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

DAD SHOULD HAVE HIS DAY.

While it is all right and proper to honor the mothers of the country, and the plan of setting aside one day in the early summer upon which to wear a blossom in remembrance is creditable, we should not forget Dad. Dear, good old Dad, who got out and hustled and wore old clothes and worked his fingers to the bone to give his family the comforts they were entitled to. Who fought for us and stood by us and told the trouble hunting busybodies they lied when they told him of our shortcomings and sought to make trouble in the neighborhood over our escapades. Dear, good old Dad, who denied himself all down the line because, to do otherwise, would have been to take from us that which we needed so badly.

We have never yet heard that Dad has had his day. While the mothers are being honored in song and story, while the loyal sons wear the red or the white carnation in sweet remembrance of the best friend they ever had, Dad plods along in the background, unhonored and unsung, putting up the cash to support his family and enjoying it, perhaps, but still, a little notice in his direction, a small token of remembrance and devotion bestowed upon him, would make his labor less arduous and his pathway through life more pleasant.

Dad is a pretty good fellow after all. To be sure he wielded the rod occasionally, and held various and sundry sessions with us in the wood shed after we had been shinning up Neighbor Jones' apple tree or had tied two cats together by the tails and hung them over Parson Brown's clothesline. Dad always seemed to stand between us and all fun in those old days. It always seemed that the things we wished the most to do, Dad opposed with greatest emphasis. But now we know that Dad was right. He could see better than we what was best for us, and every move he made which curbed our joys and almost, at times, broke our youthful hearts, was even a more bitter dose for him. We know now that everything he did was for our good and in these after years as we look back on the many services he has rendered us, we are thankful that he was just the sort of Dad we needed.

While mother at home always took our part and was ever ready, with sympathy and soothing words, when our narrow world looked dark, it was Dad who faced the world and defended the whole family.

"Everybody Works But Father" was written in sarcasm but, in every well regulated household, where the boys have become men, and the girls have reached the estate of womanhood, it should be true. It should be Dad's time of rest. He worked for us when we couldn't, and now it is our turn to see that he labors not and enjoys life's twilight in peace. With Mother's help and advice, with her innate knowledge of what we required and of our dispositions, she has assisted Dad in his ministrations as our characters developed, and he is entitled to some credit in these later years.

Bully for Dad. Let's have a day for him.

When a corporation grows so large that it acknowledges to having "tentacles" with branches in all the large cities of the world, it's time the poor and lowly citizen began to "watch out." Tentacles are associated with monsters that swim around in the sea and bite ships. They belong to the "blood sucking leeches," and "corporation cormorants," as a former noted statesman used to observe. We have it, on good authority, that Dallas has a concern that has "tentacles," and a former supposed to be harmless citizen is accused of being one of them. Watch out! Keep away from the tentacles!

Newberg has joined the list of progressive Oregon towns that are improving their streets with hard-surface pavement. The property owners will take advantage of the Bancroft bonding act, which gives them ten years in which to pay for the improvement. The contract was awarded to the Warren Construction company at \$1.75 per square yard. This low price is made possible by the use of the present macadam pavement as a base for the smooth-surface dressing.

COUNCIL DECIDES TO
OIL STREETS

Final decision to oil the streets of Dallas for the summer of 1912 was made at a special meeting of the council held Friday night, at which time the matter was discussed fully. The council authorized Recorder Charles Gregory to wire the officials of the Oregon Road Oiling company, of Portland, that the city was ready to close a contract and to ask them to send a representative here at once to take up the matter.

Street and road oiling is not an experiment. It has been in successful operation in California for years and is annually being taken up by many communities on the Coast where the crude oil used is comparatively cheap. Representatives of the company say that one oiling will be sufficient to allay the dust during the entire summer, and that no further attention need be paid to the streets after the first application.

Methods Employed.

The mode of using the oil is to put it on the streets hot. By this means it penetrates the surface and protects the roadway to a very great extent and thus prevents the dirt and dust from working through the top dressing. One side of the streets in the business section will be oiled and allowed to stand 48 hours before opening to traffic, to permit the oil to set. In the residence districts it is proposed to keep all traffic off the streets until the oil sets.

It is proposed to oil every macadam street in the city, the business thoroughfares to their full width and the residence streets for a liberal space in the center, where the traffic is heaviest. It is claimed that the entire cost will not be greater than for sprinkling, and the efficacy will be much greater.

"HOP CASE" HOLDS ATTENTION
OF LITIGANTS.

motion to strike first, further and separate answer in second amended answer, overruled. Demurrer to second further and separate answer overruled.

Portland & West Coast Railway and Navigation Co. vs. C. C. Lockhart, demurrer to complaint sustained; plaintiff given leave to amend; defendant granted to May 12 to answer; plaintiff granted to and including May 16 to further plead.

A. L. McLeod vs. Charles W. Minnich, continued to next term, Dec. 12, 1912.

Chas. D. Tice vs. Falls City Lumber Co., demurrer to complaint sustained; plaintiff granted to and including June 12, 1912, to file amended complaint; defendant to plead thereto on or before July 10, 1912.

C. O. Walker vs. A. G. Farmer passed, pending settlement.

The A. H. Averill Machinery Co. vs. J. B. Schafer et al., passed pending settlement.

Graves Music Co. vs. L. D. Daniels, settled and dismissed.

Luella Melvin Sutton vs. Tillamook county, dismissed as per stipulation, without costs to either party.

H. William Thielsen vs. A. G. Moeller, alias A. C. Miller, dismissed as per stipulation.

E. J. Hunter vs. Great Western Lumber Co., dismissed as per stipulation.

H. M. Kershaw vs. Henry Berg, default judgment and order to sell attached property.

Salem, Falls City & Western Railway company vs. Chas. Pinekey, settled and dismissed.

B. F. Smith vs. Richard Chamberlain, settled and dismissed.

In Department No. 2.

Judge Galloway held a short session of his court on Saturday afternoon, at which two divorces were granted by default and motions were heard, and action taken in other cases, as follows:

S. A. Riggs vs. A. M. Holmes et al., defendant W. H. Holmes allowed to file an amended answer on or before May 18, plaintiff given until May 25 in which to plead.

Ella Shinn vs. Geo. W. Shinn, action for divorce, default entered and decree as prayed for.

Henry W. Hall vs. Jennie Hall, action for divorce, default entered and decree as prayed for.

C. R. Gray et al. vs. Sinka Daniels, default entered and decree as prayed for.

T. B. Stone, registry of title, corrected decree of registration granted.

A RARE TREAT IS PROMISED

A rare treat in the line of entertainments is promised for Dallas on Friday night, May 17, when Bea Gearhart Morrison will be heard at the high school auditorium in a program of readings and elocution that is sure to please.

Mrs. Morrison gave an entertainment here last year under the auspices of the College Lecture course, and it was a decided success. The press comments everywhere she goes are enthusiastic over her ability as an entertainer. Her selections cover a wide range, from the pathetic and serious to the humorous and comic, and the evening's enjoyment is well worth the price of admission. She comes this year under the auspices of the College Y. W. C. A.

Tickets on sale at the Staffin pharmacy. Reservations should be made early.

Buy The Boy A
Suit

He needs it and he wants the Base Ball and Bat and Glove that goes FREE with EVERY SUIT. We bought too heavy in Boys' Suits this Spring and must reduce our stock, so we are giving the boys most of our profits. This Week We Will Give The

BIG BOYS

A little more for their money than they can get anywhere else in Dallas.

First--we will sell them a Summer Suit made by such people as Hart, Shaffner & Marx and David Marks & Sons (Don't pay \$15 for a suit that the makers are afraid to put their name on.) at a very reasonable price--\$15 and \$20. Then we will give them FREE a nice Dress Shirt--Collar and Tie--You can pick the Shirt from our nobby line--You pick the Tie from our swell line of 50c ties, and a "Silver" Collar.

Our Packard and American Gentlemen Shoes are leaders. Don't wait too long and have to buy a second-class shoe from a third class store and depend on the clerks' little song of--
"Just as Good--"

Holeproof Hose--soft and easy and guaranteed to wear 25c

Summer Time Is
Here

Also The Finest Line of White Goods Ever Brought to Dallas. Marquesetts, Lawns, Dimities, Soisetts, Flaxons, in Plain White and Dainty Figures 15c to 50c White and Colored Parasols, in all the latest shades and shapes. The latest is in plain White and Tan with dainty border to match the color of your suit.

SOME NEW WAISTS
JUST RECEIVED

The new Crash Waist with Military Collar - - - - - \$1.50

Voile Waist, very dainty and very latest in Summer wear - - - \$1.75

Embroidered Voile Waist with Petula. You must see these waists to know their value - - - - - \$3.00

Knit and Embroidery Hand Bags to match your suit, 25c to - - - \$1.50

Don't forget we have a nice line of Ladies' Suits fitted and guaranteed to fit by our expert dress maker--and our prices are right. We believe in Honest Goods at Honest Prices--Your Money's Worth--the first of the season as well as the last

Dallas Mercantile Co.

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

SELLS-FLOTO SHOWS TO
VISIT DALLAS MAY 30

Really Big Circus Includes This City
In Itinerary; Popular Price Attraction Better Than Ever.

The first really big circus to arrive here this season will be the great Sells-Floto Consolidated Show, which is booked to appear in this city on Thursday, May 30.

For many years now this popular-priced attraction has been coming back greatly enlarged in every way, and positively giving more for the money than any kindred attraction touring the country. This season the management announces that they have added many novel and special features to those which are considered a part and parcel of the conventional circus. Among these are several European novelties which have never before been seen in this country; the wonder of it all being how the Sells-Floto people can give such a marvelous performance at such a small price.

That they are able to do so, however, is proven by the fact that for three years now they have cut the time honored price in half and made money by doing so, all of which goes to show that even in the circus world, and where daily expenses run up into the thousands, the theory of popular prices is practical.

Two performances will be given here on the day the circus arrives. The grand street parade will, as usual, be a spectacle of more than ordinary magnificence.

Fire Threatens Restaurant.

A defective flue caused a fire at the Sunrise restaurant corner of Main and Mill streets Friday afternoon about 4 o'clock which for a time threatened the destruction of the wood row on Mill street between the corner and the Sterling Furniture company's building. The prompt response of the fire department and a well directed stream of water extinguished the blaze and the damage was nominal.

SHERIDAN GAME IS CANCELLED

Dallas Faculty Calls Off Contest With Two High Schools.

The ball game scheduled for last Saturday between the high school teams of Dallas and Sheridan, was called off by the faculty of the Dallas high school. This action was taken, according to Superintendent Ford, of the Dallas schools, as a matter of discipline. He says that he gave the members of the high school permission to take a half day off Friday, but that several of the members of the team did not report for attendance Friday morning, but left early for Corvallis. While he says he is willing for the team to play the game, he believes that their studies should come first, and took the action he did in order to enforce this precept.

MASON'S ATTEND LAST RITES

Members of Fraternity Motor to Yamhill County for Gilsan Funeral.

Five autos loaded with members of Jennings lodge of Masons, of Dallas, motored to Yamhill county, Saturday morning, to attend the funeral of William Gilsan, whose death was announced in these columns last week. Funeral services were conducted at the South Yamhill M. E. church, and interment took place at the cemetery near the church. It was in this neighborhood that deceased lived for many years previous to moving to Dallas.

AGED MONMOUTH MAN DIES

Monroe Mulkey, Aged 73, Answers Sudden Summons Saturday.

Died, at his home in Monmouth, on Saturday, May 11, Monroe Mulkey, age 73 years, of heart trouble. Mr. Mulkey's death was a shock to his friends and relatives, as he was only ill three days and then not seriously. He leaves a wife and three sons and one daughter to mourn his death, as well as hosts of friends. The funeral is being held this afternoon at Amity. Full obituary will be given in the next issue.

Legal blanks for sale at this office.

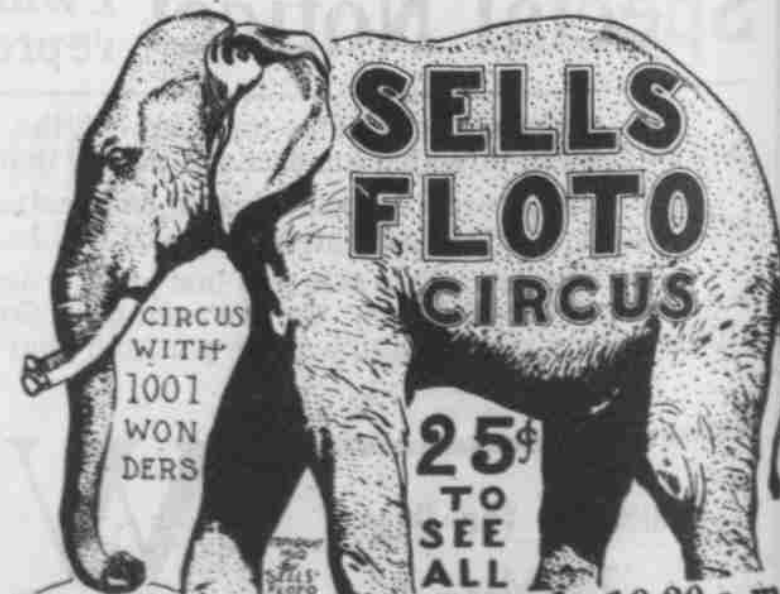


HOUSEKEEPER AND BAKER

agree that the success of their baking depends upon the character of the flour used. Poor flour, poor baking is a rule without exception. These women who have had poor success with their baking are invited to try a sack of Oregon's Best flour. There is a reason that will show in their baking.

SWEENEY BROS.
DALLAS, OREGON

DALLAS, ORE. 30
THURSDAY, MAY



Free Circus Street Parade 10:30 a.m.
9 bands, 250 horses, open dens of wild animals, elephants, camels--400 people of all climes in native costumes will be shown in parade.
Two shows daily--afternoon at 2, night at 8, doors open at 1 and 7 p.m. Waterproof tents. Admission 25 cents to see it all.