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EAST CLACKAMAS COUNTY FAIR ELECTS OFFICERS

Arrangements Under Way To Stimulate Alfalfa Culture

At a meeting of the directors of the East Clackamas County Fair in Estacada last Monday forenoon, H. C. Stephens of George was elected president for the ensuing year, with Ed Shearer of Garfield, vice president. The election of a secretary and other officials will occur at a later date.

The News wishes to herewith correct an error in last week's issue, in which it mentioned Sudan grass, as being the forage crop which the fair committee, through the P. R. L. & P. Co., wished to obtain plantings of. By mistake the name Sudan grass was furnished in the news item to the editor, instead of alfalfa, which is the crop which the farmers are asked to cooperate in by experimental quarter and half acre plantings.

The P. R. L. & P. Co., have generously offered to contribute in any way possible to help the experimental work in acclimating alfalfa to this section. They have offered to secure the best available authorities on the subject of alfalfa culture, to help in this work and have written to the O. A. C., asking for such an expert to give a practical talk on the subject at a public meeting in Estacada to be held Saturday afternoon, March 4th, although later announcement will be made if this date is finally decided upon.

Already the News has received word from many local farmers, expressing their willingness to experiment carefully and thoroughly with the culture of alfalfa and it is hoped that seed for such plantings will soon be available.

In a recent talk at the Portland Union Stock Yards, the agricultural expert for the Northern Pacific and Great Northern Railways, stated, prosperity of the farmers of the Willamette Valley, depended upon a cheaper production of pork. He stated, that certain distant sections, where pasturage is given to hogs, the pork is produced at a cost of from 3 to 3½c per pound, while the statistics showed the cost in this part of the state to be nearer 6c. The O. A. C., as the result of late experiments, announce they have been able to produce pork as low as 4½c and expect to decrease that figure.

The 6c figure is about a fair average for pork producing cost here and the work now being un-

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More Candidates in the Field

In the past week, the announcement has been made of two or three more residents of this part of the county, who are willing to shoulder the responsibilities of the commissionership.

John Githens of Alspaugh, one of the best known men in this section, has announced that he will run for the nomination on the Democratic ticket.

Contrary to the rumored reports that W. A. Proctor of Sandy would not run for the commissionership, his declared intention of so doing, was heralded through the county press the past week.

As was to be expected, some of the residents of Eastern Clackamas are claiming a "frame up" in connection with the recent political meeting in Estacada, which endorsed Messrs. Reed and Stephens for the commissionership and legislative office.

Any fair minded person who was present, will admit that the voters at that meeting comprised representatives in fair proportion from all nearby districts, from Barton, Eagle Creek, George, Garfield, Cazadero, Springwater and Estacada and the number from Estacada was too small in proportion.

The Progress, (or rather the News) has received several letters and verbal complaints in the last week, from Oregon City and other points, kicking against the report that Eastern Clackamas was trying to hog all of the political jobs. Eastern Clackamas does want to be represented in the county court and legislature, but aside from that is not interested in any other offices, except as possibly some of its citizens may have private aspirations for political honors.

It would be as fair to blame Oregon City collectively with wanting too many political offices, just because a number of its citizens have private yearnings.

Registration Light

Eastern Clackamas seems to be no exception to the rule, when it comes to apathy in the matter of registration and with the primaries but a few months away, it will mean a last day rush for enrollment.

With the added vote of the women, Clackamas County should poll a vote of about 14,000 at the coming election, but several thousand have not registered yet.

Oregon City vs Estacada

As usual, Oregon City is claiming the county title, but in this instance it is justifiable, as far as Estacada is concerned, for the county-seaters clearly demonstrated their superior basket ball ability last Friday night, when they defeated the Estacada High School team at Oregon City, by a score of 45 to 9.

A return game will be played in Estacada, at the pavilion, next Saturday evening and a good crowd of local fans should be present to see if consistent rooting will help the E. H. S. squad make a more creditable showing.

The lineups for the teams were as follows:—

Estacada—center, Dale; guards, Denny and Jannsen; forwards, Wagner and Harkenrider.

Oregon City—center, Green; guards, King and Farr; forwards, Miller and Milliken.

Bound Over to Grand Jury

The second trial of Paul Lightner of Eagle Creek, for alleged assault, with Dave Hoffmeister of Eagle Creek, as complainant, came up for a hearing in Justice Devore's court last Friday morning.

Assistant District Attorney Burke of Oregon City, acted as prosecutor with W. A. Heylman representing Lightner, ending in Justice Devore binding the defendant over to await the action of the April grand jury, the defendant being released on his own recognizance.

School Fair Staged Tuesday Value Of Domestic Science Evident Need Of Manual Training

On Tuesday, February 22nd, the Estacada schools were closed as far as the regular sessions were concerned, but the annual school fair was staged, with a goodly showing of exhibits from all departments, from grammar to high school.

The exhibits in the Domestic Science divisions, including cooking, sewing and kindred work, were themselves the strongest argument which could be advanced demonstrating the value of this practical instruction, and a surprising thing was the number of prize winning exhibits displayed by the boys.

First prize ribbons in this department, were awarded to the following pupils, for sewing or

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FEW ATTEND COMMUNITY CHURCH MEETING

Other Sections Eagerly Watching Estacada's Attempts To Form Community Church

Aside from the main value, which would accrue to Estacada and vicinity, as a power for good, the advertising value of a community church, would be an asset, similar to the Estacada schools.

While no noticeable advance has been made in the past week in the actual formation or formulating of plans for community worship, the attempts which have been made to date have already attracted the attention of a number of other sections, judging from the space given to the subject in the two Oregon City papers, as well as in the Portland press.

The Oregon City Enterprise in an editorial, commends a similar action which has taken place at Scio, Oregon, in which the five denominational churches have joined in forming a Federated Church. The Woodburn Independent in discussing this new church, predicts that within a year, the membership will be doubled.

The Enterprise further states— "Estacada has under consideration a plan of consolidating the protestant churches of that town, and the plan could be tried out, probably with success, in a number of other communities."

Editor Brown of the Oregon City Courier in the course of a half column article, after duly complimenting and making fun of the editor of the Progress, for his stand on the subject, seems to feel that the formation of a community church would be about as likely of consummation, as the formation of a "community political party." Editor Brown recognizes the value of such a united effort, but in the following extract has the idea the spirit of Christian unselfishness is absent saying:— "It appears that almost every church in the Estacada country is willing to be THE community church, but no church has yet been found which is willing to dissolve its own individuality and merge with some other church."

Some disappointment has been expressed at the outcome of the informal meeting, which was ad-

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