

TERSE TALES OF TOWN

LOCAL NEWS OF DALLAS AND THIS NEIGHBORHOOD.

Personal Paragraphs Pertaining to People and Their Movements, Gleaned by Observer.

E. N. Smith, republican candidate for county clerk, arrived in Dallas today.

Remember the band concert in the public square tomorrow evening. An exceptionally good program has been arranged.

The county court has been in session this week.

There is need of cutting the grass on vacant lots and on parkings. It is dangerous.

C. H. Morris returned on Wednesday from California, where he attended a meeting of time inspectors on the Southern Pacific system.

Outing parties are now en route to the coast for a season of recreation. Five different camping parties passed through Dallas on Wednesday.

Christian Science services will be held on Sunday morning in City Bank building. Subject of the lesson sermon, "God." Meeting Wednesday evening.

Mrs. J. J. Underwood of Independence was a chautauqua visitor on Tuesday.

W. M. McQueen returned on Sunday from a business trip to Eastern Oregon. Mr. McQueen exchanged for other parties' land near McMinnville for Eastern Oregon land.

Whitney L. and Rueben P. Boise, the former of Portland and the latter of Salem, will come here in a few days to repair the house on the Ellingdale farm, owned by the Boise heirs.

The enlargement of the postoffice affords Postmaster Fiske opportunity to better handle Uncle Sam's Dallas business.

The Ladies' Aid society has placed an order for a cork carpet for the audience room of the Methodist church at a cost of about \$200.

Mr. Elbert Thompson, sales manager for the Falls City Lumber company, has just completed one of the finest residences in Salem.

Now let's all get busy and boost for a successful county fair.

Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Scheetz were Portland visitors this week, attending the wedding of the doctor's brother, Dr. Orville H. Scheetz of Portland, to Miss Alma Curtis of Forest Grove.

Miss Elizabeth Gerhart and Peter Diehm and Anna and Henry Warkentine have returned from a pleasant outing at the coast.

On account of tomorrow being the Fourth of July U. S. Grant Post, G. A. R., will hold no meeting.

County Attorney Sibley was a Salem visitor yesterday.

Mr. Cornfield of Black Rock was in Dallas yesterday.

Mr. R. D. Edwards, platform manager of the chautauqua, left early this morning and the tent and apparatus will follow today. Mr. Edwards likes Dallas, and hopes to be here again next season.

Rev. Geo. H. Bennett of the Methodist church will speak at eleven o'clock on the subject, "The New Independence." Evangelist John Lewtas of Tacoma will preach in the evening.

Mrs. G. W. Curtis is entertaining her brother, Mr. A. J. Wells and his wife, of Oklahoma. Mr. Wells has until recently been engaged in the newspaper game.

Dr. F. M. Hellworth of Falls City was a Dallas visitor on Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Rich recently entertained Dr. and Mrs. Mason of Portland.

Dr. Rempel has gone to Portland for a short stay, leaving yesterday.

Miss Leda Mareh has returned home from an extended visit at Falls City. Mr. Z. T. Dodson, a former resident of this city, now of Washington, was here yesterday greeting old friends.

D. J. Faulkner and family have moved to Woodburn.

Many Dallasites will go to Falls City tomorrow to celebrate.

Mrs. Anna Embree is visiting her sons in Eastern Oregon.

Postmaster and Mrs. V. P. Fiske are this week entertaining Miss Gertrude Engle of Ashland.

Mrs. Ed. Crawford of Idaho is a guest of Mrs. E. Jacobson.

A son of W. A. Griffin is ill with a severe attack of rheumatism.

The Boys' and Girls' Industrial club will meet at the High school building next Friday afternoon.

Lafayette will celebrate the Fourth of July with an elaborate program. Judge P. P. Olds will be president of the day, and Rev. C. P. Gates, a native son of Lafayette, will be orator.

Phil Began, Joe Bosco and "Bill" Neat left this afternoon in Mr. Began's little Ford flyer for a short outing at Newport.

A party of fishermen composed of Dave Grant, Ralph Morrison, Jack Sibley and Chas. Allen, with Lief Finseth as guide, departed last night for the Siletz basin with provisions for a ten-day siege. They will make camp on the Sunshine Creek, going by team to the trail which will require a six-mile pack over the mountains.

Mrs. O. J. Cosper and son Jack of Santa Barbara, California, arrived yesterday from that place on a visit to the Cosper families here. They are on their way to their new home at Seattle, stopping to visit and note

the rapid growth of Dallas since here several years since.

L. D. Brown was a business visitor in Salem Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Boughy of Salem were Dallas visitors Monday.

Miss Winnie Hargrove was an over-Sunday visitor with relatives in Salem.

Miss Elva Lucas has returned from a week's visit with her sister, Mrs. J. N. Stow at Airlie.

CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS.

Falls City Needs Irvin Matthews' Land for Highway Purposes.

Falls City will early next week institute condemnation proceedings to secure a strip of land ten feet in width in order that the council may continue Third street across the river, thus connecting the two sides of the town. At present there is a private footbridge across the stream, it being the property of Mr. Irvin Matthews, on whose land the structure rests. It is this land that the city seeks to condemn by the action about to be started. Falls City is making a number of street improvements this year, and as the town is growing the council deems it wise to make the connection.

THE DENTAL BOARD BILL.

Initiative Measure Would Abolish Dental Examiners.

John T. Coreoran of Portland, who initiated a measure to abolish the state board of dental examiners, has presented the completed petition. The proposed measure provides that a graduate of any reputable dental college or a person licensed to practice dentistry in any other state may practice dentistry in this state, by filing with the secretary of state a copy of his or her diploma or previous license and an affidavit of at least two citizens of Oregon attesting to the applicant's good moral character.

County News Is Light.

The Observer's county correspondents must either be at the sea shore, attending chautauqua, or preparing for the glorious Fourth, for comparatively few have sent in their regular news-letter this week. This is a matter for regret, as the Observer has a large number of readers in their respective localities who depend upon them for a weekly letter concerning the happenings in their section. Ordinarily the columns of this paper represent all sections of Polk county, and this absence of news is noticeable. But this is the vacation season, and we suppose correspondents are entitled to a little recreation as well as other folks. But, don't let it be too long.

SOCIETY

Shown Nampa Country.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Johnson have been entertaining George Scott, Mrs. Johnson's father, who arrived Friday of last week for a visit. Mr. Scott is a grocer with business at Dallas, Oregon. He left last night to attend a meeting of the Oregon State Grocers' association at La Grande. Last Saturday Mr. Scott was taken by Mr. and Mrs. Johnson to visit the Arrow Rock dam and was given an opportunity to view not only the great work there, but also the methods by which distribution of water is made throughout the Boise valley from the Arrow Rock project. Sunday Mr. Scott was shown through the orchard district tracts surrounding Nampa, being given especial opportunity to see the Richard's orchard, and later was taken for a spin in the reservoir district. —Nampa (Idaho) Leader-Herald.

Homburger-Conrad.

John F. Homburger, of Dallas, and Miss Mary Almada Conrad were united in marriage at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. M. J. Conrad, at south Twelfth street, Rev. E. Burton, of the Baptist church, officiating. Only the immediate families and a few intimate friends witnessed the ceremony, the wedding being a very quiet affair. Mr. and Mrs. Homburger will remain in Corvallis for a few days and will then leave for Dallas, where they will reside. The young people have the sincere good wishes of Corvallis friends of the bride. —Corvallis Times-Gazette.

Parsons-Waters.

H. H. Parsons, formerly school supervisor of the Polk county schools and now superintendent of the schools of Wheeler county, Oregon, and Miss Etta Waters, a teacher in the public schools of Falls City, were united in marriage Wednesday afternoon at the home of the bride near Airlie. The young couple left immediately for a visit at the beaches in Tillamook county. Both Mr. and Mrs. Parsons were formerly teachers in the Dallas schools and their many friends extend their best wishes and hearty congratulations.

Wedding at Independence.

Miss Agnes Clark of Independence became the bride of Milton F. Heyser of Salem, at the bride's home in Independence, on Tuesday evening, Rev. W. A. Wood of Monmouth performing the ceremony. The couple will live in East Independence, where the groom has erected a beautiful new bungalow.

CLOSE OF CHAUTAUQUA

DUNBAR SISTERS AND HUMORIST JONES LAST NUMBERS.

Annual Educational Institution Considered a Decided Success Throughout the Week.

The Dallas chautauqua for 1914, one of the most successful series of entertainments ever given in this coast country, closed last night with a scream. The program announced Thursday as "Joy Night," but comparatively few people understood the extent of the joy or the nature thereof. The Dunbar Singing Orchestra gave one of the most varied and pleasing entertainments of the entire week. Mrs. Dunbar is not only a musician of marked ability, but she is a versatile reader and impersonator, and kept her hearers in the best of humor throughout the Dunbar hour.

S. Platt Jones, the poet-humorist, grabbed the big audience the moment he appeared upon the platform and made merry with it for an hour or more. His impersonations, and his sallies of wit and humor, were highly pleasing.

His first stunt was to play a practical joke on his audience by speaking as if with the greatest effort on account of a severe cold. He informed the audience that he had caught cold and asked them to bear with him; that he would entertain them the best he could. Had he continued it much longer some of his listeners would have become true victims of the joke.



S. PLATT JONES.

and left the tent in disgust, but speaking out vociferously he announced that his physician had found that his right lung was all right and that he would use that one only. He gave a characterization of Teddy Roosevelt, as a young lad, delivering a declamation; and a characterization of a declaimer that had a bad case of influenza. These two numbers, together with his school boy stunt, were perhaps the most enjoyed, but others received almost equal applause.

The final lecture of the week was given yesterday afternoon, when Dr. Charles L. Seasholes delivered a masterful discourse on "Brains and the Bible." It was a scholarly and scientific discussion of the bible and what it stands for, and a strong defense of the book.

As a whole the chautauqua program was strong throughout the week. While there were some disappointments, there were an even greater number of pleasant surprises. The Ellison-White chautauqua system carried out their part of the contract to furnish high-class lectures and entertainments, and it will be learned with no small degree of satisfaction and pleasure that Dallas will have its third chautauqua under this system next year. Of the sixty-six cities in which Ellison-White talent appeared this season, Dallas is the smallest in point of population, yet it gave better support to this educational undertaking than did several of the much larger places. It is entirely to the credit of the community.

Out the Grass, Now.

This is the danger season from grass fires, and the municipal authorities should see that private and public premises are cleared of dry grass. At Medford the other day a grass fire started by three small boys swept over forty acres in Highland addition, killing shade trees, burning fences and endangering many residences.

"Dry" Bill Postponed.

In the absence of a majority of its members, the house rules committee yesterday postponed until August 1 action on the Cantrell resolution providing for immediate consideration of the Hobson national prohibition amendment to the constitution.

Plant Now Ready.

The Standard Oil company has completed its distributing station here, and commenced business on Wednesday. A tank delivery wagon has been put on for the benefit of local merchants. This station will supply Polk county.

Next Year's Contract Signed.

The Ellison-White Chautauqua System, yesterday afternoon, again entered into an agreement with the bus-

iness men of Dallas to supply talent for the third annual chautauqua in this city. A meeting of those interested was held at the office of Mr. W. V. Fuller, president of the Commercial club, immediately after luncheon when the contract was signed. The guaranteed number of season tickets—600—have nearly all been subscribed for by citizens.

Poster Day for W. C. T. U.

Wednesday was Poster Day for the State Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Oregon. Members at headquarters celebrated the day by placing 2,000 "Oregon Dry" posters all over the state. The number in the various localities varies from one to 150. The posters are printed in red and black on cloth with an idea of durability. They are the first in the poster campaign which the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will wage for prohibition.

PRIVACY NOW ASSURED

LISTENING TO NEIGHBORS' CONVERSATION STOPPED.

Invention of Wonderful Little Indicator Places Kibosh on Butting in on Party Telephone Lines.

The good old evening entertainment of "listening in" on the telephone line on rural party telephone is soon to be a thing of the past, an indicator having been invented that points out to the whole line just who the fellow is that's butting in.

"How does this indicator tell who is butting in?"

Why, by means of musical notes. Every telephone is to be equipped with an indicator. Every indicator is equipped with a disc with teeth. This is set in motion the moment the receiver is taken off the hook. The teeth on the disc pick musical notes from keynote tongues in the instrument. The high and low notes correspond to the short and long rings peculiar to the telephone that is being tampered with. Thus, if Bill Jones' ring is a short and two longs, and you are talking business and suddenly hear a high and two low notes over the wire you will know that Bill Jones is "rubbering in" on your business.

"Bill Jones, you get off that line," you can shout to him. It is then optional with Bill whether he will get off the line or fight you a French duel the next time you meet him. But you have the dope on him.

But the indicator does even more wonderful things than this. In the first place, when you call Sam Smith with Smith's two short and two long rings Smith takes down his receiver and immediately you hear two high and two low musical notes in your receiver. You know at once it is Smith and not that butinsky Jones, who is at the other end. You go ahead to talk business.

Then the indicator gauges the length of the conversation, so that one may comply with the rules of the company. When the receiver comes off the hook it sets the indicator into operation. At the end of four minutes it runs down. Then it automatically disconnects you. That's a hint that you have talked long enough for a mere visit. If it is business, however, and you want to prolong the conversation all you have to do is to press down the lever and the spring is wound up for another four minutes. Again, by this means one can tell just how long he is using the long-distance phone and does not need to watch the clock or ask central to call him down when he talks too long.

The indicator will also register the number of hours in the day, the month, or year, the phone is used in a given home. The time when the receiver is removed and replaced is registered so that it is possible to tell approximately how long the average conversation on a given phone has been. This is of immense advantage to the trouble man when the patrons deny they ever did anything but obey all the rules scrupulously. He looks at the indicator and reads the entire history of the use and abuse of that phone. Then he talks from knowledge to the persons complaining of trouble.

Marriage Licenses.

Crosbie B. Dalton and Margaret V. Shimmers, Independence.
Dan Gilkey, San Francisco, and Eva E. McReynolds, Buell.
Rupert P. Dickinson and Bertha D. Porterfield, Independence.
Charles K. Maynes and Lorena A. Webster, Dallas.
Will D. Butler and Katie A. Wientert, Airlie.

William P. Harned and Gertrude S. Thompson, Independence.
Henry H. Parsons and Flora E. Watters.

Otto E. Elkins and Emma Horn, Falls City.

Turner Store Robbed.

The Robertson & Reed mercantile store at Turner was broken into and robbed. About \$200 worth of Ingersoll watches, cuff buttons and other pieces of jewelry was taken. This store was also robbed last October.

Stores Close Tomorrow.

The stores throughout the city will be closed all day tomorrow, as is the custom. This does not, however, apply to grocery stores. These will be open until 10 o'clock in the morning.

London has 120,000 night workers.

NEGLECT CHEAP FOOD

AMERICANS TOLD FISH IS NUTRITIVE AND COSTS LITTLE.

The Year Book of the Agricultural Department Gives Much Valuable Information.

The year book of the United States Department of Agriculture for 1913 has just come from the presses and is now being distributed to congressmen. The new volume differs in several respects from its predecessors. The articles that it contains are in general of a more popular and instructive character, and although the book itself contains a smaller number of pages, it is safe to say that it has as much valuable material in it as ever.

In addition to the secretary's report there are fourteen special articles by department experts and an appendix containing statistics of the principal crops; a table of the animals imported into the United States for breeding purposes, for which certificates of pure breeding have been issued, and lists of the agricultural colleges and experiment stations in the United States, together with the names of the state officials in charge of agriculture.

The book is illustrated by fifty-four full-page plates, of which a large number are reproduced in colors, and by twenty-one tables, maps and line drawings.

In the article in the year book the cost of living plays a prominent part. Dr. Pennington, for example, points out that Americans neglect a valuable supply of fish at their disposal. The protein content of fish is fully as high as that of meat and yet, although meat prices rise steadily, little or no effort is made to use the cheaper substitute. It is the foreign population of the United States which eats the greater part of the fish consumed in this country. Dr. Pennington points out that the ordinary American is completely ignorant of the great variety of fish at his disposal. The cheapness of this food is also scarcely realized. Dr. Pennington names ten staple varieties, some of which it is safe to say can always be purchased for less than 10 cents a pound, even when prices are highest, and can usually be obtained for less than 5 cents.

Another article by W. F. Ward shows how greatly the beef industry in the South has profited from the work of eradicating the cattle tick. One indication of the growing interest in beef industry in this section is the large number of farmers who, for the first time, are buying pure bred cattle.

The business side of farming is considered in two articles by W. J. Spillman and T. N. Carver: "Factors of Efficiency in Farming" and "The Organization of Rural Interests." Prof. Spillman finds that in the last analysis the farmer himself is the determining factor in every successful agricultural enterprise. He is as quick to see the advantages of a new system of management as he is those in improved methods of tilling the soil or feeding his stock. Dr. Carver tells with the aid of graphic maps what has already been done in the way of organizing co-operative enterprises for the benefit of farmers. Mutual insurance companies, co-operative creameries, cheese factories and elevators are among some of these widespread enterprises.

Other articles deal with various branches of the work of the department, ranging in subject from a discussion by C. F. Langworthy of "What the Department Does for the Housekeeper" to an article on "The Practical Value of Entomology" by F. M. Webster. Prof. F. E. L. Beal has gathered material for an article on American thrushes, which shows that they are not to be prized for their song alone, but are in other ways of real assistance to the farmer, and J. P. Collins tells of practical tree surgery. More strictly agricultural papers are those of C. R. Ball on the "Grain Sorghums," L. H. Dewey on "Hemp."

Wheat Prices Higher.

As will be seen by the market report in The Observer today, for the first time wheat prices are as high in Portland this summer as in Chicago. Quotations on new crop are exactly the same, which means that the grower of the Pacific northwest gets more for his wheat in comparison to the world market, than ever before, by some eight or ten cents a bushel.

Various Things.

Secretary Miles is now preparing the premium list for the county fair. Candidates will be numerous at the celebrations tomorrow.

Since Miss Katherine B. Davis, commissioner of correction in New York city, issued an order again bringing food into the Tombs jail, she has received several threatening letters, and she is now guarded by detectives from the time she leaves home till she returns at night.

Mrs. Rachel F. Avery and her daughter Julia, both students at the University of Wisconsin, will at the end of the term tour Europe on a motorcycle, which has a chair attachment.

Canada's population is estimated at 7,800,000.

Immigration Agents Wants Exhibits C. C. Chapman, Oregon Immigration agent, writes Secretary Miles of the

Commercial club as follows relative to the forthcoming land show:

"In order to estimate regarding exhibit material that Oregon may be able to supply this year to Eastern Land Shows, Eastern State Fairs, traveling exhibit cars, etc., we must ascertain what communities will be represented. Every community should be represented with at least a few specimens. All possible publicity and credit will be given the grower and county with no expense other than the cost of supplying the material. Transportation here and to the exhibit points will be handled by this office."

THE MARKETS

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Track prices: New club, 77c; new forty-fold, 78c; new blue-stem, 80c; new red Russian, 76c; old club, 86c, nominal.

MILLEED—Bran, \$23 per ton; shorts, \$26; middlings, \$30.

OATS—No. 1 white milling, \$22 and \$22.25 per ton.

FLOUR—Patents, \$4.80 per barrel; straights, \$4.20; exports, \$3.90; valley, \$4.50; graham, \$4.80; whole wheat, \$5.

BARLEY—Feed, \$20 and \$21 per ton; brewing, \$21.50 and \$22; rolled, \$23.50.

HAY—Choice timothy, \$16 and \$17; mixed timothy, \$12 and \$15; valley grain hay, \$10 and \$12; alfalfa, \$11. CORN—Whole, \$35; cracked, \$36 per ton.

Dairy and Country Produce.

EGGS—Fresh Oregon ranch, case count, 23c; candled, 25c and 26c per dozen.

POULTRY—Hens, 14½c and 15c; Springs, 18c and 20c; turkeys, live, 20c and 22c; dressed, choice, 25c and 26c; ducks, 10c; geese, 8c and 9c.

BUTTER—Creamery prints, extra, 27½c per pound; cubes, 22c and 23c.

CHEESE—Oregon triplets, jobbers' buying price, 16c per pound f. o. b. dock Portland; Young America, 17c per pound.

PORK—Fancy, 10c and 10½c per pound.

VEAL—Fancy, 10c and 11c per pound.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1913 crop, prime and choice, 14c and 16½c; 1914 contracts, 15c.

PELTS—Dry, 11c; dry short wool, 8c; dry shearings, 10c; green shearings, 15c; salted sheep, \$1.25 and \$1.50; Spring lambs, 25c and 35c.

HIDES—Salted hides, 13½c per pound; salt kip, 14c; salted calf, 19c; green hides, 12½c; dry hides, 24c; dry calf, 21c; salted bulls, 10c per pound; green bulls, 8½c.

WOOL—Valley, 18c and 20½c; Eastern Oregon, 16c and 20½c.

MOHAIR—1914 clip, 27½c per pound.

CASCARA BARK—Old and new, 4½c per pound.

Fruits and Vegetables.

GREEN FRUITS—Apples, old, \$1.50 and \$2 per box; new, \$1 and \$1.25 per box; cherries, 3c and 8c per pound; apricots, \$1.50 per box; cantaloupes, \$1.25 and \$2 per crate; peaches, 30c and 85c per box; plums, \$1 and \$1.25; watermelons, 1¼c and 2c per pound; loganberries, 90c and \$1 per crate; raspberries, 90c and \$1.10; black caps, \$1 and \$1.15.

VEGETABLES—Cucumbers, 50c and 90c per dozen; eggplant, 15c per pound; peppers, 20c per pound; radishes, 15c and 17½c per dozen; head lettuce, \$1.75 per crate; arichokes, 85c per dozen; celery, \$1.50 per dozen; tomatoes, 75c and \$1.50 per crate; spinach, 5c and 7c per pound; rhubarb, 2½c and 3c per pound; cabbage, 1½c per pound; asparagus, \$1 and \$1.50 per dozen; peas, 4c and 6c per pound; beans, 6c and 7c per pound; corn, 30c and 35c per dozen.

ONIONS—Red, \$3.25; yellow, \$3.25 per sack; Walla Walla, \$3.25.

POTATOES—Oregon, new, 1¼c per pound.

GO TO THE RESCUE.

Don't Wait 'till It's Too Late—Follow the Example of a Dallas Citizen.

Rescue the aching back.

If it keeps on aching, trouble may come.

Often it indicates kidney weakness.

If you neglect the kidneys' warning.

Look out for urinary disorders.

This Dallas citizen will show you how to go to the rescue.

Mrs. Ellen Boman, 818 Lewis St., Dallas, Oregon, says: "Some years ago I had a bad attack of kidney trouble and Doan's Kidney Pills came to my rescue. The complaint came on during the winter, when a cold settled in my kidneys. I suffered from intense pains in my back. I used six boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills and got a cure that has lasted."

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