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## Celebration Estacada Monday July 5

### WHERE THE SHOES FITTED!

#### County Papers Criticize and Defend Progress

The Oregon City Enterprise in its issue of June 23rd., apparently does not perfectly agree with the Estacada Progress, in its recent stand on the question of the \$1600.00 that is to be spent for oiling the main trunk highways, across the southern and western end of the county, at the request of some automobile club.

To quote briefly, editor Brodie exudes the following:-

"There is no reason in the stand taken by R. M. Standish, editor of the Estacada Progress, against all the southern and western part of the county. The last issue of the Progress contains more than the usual amount of 'peeve'. On the front page of the paper, over a column is devoted to a rabid discussion of the decision of the county court to spend \$1600 on road oil on the north and south highway through the county. Editor Standish evidently forgets that this \$1600 was raised by a direct tax on automobiles, that it is being spent on roads traveled as heavily by farmers as by motorists.—Editor Standish should remember that his actions are destructive; that cooperation is better than conflict. Eastern and western Clackamas are united in one great county, at least as far as county boundaries are concerned.—Let us have peace."

Further on in its editorial column the same writer shows some signs of fair mindedness with. "But the Estacada Progress is right at times, despite its stand against this part of the county. This is from the last issue:-

"Even a \$1600 application of oil will not cover up the defects in some of Clackamas county's poorly built roads."

The Progress is pleased to note that Editor Brodie in his remarks on the unitedness of the county, qualified it by the clause "at least as far as county boundaries are concerned! And if the Progress' actions are destructive, it hopes they are destructive of some of the sound sleep of the honorable members of the county court. As is usual, the Enterprise skipped such parts of the article quoted, as might have a tendency to hurt their side of the controversy. But Editor Brodie is an Oregon City stand-patter all of the time.

The Oregon City Courier, as ever, is broad enough to see two sides of a question and recognizes that eastern Clackamas has rights that should be respected. They reprinted the Progress' article on "\$1600.00 Worth of Crude Oil" in its entirety and in another part of the same paper blossomed forth in the following:-

"Now however, comes the Estacada Progress, one of the real newspapers of the county, and the leading paper of the eastern section of Clackamas"—etc

The Canby Herald quotes the troublesome article in full and in closing hands the following greeting:-

### To Motor To Frisco

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Sparks and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Lovelace and family of Estacada contemplate leaving next week for San Francisco. They will make the trip in their automobiles, camping along the way and generally enjoying the tour through Oregon and California. They expect to be gone at least thirty days and may remain away all summer.

"Cheer up Bro. Standish. You and yours come over to the fair at Canby this year—its going to be a hummer—and then you can get a "smell" of that crude oil"

Canby deserves credit for offering us something, for up to the present time, eastern Clackamas tax-payers had not even been offered "a smell". Somebody from Estacada was at the Canby Fair last year, and incidentally came away with the majority of the "first honors" and it may happen again this year.

The Aurora Observer of Marion County says "Estacada is Peeved" but we must remember that Aurora is at the other end of that stretch of road to be oiled. The Observer construed our kick to be against the autoist and entirely in favor of the farmer. Eastern Clackamas has its autoists and they are farmers, too and a part of that \$1600. was raised through the tax on these machines; that is why we insinuated that we were entitled to a share of that money.

To sum it up, all parts of the county recognize the rights of Eastern Clackamas, but some of them are not broad enough to favor a division, of the \$1600 if it would entail their share of the spoils.

The question still arises, who is the Automobile Club? Has Clackamas county an automobile club? Can it be that the Portland (Multnomah county) Automobile Club obtained \$1600. on a mere request from the Clackamas county court.

Commissioner Mattoon now claims that his court have nothing to do with the expenditure of this \$1600. tax, claiming that the money was or will be turned over directly from the state to the Automobile Club, but he does not know who the Automobile Club is.

If the money has not already been expended, it is not too late yet to give eastern Clackamas a 25% share. \$400. if divided equally among the several road districts in this part of the county, would pay for the installation of handsome drinking troughs along a number of the traveled highways, or pay for other equal as useful improvements.

### FINAL APPEAL TO BE MADE

#### East Clackamas County Fair To Ask For Financial Support

At a meeting of the East Clackamas County Fair committee, held in Estacada last Monday forenoon, a number of important matters were discussed and decided upon.

The 1915 fair will be held in Estacada Park, Sept. 8th, 9th and 10th.

The Fair committee has incorporated under the name of "East Clackamas County Fair" and under the law provided for fairs, libraries, etc. This simplifies the business side of the committee work and gives more confidence to those carrying on business with it, while it also protects the individual members from liabilities. No stock is issued as the organization is for educational purposes only.

The committee held a meeting June 21st and spent some time discussing the advisability of erecting a livestock building, 40 by 100 ft. to be used for the Fair and at all other times as a hitching shed for the farmers of the surrounding communities.

The railroad company will grant a lease on their property just east of Mr. Givens' house for this purpose. It was decided best to put up such a building, thus saving an annual expense of about \$100. for tents and lumber if the funds can be solicited.

The premium list for the coming exhibit will be substantially the same as last year's, but is being delayed slightly until the matter of further prizes and premiums can be reported on.

A rumor has obtained some credence to the effect that there will be a charge for exhibit space. This is absolutely false as all such space is free.

A valuable prize will be offered for the best community exhibit and in this department of the fair there will be strong rivalry. This competition is open to all sections, including Springwater, George, Garfield, Currinsville, Dodge, Barton, Eagle Creek, Viola, Elwood, Sandy, Boring, etc. In a later issue of the Progress a list of the community fair representatives will be published. The George Commercial & Social Club are planning to win the community prize with a handsome and elaborate exhibit of the resources and products of that district, as their fair occurs a few days prior to the Estacada show.

The most important matter now before the East Clackamas County Fair committee and a matter of the utmost importance and of vital interest to every resi-

### Special School Meeting July 12th

At the regular Estacada school board meeting last Monday evening, all members were present.

After the completion of the routine business, the board decided to call a special school meeting for the purpose of electing a board member to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of A. Demoy. This meeting has been set for Monday evening, July 12th, and all voters are requested to be present.

The initial steps were also taken for installing of a new hot water heating plant in the school building.

During the course of the meeting, the resignation of A. Demoy from the school board was formally accepted.

dent of eastern Clackamas county, is the obtaining of financial support from the county and the receiving of our share of the \$1821. which has been appropriated by the state to this county, for exhibit premiums from a tax of 1-20 of a mill on the county property.

To date the committee which has waited upon the county court and asked for financial assistance, has received nothing and the outlook is dim of their obtaining any.

It is now up to the people of eastern Clackamas county to assert their rights and unitedly ask and if necessary insist on obtaining some money for our county fair.

An appeal is hereby made to all parties interested; and this should mean every man, woman and child in this part of the county, to attend a mass meeting at 1 o'clock, July 5th in Estacada at the city hall. At this meeting, ways and means will be discussed to properly present this appeal to the county court and the county fair board.

Present plans are for a large delegation to go to Oregon City and back up the efforts of the committee, but the details of this plan will be perfected at this mass meeting.

The majority of the local residents will be in Estacada at the celebration, July 5th, and consequently can easily arrange to attend this gathering.

As loyal tax-payers of Clackamas county, we should everyone of us take an active interest in seeing to it that the East Clackamas Fair receives fair treatment from the authorities or at least its due share, otherwise this annual fair may have to be discontinued. Show your interest by being present at the July 5th meeting.