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## DOES COUNTY NEED NEW JAIL?

### Budget up for Consideration Dec. 15th

Tuesday, December 15th, at 10 o'clock, is the date set for the so-called 'Tax Payers' Meeting at the County Court in Oregon City.

This is the day for the tax payers to register their objections or express their satisfaction for or against the various items comprising the county budget for 1915.

A delegation from this part of the county should attend this meeting to protect their own interests. Last year the county court appropriated on the preliminary budget the sum of \$300, for the work of the county fruit inspection, but during the shuffle, it was objected to by parties not interested in fruit disease prevention, and the appropriation was cut down to \$100.

A big delegation should be at this meeting to see that the \$300, is not cut down this year, but rather that it be increased to \$500, which can be done, if sufficient pressure is brought to bear, by those interested.

The tax payers of Eastern Clackamas County complain about the methods and amounts spent by the county, but as a rule few of them attend this meeting and go on record for or against the various expenditures. It is handier for the residents nearer the county seat to be present and they naturally influence these expenditures to best suit their needs.

There is an item up for consideration in the form of about \$15,000, for a new county jail or remodeling the old one. It is likely that the present jail furnishes sufficiently comfortable quarters for the average criminal and houses him safely, but of course, a handsome new jail building would be an attraction and increase values in Oregon City. Eastern Clackamas tax payers had better be present and satisfy themselves regarding many of these items on the budget.

## Speakers Coming

Arrangements have been made to have Mr. F. W. Hild, general manager of the P. R. L. & P. Co., speak at the coming Hog Judging and Butchering Demonstration next Saturday. Mr. Hild will probably speak at the afternoon cannery meeting also.

Mr. C. M. McAllister of the Portland Stock Yards is also expected to speak on that day.

## SPORTSMEN FAVOR REVISION

### Local Delegates at Meeting.

The Oregon Sportsmen's League which recently met in Portland and at which meeting H. Mendenhall and B. S. Patton represented the Estacada Rod & Gun Club, have come out in favor of doing away with net fishing in the Willamette river. They are advocating shortening the deer season from Sept. 1st. to Oct. 31st., and closing the month of August. Another proposed change would allow of killing two female Chinese pheasants in every bag of five. These suggestions are good and should become laws.

## Christian Church

The revival meetings closed last Sunday with unabated interest, there being one of the largest crowds present at any meeting. Two additions were made at this meeting making a total of fourteen during the meetings. The Bible School has reached the high mark of its history, there being 101 present two Sundays during the meetings, and many others have signified their intentions of enrolling in the Bible School next Sunday. On next Sunday morning the Pastor will preach on the theme "Representing Christ" a sermon especially intended to benefit the new converts. It is hoped that every member of the congregation will be present. The evening theme will be "Lessons from the Apostles". There will be some Biblical illustrations with the stereopticon, also a baptismal service at the close of the evening service. The Bible school and choir of the church are already at work on the Christmas program which will be given at the church on Christmas eve.

## Bletch-Maple Wedding

Mr. Edwin Maple of Portland and Miss Anna Bletch of Estacada were united in marriage last Thursday evening, December 3rd, in Portland. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a few relatives and friends with the Rev. Mc Cullen officiating.

The bride was beautifully gowned in peach colored satin, draped in shadow lace and carried a bouquet of bride's roses. Miss Elizabeth Schafer was the bridesmaid and Mr. Talkot Root, the best man.

The couple will make their home in Portland, where the groom is employed by the Pacific Hdw. & Steel Co.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bletch of Springfield and has a host of friends there, who extend their hearty congratulations.

## WOODLE LOWEST BIDDER

### New School Building To Be Ready Soon

The bids for the erection of the new indoor play ground building on the grounds of the Estacada School, were recently opened by the board and the lowest bidders were J. P. Woodle and Son of Estacada.

The bids covered two sizes of buildings, one to be 72 x 100 ft. and one 60 x 100 ft., and the board decided on the larger size. The specifications call for an earth floor, with rustic finished sides, and studding running up about sixteen feet, with a row of pillars through the center.

Four bids were received on the work, being \$1098.48 bid by Kimmel & Sagner; \$1093.55 by W. Schreiner; \$1024, by E. E. Hannah and \$945, by Woodle & Son.

The building is to be finished by February 1st, and as called for in the specifications, will be an attractive looking structure and represents another added attraction to the Estacada Schools.

## Dorcas Doings

The Garfield Dorcas Society met Dec. 3d, at "Hardscrabble Ranch" with Mrs. A. O. Whitcomb and Miss Lynch as hostesses. While the ladies engaged in needle work, different members read aloud from the book "Polly Anna". There was a good attendance and at the business session with Mrs. Trowbridge presiding, many items of interest received attention. It was decided to give a neighborhood Children's Party during Holiday Week. A contribution to the work of the Am. Red Cross Society, was voted.

Money was provided to purchase pulpit chairs for the Zion Church, and owing to its being for a worthy cause, the Estacada Furniture Co. have quoted special low prices. Arrangements were made to furnish the pastor and family Christmas cheer. During the afternoon simple refreshments were served. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Edward Shearer, Jan. 21st. '15.

## Bridge Done

The Barton Bridge was completed Dec. 6th and the contractor, A. C. U. Berry, crew and equipment have moved to Portland. The bridge will be ready for traffic in about six weeks, as soon as the road is completed on the south side. Much credit is due the County Court for expediting the building of this much needed bridge.

## LIVESTOCK BUYING BEGUN

### First Shipment Dec. 14th.

C. E. Lucke, the livestock buyer for the new Estacada Stock Yards spent three days in Estacada and vicinity early this week and will return again next Saturday.

The first shipment is expected to leave the yards Monday, Dec. 14th and will comprise hogs, cattle and sheep.

Mr. Lucke made a brief trip Monday through the Garfield country and found several ranchers with cattle to sell and many others who will probably be ready by shipping time. He was agreeably surprised to find fine pens of hogs at different farms, including some extra fine specimens at the W. R. Reid ranch.

He purchased several hogs for the Butchering Demonstration on Saturday morning. It is his intention to buy all kinds of livestock, and for cash on delivery.

Mr. Lucke is an experienced livestock buyer and knows the stock from hams to pork chops.

He has arranged with R. M. Standish at this office to handle the business during his absence, that is, to take down the names of parties having stock for sale, to quote prices and to arrange for dates of shipment. Mr. Lucke will be in Estacada about four to six days per month and will call on the various farmers and buy their stock at their farm, although in the case of hogs, it will not be necessary for him to see them before delivery.

The Railway company, the Union Meat Co. and Mr. Lucke mean business from now on, and Monday's shipment should be the first of a big future business from this point.

## Quail Liberated

Local Game Warden Patton of Estacada, last Tuesday liberated in the Estacada Park, twelve pair of California quail. These quail are especially handsome birds, of bluish gray plumage and both male and female wear the characteristic top knot feathers. Each bird has a small ring on its leg for future identification. It is unnecessary to request hunters or others not to molest these newest settlers. As these birds were raised in captivity, they may need feeding and if they appear around your place, give them a few crumbs or grain during the winter.