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

LET'S HAVE CONSISTENCY.

In full view of 7,000 persons an automobile racer tearing down the course at a speed of better than a mile a minute, at Portland last week, crashed into a fence surrounding the enclosure and escaped death by a narrow margin. As it was, he was terribly mangled and his car reduced to kindling wood and twisted iron. As far as the crowd knew, the man had been killed and they got their thrill. What good purpose is served by these dances with death. For days preceding the races Portland papers were filled with advertisements that announced "Death Defying Speed Kings" would hurl their cars around the tracks. This advertisement was worded to attract the crowds and the crowds came. They wanted to see for themselves these "death defying" exhibitions, and they saw them. Saw men in immense, roaring machines of 200 horse power literally hurtle themselves through space at a speed greater than that attained by the fastest express trains, and knew that the fraction of a second might plunge their drivers into eternity. Yet just that possibility drew the crowds and induced them to give up their good dollars.

The days of the good, old fashioned horse trot, are over. Nowadays, to see a number of well-groomed animals calmly speeding around a circular race track, would scarcely attract a few hundred people, no matter how great the reputation of the horses for speed. Yet, the time was, when thousands of people traveled many miles to see the wonderful equine marvels of 20 years ago. But the automobile has changed our viewpoint. Unless we can pay our money and see something or somebody rush past us at a speed so great that death lurks at every turn, and in every foot of the track, we are bored and dissatisfied. We want action and lots of it. We want men to risk their lives for our amusement. We are willing to pay a good price to see a speed maniac do his best to kill himself, and, if he happens to pass through the experience unharmed, we are apt to complain that the attraction wasn't worth the money.

We welcome "dances with death" and long for an automobile course bespattered with the blood of daredevil drivers. We revel in airplane flights and the glides and dips that end in death. We see the mangled remains of the foolhardy individuals who have furnished us the thrills, and it's all done with the approval of the law. But the law which permits and sanctions such exhibitions which our women and children may see, frowns upon the mere idea of two physical giants entering a roped arena and taking a few wallops at each other with gloved hands. Society arises in righteous wrath at the mere mention of such exhibitions and governors make politics by grandiloquently proclaiming that such contests "must not take place." Yet the prize fight, for blood and brutality, compared to the auto race or the airplane exhibition, is as a summer Sunday school picnic where the most exciting occupation is the big swing under the sturdy oak or the mastication of an ice cream cone.

What was that remark about consistency?

MYSTERY OF RAILROADS.

To the average layman the ways of a railroad company are hard to fathom. They certainly "move in a mysterious way" their wonders to perform. It is often the practice of the Southern Pacific to attach a third coach to its Dallas train reaching here at 11:15 and departing for Portland at 2:15. This coach is locked for most of the distance after leaving Dallas on the return trip. It isn't opened until the other two coaches are filled to capacity. Then it is unlocked, the brakeman unlocks the door of the rear car and permits the few passengers who take the train after Newberg are reached, to struggle into it. The question naturally arises, what is the use of hauling a locked coach backward and forward on the train? Is it to save the wail of the conductor back into the

end car, until it becomes absolutely necessary to open it to give passengers the seats they have paid for?

Then, another thing. Why is it that a chair car is not operated on all of the Dallas trains on the Southern Pacific? On Friday the writer returned from Portland on the train reaching Dallas at 11:15 in the morning. At St. Joseph we waited for the connection with the Portland-Corvallis train and, when it pulled in, we noticed that two of its three coaches were chair cars, yet the Dallas train contained three ordinary old-fashioned day coaches. Both trains were well loaded, yet why were not the passengers on the Dallas train entitled to as modern accommodations as those on the other line? The Southern Pacific has plenty of chair cars. The road can offer its patrons as comfortable accommodations as other lines in this state, yet why does it persist in giving as little as possible, or no more than is absolutely necessary, for the money paid for passage? It certainly costs no more to operate a chair car than an ordinary straight backed day coach of the old fashioned variety.

It is scarcely to be wondered that hundreds of Dallas people refuse to patronize the Southern Pacific to and from Portland, preferring rather the ride to West Salem and the unhurried and tiresome transfer across the river to the lines of the Oregon Electric. If the former company would provide better accommodations for its patrons it is certain that its Portland ticket receipts from this station would be greatly increased. But one cannot blame the public for taking advantage of superior accommodations when they are offered at no increase in schedules.

With the able assistance of Polk county growers, the Salem cherry fair which closed on Saturday, was said to have been better than former displays and was a success in every way. Polk exhibitors carried away the majority of the prizes, as they always do. Without the co-operation of Polk county, the "Cherry City" wouldn't be a cherry city at all.

For a year Portland people racked their brains to provide ways and means to entertain the Elks when they visited the city in their annual grand lodge convention. When the antlered herd came last week, the Portlanders suddenly realized that things were the other way around and that it was the Elks who entertained them.

"Colonel" Roosevelt has accepted the nomination of his adherents' shouts a Roosevelt newspaper. You're wrong, brother. The bandana statesman has done nothing of the kind. His adherents have accepted the nomination of Roosevelt.

Judging by the declarations of principles of the third termers the new progressive movement is somewhat put to it to find some "principles" to justify its existence.

SHOULD REPORT TO SEYMOUR

Intending School Exhibitors Urged to Send in Their Names.

County Superintendent Seymour desires that all school children who intend to make exhibits at the coming Oregon state fair at Salem, apply to his office for application blanks, etc. He also states that every student of the Polk schools who make an exhibit will receive an admission ticket to the fair grounds for any one day.

Tooze-Thorne Combination.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Thorne, of this city are playing in the orchestra at the moving picture show owned by Walter L. Tooze, Jr., at Newport. Late Rice is musician, Lamar Tooze operates the motion picture machine, Leslie Tooze plays the drums, a sister of Mrs. Thorne sells tickets and assists in the singing and Mrs. Walter L. Tooze is singing illustrated songs.

Should Put Out Fires.

George Record, formerly a resident of Dallas, but now living at Toledo, was in the city Friday. He says that he doesn't mind campers using his barn on Black Creek as a place to sleep but he insists that they extinguish their fires before leaving. Only recently the prompt discovery of smoldering coals left near the barn by campers, prevented the destruction of the building.

Files Foreclosure Suit.

Action for foreclosure of a real estate mortgage has been filed by the Dallas City bank against Loring E. Bedwell and Ethel Bedwell in department No. 2, of the Polk County circuit court. Oscar Hayer appears for the plaintiff.

O. E. S. Meeting.

A special meeting of Naomi Chapter No. 22, O. E. S., will be held Tuesday evening July 16, for the purpose of initiating candidates.

By order of the W. M. WINNIE M. CHAPMAN, Sec.

—J. L. Brown has purchased the Dallas Hotel and took charge of the same Monday morning. He is prepared to furnish the best meals in the city and invites the patronage of the public.

Bids Wanted.

Will receive bids up to, and including July 15, for the delivery of 40 tons of oat, wheat or chest hay at our barn in Dallas.

6-2111 STAR TRANSFER CO.

BUSINESS LOCALS

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FOR SALE.

AUTOMOBILE AGENTS—I WANT LOCAL agents in every county in Oregon to handle a popular-priced line of automobiles; a good name and reputation for integrity counts more with us than money or experience; furnish you with demonstrator. For bond, you can procure the agency for our high-grade car and we will furnish you with demonstrator. For full particulars address E. E. Gerlinger, Sales Manager, 558 Washington St., Portland, Ore. 7-30

FOR SALE—Thirty-five horse power center crank Atlas engine, good as new. F. J. Coad, Dallas Planing Mill. 559-11

FOR SALE—One good yearling Englishshire black Colt. Gentle. Inquire at Observer office. 578-7-19

WANTED—At once woman to work on mangle. Dallas Steam Laundry. 572-11

FOR SALE—My place at Rickreall. One acre ground, fine modern 10 room house, hot and cold water, good barn and outbuildings. Price \$2700; \$500 cash, balance to suit purchaser. L. C. Koser. 577-8-6

FOR SALE—Farm 74 acres, 2¼ miles southwest of Dallas, 30 acres under cultivation, 2000 cords of wood, good spring; 3 acres young orchard, fair house, barn and outbuildings. \$65 per acre; \$2000 cash. Terms. Possession at once. A. E. Thompson, 128 Levens St., Dallas. 573-11

FOR SALE—Finest quality rhubarb at 1½¢ per pound. W. P. Miller, phone 1554. 575-11

FOR SALE OR RENT—Modern improved house; five rooms, new; bath, wired and fixtures. Inquire U. F. Wells at Postoffice. 574-11

FOR SALE—Seventeen yearling Cotswald Bucks (registered). Will sell at bargain if taken at once. D. T. Hodges, Rickreall. 571-11

FOR SALE—Good, gentle bay team, age 4 and 5; weight about 2700. Ewing Bros., Dallas. 568-7-12

FOR SALE—Old horse, can work or drive; will sell cheap or trade. Also mower and binder. Ewing Bros., Dallas. 570-7-12

FOR SALE—At a bargain, second hand business, as I have other interests in view. Geo. W. Hinshaw, one door west of Observer office. 522-11

FOR SALE—Oak and Cedar Posts. Soehren Warehouse Co. 111115

FOR SALE—One span of mules, harness and wagon. One roping saddle. Inquire Farmers' Feed Shed. 55011

FOR SALE—Good second hand buggy cheap. C. L. Crider, Phone 4, Dallas. 475-2-1311

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—Modern house with five-places. Inquire of G. E. Cutler or Bert Wells. 581-7-11

WANTED.

HELP WANTED—One lady dishwasher, one waitress at Dallas Hotel. Apply Joe Brown, Prop. 576-11

WANTED—All kinds of iron, rubber, brass, copper, zinc, and hides. Highest cash prices paid. A. M. Halleck, Monmouth, Oregon. 5-1211

MISCELLANEOUS.

VIOLIN INSTRUCTION—And piano tuning. Reasonable rates. Satisfaction assured. Leonard Thorne, phone 1295; 619 Washington street, Dallas. 450-11611

YOUR WINTER'S WOOD—Order your slab wood now and be sure of having a good dry supply for winter. I can sell you either slabs, blocks or trimmings. Can furnish any other kind of wood desired. Plenty of good oak and fir. Send in your orders by phone. 1561—AUGUST BOMAN.

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Congressmen—
First District.... Willis C. Hawley
Second District.... A. W. Lafferty
Governor..... Oswald West
Secretary of State.... Ben W. Oleott
State Treasurer.... Thomas B. Kay
Superintendent of Public Instruction
..... L. R. Alderman
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Attorney General.... A. M. Crawford
Supreme Court—
Chief Justice, Robert Eakin; Associate Justices, Thomas A. McBride, George H. Burnett, Frank A. Moore, Henry J. Bean.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

State Senator C. L. Hawley
Representatives—
County Judge Ed. F. Coad
County Commissioners—
..... William Riddell
..... S. H. Petre
County Clerk E. M. Smith
Sheriff J. M. Grant
Treasurer Tracy Staats
Assessor C. S. Graves
School Superintendent H. C. Seymour
Surveyor B. F. Beezley
..... Ira C. Powell
..... F. W. Chambers
Coroner R. L. Chapman

CITY OFFICERS.

Mayor J. R. Craven
Councilman-at-Large J. W. Ayres
Councilmen—
Ward No. 1—H. L. Fenton,
H. G. Campbell.
Ward No. 2—Tracy Staats,
J. G. McBe.
Ward No. 3—F. J. Coad,
A. J. Barham.
Auditor and Police Judge—
..... Charles Gregory
City Attorney W. L. Tooze, Jr.
City Treasurer W. G. Vassall
City Engineer J. J. Sammons
Street Commissioner P. S. Greenwood
Night Policeman D. J. Grant

LODGE DIRECTORY

REBEKAHS—Almira Lodge No. 24 meets first and third Wednesday of each month at Odd Fellows' Hall. NOLA COAD, Noble Grand. ORA COSPER, Secretary.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD—Dallas Camp No. 289 meets in W. O. W. Hall on Tuesday evening of each week.

NOTE THE RESULTS

that follow the use of "OREGON'S BEST" flour. Better bread, better biscuits, better pies, better cakes. Are they not well worth trying for? And when it is known that it takes less OREGON'S BEST flour than usual to produce the usual quantities don't you think a trial sack is doubly worth making?

SWEENEY BROS.
DALLAS, OREGON



TRACY STAATS, Consul Com.
W. A. AYRES, Clerk.

WOMEN OF WOODCRAFT—Mistletoe Circle, No. 23, Women of Woodcraft, meets in Woodman Hall second and fourth Wednesday nights in each month.
MARY STARR, Guardian Neighbor.
SADIE LYNN, Clerk.

A. F. & A. M.—Jennings Lodge, No. 9, meets second and fourth Fridays of each month, in Masonic hall on Main street. Visiting brethren welcome.
W. L. SOEHREN, W. M.
WALTER S. MUIR, Secretary.

UNITED ARTISANS—Dallas Assembly, No. 46, meets on first and third Mondays of each month at Woodman hall. Visiting members made welcome.
F. G. WING, M. A.
WILLIS SIMONTON, Secretary.

Trespass notices, weather proof, for sale at The Observer Job office.

—Dallas Hotel under new management. J. L. Brown has purchased the same and took charge Monday morning. First-class meals—the best in the city—try them.

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