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The way to build up Dallas is to patronize Dallas people.

SOME PLAIN REMARKS.

The Observer desires to serve notice here and now that no candidate for office who is making his fight on a mistaken notion of economy, in that he advocates measures which will result in the elimination of the newspaper as a means for the proper circulation of legal or other notices, substituting therefor the mails or the trees and dead walls, need expect the support of this newspaper, be he Republican, Democrat, Socialist, Mugwump, Progressive or Standpatter. The newspaper is the only legitimate means to inform the people. It is the only way that notices affecting the public may be brought to the attention of the greatest number. When a candidate for office attempts to ride into public favor by preaching economy at the expense of the newspapers and against the greatest good for the greatest number, he will have to get there without the boosting of this publication.

This plan has long been a favorite one with a certain class of patriots who imagine that the surest way to gain votes is to declare that somebody has been "grafting off the public" or that, if he be given the power, he will see that "all illegal and unnecessary expense is stopped." It is an old fantasy, but it often catches the votes. After the candidate has been successful and the expenses, in place of being reduced, mount to still higher figures, the men who voted for him on the strength of his economy plea, often wonder where the trouble is as they look in vain for his promised reforms.

Among a certain class it appears to be the popular thing to attack the newspapers, and if it be found possible to eliminate some of their profits and reduce their support, these wisacres imagine that they have performed a mighty public service. It seems to be the idea with these people that the newspapers are a sort of expense to the public, a load to carry which should be lightened as much as possible. Yet, as we look around us, we fail to find very many newspaper proprietors riding around in seven-passenger touring cars or taking vacation jaunts to Europe. The fact is that there is no other institution, or a dozen of them together, that does so much for its city and its county as the country newspaper, and it is high time that the tightwads who would curtail their legitimate revenue were made to realize it.

Every issue of the Dallas newspapers is a boost for this city and both of them are doing their utmost to build it up and bring new people here. Week after week, month after month, and year after year, they go out into the world, speaking good words for Dallas and her people. They do more to build it up than any other one influence and all their editors expect is the good will of the people and the satisfaction that comes from the knowledge of a duty well performed. Yet, when opportunity offers, a certain class never miss an opportunity to whack the newspapers and imagine if they can hatch up a scheme which will take away some of their revenue, they have really done something worth while.

They may get away with it, but of one thing they can rest assured: They must look out for their political heads when they come to this print shop asking support.

The Observer trusts that these lines will be sufficiently plain, that "he who runs may read."

REAPING AS THEY SOWED.

One of the most troublesome labor disturbances experienced in the neighboring state of Washington for many years is just now drawing to a close on Grays Harbor, where the lumber industry has been paralyzed for three weeks and nearly all of the great mill plants have been idle. In summing up this strike we find more than local significance in it, and the causes which lead up to it, and it should point a moral to mill men and employers of labor elsewhere; it should teach a lesson which they might do well to heed if they would escape like consequences in their own plants.

The strike on Grays Harbor was

Week In Society

Reception to Miss Smith.

One of the most enjoyable events of the week was the reception given Miss Olive Smith by Mrs. C. G. Coad at her residence, 212 Levens street. Those invited to help entertain Miss Smith were principally the members of the Presbyterian church and choir, and her most intimate friends. Mrs. C. G. Coad and Miss Smith received at the door, assisted by Miss Claudia Coad. Late in the evening a delicious luncheon was served. The guests were: Messrs. and Mesdames Willis Simonton, J. B. Miller, J. R. Sibley, J. E. Bicknell, Charles Hillebrandt, E. W. Miles, H. B. Cosper, C. G. Coad; Misses Olive Smith, Lillian Fellows, Anna Garner, Claudia Brown, Alice Miles, Pauline Snyder, Katherine Hillebrandt, Claudia, Pauline, Genevieve and Doris Coad; Messrs. Edward D. Bicknell, Will Snyder and Hollis Smith.

Informal Party.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Jones, of 123 Levens street, telephoned invitations for a very informal party Wednesday night, April 3. The guests were entertained during the evening by Miss Ada Longnecker and Miss Blanche McKinney, both playing several instrumental solos. Games and conversation was engaged in until a very late hour. The invited guests were Messrs. and Mesdames S. Butler, R. L. Jones and S. T. Jones; Mrs. A. Hogan, Misses Anna Garner, Blanche Day, Ada Longnecker, Anna Mae Longnecker, Blanche McKinney, Wava Mason, Jean Kuykendall, Marguerite McKosky, Messrs. Alvin Churchill, J. Robbie, Earl Day, Roy Black, Max Simmons, Homer De Shields.

W. O. W. Program.

Tuesday night, after the regular meeting of the W. O. W., the members were very enjoyably entertained by the following program:
Ada Longnecker, piano solo, "Fairies Dawn."
Anna Mae Longnecker, solo, "If I Had the World to Give."
Ada Longnecker, piano solo, "Love's Devotion."
Laura Berk, solo, "When the Harvest Moon is Shining on the River."
Ada Longnecker and Anna Mae Longnecker, duet, "Let Me Hear the Songs My Mother Used to Sing."

Noon Luncheon.

At their residence, 623 Oak street, Dr. and Mrs. V. C. Staats entertained at a delightful luncheon Monday, April 1, Dr. and Mrs. H. B. McCallion and Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Bollman.

Guests From Monmouth.

Mrs. G. L. Hawkins had as her guests for lunch, Wednesday, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Curry, of Monmouth.

Bicknell-Smith.

A very quiet wedding was solemnized in Turner, Sunday, March 31, when Miss Olive Smith and Edward

D. Bicknell, both of Dallas, were united in marriage by the father of the groom, Rev. D. E. Bicknell. Miss Smith and Mr. Bicknell left Sunday morning for Turner, were married at high noon and returned to their home in this city, Sunday evening. They will be at home to their many friends at 716 Oak street.

Voth-Ratzlaff.

In a pretty wedding ceremony performed at the Baptist church in the Salt Creek district, on Wednesday, April 3, by Rev. F. Orthner, Mr. Henry Voth, Jr., and Miss Minnie Ratzlaff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ratzlaff, were united in the bonds of matrimony. After the ceremony the guests repaired to the home of the bride, where a most appetizing repast was enjoyed.

The bride was dressed in white, with a veil, and carried a large shower bouquet of bride's roses and baby fern. The couple were the recipients of many costly and beautiful presents. Guests from Dallas included C. L. Crider and family, Miss Dempsey and Miss Stella Smith of Rickreall.

Mr. and Mrs. Voth will be at home to their friends, for the summer, at the home of Mr. Voth's parents.

Singleton-Schappel.

A wedding of interest was solemnized at the residence of Rev. C. P. Gates, when Miss Ida Mae Schappel and Edward Singleton were united in marriage March 28, by Rev. C. C. Poling, as the happy climax of a romantic courtship started when the couple attended college in Pennsylvania several years ago.

The bride traveled all the way across the continent to meet her future husband, who is prominent in social and church circles in this city.

The young couple have left for the Oregon Conference of the United Evangelical church, being held in Portland, and will make their home where Mr. Singleton is sent to work. He is an energetic, progressive young man and success is predicted for him wherever he goes.

Olson-Shindler.

A quiet wedding ceremony was performed in this city Monday at 2:30 p. m., when Rev. Edgar Miles, at his home, united in marriage Fred Olson and Miss Alice Shindler, both popular young folks of West Salem. The ceremony was performed in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Olson, brother and sister-in-law of the groom, and all left on the 3:10 car for Salem and Portland, where they will spend their honeymoon.

Miss Shindler is the daughter of Manuel Shindler, and Mr. Olson is a successful young farmer, a son of A. D. Olson, who for many years has been a farmer and hop man in the vicinity of Salem, but who recently moved to Goldendale, Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Olson will be at home to their many friends at Brush College after April 20.

the direct result of the agitators of the I. W. W. and their Socialist sympathizers, and affected only the foreign labor in the mills. For years the mill men of that vicinity have insisted on employing Greeks and Finns as lumber handlers in the yards, and for other unskilled positions, because they could be had at a much lower wage than Americans, and it has been figured that the exigencies of keels business demanded that the mills be operated as cheaply as possible. This was all right, perhaps, from the standpoint of the mill man, so long as conditions remained peaceful, but no account was taken of the ignorance and stupidity of the foreigners, or their susceptibility to outside influences and readiness to resort to riot and mob rule to gain their ends. When the I. W. W. agitators came along and picked out the Grays Harbor cities as a fruitful field for their operations, they at once began organizing the Greeks, and the Finns, and all other foreigners who would listen to their pleas. In a few days they had augmented their following and with their numbers increased by reinforcements from all over the country, these agitators began a campaign which resulted in closing every lumber plant on Grays Harbor. They marched to the mills and induced every Greek and Finn to desert his post, although none of them had complained that their wages were unsatisfactory. The I. W. W. propaganda appeals to these foreigners, schooled as they are in lessons learned in monarchies and by generations of injustice, and it only required the inflaming utterances of the soap box orators to arouse their fighting spirit, and instill in their minds the belief that they were being "imposed upon" by their employers. So they quit their posts and succeeded in tying up the industries. The American workmen had no complaint, they had objected for many years to the employment of this cheap foreign labor to the exclusion of native born Americans, but they were forced into idleness along with the others.

Then the mill men awoke. They suddenly discovered that they had been nursing a viper and that the cheap wages and the cheap men who received it were in reality very expensive propositions. They combined. They declared that, hereafter, in the employment of unskilled labor, preference would be given to Americans, and that no more Greeks or Finns would be employed in their plants. On this declaration the bat-

tle was fought, and it was given out that the mills would not again be operated with foreigners on their payrolls. The citizens of the Grays Harbor towns, including the labor unions, co-operated with the mill men, and the result has been that every Greek and every Finn and every other foreigner who works for a mere pittance, must leave that locality. They have practically been run out of the country. In Raymond, on Willapa Harbor, the citizens simply loaded them out in box cars and shipped them out of town. They returned and were met by a quiet yet determined band of business men, who informed them that Raymond would have no more of them, and that they must remain away from the city. The Greeks appealed to their consul at Tacoma, and he went to Willapa Harbor to investigate. He too, was met at a station a few miles from the city, and informed that his people would not be permitted to remain there, even if, as he declared, such refusal would be followed with international complications with Greece. Raymond won and the foreigners, including their consul, took the next outgoing train and the Greek colony of the city is deserted and the shacks tenanted.

The strike is over, and the mill men have learned their lesson. It has resulted in the employment of American labor and thus one of the principles for which organized labor has been fighting for many years has triumphed through the assistance of the employers and the unwelcome conditions which their demands for cheap workmen brought about.

After a two-years' trial, with every department of the municipal government in the hands of the Socialists, the people of Milwaukee, Wis., on Tuesday, combined in the interests of good government and sanity and smote the agitators hip and thigh. They snowed under Mayor Siedel and his cohorts all down the line from chief executive to dog catcher, under majorities approximating 14,000. Milwaukee was the first city in the country to adopt the new propaganda and her experiment was watched with much interest by the entire nation. Men entirely unfit for executive duties were called from the ranks of the street shovellers and kindred duties and entrusted with affairs of which they were entirely unfamiliar or, at best, had but a theoretical knowledge, and in nearly every instance they proved wretched failures. The last two years

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have been expensive ones for the city. It has piled up the municipal debt and ignorance and incompetence have been found in every department of city government. It is openly charged that Mayor Siedel and his advisers, imported Socialists from other cities and gave them jobs on the city payrolls in an effort to build up the strength of the party and perpetuate their continuance in power. But the people grew tired of misgovernment and administered a stinging rebuke which, it is predicted, has effectually removed all danger of the further spread of the doctrine in Wisconsin.

PUBLIC AUCTION SALE.

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Attention Mohair Growers.
All those having mohair for sale are requested to report their fleeces either to H. L. Fenton or at the Dallas Mercantile company at once, in order that the pool may be made up.

Marshfield Record: The Smith-Powers Logging company is building a new railroad at camp 7, Coos City, and it will cover about 2 1/2 miles. The grading is completed and the rails are being laid.

COURT HOUSE PICK-UPS

Farm Names, Filled and Other News Briefly Told.

Mrs. L. C. Gwin and hus. to Melinda Hart. Land in Monmouth (W. D.) \$600.

C. R. Hoevet to Susie Hoevet. 118 acres in t 6 s, 6 w; also 1 and 2 of t 1 s 7 (W. D.) \$10.

Lee Rowell et ux to C. R. Hoevet (W. D.) \$1500.

I. H. Wiles to Emma B. Wiles. Lots in 8 and 9 in blk. L, Falls City (W. D.) \$140.

W. S. Gibson et al. to I. A. Glimre, 10 acres in A, also, lots 12 and 13 in blk. B, East View, Falls City (W. D.) \$10.

LaCroix Academic Institute to H. L. and O. C. Crider, lots in blks 5 and 6, Dallas. \$100.

Daniel J. Purvine to Mrs. Naomi Rome. E. end of lots 5 and 6 in blk. 6, Henry Hill's add. to Independence. (W. D.) \$1.00.

H. M. Berry to J. C. Johnson. 137.97 acres in t 9 and t 10 s, r 5 w. (W. D.) \$6180.

J. C. Simpson to J. C. Johnson, 60 acres in t 9 s, r 5 w. (Q. C. D.) \$10.

Marriage Licenses.
Edward D. Bicknell to Olive M. Smith.

Charles F. Smith to Emma B. Kirkpatrick.

Henry V. Voth to Minnie Ratzlaff. Fred Olson to Alice M. Shindler.

Probate.
Estate of Henry D. Moore, deceased, a minor—Henri M. Edgar, guardian, discharged.

I am in the market for mohair at all times and will pay the highest prices but would advise growers to pool their fleeces thus assuring them of higher prices.

H. L. FENTON.

Dufur Dispatch: Dufur people should be proud of the interest shown in the religious training of her people. When it is shown that about one-third of the population is enrolled in the Sunday schools here it is indeed a good record.

Don't be surprised if you have an attack of rheumatism this spring. Just rub the affected parts freely with Chamberlain's Liniment and it will soon disappear. Sold by all dealers.

Yamhill Record: George Grayson is selling out the old stage line property. Tillamook bought one of the old style hacks to keep as a souvenir and Yamhill ought to have the other. The price is a trifle, only \$10.

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