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## CORRESPONDENCE

### INDEPENDENCE.

J. L. Hanna went to Portland, Tuesday.  
Gus Sperling returned to his home in Portland, Wednesday.  
Mayor W. H. Craven is convalescent after a two weeks' illness.  
Miss Cecile Wilcox is home from the University of Oregon for the holidays.  
Miss Dorothy Cooper has returned from a three months' visit in the East.  
Miss Geneva Wilcox has returned from a visit with friends in Corvallis and Eugene.  
The launch "Independence" resumed her regular run from here to Salem, Tuesday morning.  
Frank Masterson, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Frank Wilson,

returned to his home in Walla Walla, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Locke and Miss Grace Damon, of Salem, are Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. Damon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Spong, of Portland, are spending the holidays with the latter's sister, Mrs. C. E. Moore.

Dean Walker, who is a student of Columbia college, is visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Walker.

H. H. Wagoner has returned to his home in Portland after several weeks' visit at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. R. Allin.

Misses Mabel and Francis and Mr. Ted Cooper are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Cooper, having arrived from Eugene the first of the week.

The four-year-old son of Mr. Wilbur met with an accident the first of the week that will cost him the sight

of one eye. While playing with a knife, the eye ball was badly cut.

### BRIDGEPORT.

Mr. Stalitt, of Rickreall, visited here Saturday.

L. N. Billeu shipped his turkeys to the Portland market Monday.

Born, Saturday, December 19, to Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Miller, a son.

Frank Laws visited friends near Bridgeport, Saturday and Sunday.

Coon hunting has been the popular sport among the boys of this vicinity of late.

J. J. Bessler, of Moro, Sherman county, has been visiting with his mother near here.

Walter Bird will soon move to the Teats' farm which he will manage during the coming year.

Mr. Hoppe, who recently bought the Critchlow place from I. F. Yoakum,

will move out from Dallas early in the spring.

Miss Spangle has resigned her position as teacher in the Guthrie school to accept one in Independence.

Mr. Grazer has returned home from Silverton, where he has been working at the carpenter trade, to spend the holidays with his family.

William Burns has purchased two fine hounds at a fancy price. Forest Guthrie also purchased two young hounds recently. All are blooded stock.

Uncle Dave Guthrie started Monday for Southern California where he will spend the winter with his brother. He contemplates a visit with his sister in Missouri before returning to Oregon.

### MONMOUTH.

C. C. Lewis is able to be out again after a severe attack of lagrippe.

Goodman & Sullivan have their new woodsaw ready for operation.

The District Sunday School convention will meet in the Evangelical church, January 9 and 10.

The quarterly conference of the Evangelical church, which was held last Sunday, was well attended.

Mrs. D. Boydston and daughter, Mrs. W. Campbell, of Independence, were visitors in Monmouth, Sunday.

Mrs. I. G. Singleton, of Falls City, was in Monmouth last week visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. DeWitt.

Mrs. Eva Abbott, of Boise, Idaho, is visiting with her sister, Mrs. C. T. Cornwell. She will spend the winter in Monmouth.

Hon. and Mrs. C. L. Hawley, of McCoy, were in Monmouth, Saturday, visiting his mother, Mrs. J. H. Hawley, who has been quite ill.

Many new people are arriving in Monmouth every day and the city promises to gain considerably in population during the coming year.

The city election Monday passed off uneventfully. The following officers were elected: J. M. Graham, mayor; L. Grounds, recorder; I. C. Powell, treasurer; Allen Johnson, marshal; T. A. Riggs and J. Badek, councilmen.

### BALLSTON.

Professor Dutton was a Dallas visitor Saturday.

Miss Leota Foster visited relatives in Dayton, Saturday and Sunday.

George Ross, of Witch Hazel, has been visiting friends and relatives here.

Jacob Pence, of Portland, a former resident of Ballston, is visiting old friends here.

M. F. Hall and family and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Robertson visited relatives at Sheridan, Sunday.

Several of the Woodmen from here attended a Woodman supper at Sheridan, Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. De Jong gave a party to the school children at their home three miles south of town Saturday night. A good time was reported by all.

### POLK.

A. Dell visited in the Salt Creek neighborhood last week.

A Christmas entertainment was held in the Polk schoolhouse Wednesday night.

A Christmas program will be held at the Mennonite Church on Christmas day at 1 o'clock p. m.

Invitations are out announcing the wedding of John P. Neufeldt and Miss Helena Rempel which will take place January 6.

A light snowfall and considerable ice in this vicinity last week. None of the potatoes or other crops were injured however.

Poultry raisers of this vicinity had several highly creditable exhibits of fancy stock at the poultry fair last week. The \$10 silver cup for the best exhibit in the Mediterranean class being won by A. G. Rempel.

### Adventist Church Remodeled.

The work of remodeling the Adventist Church in Dallas is now practically completed with the exception of a little painting which will be finished as soon as the weather permits. The total cost of remodeling, repainting and papering, according to the report of the building committee was \$121.50 of which \$189.15 was contributed by non-members of the church. In behalf of the church the committee desires to express its deep appreciation for the hearty response of the business men of Dallas which made the undertaking a success. G. W. Pettit will be in charge of the work of the church and will conduct services Wednesday evenings and Saturday afternoons. All are cordially invited to attend.

### Card of Thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hutchins desire to extend their sincere thanks to their Dallas friends for the kind and sympathetic assistance accorded them during the illness and death of their infant son.

Harold Rich went to Portland, Wednesday for a few days' visit.

### HAS ACCOMPLISHED MUCH

City Has Carried Through Enormous Improvements During Past Year.

The following figures, relative to the cost of the macadam pavement laid in Dallas this year, are submitted by Mayor A. B. Muir and will be of interest to all of the property holders of the city.

Amount of macadam completed—6015 yards.

Total cost of improvement to city and to property owners—\$11,691.61.

The bid of the Portland contractors at \$2.35 per cubic yard for macadam and 35 cents per yard for excavation would put the cost of the work completed this year at the following:

6015 yards, macadam ..... \$13,533.75

6015 yards, excavation ..... 1,275.40

Total cost ..... \$14,809.15

The amount saved to the city by refusing to let out the contract is the difference between \$14,809.15, the contractors price, and \$11,691.61, the actual cost, or \$3,117.54.

The city rock quarry near Ellendale, purchased for \$80, has been opened up and developed by the past summer's work until its value as it now stands is estimated at \$1000, and the company which sold the city of Dallas its rock crusher a year ago for \$1306, states that it would not duplicate the machine at the present time for less than \$1700.

Street paving, however, is not the only important work that has been inaugurated and carried forward within the past six months. Messrs. Venske & Taylor, the contractors on the new sewer job, are even now putting the last touches on their work, which, when completed, will give Dallas nearly 5 1/2 miles of new sewer. The new mains, in addition to those already laid on Mill and Court streets, complete a system better than can be found in any other city of equal size in Oregon and fully as good as the systems employed in many of the larger cities of the Willamette Valley.

### "HOW TO GET TO DALLAS"

Development League Will Send Booklets On That Subject For Eastern Distribution.

Hon. U. S. Loughary, president of the Dallas Development League, received the first booklets issued for use in the boosting campaign on "How to Get to Dallas, Oregon," Tuesday evening. They are gotten up in beautiful style and will prove a most attractive advertisement of this city and its resources.

The front cover, printed in two colors, displays a figure of Mercury, symbolic of progress, with uplifted finger pointing to the title of the booklet, "How to Get to Dallas, Oregon." Four pages are devoted to an exposition of the resources of Dallas and the remainder of the booklet contains tables giving complete instructions on how to reach Dallas from any of the important Eastern cities, the cost of making the trip and information concerning the various tourist and colonist rates in their seasons.

Two excellent maps serve as a further guide to the person seeking to learn about Dallas, and every page contains one or more fine half-tone engravings of scenes representing the typical features of the city and surrounding country.

On the back cover page is a picture of The Oregon basketball team now enroute through the states of the Middle West and the East for the purpose of advertising Dallas.

A quantity of these booklets will be forwarded at once to the team and will be distributed by its members among the citizens of every town in which they play.

### FILE EXTENDED ANSWER

Defendants in Krebs Hop Case Give Their Side of Famous Controversy.

The famous Krebs hop case, like Banquo's ghost, will not down, but continues to occupy a large place in the interest of the citizens of the Willamette Valley. The following from Wednesday's Statesman, gives its latest features:

"In an extended answer the defendants in the case of Krebs Hop Company vs. T. A. Livesley and John J. Roberts, give their side of the intricate case which has aroused much comment. The answer includes nearly twenty closely type-written pages and enters in many details and technicalities.

"The defendants admit the plaintiff notified them they were willing to deliver the hops this year wherever the defendant might designate and notified the defendant they had 100,000 pounds of hops.

"According to the answer the plaintiffs did not regard the contract in force and did not think it their business to say where the plaintiffs should deliver the hops.

"It is claimed in the answer an offer to pay 8 cents a pound for the hops was refused."

Messrs. Brueckner & Fuchs have installed five plate show cases in their new bakery.

## Big Reduction

### SALE

On all Ladies' and Children's Coats. All this season's styles.

### Special Sale on Clothing

Men's, Boys' and Youths' Suits will be sold at a big cut in price. If you need clothing it will pay you to see what we are offering.

Special lot Ladies' 26-in. Umbrellas 90 Cents

**Campbell & Hollister**  
CASH STORE

## FURNITURE

For Xmas Gifts



On December 24, we will absolutely give away one High-grade Morris Chair and also one fine picture. Call and see them at our store.

We are the only firm in Polk county that deals in the genuine Ostermoor Mattresses.

**HALL & HAYES**  
FURNITURE STORE

### Electricity for Lighting

Is only expensive to people who are wasteful and careless. To you, who are naturally careful, it does not come high.

It is economical because it can be quickly turned off when not needed. With gas or kerosene there is the temptation to let light burn when not needed to save bother of lighting and adjusting. In some homes the electric light bills amount to only one or two dollars per month. You can probably get some kind of artificial light for less money than electric light, but does it save you anything when it limits opportunities for work and recreation—ruins your eyesight—smokes your walls—mars decorations and increases household work. You could probably save a dollar tomorrow by going without your meals but it wouldn't be economy. It is not so much what you save, but how you save that counts.

WILLAMETTE VALLEY CO. RATES—Residence on meters, per Kilowatt 15c; Residence, flat per month, 15c-20c. RATES FOR BUSINESS HOUSES—25c per drop and 5c per Kilowatt up to 10 drops; over 10 drops 20c per drop and 5c per Kilowatt up to 40 drops; over 40 drops 17c per drop and 5c per Kilowatt. A drop figures 15c or less. For power rates apply at the office. We are always ready to explain the "ins and outs" of the lighting proposition to you, call on us or phone to us, we are never too busy to talk business.

### Willamette Valley Company

E. W. KEARNS, Manager for Dallas.  
Office on Mill street, just north of the Court House. Phones Bell 421. Mutual 1297.

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All kinds of hauling promptly done. Specially equipped for the careful moving of furniture and pianos.

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DALLAS, OREGON

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BROWN & STOUT  
ABSTRACTORS  
NOTARY PUBLIC COLLECTIONS  
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## HOLIDAY GOODS

The time is near when many hearts may be made happy and it is an undisputed fact that a



Beautiful piece of Jewellery or Cut Glass, a nice Watch, Gold Handle Umbrella, a piece of Silverware, a beautiful Diamond and many other beautiful things found in A. H. HARRIS' JEWELRY STORE would be the most appropriate gift for that occasion.

I carry the nicest stock of watches in Polk county. I have the Howard, Hamilton, Illinois, Hampton, Waltham and Elgin in nearly all the different grades and 150 different designs in Gold-filled, Solid Gold, and Nickle Cases.

I employ one of the finest engravers in the state. Monograms a specialty. All engraving free this month while you wait. It will pay you to call and see for yourself. I want satisfied customers therefore I guarantee satisfaction.

Don't Forget The Place

**HARRIS' JEWELRY STORE**  
SAME OLD STAND DALLAS, OREGON

## FURNITURE

### FOR HOLIDAY GIFTS

It is not to be expected that every Christmas gift that the family man makes to his good wife should be something in the furniture line. Yet, what could be more appropriate—useful as well as beautiful and something that all the members of the household may enjoy? It cannot be gainsaid that more pleasure and more benefit are derived from money invested in furniture than from almost anything else. And then, too, good, stylish, well-made furniture stands for years, and, passing from generation to generation, becomes an heirloom, priceless in value because of the associations that cling about it.



### ROCKERS

We have a large line of Rockers to select from.

Reed Rockers from \$3.75 to \$14.00  
Also Oak and Leather Rockers, Morris Chairs, from \$8 to \$24

### RUGS

We have a complete line of rugs from the smallest to the largest.

You will find in our store, useful gifts, such as Pictures, Hall Racks, Mirrors, Parlor Stands, Library Tables, Carpet Sweepers, Music Cabinets and Writing Desk. All goods will be stored free of charge and delivered when wanted.

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