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The way to build up Dallas is to pa-
tronize Dallas people.

The tax rolls of Multnomah county show that Jonathan Bourne, senior senator from Oregon, and candidate for re-election pays taxes in this state to the stupendous amount of \$2.44 on personal property of the value of \$100 consisting of an office desk and furniture in his office in the Chamber of Commerce building, Portland. His home according to the registration books, is "on the second floor of the Portland hotel, but the tax books do not show that he has any personal property there and there is no real property in Multnomah county assessed in his name. Yet this wonderfully progressive citizen, this champion of Oregon and her rights, asks the people of the state to keep him in office for another term! He has an office in Portland, but the dust of months lies thick upon his desk and cobwebs wind in shimmering threads across the arms of his solid oak office chair. He has a "home" on the second floor of the Portland hotel, but strange heads rest on Jonathan's pillow and the festive traveling man dreams of future orders the while he woos the god of Morpheus beneath the sheets in Jonathan's bed. Ben Selling is a man who does things for his state. His holdings in real and personal property in Oregon represent a large sum and he owns property in different sections of it. He is, and always has been, interested in the growth and development of Oregon and has shown his faith by the substantial investment of his money. Which of the two, think you, will the more faithfully and conscientiously represent his state in the Senate?

His candidacy has involved the hero of "San Juan hill" in a mass of explanations and since his recent announcement he has been kept busy trying to explain that he didn't mean what he said, when he said it. He says that when he said that he "would not be a candidate in 1912" he meant that he "would accept the nomination" if it was offered him, but that he would not become active in securing it. He now proposes to take no chances, and will endeavor to see that the nomination "is offered" him. The dozen or more letters he has written to friends defining his position and declaring in every instance that he was not a candidate and would not enter the presidential race, are now rising like Banquo's ghost to torment the former hero. Roosevelt's dodging and wretched attempts to justify his broken word and the confidential promises given to friends are placing him in an unenviable light with the people and are really pitiful to behold, especially coming from one who has, heretofore, held so high a place in the esteem of his countrymen. How are the mighty fallen.

Former Mayor Schmitz, of San Francisco, has been freed from the graft charges brought against him as the result of the grand jury probe in 1908, the particular indictment from which he has now escaped being the charge of having bribed Supervisor Wilson in the so-called gas case. Abe Ruef, former political boss of San Francisco, who was implicated with Schmitz and others in the graft cases, and who is serving a 14 year sentence in the San Quentin penitentiary, was in court, brought there for the purpose of testifying against the former mayor. After Schmitz had been discharged, Judge Lawler ordered Ruef returned to the penitentiary. Inasmuch as Ruef is the only one of the indicted former officials but who escaped, it appears that he is serving as the goat in the premises.

An investigation of the report that Selling, republican candidate for United States senator, worked and voted for Governor West in the campaign and election of 1910, shows that it is false in every particular. Several republicans in Polk county had heard the report and made an investigation on their own initiative. An interview with Jay Bowerman elicited the statement from him that Mr. Selling worked for him during the gubernatorial campaign and aided him, very materially. A careful search of Selling's record in Oregon as a republican, shows that he has always worked consistently for the

Piano Representative Makes A Failure of Piano Business IN POLK COUNTY

Had a large number of the very finest and most expensive styles shipped. A number of them to Falls City--to Dallas--to Independence--to Monmouth and a number scattered in prominent homes throughout the country.

We will not go into detail regarding this failure but suffice it to say that the pianos were the best pianos obtainable. There is even a Chickering Baby Grand in the lot, fine Kimballs, the Eilers, Deckers, Smith & Barnes, Marshall & Wendell, the Lester, the Willard, the Hobart M. Cable and many other of the world's best pianos.

We have decided to close out every one of these pianos at once and have instructed our district manager, Mr. J. G. Gallagher to go to Dallas and clean up this stock regardless of price.

Have your dollars ready. No such discounts would be possible with any other house but Eilers.

Particular people can get what they want at attractive prices. Let Nothing Keep You Away from this Sale. Easy monthly or yearly payments and your saving is enormous. There's no excuse now for not purchasing, the best is here and at prices that are startling. We dare not quote prices as it would hurt us on future business. A visit to the Stockwell & Rice Music Store in Dallas will convince the most skeptical.

Only one cheap piano in the lot and this can be had for a song. All of the other pianos are makes that are known to be good the world over. Pianos like your neighbor paid \$400.00, \$500.00, \$600.00, yes \$700.00 for and you get them now for one-half this price. You should act quickly though.

**This Sale Will Only Last Two Days
Friday and Saturday
March 8 and 9**

Eilers Music House are the nation's largest piano dealers. We have at least a hundred customers in this county and not one dissatisfied.

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best interests of the entire state. Conservative republicans of Portland declare that he will beat Bourne by at least 5,000 votes in the metropolis. If this prediction shall prove true, his election is assured.

The Eugene Register truthfully says: "One of the stock criticisms of President Taft is that he is not a politician. His detractors say that his utterances are unwise. He does not trim what he has to say to catch the popular approval. This is weak criticism. The clever politician is not the ideal public man. The ideal public servant is the one that does what he believes to be right, and leaves the public to judge afterwards of its advisability. Taft has done what he considered his duty without regard to clamor. The fact that he is not a skill-trimming politician is one of his strongest commendations."

Seattle shows unmistakable evidence of reformation. The other day the voters defeated former Mayor Hill Gill, running on an "open town" platform and, incidentally, the board of theater censors announced that future productions of "Miss Innocence" by Anna Held in that city, will be taboo, at least as it is at present presented by the charming Anna. It is noticeable to mention in

passing, however, that the censors didn't come to this conclusion until after Miss Held had closed her engagement.

Why not amend the constitution and give it to him for life? That would save all this "explaining" on the part of the scrappy Colonel every few minutes, and we wouldn't have to worry as to whether he would, or wouldn't.

Newberg's Sunday closing law has been found too drastic for even the straight laced denizens of that bailiwick and an effort will be made to permit the average citizen to smile on the first day of the week.

URGES GROWERS TO HOLD

U. S. Grant Explains Mohair Situation and Cautions Cooperation.

To the Editor:—Thinking that I could throw some light on the price of mohair and save the goat men of this state a few dollars, I take the liberty of addressing this letter to you. As you well know that the market quotations at Portland is 20 cents per pound, I have been asked time and time again the last few days, if I did not think that the price was liable to go down and I will explain the situation as fully as I can. The



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National Mohair Growers' association has handled 1,500,000 pounds of a short six months clip from the Southwest, (what is known as the fall clip) at an average price of 35 cents, and one mill had a buyer in New Mexico who bought 52,000 pounds and paid 35 cents for it at the railroad, then had to pay the freight on it to Boston which was \$2.67 per hundred pounds, while the freight rate from Portland to Boston is \$1.50 per hundred. Now mind you, this was paid for the six months clip (very short). All of Oregon mohair is 12 months growth and is worth much more than the six months, for the 12 months growth is all coming, while the short clip has very little that will go into the coming. Now, if the short clip brings 35 cents, then the Oregon mohair should bring 40 cents, and it will, if the grower does not get scared and let the buyers get the best of him. Every grower of mohair should join the National association and ship his mohair to our Boston warehouse, and then they would get what it was worth, it being graded and sold by grades and not as a pool.

Yours truly,
U. S. GRANT.

Dallas, Ore., March 6.

CLUB VOTES AID TO FAIR AND POLK POULTRY SHOW.

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Officers of the National Guard association, the amount approximates about \$55. On behalf of the company Captain Walter L. Toose, Jr., thanked the club for their action.

The report of Financial Secretary Tracy Staats showed a balance of \$730 on hand in the club treasury, March 6.

A communication from the Newport and Lincoln county commercial club relative to an automobile road from the coast to Portland, was referred to the Dallas Auto club.

On motion it was voted to pay up the club's membership in the Oregon Development league and the secretary was instructed to forward \$5 to Secretary C. C. Chapman, at Portland immediately.

Secretary Toose read a communication from Ralph Helsel, director of exhibits at the Oregon Agricultural college, Corvallis, in which it was promised that the poultry demonstration car soon to be sent out under the auspices of the college, would include Dallas in its itinerary.

New Members Day.

20, as "New Members Day" in which it is expected that each member of the club will secure at least one new member. A united effort will be made to increase the membership to 200. In this connection it was decided to hold the regular meeting on March 20 in the circuit court room and endeavor to interest every business man of Dallas to attend and inject new life and interest into the work of the club. It is probable that the Dallas band will be secured to assist in the work of securing a crowd.

44 SCHOOLS NOW ON ROLL OF HONOR.

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McCoy, Guthrie, Powell's Camp (100) Black Rock, Falls City, Pioneer, Oakhurst, Cherry Grove, Mountain View, Rock Creek, Mistletoe, Valley Junction.

The following schools have been placed on the roll of honor for the county not having made any tardies during the month: Smithfield, Red Prairie, No. 15, Ward, Cochran, Rickreall, Oak Point, Spring Valley, Lincoln, Enterprise, Crowley, Concord, Guthrie, Powell's Camp, Liberty, Oakhurst, Highland.

There has been an increase in attendance this month and also in the number of parents who have visited the schools.

The following schools are now Standard schools: Spring Valley, Lincoln, Buena Vista, North Dallas, Oakhurst, West Salem, Ward, and No. 15. We will have several more schools become standard soon and much interest has been shown in districts where the most of the points have been won by the children and teachers.

The Colds That Hang On.
Are readily cured by Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. It relieves the cold and stops the cough. There is only one genuine. For sale at Stafrin's.

Weather Observer Gilmore, of Astoria, reports that the month of February was exceptionally wet, the total rainfall being 16.23 inches, or 2.3 inches above the average for the month.

No Extra Cost.
When you have your watch repaired by Morris, the Jeweler, you get the benefit of his 35 years experience without any extra charge. That's worth remembering.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has won its great reputation and extensive sale by its remarkable cures

of coughs, colds and croup. It can be depended upon. Try it. Sold by all dealers.

Installs New Sign.

J. H. Shepherd, the Main street jeweler has installed a modern watch sign and lamp post in front of his place of business.

Moves to Amity.

Joseph Stow who was formerly engaged in the livery business in Dallas but who retired a few months ago, and moved to his farm near Dallas, has traded for a transfer business in Amity and moved to that place with his family and household goods the first of the week.

The Baker Democrat is in the field early, to bespeak for Baker the honor of playing host to all Fourth of July celebrants of Baker county this year.

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