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THE LADIES' AID SOCIETY

The old church bell had long been cracked.
Its call was but a groan;
It seemed to sound a funeral knell
With every broken tone.
"We need a bell," the brethren said,
"But taxes must be paid;
We have no money we can spare—
Just ask the Ladies' Aid."

The shingles on the roof were old;
The rain came down in rills;
The brethren slowly shook their heads
And spoke of "monthly bills."
The children of the board arose,
And said, "I am afraid
That we shall have to lay the ease
Before the Ladies' Aid."

The carpet had been patched and
Till quite beyond repair;
And through the aisles and on the
Steps
The boards showed, hard and bare.
"It is too bad!" the brethren said,
"An effort must be made
To raise an interest on the part
Of members of the Aid."

The preacher's stipend was behind;
The poor man blushed to meet
The grocer and the butcher as
They passed him on the street.
But nobly spoke the brethren then:
"Pastor, you shall be paid!"
"We'll call upon the treasurer
Of our good Ladies' Aid."

"Ah!" said the men, "the way to
heaven
Is long and hard and steep;
With slopes of ease on either side,
The path 'tis hard to keep.
We can't climb the heights alone;
Our hearts are sore dismayed;
We never shall get to heaven at all
Without the Ladies' Aid."

THE CITY ELECTION

Three new faces will be seen for the next year in the council meetings. The election yesterday was a surprise to many of the old timers who are posted in the ways of politics. The women vote turned the trick, a large number voting and it is to their credit to say that no one influenced them as they had made up their minds as to how and for who they intended to cast their first ballot. The charter amendment was lost by a large majority.

The new councilmen are men of good standing and will without doubt give Dallas their support in all things that are for its best interest and the citizens should quite as one man to assist the council in any effort that is for the good and prosperity of their city. The following is the vote as posted:

Ward No. One.
E. M. Knight, 125.
Ralph Morrison, 88.
Knight's majority, 37.
For charter amendment, 85.
Against charter amendment, 113.

Ward No. Two.
I. C. Emmerson, 88.
George Vaughn, 28.
M. B. Young, 102.
Young's plurality, 14.
For charter amendment, 72.
Against, 130.

Ward No. Three.
J. H. Shepherd, 69.
Chas. Westover, 73.
Westover majority, 4.
For amendment to charter, 56.
Against, 73.
Total votes against in all wards, 97.

An Explanation.

The Observer regrets that in its last issue it stated that the city election was to be held on Tuesday instead of Monday. We were sincere in the statement as in conversation with the city clerk when we received the data as to the voting place, we asked if the election date is like all elections? that is the first Tuesday following the first Monday. He might not have understood the question as he did not reply we took license for consent. On Saturday when we found out our mistake the writer went to the Mayor and said we find that the election is on Monday instead of Tuesday if the city will distribute them, the Observer will print 1,000 dodgers free, saying in letters that Monday is election day, and correcting the error, we make this explanation as it has reached our ears that some one stated the mistake was an intentional one. Evil to him who evil thinks, be he saint or sinner.

News of City and County

John H. Carson of Salem was a business visitor in Dallas yesterday. Miss Mabel Craven of Rieckrell was a week-end visitor in Dallas.

Professor Buell of Salt Creek was a Dallas visitor the last of the week. Mr. and Mrs. G. L. McMurphy of Falls City were Dallas visitors the last of the week.

State Superintendent Churchill of Salem was a Dallas visitor Saturday enroute to Falls City.

Mrs. Curtis and children have been visiting at the home of N. L. Shipton at Salem the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Myers of Smithfield are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. P. Fiske.

S. A. Riggs, R. F. Peters, Mrs. J. H. Lockman and Thos. Brown were among Salemites recently at Dallas. Elmer Whitstone of Albany formerly a Dallas resident was visiting old friends in this city Saturday.

Mrs. Walter Toozee, Jr. went to Portland Saturday and attended the Grand Opera which she says was well worth hearing.

Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson of Polk County were in Salem yesterday in their new five passenger Buick automobile.—Salem Statesman.

Hon. Robert A. Booth, Republican candidate for U. S. Senator was in Dallas a few hours this morning. Mr. Booth was enroute to Falls City.

Mr. Johnnie Burch of Rieckrell returned to his home Saturday much improved in health after a serious illness at the Dallas hospital.

Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Poling of Portland returned to their home yesterday after spending the past week visiting friends and relatives in Dallas.

J. W. Edgar of Oak Grove was in Dallas yesterday and reports extensive improvements and everything growing in his neighborhood.

Bill Redcup was in Dallas yesterday and purchased a load of fence wire which he will use on his Salt Creek ranch.

Walter Shafer and Roy Bohannon of Salem were in Dallas Friday enroute to Black Rock where they hoped to do some good fishing.

Ed. Agge has just accepted a position with the Farmers' Feed Stables and says he finds no difficulty in keeping busy.

W. W. Rowell of Rieckrell was a Dallas shopping visitor Saturday and reports favorable conditions and good roads in his home vicinity.

J. J. Davis and family were in Dallas Saturday shopping. They are wishing for continued good weather, as the roads have been very muddy.

Mrs. F. E. Davis went to Portland Saturday morning and will visit Mr. and Mrs. Horn and other friends while there.

J. B. Thompson, former proprietor of the Gail, was a Dallas business visitor Friday. He notes new improvements every time he comes to this city.

J. H. Hammel the leading hotel man of Albany was in Dallas Friday and spent considerable time looking over some of Polk County's best fruit land.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Braden, who have charge of the Moulton hop yards, were shopping visitors in Dallas Saturday, accompanied by Mrs. H. B. Hunsaker of Crowley.

Mrs. M. J. Davidson of Oak Grove, was a shopping visitor in Dallas Saturday. She says the roads are good and farmers prosperous in the vicinity of Oak Grove.

James McDonnell tried the gravel roads from his farm near Bowersville to Dallas Saturday and reports everybody busy in his section of Polk County.

J. H. Keller, the well known Polk County farmer and horse raiser, south of Dallas was a business visitor in town Saturday, accompanied by his son Johnnie.

O. A. Price of Oregon City, president of the Price Bros. establishment, was here Friday looking over the business interests of the company, and he is well pleased with Dallas.

Jake Smith of Monmouth, Road Supervisor of that district was in Dallas last week. He brought in a road scraper which is being repaired for immediate use.

A. C. Friesen has been inoculated with the building bug and has started to build two new residences in North Dallas. Work started yesterday.

L. N. Belien and son Roy of Bridgeport were in Dallas on Saturday. Mr. Belien has a fine farm and reports the outlook very encouraging for a good crop.

It is understood from good authority that J. B. Thompson former proprietor of the Gail will soon assume the management of the New Hotel Hammel of Albany.

The following young ladies of Dallas attended the Y. W. C. A. convention at Monmouth, Friday:—Misses Elva Lucas, Louise Miles, Muriel Grant and Gladys Loughary.

Mrs. Ida Williamson left the Dallas hospital Sunday and was conveyed in the ambulance to her home near Crowley Station. She is making a rapid recovery from a recent operation.

Mrs. Art Goode and little son returned to their home in Salem last Saturday after spending several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Morrison.

Geo. A. Wells of Corvallis, former night clerk of the Hotel Gail was a Dallas visitor several days last week, greeting old friends and looking into business interests. He says "Dallas looks good to me."

C. D. Reimer was a Dallas business visitor Saturday. He says the hills around his place, 4 miles north of town are muddy, but that he was surprised at the fine condition of the lower roads.

W. F. Gilliam of Airlie was a Dallas visitor last week, and was urged by many of his friends to enter the race for County Treasurer, but declined, as he says he has business of his own that requires his attention.

D. D. Bartlett tried the roads to Dallas Saturday from his place 4½ miles north. He says the roads are all good on the bottom but muddy on the hills. He reports farmers busy as bees in his neighborhood.

Mrs. Chaney Teats of Polk Station who recently underwent a serious operation at the Dallas hospital is much improved, and was taken in the ambulance to her home Sunday afternoon.

The Moose lodge of Sheridan will hold a grand reception on Thursday the 9th, the occasion being the new lodge room will be opened. A great time is promised to all visiting Moose.

T. J. Guy of the firm of Guy Bros. is suffering with a swollen knee. T. J. says that if he was worth a million dollars it would be called the gout, but he knows that high living is not the case this time.

Charley Taylor, wife and little daughter Hilda, returned Wednesday evening from Falls City, after an absence of nearly a year. H. C. Gleasene, wife and two children came over with them on a visit to see the country.—Siletz Correspondent.

At the high school auditorium on Thursday evening, April 9th, Dr. Hodge will give the next lecture in the University Extension Course on "Community and National Insect Problems." Illustrated with lantern slides. Everyone is invited.

J. S. Macomber found the April sun too tempting to remain at his home 3 miles west of Dallas Saturday and drove to town, spending the day attending to business and chatting with friends. His potatoes are planted, his chickens are doing well, and his farm is in good shape.

Mr. W. M. Shewey of Airlie was a Dallas visitor yesterday. Mr. Shewey had been to Salem to see his grandson who accidentally shot himself while out hunting a short time ago. The lad is now in the Salem hospital and it is feared that his leg will have to be amputated.

Mr. Thomas Elmore Lucey paid Dorothy Bennett a fine compliment at the entertainment given by him at the high school last week when he said that in playing the accompaniment to his illustrated song, The Holy City, she played it more perfect than any one of the many musicians he had sang with.

Mr. William Pfeiffer of Albany paid the Observer a social call yesterday. Mr. Pfeiffer has been a subscriber of the Observer for the past 25 years. He reports that the conditions around Dallas are more promising than any part of Oregon he has seen. A few more men like Mr. Pfeiffer and Polk County would soon be known as the only county in Oregon that has never had a boom.

FRUIT PROSPECT FINE

The Prospect for a Large Fruit Crop Never Was Better in Polk County.

The Corvallis Gazette-Times says that the fruit outlook in Benton County is excellent. The same here in Polk and as they say:
The prospect of an enormous fruit crop was never better than at this time. Such is the expression of many men who have orchards in blossom. The blossoming is heavy, the bees are at work, fertilization seems to be progressing satisfactorily, and there now seems little fear of frost that could do damage. The season is two weeks ahead of last year, and in 1913 the heavy killing frosts came April 21, 22 and 23. If none come before that time this year, fruit will be so far advanced that frost is not liable to do any real damage. But experienced fruit men are inclined to the belief that there will be no late frosts this season. These frosts are said to come only when there is a heavy snowfall in the mountains that remains until late in the spring. The snow still in the mountains is light at this time and no more is likely to fall, so those who claim to keep fairly accurate tab on such situations are confident that the 1914 fruit prospects are all that could be desired at this time.

This section is becoming more and more of a fruit region and successful seasons mean much in directing outside attention to what we have to offer. They also mean much in directing the attention of orchard owners to the proper cultivation, pruning and spraying of their orchards—they can see in their neighbor's success the possibilities that lie before themselves.

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OREGON STATE NEWS

THE LATEST WORD FROM ALL SECTIONS OF OREGON

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Presbyterian Women Choose.—Eugene will be the meeting place of the Willamette Presbyterian Society next year. This society is composed of the women's organizations of Lane, Linn, Marion, Polk, Yamhill, Benton and Lincoln Counties.

A Road Opinion.
Attorney-General Crawford in an opinion asked by J. H. Mullen, of Dundee held that a farmer having no thoroughfare from his place to a county road may compel the owner of other property to grant him an upon payment by him of damages.

Because Frank Williams at Albany was caught by Officer Marshall with two bottles of beer in his hip pockets, he was sentenced to serve 10 days in the city jail. Such was the punishment imposed upon him by Police Judge Van Tassel under the provisions of the ordinance.

Mad Dog Bites—Two men and four dogs were bitten at Tigard, Washington County, last week by a dog suffering from an advanced case of rabies. All of the dogs were shot soon after the biting occurred, and Pasteur treatment was ordered from the Government laboratory at Washington for the men.

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And one which boys use when with long strides they go.
There is one that tells tales, although he can't sing.
And one who flies high, but is held by a string.
By one a high rank in the army is held.
There's another whose name with one letter is spelled.
There is one that a farmer in harvest would use.
And one you can easily fool if you choose.
What bird at dessert, is it useful to hold?
And which in the chimney place off hang of old?
Which bird wears a bit of the sky in its dress?
Which one always stands in the corner chess?
There is one built a church, of London the pride.
We have one when we talk with a friend by our side.
What bird would its bill find useful at tea?
And which would its tail use to steer us at sea?
Which proudly a musical instrument wears?
And which the same name as a small island bears?
Which bird is called foolish and stupid and silly?
And which always wanting to punish poor Billy?
Which bird is an artisan, works at its trade?
And which is the stuff of which flags are made?
One, we're told, by the poet, at heaven's gate sings.
And there's one which in Holland, the new baby brings.
What bird have we with us in eating and drinking?
One, used for a fence, you can say without thinking.
What bird is a scoffer, a scorner, a jest?
What one is too lazy to build her own nest?
From a high wind at evening one name is inferred.
Guess all these you're as wise as Minerva's own bird.
Answer will be published next week.

Evangelical Conference Ended.
The annual conference of the Evangelical church of Oregon and Washington that has been in session in this city for the past week has ended and the large attendance were well pleased with the hospitality shown them by the citizens of Dallas