# ESTACADA PROGRESS

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## New Agent for Estacada

Theodore Ahlberg, formerly assistant station agent at Oregon City, received the appointment as agent for the P. R L. & P. Co. at Estacada, to succeed W. Givens, who recently resigned.

Mr. Ahlberg assumed his new task last Saturday and received a thorough initiation to his new duties as well as an introduction to the Estacada merchants, at the hands of Mrs. Gertrude Grimm.

There were forty-two applications received by the railway company for this position, being mostly from outside of their company. After careful investigation, it was considered best to make the appointment from their own ranks, in the form of a promotion.

A strong petition, signed by the majority of the Estacada people, was sent in, endorsing the application of W S Pyle of Estacada, for the position. While this application was thoroughly considered, it was decided to promote one of their men, who had had experience in the work.

The merchants of Estacada and the Progress welcome Mr Ahlberg and will try to keep him from getting homesick, although any man, who is privileged to live in Estacada, after having lived at the county seat, ought to be more than satisfied.

## Dorcas Meeting

The next meeting of the Garfield Dorcas Society will occur Thursday afternoon, January 21st. at the home of Mrs. Harry Stokes, with Mrs. Stokes and Mrs. M. Laing as hostesses. Mrs S. D. Dunlop, Secy.

## Locals Attend Cannery Meeting

Five of the fruit growers of Garfield attended the annual meeting of the Gresham Fruit Growers' Assn., last Monday. The local men were welcomed by the Gresham growers and returned home satisfied that the Gresham Cannery will be a success, with its 200 or more enthusiastic co-operative members, of whom, over one hundred attended the meeting.

The former officers and board were elected to serve during the coming year. The company have entered into a contract with the Northwest Canners' Assn. to handle the sale of their goods and have hired a competent process man of 20 years experience, to handle the canning work proper.

## NEW FRUIT INSPECTOR

### Local Man Receives Appointment

The County Court on the petition of a number of the local fruit growers and on the endorsement and recommendation of District Inspector Pomeroy last week appointed P. F. Standish of Garfield as Deputy Fruit Inspector of Clackamas County.

O. E. Freytag of Oregon City who has acted as inspector in the past, will probably be located at the Panama Fair the coming season, so the work will be carried on by Standish.

Clackamas County for several years has advertised itself as one of the best fruit growing counties in the Northwest and as a consequence thousands of dollars have been invested in the county in the fruit raising industry, being largely in apples, prunes and small fruits. These interests must be protected and the County Court has recently appropriated a substantial sum to carry on that work.

Owing to lack of finances in the past, this work has not been vigorously pushed, but it probably will be from now on. It is not the intention of this department, to have to use force, threats or appeals to the law to carry on the work, but the new inspector hopes to gain the best of results by pointing out the infractions of the law and helping the owner to conform to the requirements and thus help protect the neighboring fruit growers' interests.

Mr. Standish is well known in this part of the county and is well fitted for the work, having been in the fruit raising business for several years, prior to which he worked in the orchard business in Hood River and took a special course in horticulture and kindred subjects at the O. A. C.

Placards showing the Horticultural law will be posted in conspicuous places throughout the county and directions as to proper spraying and treatment of fruits may be had upon application to the inspector.

## T. E. Huxley Dies

Thos. E Huxley, for years one of the leading farmers of Garfield, but for the past two years a resident of Lents, died January 6th., after a lingering illness, which culminated in paralysis.

Mr. Huxley is survived by his widow; a daughter, Mrs. L. M. Smith of Lents; a son, Herb Huxley of Garfield; four sisters and three brothers, part of whom live in this state.

The funeral services occured at the family home, Friday at 11 o'clock, with interment at the Multnomah Cemetery.

## Wants County Representative at Fair

A number of the Oregon City men and members of the Live Wires are asking the County Court to appropriate a sum of money, to cover the expense of maintaining a representative for Clackamas County at the Panama Pacific Exposition.

Commissioner Mattoon states that it will necessitate at least a $1,000. appropriation to maintain such a representative, and the court is considering the proposition.

It is likely that if such an appropriation is made that O E. Freytag of the Oregon City Commercial Club will be the representative. Mr. Freytay has had many years experience in such work and would make a first class man for the job

As to whether the tax payers of the county feel that such an appropriation should be made this year, is a question for the County Court to decide and results should be forthcoming to warrant it.

## Appointment Delayed

Commissioner Mattoon of the County Court states that the appointment of a county road master will not be made at once, and probably will not receive attention for sixty days at least.

The court is considering such an appointment and at the recent taxpayers' meeting, the matter of the selection of a road master was left entirely to the county court, and the general consensus of opinion was in favor of creating such an office. The only recommendation was that the office be paid for out of the road fund and not from the general fund.

Mr. Hobson is well known in this part of the county and has done efficient work. He greatly favors the construction of oil-bound macadam roads, similar to the Milwaukie-Sellwood road. All that Eastern Clackamas hopes is, that he will favor building roads in all parts of the county and not giving too much attention to the Pacific Highway route.

## Ladies Aid Met

The Currinsville Ladies Aid Society held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Edgar Heiple, Tuesday, January 5th. Refreshments were served by the hostess and a delightful time was enjoyed.

## STOCKYARDS AN INDUSTRY

### Over $1,300 Paid to Farmers This Week

Beginning last Sunday noon with a herd of 60 fat hogs driven from Eagle Creek to the Estacada Stock Yards and with half as many more brought in by wagons the next day, a shipment of 86 hogs was made from Estacada Monday.

Buyer Lucke paid out over $1,300. to the growers of this swine and has paid out nearly as much each week since the opening up of the yards. Beginning this week, all money was paid by checks on the Estacada State Bank.

The present business as done by these yards to date, has far eclipsed the fondest expectations of its founders, and furthermore the yards were not opened up until fully 75% of the swine had been marketed through other channels. This coming spring and fall should show a material increase in this business

Owing to an extra large supply of hogs this week, no cattle were purchased, although many cows and calves will be shipped in the next carload.

Present plans are to make another shipment, Monday January 25th, unless the demand will warrant a shipment the 18th.

Many people were pessimistic regarding the success of this project and it is fair to assume that probably other industries would flourish in this section, if once successfully launched, especially a cannery.

While the majority of the instigators of the cannery movement are rather discouraged, after the four disastrous meetings already held, they are only discouraged at the lack of enthusiasm in financing such a business, rather than in the ultimate success of the canning industry.

Eastern Clackamas County needs a pay roll and must create or make something that will sell to the outside world and bring in outside money. Sometime ago a paper manufacturer visited Estacada with a view of locating a factory; inasmuch as he never has returned, it is likely that conditions were not suitable. With the fine hydraulic and electrical power along the Clackamas river, manufacting will ultimately locate here and all efforts should be made to get it located at as early a date as possible.