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Considerable discussion has been current among the tax-payers of this section, regarding the cut in the salaries of the members of the county court and the limiting of the time which they shall give to their duties.

\$360. per year, is too small an amount to pay the commissioners, even for the 120 days labor. For the responsibility assumed and the work expected of these officials, more money should be paid.

The present \$3. per day scale is the same as that ordinarily paid for common labor, where no responsibilities are assumed and no knowledge or head-work expected. The taxpayers of this county expect the members of the county court to be men of character, hard workers, and men capable of using the utmost tact and discretion in all matters and they expect to get such men for \$3. per day.

It is doubtful if ten days per month will be sufficient time for the court to do its work and do it well. During the summer, or road building months, the court could well spend from twenty to thirty days of eight hours each, on the job.

If the taxpayers expect to be represented by good men and expect good work accomplished, they should pay more money for the services.

The Progress is pleased to be able to chronicle items of development in the past few issues, such as the expansion and relocation of the Horner Bros. mill; the proposed building of a conveyance for transporting lumber and cord wood from the Dodge and Springwater country to the railroad near Cazadero; the proposed installation of a livestock loading chute at Eagle Creek; business and real estate changes and other signs of prosperity in this section.

Remember—every taxpayer in Eastern Clackamas County is invited and expected to be present at the meeting next Monday afternoon of the Eastern Clackamas Taxpayers League, at the Family Theatre in Estacada, at 1 o'clock.

The longer one lives in this section of the state, the more one realizes the necessity of the raising of some forage and hay crop, as the biggest solution of the problem of successful farming.

Eastern Clackamas is well adapted to general farming and should become a leading dairy section, with the big Portland market adjacent.

Today, the hue and cry among the farmers is against the condition now faced by many, of having to buy grain and feed for their livestock during the winter, not only taking the profit from the business but often ending in complete failure.

There is no doubt but that Eastern Clackamas can raise or will ultimately raise a good grade of alfalfa and every effort should be made at this time to stimulate the growing of this crop.

The Progress will contribute \$5. towards a sum of \$100. to be raised in this section; said \$100. to be used as a prize for the person raising the best 1/2 acre piece of alfalfa in Eastern Clackamas County, during the coming season. The money would be wisely expended, if two or three times that amount was put up as a stimulant to the cultivation of this needed crop.

County Gets Returns

It is pleasing to print the fact that all of Clackamas County's offices are not expensive ones, with the clerk's and recorder's departments producing revenues.

County Clerk Harrington shows that during 1915 the expenditures totaled \$4663.96 and the receipts \$8518.30, leaving a profit of \$3854.70. Recorder Dedman's report shows a profit of \$2118.20, from revenues of \$6299.55 with expenses of \$4171.30.



Methodist Church Services

According to arrangements made early in November, there will be a union service the fifth Sunday of this month, January 30th, at the Estacada M. E. Church.

The churches of Currinsville, Mt Zion and Garfield participating. Services will continue all day and close with an evening service. There will be short sermons and addresses by ministers and laymen and good music will be a feature of the occasion.

Everybody from town and country are invited to bring their lunches and spend the day, as the new basement, with its kitchen, stove, etc., are at their disposal.

Next Sunday morning, preaching services will be held at the church. All are cordially invited.

George Club Activities

An oyster supper was enjoyed at last Saturday night's meeting of the George Commercial & Social Club. At the meeting on January 29th, the annual election of officers will take place.

Fred Lins, the owner of the grounds, on which the club is situated, has offered to allow the club the use of the entire acre or so, if they will fence the three sides of it, as it is being planned to run the main road directly through the grounds, to connect with the cross road, instead of circling the grounds as at present.

Supervisors Named This Week

The Clackamas County Court will this week fully earn their small \$3. per day stipend, when they have to shoulder the responsibility of naming the county's road supervisors. There are about 60 road districts, with at least two warring factions to be satisfied in each district.

Winter Rations for the Dairy Cow

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