

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

Absolutely Pure

[From a series of elaborate chemical tests.]

Comparative digestibility of food made with different baking powders.

An equal quantity of bread (biscuit) was made with each of two kinds of baking powder—cream of tartar and alum—and submitted separately to the action of the digestive fluid, each for the same length of time.

The percentage of the food digested is shown as follows:

Bread made with Royal Cream of Tartar Powder:

99 Per Cent. Digested

Bread made with alum powder:

67 Per Cent. Digested

Royal Baking Powder raised food is shown to be of greatly superior digestibility and healthfulness.

News of City and County

—Public stenographer, typewriter. Phone 341.

Wm. Herzog was a Portland visitor this week.

—Oscar Hayter, Lawyer, rooms 5 and 6, Uglow building.

Judge Gregory has been at the metropolis this week on business.

Attorney Eakin was a Portland visitor yesterday on business.

—Dr. Freeze, the Eye Specialist, will be at Stafrin's all day Jan. 16.

—I can always find time for more patients. Dr. E. J. Scheetz, 518 Church St., phone 424. 110-14

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Fuller left on Tuesday for Vancouver, B. C., where they will visit with relatives and friends.

A meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Mrs. C. C. Curtis Tuesday, January 14, at 2:30 in the afternoon.

—Dr. McNeil, Osteopath, licensed by State Examining Boards of Illinois and Oregon. The only licensed non-drug physician in Dallas. Office corner Court and Levens streets.

Both Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Palmer of East Dallas, parents of Mrs. Will Howe, have been very ill for some time. Mrs. Palmer is reported in a dangerous condition this week.

—Dallas Wood Yards, Kopiah Coal and Wood; 16-inch and 4-foot wood delivered to any part of the city promptly on telephone call. Office 334; residence 663.

W. L. BARBER, Dealer.

Chas. D. Bronson, of Dayton, Ohio, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Bronson, arrived this week and paid his parents and other relatives a short visit while on the coast on business. He is a brother of Mrs. H. C. Eakin and Geo. Bronson.

—For the benefit of the public the following facts should be stated: Dr. Freeze, the Eye Specialist, who comes to Dallas each month is a graduate of Kansas Optical College and McCormick Medical College, Chicago. He is a trained specialist with nine years experience in fitting glasses and his permanent office is at 308 Merchants Trust Building, Portland.

Annual Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the Dallas Fruit Growers' association will be held at the county court house in Dallas, on Saturday, January 11, at 1:30 p. m.

HORT C. EAKIN, Pres.

POPULAR BOOKS AT POPULAR PRICES

We have just received a shipment of the popular 50-cent Copyright Novels—all new titles. Among them are the following:

Clever Betsy—Burnham.

Rose in the Ring—McCutcheon.

The Green Mouse—Chambers.

John Marsh's Millions—Klein.

Lady Baltimore—Wister.

Heritage of Desert—Grey.

Winston of Prairie—Bridgess.

The Reckoning—Chambers.

NEW NET FICTION.

Return of Peter Grimm—Belasco. \$1.25.

The Net—Beach. \$1.30.

One Way Trail—Callum. \$1.25.

The Plunderer—Norton. \$1.25.

Corporal Cameron—Connor. \$1.25.

The World's Almanac for 1913—bigger and better than ever—will be out January 20, and will be on sale at this store as soon as the first shipment reaches the coast.

Come in and make yourselves at home with the new books and magazines.

J. C. HAYTER

Bookseller and Stationer

428 Main Street

POLK COURT PAYS DECEMBER BILLS

List of bills allowed by the County Court of Polk County, Oregon, at the regular January 1193, term thereof, viz.:

Roads and Highways.

H. Hirschberg	\$201.29
J. R. Brown	1.68
Dallas Lumber & Log. Co.	11.60
P. C. Lady	6.00
H. Wooden	8.00
J. F. Ulrich	6.00
C. W. Black	2.50
F. J. Wagner	11.10
O. E. Warden	45.00
Frank Friesen	10.60
H. Wooden	2.00
Wm. Carroll	49.75
J. J. Wagon	2.85
Wm. Reddeopp	4.00
P. E. Compton	50.15
J. K. Neal	9.25
H. E. Burns	7.00
Morris Fowle	5.19
Van B. Sears	2.94
Jacob Smith	110.00
T. J. Merriek	71.00
A. J. Brown	145.00
H. C. Trask	5.00
J. N. Jones	98.77
C. W. Beckett	11.20
Kimsey	3.48
W. O. Morrow	4.50
W. H. McDaniel	6.15
P. C. Lady	15.70
J. B. Nesmith	1.18
W. H. McDaniel	2.70
J. Duignan	60.00
C. Williams	5.50
A. E. Myers	15.25
A. Sampson	42.50
C. D. Shepherd	52.80
M. M. Jones	104.50
C. C. Gardner	9.00
City of Salem	30.00
A. J. Wurtzberger	7.00
C. K. Spaulding Log. Co.	95.03
C. Sawtelle	4.00
F. M. Shuck	3.00
F. M. Suver	5.00
Falls City Lbr. Co.	48.59
J. W. Butler	9.65
A. W. Dunn	2.00
J. H. Lockman	1.89
J. H. Patterson	2.00
Salem Sewerpipe Co.	11.25
Ivie & Payne	7.00
Henry Voht	6.25
D. P. Stapleton	92.50
G. H. Crawford	72.50
Wm. Fudge	11.60
John Compton	15.75
Henry Claffield	3.81
James Taylor	10.88
Chester Guthrie	6.00
G. F. Shew	3.95
Salem Sand and Gravel Co.	47.15
Salem, Falls City R. R. Co.	4.47
W. Patterson	5.10
Crider	7.71
C. B. Whaley	8.34
A. Brown	40.75
Allen Johnson	1.30
C. B. Whaley	5.43
Bronse Est.	.78
J. W. Finn	53.75
T. Harris	8.25
E. E. Lee	12.00
R. H. McCarter	5.20
Wm. Bronson	23.12
Tracy Staats (order of Court)	5022.77

Circuit Court.

C. L. Hubbard	\$21.00
J. B. Nunn	3.00
W. L. Toole, Jr.	10.00
G. O. Holman	10.00
H. Holman	21.00
Edward Stafrin	2.20
B. F. Swope	10.00
Hotel Scott	3.00

Pauper.

C. E. Huntley	\$107.00
Boys' and Girls' Aid Society	110.00
C. W. Henkle	40.00
V. C. Staats	35.00
C. F. Hamilton	7.00
W. B. Gerth	6.00
U. S. Loughary	10.00
A. S. Campbell	2.00
Joseph Black	9.00
J. K. Neal	5.95
Drexler & Alexander	26.00
C. L. Crider	6.00
C. A. Robinson	14.00
J. H. Frakes	20.00
M. D. Ellis	1.75
Simonton & Scott	16.58

Health Officer.

B. H. McCallon	\$102.30
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Coroner.

R. L. Chapman	\$44.60
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Fruit Inspector.

J. S. Parker	\$29.65
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Elections.

L. W. Goodell	\$ 8.00
D. M. Switzer	5.30
Herman Leonard	6.00
E. Jacobson	3.20
Abel Uglow	5.00
J. E. Yoakum	3.60

Court House.

Oregon Power Co.	\$24.25
C. H. Morris	28.50
Dallas Water Co.	8.35
J. M. Campbell	2.25

Current Expense.

Star Transfer Co.	\$ 4.50
Polk Co. Hemmer	11.20
Dallas Telephone Co.	24.10
Glass & Prudhomme Co.	36.83
Polk Co. Observer	108.80
J. C. Hayter	10.45

School Superintendent's Office.

Independence Enterprise	\$ 3.60
H. C. Seymour (School Officers)	80.00
Mrs. H. C. Seymour	12.00
D. E. Stitt	3.60
G. W. Meyer	2.00

Surveyor's Office.

B. F. Beezley	\$15.00
McCann & Collins	3.50

Indigent Soldier.

D. M. Hampton	\$20.00
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Ferries.

A. W. Russell	\$ 4.00
W. T. Hunnicutt	9.00
J. D. Hibbs & Co.	7.96
McBeth & Wiltshire	1.50
Clint Hunnicutt	50.00
Assessment and Collection of Taxes.	222.50

Jail.

J. M. Grant	\$18.58
G. W. Vaughn	1.50

Sheriff's Office.

Henry Savery	\$25.00
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Assessor's Office.

W. A. Aytes	70.00
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Commissioner's Court.

Stow & Co.	\$ 4.50
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Miss Helen M. Gould, Whose Engagement Surprised Nation



Photo by American Press Association.

THE entire country was surprised and interested in the engagement announcement of Miss Helen M. Gould and Finley J. Shepard. For so many years Miss Gould has been doing good in practical and patriotic ways, giving her wealth and her personal service, that she has become endeared to the entire nation. The idea of her marrying seemed to be the last thing entertained in the popular estimation of her. But she will have the good wishes of all. Mr. Shepard, a self-made man, lives in St. Louis and is a railroad official. Their acquaintance ripened into love when she was accompanied by him on a tour of railroad Y. M. C. A.'s, an organization to which she is great.

William Riddell	14.60
S. H. Petre	19.46
Clerk's Office.	\$50.00
Justice Court.	\$57.55
H. Holman	3.50

ber of miles of improved highways will be rapidly increased in the next few years. Interesting figures and statistics have been compiled to prove the economic advantages of improved highways.

"The government's prediction that the crop now being harvested will exceed any previous year's yield," said Mr. Pennybaker, "should serve to call attention to the great losses that are being sustained by farmers and consumers in the hauling of crops. It is estimated that the improvement of the main roads of this country, approximately 20 per cent, would result in an annual saving of at least \$250,000,000 in the cost of hauling alone, which would be sufficient to improve 50,000 miles of road at a further cost of \$5,000 per mile. In five years this would improve 250,000 miles, which would be sufficient to bring the total mileage of improved roads up to 20 per cent."

THE OLD NATIONAL ROAD.

Blazed like a blinking comet
From the heart of a nation's domain,
Piercing the uncut forests
With a skillful, steady aim,
Leaping streams of a headlock's pass,
Riding plains with quiet poise,
Tipping mountains with bounding stride,
Through wilds of a buffalo trace.
A river of human progress
Probing the myriad miles,
Awakening the silent west
In its course o'er rifted hills.
Bridging the lapse of commerce,
Wedding the flowing seas,
Feeling the hurried thicket
With a mighty giant ease.
Plying the anvil of statehood,
Where migrant hearts have sought
In its magic way has wrought.

USE TAXES FOR ROADS.

Wicomico County, Md., Starts Improvement Campaign.

According to a law recently passed by the Maryland legislature, the office of roads engineer has been created in Wicomico county, and a tax for road and bridge expenditures has been fixed at a minimum of 20 cents on the \$100 of assessable property.

The term of office of the roads engineer is four years and the salary \$1,500, with an allowance of \$300 for traveling and other expenditures. Under the terms of the present arrangement the road levy for 1912 will amount to \$25,000.

Build For Permanency.

Land and property, said a speaker at a good roads convention, were valuable in proportion to their accessibility to market or pleasure, and whatever adds to the accessibility enhances value.

The history of the country, he stated, bore witness to the most useless and wasteful extravagance in the use of money and labor on its highways, and the lesson to be learned was to build, as did the ancients, for permanency and with the utmost care and thought for the future.

More Real Work Needed.

A good roads convention is always a helpful institution, but there are a great many people who would do well to spend more time in making roads instead of attending conventions.

GOOD ROADS WOULD SAVE \$250,000,000 FOR FARMERS

That Much Wasted in Crop Haulage In Record Year.

J. L. Pennybaker, Jr., executive secretary of the American road congress, makes the assertion that \$250,000,000 would be saved in the cost of hauling this year's record breaking crops if 20 per cent of our public highways were improved, thus reducing the cost of horse haulage and permitting an extensive use of motor trucks.

At the present time only about 8 per cent of American highways can be classed as improved. The main object of the American road congress is to influence public opinion that the num-

Davis Best Flour

Say, Mrs. Breadmaker, did you ever have trouble with your bread in the Summer and Fall? Yes, you have. But it was not your fault. We know it. For years, yes, for half a century perhaps, you have baked bread fit for a king. The reason of your failure in the Summer and Fall was that you were baking new flour. Flour freshly ground from the newly harvested wheat needs to cure for months before it will make good bread.

The makers of DAVIS BEST FLOUR have solved the bread problem for you. Their mills are in the famous Big Bend wheat district of Eastern Washington. In their string of warehouses they hoard mammoth piles of golden grain, and by operating their mills day and night they accumulate a large stock of old crop flour. We can supply you with old DAVIS BEST FLOUR.

It costs no more than the green, damp, newly ground flour and makes better bread.

BIG BEND WHEAT

Is acknowledged by millers to be the best grade of milling wheat grown on the Pacific Coast.

DAVIS BEST

Is unbleached, uncolored and undoped, but has as fine a color as any flour on the market.

TRY A SACK

of DAVIS' BEST now, and if you are not greatly delighted your merchant will cheerfully refund your money.

SIMONTON & SCOTT, Dallas, Ore.



The Quality is Good

The Appearance is Good
The Taste is Good

When in a Confectionery Mood

The Sight of Our Goods
Will Please You.

A Taste Will Please You Better

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THE COSY CORNER

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.

Legal blanks for sale at this office.

BUSINESS LOCALS

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FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Free Wood for cutting. One mile south of town. Phone 8. 151.

FOR SALE—Vegetable and Oak Hay and Oats. E. A. Gwinn. 678-11014

FOR SALE—Ten acres, part cleared, house and barn, good water, one-half mile from car line. Bargain if taken at once. Inquire at this office, 679tf

I have 1900 Italian prunes, 85 assorted apples of best varieties, 15 crab apples, 12 pears and 12 cherries, all vigorous sound trees which I will sell at much reduced price, at the Depot Store, J. C. Riehl. 677tf

FOR SALE—Small steel safe at a bargain. Dallas Water Co. 676-2-4

FOR SALE—Nice one-year old Champion motorcycle, 750 cc. engine, in large or small lots. For prices apply to M. Hayter, Dallas, or C. H. Teats, Polk Station. 669-1f

FOR SALE—77 acres fine prune land and 2000 trees, nursery stock, two miles from Dallas; good improvements and fences. Price \$170 per acre. Write, call or phone P. G. Rempel, Dallas. 666-1-10

FOR SALE—Milk cows, by Tom Wright, Oak Dale; Phone Black 552. 660-12-10-1f

FOR SALE—Thirty-five horse power motor crane Atlas engine, good as new. F. J. Coad, Dallas Planning Mill. 580-1f

TYPEWRITERS—For rent or sale. Hayter's Bookstore, Dallas, Ore. 588-1f

WANTED.

BOARDS—Four men for board or board and room. Mrs. Odum, corner Maple and Ellis. 675-1-31f

WANTED—All kinds of iron, rubber, brass, copper, zinc, and hides. Highest cash prices paid. A. N. Halleck, Monmouth, Oregon. 6-121f

MISCELLANEOUS.

HOUSEKEEPING ROOMS—Inquire of Mrs. H. E. Smith, 619 Washington street. 687-1f

FOUR 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 1562.—AUGUST ROMAN.



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SAVES THE PARTING BY CHECKING THE DEPARTING