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

THE OCCUPATION TAX.

Unless some provision shall be made whereby the expense of street sprinkling and the salary of a night policeman may be paid out of the general tax fund of the city, it will prove a serious mistake to abolish the existing occupation tax.

The Observer considers the occupation tax about the most iniquitous form of taxation known, but such a tax is not half as unjust as the old plan of forcing a few public-spirited merchants to bear a burden in which every business and professional man receiving a benefit should have shared.

Under the old system, the city taxed each merchant to the limit for general city purposes and gave him absolutely no protection in return.

It was for this reason that The Observer urged no objection to the adoption of an occupation tax, especially as this newspaper had the assurance of the council that the revenue derived from such tax would be sacredly used in paying the salary of the night watchman and the expense of sprinkling the streets in the summer months, and keeping them clean during the muddy season.

It would therefore seem the part of wisdom to continue the occupation tax until such time as the city shall see its way clear to bear this expense, for if the new law shall be abolished and the council make no provision for the protection of the public-spirited citizens of the business district, a return to the old and undesirable condition is certain.

The Observer believes that there is very little genuine opposition to the occupation tax so far as the tax itself is concerned.

There's A Reason For the large and increasing sale of Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. When in the need of a cough medicine try it and you will know the reason.

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other ordinary running expenses. It is the growing feeling that this is being done that is causing the greater part of the demand for the repeal of the occupation tax.

All that would be required to effectually silence this rumor is a brief financial exhibit from the council, showing just how much revenue is being derived from the occupation tax; what the street sprinkling and night watching is actually costing the business men; that no more tax is being collected than is absolutely necessary to meet these two items of expense, and the assurance of the city officers that every cent of the fund is being sacredly used for the purposes for which the pledge was made to the merchants that it would be used.

Such a report would require only a few minutes in the making and would effectually set at rest any false rumor which may have gained circulation. The Observer believes that if such a report were given to the public, the business men of the city would be practically a unit in protesting against any immediate repeal of the occupation tax.

ADVERTISING THAT HURTS.

The feeling against disfigurement of country and woodland scenes is growing every year. As towns and cities become more thickly populated, people get more and more weary of brick walls and suggestions of commercialism on every hand.

Burning in on this mood with a staring billboard is much as if you sent a salesman up to a man's house when he was in bed and trying to sleep. He would be more likely to throw a boot out of his chamber window than come down and buy some of your goods.

It is the beauty of newspaper advertising that it never offends. It is omnipresent, picked up and read at a time and place when the people are in the mood to think about business, and at times when they are not in a mood for business it is not thrust upon them.

A Coos county newspaper is responsible for the report that "large quantities of foam are now oozing out" of an oil well prospect down that way. That may be the way they do it in Coos, but the usual way for foam to "ooze" is from a brass "condensate" manipulated by the white coated gentleman behind the mahogany.

Coming.

The Walters & McKenzie Merry Makers will hold the boards at the Star theater for one week only, beginning May 27. This company comes to our city well recommended with a reputation of long standing for good, clean, moral and high-class entertainments.

Having sold my millinery store to Miss Flora McCallon, I wish to announce that it will be conferring a great favor if all those indebted to me will please settle at once.

NORA ROBERTSON.

Fine Burbank Potatoes, \$1.25 per hundred pounds, while they last.

W. L. SOEHREN.

Repairing of watches and jewelry at the Shepherd Jewelry store pleases many people; try us; we can please you.

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For the large and increasing sale of Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. When in the need of a cough medicine try it and you will know the reason.

Corvallis Gazette Times: The new creamery at Alsea is in operation with a monthly payroll of \$2500. The creamery is thoroughly up to date and highly appreciated by the people of the Alsea country.

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GOVERNOR WEST TAKES HAND

REFERS FRIENDLY SCHOOL CASE TO ATTORNEY.

Request of Board of Regents for Speedy Final Decision in Referendum Matter Gets Attention.

Complying with a resolution passed by the board of regents of the University of Oregon, Governor West has conveyed to District Attorney McNary a request that he bring suit to enjoin Secretary of State Olcott from certifying the titles of the bills appropriating \$500,000 for the University of Oregon to the various county clerks to be placed upon the ballots for a referendum vote of the people at the next election.

When the case of S. H. Friendly vs. Olcott, which involved the same issues, was decided by the supreme court a few days ago, the court dismissed the suit on the ground that an individual could not bring such a suit, but that the action must be instituted by a proper law officer of the state. And it is understood the proper officer is the district attorney.

In the lower courts the fact was proven that many of the signatures to the referendum petition filed with the secretary of state were fraudulent, and it is on this ground that the request for the district attorney to bring the restraining suit is based.

When District Attorney McNary was questioned concerning the matter, the request from Governor West had not reached him, and he would have nothing to say until after he knew exactly what was asked of him. He said he would first investigate to ascertain whether he was the proper officer to bring the suit.

A short time ago a petition was filed in the supreme court for a rehearing of the case of Friendly vs. Olcott.

In Dallas Pulpits

Presbyterian. Services Sunday, May 26: Sunday school 10 a. m. Morning service at 11. Christian Endeavor meeting, 7 p. m. Evening service at 8. Prayer meeting Thursday evening, 8 o'clock.

Rev. Campbell, pastor of the United Presbyterian church, New Castle, Pa., will preach at morning service. Company H, of O. N. G., will be in attendance at evening memorial service.

You are invited to worship with us. Good music and a cordial greeting.

Christian. Bible school, 10 a. m. Communion service, 11 a. m. Morning subject, "Truth." Christian Endeavor, 7 p. m. Evening service, 8 p. m. Subject, "Seven Things Impossible With God." You are welcome to attend these services. LEON L. MYERS, Minister.

Baptist. Sunday services: Sunday school, 10 a. m. Lesson, "Truthfulness." Morning worship, 11 a. m. Theme, "No Lie Justifiable." Junior service, 2:30 p. m. Lesson, "The River That Ran Blood." Young People's, 7 p. m. "The Sunday School as a Missionary Pioneer." Evening worship, 8 p. m. "We Would See Jesus." Prayer meeting at 8 p. m. Thursday. Memorial Day prayers.

Sunday at the Methodist Church. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Church service at 11 a. m. Subject, "Jehovah-nissi." Class meeting at 12. Epworth League at 7 p. m. Subject, "A Tradition Challenged and Persecution Encountered; the False Use of Religious Symbols." Jer. 7:8-11, 26:8-11; Matt. 23:23-24. Evening service will be the annual Memorial service. An invitation has been extended to all old soldiers and sailors and Company G, of O. N. G., to attend in a body. Also, to the members of the Relief corps, or those eligible to be members, to come in a body. The public are invited to join with us in this service.

Christian Science. Services held in Adventist church Sunday, May 26, 10:30 a. m. Subject of lesson-sermon, "Soul and Body."

Dr. Bell's Antiseptic Salve Is guaranteed for tetter, ringworm, eczema, chapped hands and lips, running sores, ulcers and in fact all skin diseases. Good to use after shaving. 25c a box at Conrad Stafrin's.

A church edifice formerly the property of the Cumberland Presbyterian denomination at Woodburn, but latterly used as a fire house, has been sold for \$15 and the buyer is tearing it down.

Pine Tar and Honey Have been used for generations in treating coughs. Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey contains both combined with other valuable ingredients. Look for the bell on the bottle. Be sure you get Dr. Bell's. Sold by Stafrin.

Forest Mills Underwear advertisement featuring a woman in a long dress and text: Dainty, Cool and Comfortable 10c to \$3.00 UNION SUITS in All Models. Our dainty Oxfords and Pumps with our New Gauze Hose in all colors, will make you a look pleasant when the warm days come. EVERYTHING YOU WANT IN SUMMER WEAR.

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

COURT HOUSE PICK-UPS. Court Items, Real Estate Transfers, Farm Names Filed and Other News Briefly Told. Marriage Licenses. Real Estate. Probate.

These are Straw Hat Days. You'd Look and Feel better in a New Lid. We have Straw Hats ALL SHAPES ALL SIZES ALL PRICES. Priced from 25c to \$3.00. We have values never before offered in Polk County.

WHAT CHIROPRACTIC IS. All parts of the body are controlled through the nerves. All nerves emanate from the brain or spinal cord. Subluxations of bones, especially of the vertebrae of the spinal column, cause pressure or tension on the nerves passing between, through or around them, thus interfering with normal transmission of nerve impulses, causing DISEASE. Chiropactic is the Science and Art of correcting subluxations, thereby removing the interference with nerve impulses, causing EASE or HEALTH. DR. D. G. REMPEL, Chiropactor. 114 Court St., Dallas. Phone 1414. Consultation Free.

Uglow Clothing Co. THE ROAD TO PERFECT BAKING. is through perfect flour, such for instance as a sack of "Oregon's Best." Those who try it always use it and they would not do that if the flour were not satisfactory in every way. Try a sack and put it to any test you choose. SWEENEY BROS. DALLAS, OREGON.