From Lawns.

If you follow the appended directions, you will be able to kill all the dandelions in your lawn without digging it full of holes or keeping a man busy for several days at considerable expense. Furthermore, the weeds will stay killed. Of course, if your neighbor's lawn is full of dandelion seeds, in the course of time yours will be re-seeded. This, however, will not be difficult to manage.

The chemical used is iron sulphate. A 100-pound sack will last quite a while. Obtain a small hand sprayer of brass, with glass, wooden or rubber fittings. Iron or other metals are soon eroded. Put the well-mixed solution, after carefully straining it, into the sprayer at the rate of two pounds of the chemical to one gallon of water. Pump up the sprayer till you get in the neighborhood of 100 pounds pressure to the square inch. If you cannot obtain that pressure to a certainty, pump as much as you can, for on the pressure depends the success of the work. Have a small hose attached to the sprayer, on the end of which is a brass tube about three feet long with the nozzle on the end of it. Hold the nozzle about six to eight inches from the ground and apply the mixture to the lawn. The spray should not be used as a sprinkle, but as a very fine mist, to be effective.

The chemical will turn the tips of the grass black, but this will not last long, for your clipping will remove it. Old and large heads may require a second spraying to completely remove them, but usually one treatment will completely get rid of the pest, says a writer in the Oregonian. Along with the dandelions, all rough leaved plants will go to, leaving only the grass to grow.

The principle on which the results are obtained is simply that the grass, being a smooth, waxy-leaved plant, does not hold the poisonous chemical on its blades. It falls off, but remains on the rough surfaced dandelion and, if the spray is fine enough, attacks the plant on the under side, enters into the pores and poisons the plant at root and branch. Clover, being a rough surfaced plant, is affected like the dandelion.

In applying, do not let the chemical or spray come in contact with good clothes, iron, buildings or cement sidewalks. Plants are discolored more or less. Strain the mixture before you put it in the sprayer and do not be alarmed if you lawn looks black for a short time. It will recover easily.

SATURDAY NIGHT CONCERTS
Dallas Band Gives First Weekly Program on Court House Plaza.

The Dallas band gave its first weekly concert on the court house plaza last Saturday evening, to a fairly good sized audience, who braved the uncomfortably cool air to listen to the impromptu program of music prepared by Director U. S. Grant. The band boys had been on duty all day at the Rickreall picnic, and were somewhat fatigued, but they did well and their efforts were appreciated.

At the last meeting of the Commercial Club, steps were taken to engage the band for regular weekly concerts throughout the summer, and besides pledging \$10 per week from the Club, a committee consisting of R. E. Williams, W. A. Ayres and C. L. Crider was appointed to solicit subscriptions to pay the remainder of the amount required. The idea proved popular from the first, and the business men subscribed willingly, and it is now assumed that the concerts will be given regularly each Saturday night on the plaza from now until the first of September. The idea of holding the concerts has met with universal favor, and they will draw big crowds throughout the season.

Through the courtesy of Manager J. L. White, of the Oregon Power Company, a stream of electric light bulbs has been provided for the use of the band during the concerts. A still better system of lighting will be furnished later.

SALEM CHERRY FAIR NEXT
Growers Say That Outlook Is For Wonderful Fruit Yield.

There is every indication now that the cherry fair will be held July 1 or 15. One of the large growers was in Salem yesterday and he said the crop looked so good that there would be no doubt the fair could be held on those dates with assured success.

The cherry fair committee has been working as one man to get plans prepared for the occasion. A meeting will be held Monday evening at the Board of Trade rooms, at which time further plans will be discussed. From many sources word is being received by the members of the committee that the growers are satisfied with the outlook and predict a wonderful crop of cherries this season, says the Statesman.

The cherry fair committee comprises the following: J. R. Linn, C. L. Dick, W. T. Stoltz, C. Y. Galloway, P. S. Hynon, E. N. Gillingham, C. L. Starr.

Tiles Being Prepared.
SALEM, May 26.—Attorney General Crawford has started preparing the bills for the referendum petitions for the extension of Oregon and Monmouth Normal School appropriations and the Malarkey bill extending the powers of the Railroad Commission, allowing it to have jurisdiction over public utilities. It is probable that the tiles will not be ready before Thursday or Friday.

Addressed Graduates.
J. H. Ackerman, president of the Monmouth Normal School, addressed the graduating class of the Estacada school at the closing exercises Monday night. His subject was "The Three Factors of a School."

OWNS TROUT HATCHERY

J. B. TEAL RAISES THOUSANDS OF FISH NEAR FALLS CITY.

Unique Project Carried On Amid Encouraging Municipal Sentiment in Nature's Beauty Spot.

J. B. Teal's square mile of ranch near Falls City contains numerous springs, one of which he has made good use of in the construction of a trout hatchery. One artificial lake is divided in half by a low wall, over which is a board walk. On one side are rainbow trout three years old, some of them 14 inches in length. Dr. Starbuck and Fred Toner, of Dallas, each caught some of the larger ones, Sunday. On the other side are 5,000 small speckled trout from the Clackamas government hatchery. To see the water "alive" with these beautiful fish is a most attractive sight. Mr. Teal feeds them with a spoon of good size, and nine of them are allowed to go hungry.

The hatchery building, situated at the base of a hill from which issues a large spring, is arranged for hatching the spawn from the larger fish in the lake, and caring for the "infants" until they are old enough to care for themselves. The building is designed for the propagation of mountain trout, and contains three troughs, one at each side and one in the center. Pure cold water from the spring runs through the troughs. Many appliances required in the work are within easy reach. The artificial lake in front of the building is larger and deeper than the other lake, and has an iron pipe in it which extends back to the spring a number of curved and perforated pipes extend upward from the main pipe several feet above the water, and from these come streams that cool the lake in summer, and help to scare the greedy kingfishers.

Caring For the Eggs.
The eggs, after being taken from the fish, are placed in a wire basket, which is suspended in one trough; when hatched, the young fish leave the basket, and when of a certain age are transferred to the breeding and feeding ponds. The whole process is carried on in a simple and scientific manner by Mr. Teal, with little regard for profit, labor and expense.

Mr. Teal has done a great deal of work on his place, and people are just beginning to learn that here is one of the beauty spots that is well worth a day's visit. The many springs, the hills and vales and pine-covered mountains, the fields, gardens and orchards, and the peace and quiet that prevails everywhere, furnish attractions that are alluring to all who love to commune with nature.—Falls City News.

PREMIUM LIST NOW READY
Plans Complete For State Fair at Salem in September.

SALEM, June 1.—In issuing its premium list today for the 60th anniversary celebration and home-coming week of the Oregon State Fair, plans for the big state exposition are for the first time fully outlined. Regardless of the fact that money for appropriations to improve the fair grounds with additional buildings was cut off by the Governor's veto, assurance is given that this will be the best and largest fair ever held in Oregon under the auspices of the state.

Premiums amounting to \$16,000 in racing purses will be hung up for the harness races alone, in addition to the purses for running races. The running race speed program has not been made up as yet, but otherwise the general plans for the fair are well under way.

The fair will be held from September 11 to 16. In outlining the various days for the fair, Portland is accorded Thursday with the 2:15 Lewis & Clark 5000 trot as the feature race. The Germans have been accorded Friday and the German 11000 derby will be the feature race. Woodmen of the World have been given Tuesday, when the new log cabin of the Woodmen will be dedicated. The 2:15 Woodmen of the World trot for a 10000 purse will be the feature race of that day.

WILL ENTERTAIN TONIGHT
Junior Class of High School Prepares Program For Friends.

The following program will be rendered this evening by the Junior class of the Dallas High School, in the assembly hall of the high school building. It will be the first fair of the kind ever given by the members of a similar class here, and everybody is invited to attend:

Instrumental duet, Miss Pauline Coad and Miss Josephine Luebke.
Oration, "Times of Great Need Bring Forth Great Men," Miss Olive Coulter.

Historical essay, "The New South," Georgiana Fiske.
Vocal solo, "Those Songs My Mother Used to Sing," Anne Garner.
Oration, "Companionship of Books," Roberta Ballard.

Vocal solo, selected, Ruth Morrison.
Historical essay, "America's Most Vital Strategic Point," Anne Garner.
Instrumental solo, selected, Miss Roberta Ballard.
Oration, "Temperance as a Distant Writer," Letitia Shewey.
Duet, with class voices, girls of the Junior class.

Annual School Meeting.
Notices bearing the signature of Dr. B. H. McCullon, chairman, and H. G. Campbell, clerk, of the board of school directors of Dallas school district, have been posted calling attention to the annual school meeting, which is to be held in the assembly room of the high school building, Monday afternoon, June 19, at 3 o'clock. A director to serve three years and a clerk to serve one year are to be elected.