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The Management Wishes You A Happy New Year.

At this time, we wish to thank the many subscribers, advertisers and correspondents for their support of the Estacada Progress in the past and hope to merit a continuance of their good will.

If there has been an improvement in the Progress in the past six months, it has been as much due to the support of the public as to the energies of the publisher.

It is our intention during 1915 to issue a better weekly paper than in the past. The Progress will try to print all of the news from all of the sections, stand for the best interests of the community, foster and work for all local developments and generally help to make Eastern Clackamas County the best spot in the state to live in.

We hope to be able to enlarge the paper and to give the subscriber more and better reading matter. We are arranging to reprint the best of articles dealing with the various phases of agriculture, poultry, stock raising and kindred subjects.

We shall aim to chronicle on a larger scale, the social, religious and fraternal doings of this section and to keep the readers posted on all vital county news.

We especially wish to thank the correspondents, who have furnished us with the weekly doings of the various communities. The regular correspondents are Mrs. R. B. Gibson of Eagle Creek, Miss Echo Githens of Alspaugh, Mrs. M. L. Sevier of Viola, Miss Caroline Weiderhold of Bissell, the Misses Flora Johnson and Gladys Joyner of George, Miss Viola DeShazer of Firwood, Mrs. Della Vallen of Elwood, E. S. Wooster, Rev. Aue and Earl Kilgore of Springwater, Mrs. E. E. Saling of Currinsville, Mrs. S. J. Devine of Barton, Mrs. A. O. Whitcomb, Mrs. H. A. LaBarre, Mrs. A. W. Botkin and R. C. Deming of Garfield.

These correspondents have helped to make the Progress a better and more readable paper and aside from these meager thanks, there has been no other reward.

If any news has occurred in your district which has not appeared in the Progress, it was not an intentional omission on the part of the correspondent or the Progress, for we wish to chronicle all of the news each week. If you know of any news in your neighborhood, notify either your correspondent or the Progress, send us the data and we will do the rest.

The Progress would like to have a regular correspondent at Cazadero, and Dodge and will furnish the stationery, postage, and a free subscription to some public spirited citizen, who will send in the items.

We wish suggestions from subscribers as to how we can improve the paper.

There is one way that the readers can help their home paper, and that is by patronizing the local advertisers. It is the advertiser who makes it possible for any community to buy a newspaper for less than ten times the present subscription rates and being hard headed business men, they must get results from their advertising or they naturally will not support the publication.

When you buy goods of an advertiser, don't be afraid to tell him that you saw his advertisement in the Estacada Progress, for it helps him and it greatly benefits the publisher.

Trappers Convicted

Deputy Game Wardens, B. S. Patton and A. G. Ames of Estacada, last week captured a pair of illegal deer slayers in the mountains beyond Molalla.

The law-breakers, Pacquette and McCurdy were taken to Molalla and convicted. The former is serving a \$50. fine in jail and the latter's fine was suspended.

The Molalla Pioneer seems to sympathize with the culprits, claiming they only killed one deer and were trapping to exterminate wild cats, cougar etc. Warden Patton stated that the trappers were wasting the deer meat, using it to feed their dogs and bait their traps.

Patton and Ames are in the mountains at present trying to locate some other illegal hunters, who are reported in the Roaring River country.

Accountants Expensive

Many officials throughout the state are complaining against the high charges as made by many expert and state accountants, for auditing the books and finances of the various counties. They are drawing comparisons between the local amateur accountants, who charge only about one half as much as the experts.

About two years ago, one of the leading accounting firms in the City of Portland, made a preliminary audit of the books in the various departments of Clackamas County and while their report never received much publicity, it showed some very lax systems in several offices. If a county only wishes to have a local bookkeeper glance over their books as a matter of form, it should not cost very much, but if the work is done correctly, it means hiring an expert and paying him expert's wages.

A thousand dollars paid to an accountant is better than a continued systemless chaos, with leakages amounting to many times that amount.

Garfield Boy Operated Upon

William Shearer, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Shearer of Garfield was operated upon for appendicitis at the Good Samaritan hospital in Portland, this week. He is reported as having passed through the operation satisfactorily.

Death of Mrs. R. H. Monckton

At midnight, Monday, Dec. 28th, Mrs. Rufus H. Monckton of Springwater, passed away, after an illness of many months duration.

She is survived by her husband, Rufus H. Monckton, and eight children, being Mrs. Blanch Wells of Milwaukie, Or., Mrs. Minnie Mills of Great Falls, Mont., Mrs. James Wilson of Fresno, Calif., Miss Alfontz Monckton and John Monckton of Estacada, Marshall and Avery Monckton of Portland, LeRoy Monckton of Ellensburg, Wash. and a sister, Mrs. Tilman Roe of Wilmington, Del.

Mrs. Monckton's maiden name was Carrie B. Genn. She was born in Chicago in 1850 and married Rufus H. Monckton at Greenboro, Del. in 1865. She was the mother of fourteen children.

The funeral services in charge of Rev. Aue will be at the family home, Thursday, Dec. 31st at 1 o'clock, with interment in the Springwater cemetery.

Comparison of Levies

	1914	1915
County	2.4	3.2
Road	8.	8.
School	3.1	3.4
State	5.1	3.9
Outstanding road warrants	1.4	
Totals	20.0	18.5

The total county, state, road and school tax levies in Clackamas county will be 1.5 mills less next year than they were in 1914. The county court formally adopted the levies Wednesday afternoon.

The state tax will be 3.9 mills; the county tax 3.2 mills; the school tax, 3.4 mills and the road tax, 8 mills. The total levy, 18.5 mills; will raise \$360,000, which is \$43,000 less than the amount raised in these four levies this year.

The total valuation of the taxable property in the county has decreased over \$1,000,000, owing to the amount of railroad land which is in litigation between the Oregon & California Railroad company and the federal government. Twenty-nine million dollars is the total amount of taxable property in the county now.

The county court plans no substantial change from the budget adopted by the taxpayers at the meeting last week. — Extract from Oregon City Enterprise.

Jim Millard's daughter and family of Gresham, spent Christmas at his home in Springwater.

Mrs. Viola Douglass, after a week's stay in Portland, has returned to Eagle Creek.

Carl Ward and wife of Oregon City are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gensersowski, of Springwater.

Roy Douglass and wife of Eagle Creek are spending the holidays with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Moehnke of Sheubel.

DR. HAVILAND DIES

Estacada Physician Succumbs To Pneumonia

At eight o'clock this morning, Dr. W. K. Haviland of Estacada died, after a week's struggle against a severe attack of pneumonia.

Up to a week ago the doctor was around and attending to his work, although he had been suffering from a bad cold for several weeks. During the past cold spell, there was so much illness that he felt he could not afford to give up and take care of himself, until finally forced to.

The doctor's wife and his brother, John Haviland, were with him when he passed away.

Everything possible was done for the stricken man, with Dr. Bell of Portland in charge and two trained nurses in constant attendance.

The doctor was in his 43rd year, and is survived by his wife, one son, his brother, John Haviland of Portland, a sister, Mrs. H. E. Adams and his father, Major W. K. Haviland of Denver, Colo.

Interment will be at Oregon City, Saturday at 11 o'clock.

The death of Dr. Haviland will be a great loss to the city of Estacada, for he was well beloved by hosts of friends and his cheerful smile and knowledge of medicine had helped hundreds of the local people to health again.

The doctor gave up his life for his friends, in the truest sense of the word, for he sacrificed his own health, because duty called him to the bedside of others in affliction.

His many friends, the people of Estacada and the surrounding country and the Progress, join in expressing their most heartfelt sympathy to the loved ones, in this great bereavement.

A. D. McMillan and wife of Eagle Creek spent Christmas day with friends in Gresham.

H. M. James, wife and family of Silverton, Oregon are visiting at the home of J. W. Reed in Estacada.

Mrs. W. J. Howlett of Eagle Creek, entertained a party of ten friends at a delightful Christmas dinner.

Guy Woodle and family of Eagle Creek moved last week to Dover, where they will reside the remainder of the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Smith of Springwater, expect their oldest daughter and two children the first of the year, to spend the winter with them.

Ruth Myers and Stanford Cox of Estacada were married Dec. 24th, at the home of the bride's parents. The couple have rented the Adix house near the M. E. church in Estacada.