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

THREE SCORE YEARS AGO.
 Memories of Childhood and Days of Long Ago.

(Cyrus Walker in Pacific Homestead.)
 How lovingly we recall the memories of childhood and youth, and the days of "long, long ago," when in life's early morn we built "our castles" and pictured the future with naught but golden hues.

"The fancies I wrought have all faded and gone;
 Like the dew 'neath the sunbeam's warm glow;
 And now in the darkness I wait for the dawn,
 And the beautiful days long ago."

Sixty years are after all but a brief span, yet how much has been crowded into it, especially of change in this western clime. Oregon, Idaho and Washington were then all comprised in Oregon Territory. West of the Cascade mountains, it is safe to say, not an acre of land had been surveyed and only a small part west of this range. There was not then an actual farming settlement in all the eastern part of the territory. The Protestant mission stations at Waukear's Prairie, near Spokane Falls, the Nez Perce mission on the Clearwater river, the Whitman mission on the Walla Walla river, The Dalles mission on the Columbia were all abandoned. Not a steamboat on the above river, and only one or two on the Willamette, as I remember. Not a railroad on all the Pacific Coast. The eastern mails, that in earlier years came "round the Horn," now came across the isthmus. Scattered over the nation claim settlers—homes in many cases at least one mile apart.

Southern Oregon was still more unoccupied, and settlers were in constant fear from the warlike Rogue River Indians. All over this broad domain school houses, built of logs, were few, outside of the struggling embryo cities. The same was true of churches, in many instances the school houses being used by itinerant preachers in which to expound the gospel. Annual camp meetings were held in some localities, at which the people gathered for miles around. Portland was smaller than Oregon City. The principal seats of learning for higher education were Salem Institute, now Willamette University, Tualatin Academy and Pacific University at Forest Grove, and about that time followed the Umpqua Academy at Wilbur, Douglas county; Portland Academy and Female Seminary, at Portland; McMinnville College, in Yamhill county, and Bethel Institute in Polk county. The building and equipment of all these helped carry out the declaration of the founders of the provisional government dedicating Oregon to the cause of education forever.

How about the farmers? No reapers, no mowers, no threshing machines. All grain was cut with the swinging of grain cradles; grass was mown with scythes, and cut up with hand rakes and forks, often homemade. Grain was tramped out with horses or oxen, and winnowed by the breeze, oftentimes. "Peoria Premium

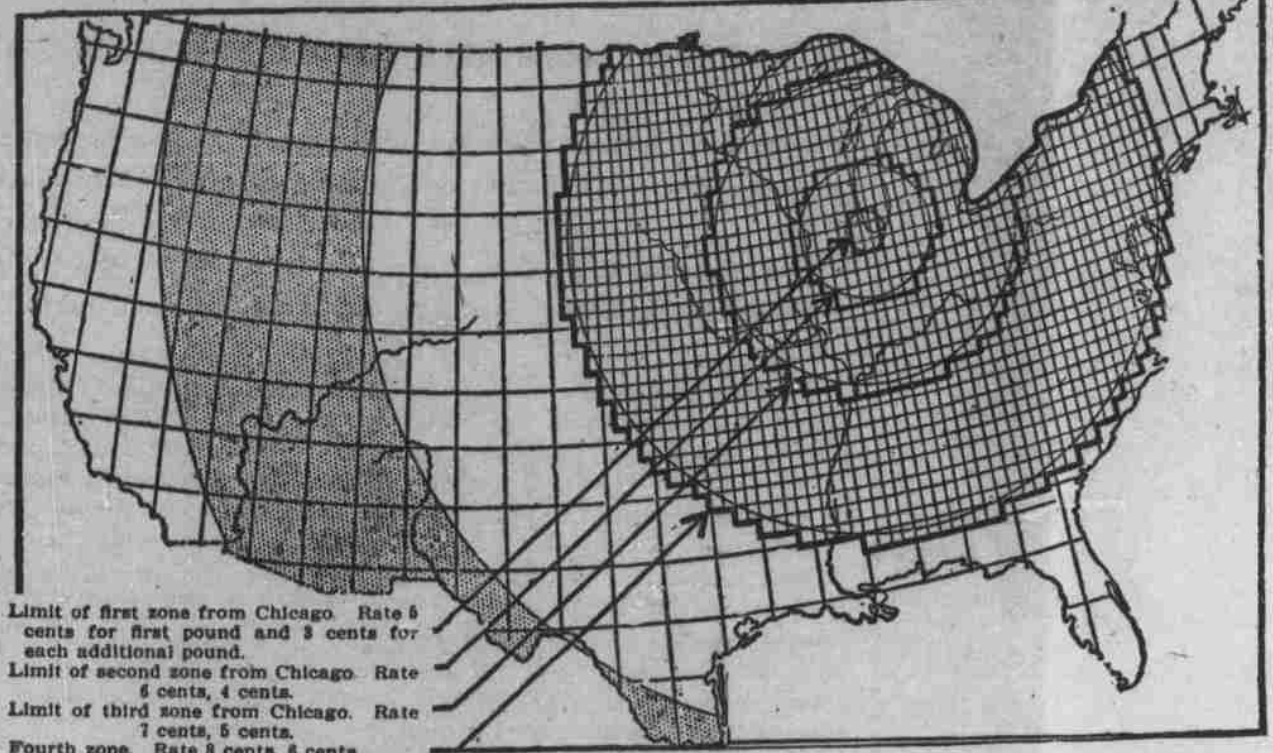
Parcel Post Is Operated On Unit System With 8 Zones

Any One Can Learn Postage Rates by Figuring Out Distance From Postoffice. Country Is Mapped Out With 3,500 Units—Government Sets Guides Cheaply.

BEGINNING New Year's day at 6 a. m. the new parcel post law permits any inhabitant of the United States to send through the mail merchandise of all descriptions, provided it does not weigh more than eleven pounds and is not more than six feet in combined length and girth. One point the postmaster general wishes emphasized and that is that all packages have to be taken to the postoffice by the sender, and this doesn't mean the numbered substations ordinarily found in drug stores, but the regular postoffice stations.

The packages will be delivered at their destination in wagons, the deliveries being as regular as the present letter service.

At present the number of men in the



TYPICAL DIAGRAM INDICATING PARCEL POST ZONES FROM CHICAGO AND SHOWING HOW TO COMPUTE POSTAGE ON PACKAGES.

This map, made with Chicago as a base, shows how the zone system will be used in arranging rates for the parcel post service which will be inaugurated Jan. 1.

Establishing zones by drawing circles of different diameters, with each postoffice as a center, would mean an impracticable amount of figuring. Instead of using townships and counties as units or starting points it was decided to divide the whole country into blocks or units, each block being half a degree in latitude in north-south extension and half a degree of longitude east and west. There are 3,500 of these units in the country.

An example of how to get the first zone is as follows:
 Find the center of the unit in which your postoffice is located. Draw a circle of fifty miles radius around that center. Every unit which lies wholly within that circle or more than half of which is within that circle is included in the first zone from any postoffice, and the postage rate is 5 cents for the first pound and 3 cents for each additional pound.

The second zone is determined by drawing with the same center a circle of 100 miles radius. Every unit which lies within all pound.

The method by which the second zone is determined is used for all other zones, their radii and rates of postage for the first and additional pounds respectively being as follows: Third zone, 200 miles, 7 cents; 4 cents; 5 cents; fourth zone, 300 miles, 8 cents; 5 cents; fifth zone, 400 miles, 9 cents; 7 cents; sixth zone, 500 miles, 10 cents; 9 cents; seventh zone, 600 miles, 11 cents; 10 cents; eighth zone and all territory farther away, including the Philippines and island possessions, 12 cents flat.

For the purpose of carrying this law into effect the United States is divided into zones, with different rates of postage applicable to each, as follows:

Weight.	1st zone.								
	Local rate 50 miles.	Zone rate.	2nd zone, 50 to 100 miles.	3rd zone, 100 to 200 miles.	4th zone, 200 to 300 miles.	5th zone, 300 to 400 miles.	6th zone, 400 to 500 miles.	7th zone, 500 to 600 miles.	8th zone, all over 600 miles.
1 pound	\$0.05	\$0.05	\$0.06	\$0.07	\$0.08	\$0.09	\$0.10	\$0.11	\$0.12
2 pounds	.06	.06	.10	.12	.14	.15	.16	.17	.18
3 pounds	.07	.07	.11	.13	.15	.16	.17	.18	.19
4 pounds	.08	.08	.12	.14	.16	.17	.18	.19	.20
5 pounds	.09	.09	.13	.15	.17	.18	.19	.20	.21
6 pounds	.10	.10	.14	.16	.18	.19	.20	.21	.22
7 pounds	.11	.11	.15	.17	.19	.20	.21	.22	.23
8 pounds	.12	.12	.16	.18	.20	.21	.22	.23	.24
9 pounds	.13	.13	.17	.19	.21	.22	.23	.24	.25
10 pounds	.14	.14	.18	.20	.22	.23	.24	.25	.26
11 pounds	.15	.15	.19	.21	.23	.24	.25	.26	.27

1 1/2 inches between perforated lines. The color is red for all denominations. In a curved panel across the top, supported by a paneled perpendicular column at each end.

Triangular ornaments occupy both upper corners. The denomination in large numerals is in each lower corner, with the title of the subject and the word "cents" or "dollars" between.

The designs on the several denominations are as follows:
 1 cent—Postoffice clerk.
 2 cents—City carrier.
 3 cents—Railway postal clerk.
 4 cents—Rural carrier.
 5 cents—Mail train.
 10 cents—Steamship and mail tender.
 15 cents—Automobile service.
 20 cents—Aeroplane carrying mail.
 25 cents—Manufacturing.
 50 cents—Dairying.
 75 cents—Harvesting.
 1 dollar—Fruit growing.

Every postmaster and postoffice clerk handling parcel post has a map and a guidebook which holds the key to the numbered units on the map. If you want to send a package to Buffalo his guidebook will show him which unit Buffalo is in, and then the map will

designate the zone. All he has to do is to mark his scale with the zone indicator and the machine will show the amount of postage.

The postoffice department has issued a guide book and map that can be purchased for 75 cents. There is also an insurance against loss of all packages not over \$50.

Among the things that will not be accepted for delivery are intoxicants, explosives, inflammable liquids, live or dead animals, firearms, disease germs, books or printed matter.

A special series of stamps has been engraved for the service.

The greatest advantage of the parcel post is to the farmer who wants to sell his products direct to the consumer. A postal card can be sent on one day and the eggs received the next. All kinds of produce received by acceptable. Eggs can be packed separately in cotton and placed in corrugated pasteboard boxes so they can be shipped with entire safety. All packages containing eggs must be marked "eggs."

All fragile articles, such as millinery, toys, musical instruments, glassware, etc., must be marked "fragile."

It is expected that the parcel post will hurt the express companies' business, particularly in short deliveries, on account of the cheap rates of the parcel post. The suburban poultry and produce markets will be accessible to thousands of town buyers.

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Burch, have been duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, executrix and executor, respectively, of the estate of William Edward Clark, deceased, and have qualified.

All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present them, duly verified, with the proper vouchers, within six months from the date of this notice to the said executors at the office of Oscar Hayter, Lawyer, at Rooms 5-7 Uglow Building, in the city of Dallas, in Polk County, State of Oregon.

Dated and first published January 17, 1913.

LEVINA CLARK,
 N. S. BURCH,
 Executors of the estate of William Edward Clark, deceased.
 OSCAR HAYTER,
 Attorney. 1-17 2-7

Summons.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Polk, Department No. Two.

Elmer Arnold Martin et al, Plaintiffs, vs.
 Phillip C. Cave et al, Defendants.

To the unknown heirs of Benjamin W. Cave, and also all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, lien or interest in the real estate described in this complaint.

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled Court and cause within six weeks after the date of the first publication of said summons, to-wit: January 3rd, 1913, and if you fail to so appear and answer said complaint, plaintiffs will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in their complaint, namely: For a decree declaring the plaintiffs herein to be the sole owners in fee simple to the following described real property:

Beginning at the South East corner of the North East quarter of the North West quarter of Section Seven (7) in Township Six (6) South, Range Three (3) West of the Willamette Meridian in Polk County, State of Oregon, and running thence West 80 chains; thence South 13.71 chains; thence East 45.50 chains to a stone witnessed by 15 inch double maple, South 30 deg. West 16 links; thence North 62 deg. 45 min. East 5.25 chains to a stone on the North bank of the creek and witnessed by a 12 inch oak, North 32 deg. East 35 links; thence South 68 deg. 40 min. East 23.96 chains to a stone witnessed by a 24 inch fir, South 14 deg. West 13 links; thence East 7.50 chains to a stone at the West base of a three foot fir; thence North 20 chains to the place of beginning and containing 112 acres of land more or less.

You are further notified that this summons is served upon you by publication thereof in the Polk County Observer, a newspaper of general circulation in Polk County, Oregon, published in the City of Dallas, pursuant to an order of Honorable William Galloway, Judge of said Court, made on the 31st day of December, 1912; you are also notified that the date of the first publication of this summons was on the 3rd day of January, 1913, and the date of the last publication will be on the 14th day of February, 1913.

SMITH & SHIELDS,
 Attorneys for Plaintiffs.

Summons.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Polk, Department No. Two.

Mary Weeks, Plaintiff, vs.
 John E. Cave et al, Defendants.

To all persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, lien or interest in the real estate described in the complaint on file herein.

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled Court and cause within six weeks after the date of the first publication of this summons, to-wit: January 3, 1913, and if you fail to so appear and answer said complaint plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in her complaint, namely: For a decree declaring plaintiff to be the sole owner of the following described real property:

Beginning at the quarter section corner between Sections Six and Seven in Township Six South Range Three West of W. M. in Polk County, Oregon, and running thence South 89 deg. 50 min. West 20 chains; thence South 20 chains; thence East 20 chains; thence North

Summons.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Polk, Department No. 1.

Collis Murray, Plaintiff, vs.
 Edw. Horan, Defendant.

To Edw. Horan, the above named defendant.

In the name of the State of Oregon.

Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Levina Clark and N. S. Burch, have been duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, executrix and executor, respectively, of the estate of William Edward Clark, deceased, and have qualified.

All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present them, duly verified, with the proper vouchers, within six months from the date of this notice to the said executors at the office of Oscar Hayter, Lawyer, at Rooms 5-7 Uglow Building, in the city of Dallas, in Polk County, State of Oregon.

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20 chains to the place of beginning and containing 40 acres of land more or less, all lying and being in Polk County, Oregon.

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THE COSY CORNER

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

Steel Plows were fairly coming into use. Also the Post Bros. manufactured plows at Canemah, above Oregon City.

Game was abundant. My! How in the early spring mornings the woods resounded with the hooting of the grouse and the drumming of the pheasants, with myriads of song birds.

Oh! those were joyous days.

The cropping season of 1852 was a fairly prosperous one for the farmers, with enough of grain raised for known home needs.

But what of the great immigration of that summer, struggling across the plains, with the cholera plague attacking them on every hand, and hundreds buried in nameless graves, the survivors reaching the Willamette valley to still further suffer through one of the hardest winters Oregon has ever known. Snow two feet deep and three weeks on the ground in January, 1853, and when melting caused the biggest flood known to white settlers, no to the tremendous flood of December 8, 1861, that was followed by the hardest winter in Oregon's history. Wheat in January, 1853, went up to \$5 per bushel, flour \$20 per barrel, and all other farm products in a like proportion.

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