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A number of the Garfield residents are considering the opening of a cooperative store in their midst, to occupy the premises of the late Garfield Mercantile Company.

This plan of cooperation among these farmers is a worthy one, but too idealistic and Utopian to attract the shrewd investor.

As any local merchant will vouch for, the percentage of profit in the mercantile business is narrow or nil, even with the best of merchandising methods and with but one boss.

That small element, called profit, which is of prime importance in the operation of a store, might not be present in a cooperative institution, where each rural stockholder reserved the right to freely reach into the cracker barrel or openly dig out a dried herring, while the femine stockholders would naturally feel equally privileged in the candy jars.

Maybe the true spirit of unselfishness, coupled with a willingness to dig down in their pockets to make up a deficit and the reposing of full authority in a store manager, may characterize the rural residents of Garfield, if so, the venture would be a success, not withstanding the fact that the big majority of cooperative stores have been an expensive failure.

With the Estacada schools attracting state wide attention, owing to their up-to-dateness and the high school ranking as one of the best in the state, is it not time for the formation of a Union High School in Estacada?

It seems odd that this move was not made sometime ago, as nearby districts now pay the high school tuition tax and allow Estacada to elect the school board and run the school.

By the forming of a Union High School, such as Gresham, Sandy and many other localities have done, each district joining in the union high school, would be entitled to a director on the school board and usually representation is fought for by those who pay the taxes.

According to the statistics of an accountant, who recently audited the county's finances, the

item of \$11,524.66 spent in 1915 for the indigent poor, was the largest single expense.

As a solution and to effect economies, the Oregon City Courier and others are advocating the early creation of a County Poor Farm, where by bunching the county's poor together under one roof, a saving can be realized.

The idea is all right and has its advantages over the present system of allotment of charity funds, which in some cases may be wasted, but again, many worthy and deserving widows and other needy people, who have some pride left, would rather go without aid, than make the trip "Over the Hills to the Poor House."

Have you registered yet? The registration books close April 18th.

Big Realty Deal Consumated

Announcement is made this week of a realty deal, whereby C. A. Spackman of Garfield, disposed of 220 acres of his Upper Garfield property, the purchasers being Mr. and Mrs. Julius Markwart of Portland.

With the opening up of the lumber business in the state, Henry Fanton of Garfield left Tuesday to find employment, as he is an experienced man in all forms of the work from the logging camps to the mill work.

Penny Social

The Garfield School will hold a "penny social" at the Grange Hall, Saturday evening, April 1st. Admission will be one penny and everyone is requested to come provided with plenty of pennies, as several attractions will be offered for one cent each, with refreshments at the same rate. The proceeds will go towards improvements at the school.

N. M. Tracy of Garfield lost a valuable horse last Friday.

For Chronic Constipation
Six glasses of water daily and
Rexall Orderlies
The laxative tablet with the pleasant taste
We have the exclusive selling rights for this great laxative

The Rexall Store
ESTACADA PHARMACY

In Fairness To The People Of Clackamas County



By O. W. EASTHAM, Republican
Candidate for District Attorney

Editorial from Eastern Clackamas News, issue of Feb. 24th.

"In fairness to the office of District Attorney and contrary to the general belief in this part of the County, the duties of the recently appointed assistant to the District Attorney are not confined, to any large extent, to investigation and prosecutions of prohibition infractions, but the assistant is, really the legal advisor of the County Court, in which capacity, the Judge and Court are credited with having stated that he has already more than saved the County the amount of his salary".

IN FAIRNESS TO THE PEOPLE OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY, I would not, if District Attorney, appoint a young lawyer with ONE YEAR'S EXPERIENCE, as "LEGAL ADVISOR" of the County Court.

IN FAIRNESS TO THE PEOPLE OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY, I would give the County Court the benefit of my seventeen years experience as a practising attorney. The present District Attorney could do that — it is what the people PAY HIM \$2100 A YEAR FOR.

On recommendation and request of the present District Attorney the County Budget Meeting (excuse the joke) set aside \$3000 for enforcement of the prohibition law. Why is the money being used to pay a DEPUTY whose duties "ARE NOT CONFINED TO ANY LARGE EXTENT TO INVESTIGATION AND PROSECUTION OF PROHIBITION INFRACTIONS"?

4% INTEREST



is what we will be paying in a couple of weeks, when we will be ready to open a

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THOMAS YOCUM, Vice President
IRWIN D. WRIGHT, Cashier

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Livestock Buyer

of Hogs, Cattle, Sheep

All shipments made from

Estacada Stock Yards

Phone W. Givens, Estacada agent, and advise him of what you have for sale, and I will call and arrange for purchase and shipment.

The sympathies of her friends are extended to Mrs. Geo. Coates (nee Krigbaum) of Garfield, whose child died Friday last, at the Bland Hospital in Estacada. The mother, who was very ill, is reported to be getting along as well as could be expected.