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

THE THIRD TERM.

Friends of Theodore Roosevelt scoff at what they term the "third term bogey" and try to show, by elaborate explanations and the citation of numerous scientific authorities, that there is absolutely nothing in it. That it is chimerical phantasm that exists only in a misty precedent which modern thought and calm reasoning will dispel. While supporters of the Colonel look at it this way it is well for them to stop a moment and calmly investigate what the American people have thought about it in the past.

Only twice in the 136 years since the slogan of liberty rang forth from Faneuil Hall, has there been a candidate for a third term in the presidential chair. One of these men was forced into the fight against his better judgment, but he could not be nominated. The other has forced himself into the race under the plea, or implied assertion, that he is the only man who can "save the country."

Before the Republican national convention of 1880, Ulysses S. Grant was a candidate for the presidential nomination for a third term, after four years spent as a private citizen in which he had traversed the globe and in which foreign princes and potentates had united in honoring one of the world's most prominent figures. In his day General Grant was fully as popular as Roosevelt is today. He went into that convention with a total of 304 delegates, 75 less than required to nominate. Friends of Roosevelt assert that the latter's success in Illinois and Pennsylvania make it certain that he will win. Yet Grant had 24 of the 40 delegates from Illinois, 32 of the 58 from Pennsylvania, 51 of the 70 from New York, headed by Roscoe Conkling, then the acknowledged leader of the Republican party in the United States. Moreover, Grant had 29 of the 30 delegates from Missouri and practically all of the Southern delegates. Yet, in spite of this showing, in spite of the eloquence of Conkling and his matchless political skill and leadership, the convention was deadlocked and, on the thirty-sixth successive ballot, the hero of Appomattox received 306 votes. The third term "bogey" was too much for even the tremendous popularity of General Grant. The tradition promulgated by Washington and endorsed by Abraham Lincoln was too strong for Grant's friends to overcome. Call it what you will, it was there, in the hearts of the delegates to that convention, in the minds of the American people who, nevertheless, loved the leader whom they had twice honored with the presidency, but they would not break down established custom.

Even in the face of Roosevelt's success in Illinois and Pennsylvania, we find that he was overwhelmingly defeated in his own state, New York, was beaten in Massachusetts, in Vermont, in New Hampshire, in Iowa, in North Dakota, in Wisconsin, in Indiana, in Michigan, and in the South. On the face of the returns his showing is considerably less than was Grant's in 1880. He cannot be nominated at Chicago.

Friends of the Colonel base their belief in his success upon the tremendous popularity that has been his in the past. They figure that because he was once elected by the greatest majority ever given a presidential candidate in the United States, that he must still win by mere force of his personality. They forget that he has deceived the people by his declarations against a third term and his frequent assertions that he would not be a candidate. They forget that he has taken a radical position upon a question of vast import which has not been endorsed by hundreds of thousands of his former friends who are not yet ready to substitute his judicial decision recall propaganda, for present safe and sane methods. They do not realize that his course, during the past four years has been such as to wear from his thousands of his former supporters without gaining him new ones and that, today, his popularity is but a remnant of what it once was.

Theodore Roosevelt has rendered his country valiant service. He has been honored as highly as his countrymen can honor him. But, even he, cannot oppose the time-honored tradition of 136 years of American

independence and come through the fight successful.

HELP THE CLUB.

When the soliciting committee of the Dallas Commercial club begins its work of securing a renewal of subscriptions for support for the coming year, it should be welcomed by the business men of Dallas and prompt renewals should be in order. Though in operation but one year, the Commercial club has already done a great work for the city. It has shown itself to be a live organization. It has placed Dallas on the map and the city has been advertised as never before. It has been instrumental in securing several new industries and has negotiations pending for several more. The club is working for the good of the whole city and The Observer believes that the people of Dallas appreciate the good that has been accomplished.

If the club is not being run to suit you, do not remain away from the meetings and howl, but attend and do your best to have your ideas adopted. Perhaps they are meritorious and worthy of consideration. Perhaps they will result in still better work for the city. If so, we believe that they would receive earnest consideration. Every active member of the club is giving his services and his money solely with the unselfish idea of benefitting his town, and will welcome any plan which will still further assist in the work. While the every action of the club may not meet with the approval of all, it cannot be denied that, even at that, the club is doing more to promote prosperity and build up the city than the fellows who remain on the outside and kick about it.

As one reads of daily insults to the flag of the country and the inflammatory and often revolutionary utterances from the lips of the F. W. W. contingent, the thought comes that there ought to be a line somewhere beyond which these disturbers dare not stray. If the trampling of the Stars and Stripes in the mud, the hurling of angry epithets at the government and the advocacy of the elimination of law and the formation of a different system of government, isn't sedition, what is it? These things are occurring daily and yet little is done to end it. Authorities in Tacoma recently have started proceedings against a number of naturalized foreigners and will make an effort to have their citizenship privileges revoked on the ground that they have violated their oaths of allegiance. This certainly is a move in the right direction. It is a crime against humanity to give such cattle as this the right of the ballot and even if they subscribe to the oath of allegiance, they have no intention of keeping it in spirit. They should be denied citizenship as anarchists and deported to the land of their nativity. This country has long enough been the dumping ground for the thugs, banditti and undesirables of darkest Europe.

The last issue of the Forest Grove News-Times contains upwards of 40 columns of home advertising which shows that the city is a live number. Paying plans are being undertaken for the business streets and every indication is that the prosperous Washington county town is fast distancing its rivals. Modern methods are taking the place of antiquated procedure and new blood is infusing life into the community. Of course there are knockers in Forest Grove as in other places—men who oppose progress by the plea that "what was good enough for father is good enough for us"—but, the town may congratulate itself that they are in the minority and their influence is of no consequence. This is the spirit that every community must possess in these modern times if it expects to keep pace with the progress and development of the state.

While one resident is declaring that the present spring season is the most favorable that the Willamette valley has experienced in years another is equally emphatic in his assertion that things are backward, that there has been too much rain, and that indications are that not more than half a crop of fruit and grain will be realized. All of which faithfully shows the different temperament of men. Yet, despite the hope of the optimist and the prognostications of the knacker, the weather goes right on doing business, the sun shines and the glad earth nurtures the growing grain and the sturdy roots of the fruit trees and, as usual, the valley will produce its usual bountiful crops. That's a peculiarity of this section which recurring seasons has failed to overcome.

When Taft supporters were elected as delegates to the Chicago convention and after the electors of the state of Oregon had decided in favor of Colonel Roosevelt, the assertion that technicalities of the law might make it possible for the supporters of the president to vote for him in the National convention, a mighty howl went up from T. R.'s friends who declared that any attempt to override "the expressed will of the people" would not be permitted. But when the same thing happens in Massachusetts and Roosevelt delegates are elected on a Taft preferential vote, the delegates are but "standing for their principles" in their refusal to vote for the president in the Chicago convention. It does make some difference whose ox is gored, doesn't it?

H. J. Parkison, the Portland lawyer who engineered the referendum petitions in opposition to the state university appropriation, now threatens to father the attempt to consolidate the university and the Corvallis agricultural college. This menace to the state's educational institutions is another abuse of the Oregon system, which makes it possible for any citizen to institute proceedings aimed at any institution and thus attempt to either destroy it entirely or to restrict its usefulness according to his own prejudices and narrow viewpoint.

Plate political matter sent out from Roosevelt headquarters in Washington contains in bold headlines the declaration that "New Jersey Joins the Movement to Stop Bosses" and the article goes on to say that T. R. will secure every one of the state's delegates. This is refreshing. To stop bosses, eh? If the Sage of Sagamore isn't a boss, what is he?

The McMinnville Telephone-Register will hereafter be issued twice each week, its publication days being Tuesday and Friday. The T-R is a good newspaper published by competent people and its new venture should prove a success.

What about a Fourth of July celebration for Dallas? Surrounding towns are already moving in this matter and it appears that Dallas should do something if a celebration is among the probabilities.

NEW PLANS OUTLINED IN MAYOR'S MESSAGE (Continued from Page One.)

their lines upon which payment was sought, were but a side issue, the matter was referred to a special committee consisting of Campbell, Coad and Barham to investigate and report. It is declared that the provisions of the ordinance are not definite enough and that considerable confusion results. The committee will endeavor to remedy this objection.

To Improve Clay Street.
Regarding the application of property owners in the "Illibee Tracts" for the improvement of the street leading to that section, the finance committee, to whom the subject had been referred, reported that, inasmuch as the road now in use did not conform to the outlines of Clay street when the same shall be opened, steps should be taken to remedy the defect before any attempt to improve the street was made. City Recorder Gregory was instructed to notify property owners on Clay street of the council's intention to improve that street from Fairview avenue to Oregon avenue. The improvement contemplated will probably consist of a 12 to 16 foot macadam roadway.

Minor Matters.
In the matter of the improvement of the Nunn hill it was reported that the property owners were ready to grade the hill as soon as levels could be given them. The matter is in the hands of the street committee.

Councilman Cosper who had been named as a committee to make arrangements for the purchase of additional land at the rock quarry reported that he had visited Salem and conferred with the owners who had declined to dispose of any more of their holdings there.

Councilman Campbell reported progress in his efforts to secure dedication of land for certain streets in the Howe tract.

Joseph Brown made application to be allowed to connect with the proposed Ash street sewer, claiming that even when the Maple street sewer should be constructed, the contour of the ground would make it difficult for his to connect with it. The request was denied.

Bills Allowed.
The following bills were passed upon and allowed:
P. S. Greenwood, salary\$67.00
F. D. Coulson, labor 15.95
Frank Lovelady, labor 2.25
W. Beaver, labor 1.96
Chas. Biege, labor 1.96
C. A. Black, labor 15.05
Walter Davidson, labor 16.20
Walter Bevens, labor 2.25
L. Snyder, labor 1.35
Joe Sherwood, labor 4.70
T. J. Bevens, labor 2.25
Dale Hill, labor 1.15
W. E. Greenwood, labor 3.25
Committee expense trip to Hillsboro, Newberg and Portland 22.50
Oregon Power Co., lights177.25
E. T. Coulson, labor 26.45
E. W. Fuller, livery 5.50
Star Transfer Co., hauling 16.85
J. C. Hayter, merchandise 2.40
Dallas Mercantile Co., mds. 2.50
D. F. Plaster, hauling trash 1.75
G. W. Vaughn, plumbing 5.40
Fuller Pharmacy, charging fire extinguishers 2.00
H. B. Cosper, trip to Salem 1.50
Chas. Gregory, salary 71.40
Lee Smith, signs 4.20
Dallas Iron Works, labor-mdse 31.50
Ralph Adams, labor 14.05
Craven Bros., hardware 26.15
Soehren Warehouse Co., mds. 2.75
Holmes & Grant, labor 18.25
Dallas Lbr. & Log. Co., lumber 14.95
Dallas Telephone Co. 3.00
Walter L. Toome, salary 20.00
J. J. Sammons, salary 52.50
D. J. Grant, salary 65.00
F. H. Morrison, labor 9.20
W. D. Vassall, salary 75.81
Itemizer, printing 29.64
A. G. Long, fire supplies 34.00
M. D. Coulter, sprinkling 61.20
S. P. Co., freight 6.19
Watt Ship Co., mds.169.25
Rock quarry pay roll421.57

Trespass notices, weather proof, for sale at the Observer Job Office.

Is Your House Insured?

Why Yes—Certainly.

Is Your Life Insured?

Why Yes—Certainly.

Are Your Clothes Insured?

Well Yes—if You Wear Hart, Schaffner & Marx Clothes

Are Your Hose Insured?

Well No—Not Unless You Wear The Celebrated

Holeproof Hosiery

The Hose that INSURES every box to give you
6 MONTHS

Of pleasant, comfortable wear without any
DARN-ING-THE HOLES

New Numbers in Ladies' Hose Are:

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| 290 | A fine Black Luster hose, Summer weight, box of 6 \$3, pair | 50c |
| 291 | Same as above in Light Tan. | |
| 280 | Extra light, fine thread Black Hose, box of 6 \$1, per pair | 35c |
| 281 | Same as above in Tan. | |

Men's Sox, Summer weight, Black, Tan, Grey, Blue, etc.

Box of 6 \$1.50, per pair 25c

Men's Silk Sox—All Colors. 3 pair, guaranteed 3 months, box of 3 \$2

If You Don't Like Darned Sox Try One Pair of Holeproof

Dallas Mercantile Co.

Home of Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes, Packard Shoes for Men,
American Lady Shoes for Women, Buster Brown
Shoes for Children.

REPAIR WORK ON BIG BRIDGE NOW UNDERWAY

City of Salem to Redeck Structure;
Use Is Found For Old Material
In Walk Building.

Salem, May 7.—The city is engaged in removing the worn timbers from the steel bridge across the Willamette river preparatory to redecking the bridge. The timbers are owned jointly by the city, Marion county and Polk county.

On previous occasions when the timbers have been removed they have been sold for 5 or 10 cents each. This year, however, Chairman Lafky of the street committee has devised a scheme that is more economical. The city will use its share for building crosswalks and making other improvements in the suburbs. Marion county will build walks on South Commercial street near the Catholic cemetery and Polk county will build walks in West Salem.

ARTISANS PLAN BIG PROGRAM FOR FIRST ANNUAL PICNIC

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country, but they are not yet in a position to announce their identity. There will be other sports during the afternoon consisting of races, contests and other attractions usually featured in affairs of this kind. In the evening there will be relay races, horse races, and a number of other attractions.

The picnic will be held in the city park on the banks of the classic La Creole and the public generally is cordially invited to take a day off and come to Dallas and join in the festivities to be furnished by the live lodge of Artisans.

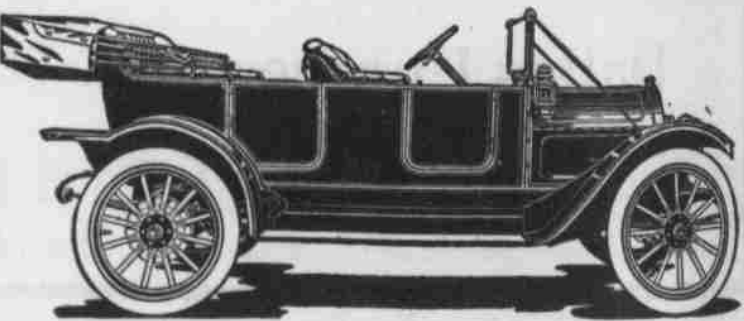
Headquarters of the Oregon Fire Relief Association will be found in Room 21, New Bank Building, at the head of the stairs.

Satisfaction of Mortgage.
The Observer has added Satisfaction of Mortgage to its stock of legal blanks. Notaries and attorneys may now secure them in any quantity desired. Phone orders for legal blanks given prompt attention.

For All Skin Diseases.
Dr. Bell's Antiseptic Salve is the best—it is a creamy snow-white ointment pleasant to use and every box is guaranteed. Price 25c. At Conrad Staffin's.

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F. W. & C. R. NEWMAN



Reo the Fifth, 5 Passenger Touring Car, \$1035 F. O. B. Factory.
Completely Equipped \$100 extra.

Before purchasing a car let us give you a demonstration of the great car. Phone us at Amity and we will be glad to call on you at any time and show its merits.

F. W. & C. R. NEWMAN

Agents for Dallas and Northern Polk County.

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Baltimore 107.50	Duluth 60.00	Philadelphia 105.20
Boston 119.00	Kansas City. 60.00	Pittsburg 51.50
Buffalo 91.50	Milwaukee .. 72.50	St. Louis 70.00
Chicago 72.50	Minneapolis . 60.00	St. Paul 60.00
Colorado Springs 55.00	Montreal ... 105.00	Toronto 91.50
Denver 55.00	New York ... 105.50	Washington . 107.50

DATES OF SALE.
May 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25, 1912.
June 1, 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 1912.
July 2, 3, 4, 7, 11, 12, 15, 16, 20, 22, 23, 26, 29, 30, 31, 1912.
August 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 12, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, 30, 31, 1912.
September 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 30, 1912.
Stopovers and choice of routes allowed in each direction.
Final return limit October 31, 1912.
Details of schedules, fares, etc., will be furnished on request.

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Portland, Oregon.