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

THEIR REAL ENEMY.

Theodore Roosevelt is the real enemy of the progressive movement. He has shown himself to be such and his activity will retard the growth of the sentiment in this country. We refer to the real, honest, conscientious progressive sentiment supported by thousands of voters, from principle. That there are many of this class all over the land, and that Oregon has them in large numbers, is certain. And for the honest progressive, we have no criticism, except the broad one that we believe he is advocating the wrong theories. But he has the right to believe as he desires and is entitled to his convictions. He should learn, however, that the third term of Oyster Bay is the one great menace to the ultimate triumph of honest progressive ideas. Had he not been, it is more than probable that some one of the well-known progressive leaders would have succeeded in securing the nomination for the presidency at Chicago.

Roosevelt's candidacy was not promulgated with any real desire to promote the cause of the progressives. It was brought about by Roosevelt himself, merely to satisfy his ambition, and to perpetuate his egotistical personality as the dictator of American politics. With the rapid rise of the movement, which made its greatest growth while he was away from home on his African hunting trip, Roosevelt saw an opportunity to regain the power lost when he turned the office of Chief Executive over to President Taft, on the fourth of March, 1909. Declaring to the world that he was the only man in the United States who stood for the common people, and the only one who could win their battles for them, this monumental pretender strode forth into the spot light and said in effect, "behold, I am here—look at me." Then the fight began. He had expected that all that would be necessary was the simple announcement that the great T. R. was a candidate, to stampede the country to his standard. Relying upon his past personal popularity he evidently believed that the American people would listen to him and no one else. There were many progressives in the country. Men whom we believe, honestly embrace the doctrine. Any one of them, had Roosevelt kept out of the race, might have been nominated for the presidency. Had the former president really been seeking the success of the movement, rather than his personal triumph, he could probably have made their nomination secure by openly espousing their cause and campaigning in their behalf.

But no. With a blind and unreasoning egotism, he rushed into the fight, and, behold the result! His campaign of bitter abuse, and personalities, his prize-ring lingo and the invectives which he hurled at his own party and the president of the nation, presented to the country a spectacle never before witnessed in a pre-convention campaign. He rushed about the country leaving a smoking trail behind him. He shouted "liar," "thief," "brigand," "traitor," and kindred epithets, and worked himself into an insane frenzy, all in the interests of the "common people." He called to his aid such well-known and blatant bosses as Flinn, Gary, Perkins, Ward, and many others, and the campaign was kept alive by the chairman of the finance committee of the harvesters trust. Yet he dares to bare his teeth to the American people and declare that he alone can free them from the control of "the interests." In the light of the above knowledge, his protestations of devotion to the people are silly. He bluffed, bulldozed and threatened, until his performance brought the blush of shame to many. Shame that a "foremost citizen" should so far forget himself as to publicly employ the language of the prize ring in a campaign for the presidency.

He made a spectacular trip to Chicago, something unheard of in former presidential battles. In the belief that his "tremendous popularity" would give him a nomination which he saw slipping away. He employed Heney, the alleged jury

fixer and Johnson, the bulldozer, as his trusted lieutenants, and fumed and fretted around Chicago, seeking the homage of his supporters and confident that he would succeed.

But he couldn't win. And now he seeks to disrupt the party. Why? Had he been honest in declaring that he wanted success for the people above every other consideration, he would have permitted his supporters to unite on some compromise candidate—some known progressive who would unquestionably have received the nomination. His refusal to accede to this request shows that he placed his personal ambition above that of every other consideration and demonstrated clearly that it is rule or ruin with him.

Well, he's out of the party, if he shall continue in his third party movement threat. But why call it the "Progressive Party?" It isn't that, for a very large portion of the real progressives will not follow him. Rather call it the "Roosevelt Party" and thus define its true position for it, by any means, the third term should lose out in the coming "mass convention" this "great movement for the people" would sing its alpha and omega on the same day.

It is amusing to note the attitude of some of the newspapers in Oregon, and elsewhere, since the National Republican convention. While these publications have usually been found supporting the Republican ticket, the action of Roosevelt, at Chicago, has evidently led them astray or plunged them deep in mire, and they don't know what course to pursue. They appear to be playing a waiting game and have suspended judgment, evidently, until they can discover just how big a movement the Rebellion of Roosevelt will attract. In other words, their editors have no convictions themselves, but want to grab a seat on the successful band wagon. So far as The Observer is concerned, it knows where it stands. And it is exactly the same place that it has occupied since the fight began. It is a "standpat" newspaper and glories in it. It is a "standpatter" because it believes all the time in Republican principles without any ifs, ands or buts about it. It has never, under the present management, or previously, followed after false gods, nor advocated "isms" of doubtful expediency simply because such a course appeared popular. It advocated the renomination of President Taft because it believed in him and the Republican principles he represents, and we have never been frightened by the prediction of dire disaster awaiting the Republican party as the result of his success at the Chicago convention. But, if defeat must come, The Observer is willing to face it under the banner of President Taft and genuine Republicanism rather than to win a victory with a nondescript movement headed by a mugwump candidate.

The Dallas Commercial club may make mistakes. It undoubtedly has done so. There is no body of men free from them occasionally. But the men who comprise its membership, and who are giving of their time and their money to promote its stability, are doing so because they want to see the city grow and prosper. It is an unselfish work, a labor that is bound to benefit every property owner and resident of the city. If there is any institution that is entitled to the united assistance of every individual it is a live commercial organization. If the methods pursued by the club do not meet your individual views, come out to the meetings and start an agitation that may eventually result in the adoption of your ideas. Plans are welcomed, and your suggestions will receive consideration. But, above all, please remember, when you are asked to subscribe to a Commercial club fund, that those who make the request are not spending their time to benefit themselves only as the progress of the city brings prosperity to every individual.

Editor Bell, of the Newberg Enterprise, insists that President Taft's friendship for the trusts, or the conditions now prevailing in this country which the president could eliminate, did he so desire, is responsible for the fact that wealthy California companies have secured control of the canning industry on the coast and thus prevented the needed Newberg institution from operating. Yet, it is a fact that President Taft has done much more in the trust wrecking line than did Roosevelt whom the Enterprise editor champions so warmly. But, politics aside, it would seem that the surest way to start the wheels of industry in that idle cannery is to induce the "wealthy California companies" to get busy with it themselves.

The Observer's suggestion made a week or two ago, regarding the advisability of the formation of a fruit growers' union in Dallas for the more modern marketing of the small fruits of this vicinity, has been warmly commended in other sections and by other newspapers. In making it, we were actuated solely by the interests of the growers themselves, and sought to suggest a way whereby their market and their prices could be increased. It is the modern way of handling the fruit crop and has resulted, in every instance where it has been employed, in greatly benefiting the grower. The fruit cannery is also a necessity, but canneries will hardly fill the

place of a well-organized and well-managed fruit union.

Senator Bourne declares that he will not support Taft. Gee, that's too bad.

LOAD "LANDS" ON RIVER BED

CABLE BREAKS AT STEAMER LANDING.

Wagon Load of Farm Machinery Slips Down Chute and Plunges Into 20 Feet of Nice, Wet Water.

Independence, July 1.—(Special)—C. G. Long of this city, was shipping a wagon load of farm machinery to Albany by steamer Pomona to be taken to his ranch, south of the city and in the act of unloading at the docks the steamship company had the misfortune to "land" the same in the river. Just as the wagon was about landed on the dock by means of a derrick the rope cable gave way and with lightning speed the wagon and contents came down the chute, turned turtle and landed in 20 feet of water on the opposite side of the boat. The machinery and wagon went to the bottom but the steamship company is making every effort to extricate it. It was purely accidental and Mr. Long is assured that everything will be made satisfactory. This happened at Albany on the evening of June 25.

Independence News Notes.

Mr. Geo. Schlegel purchased a driving horse from Dr. Mills yesterday.

Mr. J. J. Cooper is remodeling the front of his building on C street and putting in a new approach.

Dr. Allen is building a garage on the rear of his lot for that new Maxwell he has lately purchased.

Will Scott from south of town was in yesterday looking after property interests.

Gus Hurley, a newspaper man from Vale, Oregon, is in the city on business this week.

Dean Walker is spending his summer vacation here with his parents. He just returned from the U. of O.

Frank Kirkland, who has been attending the Columbia University, returned to his home in this city to spend the summer. We are always glad to have the boys come home.

Maurice Butler returned to his home here this week from his school work in Portland.

Bill Williams, from Airle, was in the city yesterday, on business.

Jas. Hannon, from south of town, was in on business yesterday.

W. F. Campbell is busy remodeling and overhauling his hay press preparatory to the opening of the hay season. As the outlook is good for an abundant crop the presses will be kept busy this season.

Mr. Fishback from west of Monmouth, drove into town yesterday.

Work has begun on the J. S. Cooper building on C street. Gravel haulers are busy delivering the materials for the foundation.

COUNTY FIXES BAD ROADS

Costly Work in Northern Polk to Benefit Residents in That Section.

Polk county is busy fixing up the roads to the west of this place. Last year the grade was cut down and about a mile and a half of macadam was built at a cost of \$5,000. This year nearly \$10,000 will be spent and it is expected that about four miles of permanent road will be built. The rock crusher is at work about four miles out and the work of hauling and laying is being pushed as rapidly as possible. While the burden laid upon the taxpayers is heavy it will be more than offset by the advantages gained by having good roads. For some years past this stretch of road has been notoriously bad in the winter time and travel at certain seasons has been well nigh impossible. This year's work will almost complete the part that lies in Polk county but there is a stretch of bad road beyond that in Yamhill county that ought to be built as fast as possible. It costs to build good roads but no tax that the farmer pays can compare with the cost of moving crops over muddy roads when the wear and tear of teams, rigs and wagons is considered and the loss of time and temper. There is no better way to build up a community than to build up its roads.—Sheridan Sun.

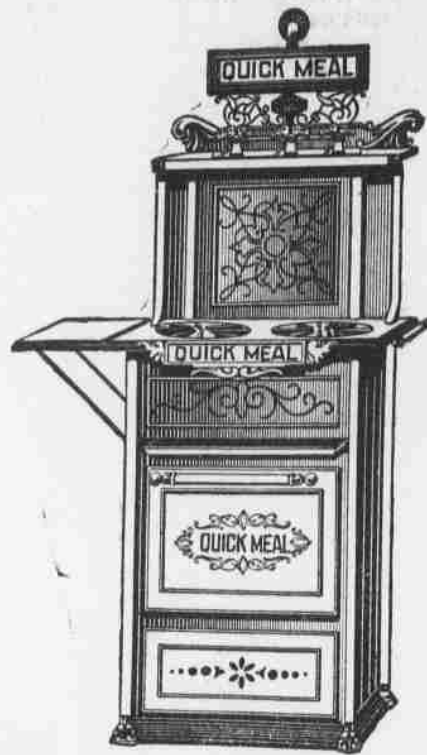
\$100 Reward \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, therefore destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure.

GOODS IN SEASON

QUICK MEAL

Self Generating
Gasoline Stove
The Latest
and Best
and
Most Economical
Gas Stove
to Use
Cost Less Than
2 Cents
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To Operate



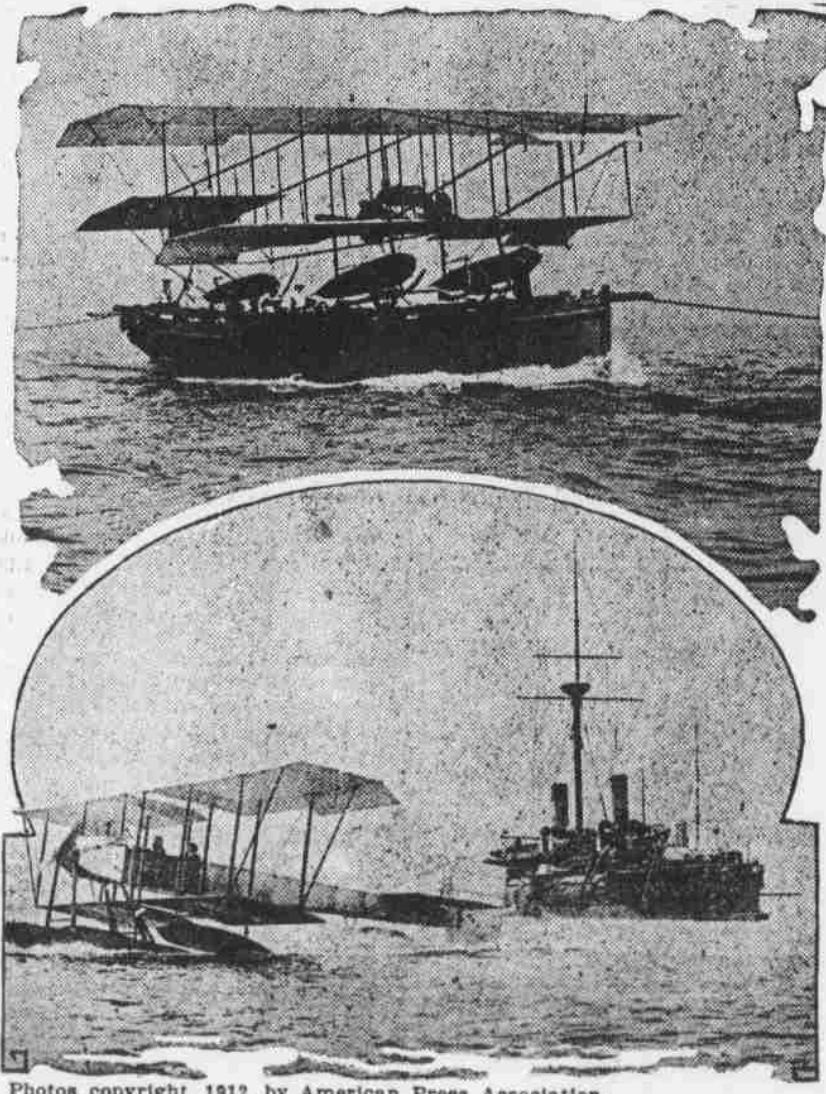
We Have a Full Line
of
QUICK MEAL
and
AUTOMATIC
OIL STOVES
These Stoves Are
No Higher
In Price
Than Many Other
Stoves
of Cheaper Make

We Also Have a Full Line of Jewell Refrigerators and Hammocks

CRAVEN BROS.

Dallas

England Is Enthusiastic Over a New Hydroaeroplane



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THOUGH later than Americans to take up experiments with hydroaeroplanes, the English are now enthusiastic over the successful maneuvers of the machine which was tested at the recent naval review in Weymouth bay. It is described as having "the powers of an albatross, able to fly over the water, float upon it and rise again." King George watched the evolutions of the craft, which located the royal yacht in a thick fog and later alighted on the water near the yacht and disembarked an officer who delivered a message to the king. The naval authorities declare that in the new invention, for which an Englishman is responsible, Great Britain has the most remarkable and satisfactory machine of its kind in the world, "that other powers have been left behind in the race for aerial supremacy" and that "the British waterplane has already performed feats completely altering the conditions possible in naval warfare." And yet a month or so before the Weymouth review an American aviator, Frank Coffyn, performed feats equally remarkable in New York harbor. The upper of the two photographs shows the waterplane towed on a boat, the lower just rising from the water.

Send for list of testimonials.

Address, F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all druggists.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

STATE NEWS

A solid concrete dam is being constructed on the Deschutes river near the town of that name.

The schools of Albany have added manual training and domestic science to their curricula.

About 1,000,000 pounds of wool were sold at the wool sales at Heppner.

Construction of an electric road between Klamath Falls and Bonanza is expected.

Woman suffrage clubs are being formed all over the state.

A number of the streets of Silverton are to be macadamized this summer.

The contractors who are installing Lebanon's new sewers are meeting with much difficulty owing to the recent rains and the rise in the river.

Bids Wanted.
Will receive bids up to, and including July 15, for the delivery of 40 tons of oat, wheat or cheat hay at our barn in Dallas.
6-211f STAR TRANSFER CO.

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Price \$2,000—Terms

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Independence, Ore.

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Best in Harness

Everything in That Line Here. Single and Double, Driving or Working

All the Newest Improvements. Ask to see the latest

Tubular Hames

Agents for Sharkey Ftsh-Key Collars

MOHAIR ROBES

Special Sale on Sweat Pads—Now 35c

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A LOAD OF "OREGON'S BEST" FLOUR

does not last long where it is best known. Women who have tried it always insist on having the OREGON'S BEST brand thereafter. There must be a reason for their insistence of course. Tell your grocer to send you a sack and you'll know that reason to your own satisfaction and that of everybody who eats at your table.

SWEENEY BROS.
DALLAS, OREGON

