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The editor has no complaint to register, for he might have known that Mr. Whitcomb would strike straight from the shoulder, when asked his written opinion of the advisability of forming a community church.

The coat surely fitted and the only satisfaction the editor has, is the knowledge that it probably fitted plenty of other young men and women too.

Mr. Whitcomb's letter is reprinted elsewhere in this issue and the points which he brings out and which are substantially the same as advocated in Mr. Dillion's letter are too true. The experiment should probably be tried out in Estacada first, the only handicap being that the present pastor of the M. E. Church is also the pastor of the three rural churches and services would have to be held part of the time away from the home church.

Again, is not the condition, which Mr. Whitcomb mentions regarding the younger people taking an interest in religious work, to a large extent due to the present inability of the church to support itself and spend a little money on attractions to draw some of us backsliders?

The successful theatre manager, or other business man, who wishes to draw the people, offers the most tempting of baits, such as good music, pleasant quarters and the like, which the local church is not able to do today, owing to having to confine too much of its attention to its financial survival.

Notwithstanding all the plausible excuses, which the editor might make, the coat fitted and fitted snugly.

Grant B. Dimick of Oregon City, head of the county fair board and member of the Clackamas County Fair Association, has announced that the charter of the association has not been forfeited, by unpaid dues.

Judge Dimick says he holds receipts showing all necessary payments as having been made. He claims the including of the fair association among the list of corporations which had forfeited their charters, as issued by Governor Withycombe, is an error.

No announcement has as yet been made from the office of the governor, correcting the mistake, which will probably be done, if matters are as Mr. Dimick claims and there are no other reasons, for the governor's action.

It seems odd though that this latest announcement was not forthcoming before, as two weeks or more has elapsed, since the governor's proclamation.

Even if the association is not defunct, charter forfeited and generally "gone to the dogs," it is no reason why \$7950.00 of the taxpayers' money should be spent in purchasing the Canby grounds, unless the taxpayers themselves so order and that can only be determined by the result of the ballot.

Have you registered yet? Remember, the last day for registration is April 18th, if you wish to vote at the primaries.

Is the granting of suffrage to the women of Oregon in vain? It begins to look that way, notwithstanding the clamor for the right to vote, that was evident a couple of years ago. If Eastern Clackamas County is typical of the state, the women don't care to vote, or at least they don't care to spend much time on political matters preliminary to the balloting.

Not a woman from this section attended the recent Brownell meeting, although all were invited, and to date the registration in Estacada has been at the rate of about one woman to twelve men.

The fair sex will have a chance to redeem themselves next Saturday and everyone of them should attend the political caucus at the Estacada Pavilion, that afternoon.

**Kill Three Cougar  
And Eleven Bob-Cats**

Chief Forester Herman Wallace, of Cazadero, returned last week from the Oak Grove ranger station, where he has been located for the past three months, and reports having brought in the hides of three cougars and eleven wildcats, which, he and the Perry brothers, Art and Bill, trapped or shot this winter.

Miss Bessie Wallace, who has been keeping house for her brother at the Oak Grove station, also returned to Cazadero, where she will remain until warmer weather.

Wallace reports having found three dead deer, which had been killed by cougars and in each instance the cougars had merely eaten the entrails and stomach from the victims, then leaving them in search of more deer.

**Start For East**

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Pyle, who are making their future home in Baltimore, Md., left for Portland last Saturday, where they were joined by Walter Givens of Estacada, the party leaving Sunday for the east.

Mr. Givens will go as far as Iowa, where he will attend to business matters, spend a few days visiting among relatives in Kansas and return home about the 20th. of this month.

**Funeral Postponed  
Three Days**

Owing to the deranged train schedule last week, caused by the snow and ice, the funeral services and interment of the body of the late M. B. Spackman of Garfield, who died Monday, January 31st., were not held until last Saturday. An attempt was made to take the casket to the Mt. Scott Cemetery by wagon from Estacada, but the road near Boring was so obstructed with down timber, that the wagon was forced to return, the casket being finally sent down on Saturday's express train.

**How'd You Like To Be  
The Complaint Man?**

According to the Morning Oregonian, Roy Meyers of Eagle Creek, of the traffic department of the P. R. L. & P. Co. in Portland, acted as complaint man during last week's tie up of the company's lines.

For three days and three nights, Roy stayed at his desk, answering inquiries, kicks and cussings, even sleeping on his desk during intervals.

Roy's name will probably be passed down into history, along with Horatius and his stand on the bridge, Grace Darling in the light house, and others; only Roy deserves more credit for he had to answer the phone.

**Klaetsch Mill Moving**

O. C. Klaetsch of the Klaetsch Lumber Co., of Springwater, announces that by March 1st next, they will have their present mill thoroughly overhauled with new machinery in operation, in their new location.

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