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ANSWER THIS QUESTION NOW

What Are Your Orchard-Run Apples Worth?

Recently, a business man, indirectly identified with the Estacada Cannery, asked the following question of the editor. "What do you believe would be a fair price to offer the farmers of this district for their orchard-run of apples this year, for use in our evaporator?"

This question was of too much importance to the people of this section and too broad a one for the editor to try to answer and it seemed as though the best way to obtain a comprehensive answer, was to put it up to the growers themselves.

It will prove an important matter, if the farmers will take the trouble to see that the News is advised of their ideas on the price which should be paid for orchard-run apples, especially as the evaporator man will be guided to a large extent by these replies.

By orchard-run apples, is meant the thousands of bushels of miscellaneous varieties of apples which are now raised in this country, in the home and some of the commercial orchards, being fruit that is not up to the standard which will allow of its being packed in boxes and sold to the retailer, but of such a grade as would make good vinegar stock.

In answering this query, don't quote the price which you would like to get, but stop and figure out what would be a fair price for your apples, delivered in Estacada, in wagon boxes, bags or any easy way of handling same. Figure your price on a ton basis and also consider whether the price you quote would be so high that it would be impossible for the evaporator to make a fair profit too.

The question of prices and marketing are all important ones today, especially to the grower and possibly some good substantial results may come from the farmers stopping to answer this question, which the buyer wants to know.

It is possible that if more friendly business relations were attempted between the producer and the buyer or middleman, that less friction and hard feeling would result and with more profit accumulating to all.

Orchard-run apples in this part of Clackamas County have been a drug on the market and only used for "hog stomach aches" in years past and here is an opportunity which should not be overlooked.

So figure this question out and let us know your answer soon and figures and prices will be quoted in a later issue.

WEATHER PERMITS BIG CELEBRATION

Estacada Draws Thousands George Celebration Hindered By Rain

With two weeks of rain preceding, the weather man granted a beautiful day's respite on July 4th, for which the public generally is thankful, but with especial prayers of thankfulness arising from the members of the Estacada Volunteer Fire Department, who up to Monday afternoon feared a financial loss from their coming celebration.

As usual, Chief Gunner John Osborn of the organization, touched off his annual patriotic dynamite salute at daybreak, which also as usual, raised half of Estacada's inhabitants out of bed, shook the windows and awakened the youngsters to a realization that the glorious Fourth of July was at hand.

While at some former celebrations, larger crowds have been in evidence, not less than 2500 people spent the day at Estacada and a more orderly, good-natured crowd never assembled here.

From seven o'clock on, hundreds of residents of nearby communities began arriving, some by train, others by wagons and hundreds by automobile. Not less than fifty auto loads of picnickers came from Portland, with the machines parked all about the city's streets.

Beginning with the parade, all events on the program were carried off on schedule, excepting the baseball game, which had to be postponed until the afternoon.

The Garfield Band, which led the prize auto parade, was much in evidence during the day, giving enjoyment to all, with plenty of music at ball games, in town and in the park.

The judges in the prize auto parade were taxed to the limit to decide the winners of the four prizes, but their final selection met with general approval. The 1st prize was awarded Dave Eschleman; 2nd, C. L. C.; 3rd, Estacada Schools and 4th, Will Dale. The judges were R. G. Palmateer and Ralph Lemon of Garfield and W. C. Whitfield of Estacada.

Besides other attractively decorated cars in the parade, were such novel features as youthful buccaroos on prancing mustangs;

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MOGER FANS FIFTEEN

Estacada Plays At Gladstone Saturday And At Estacada Sunday

The July 4th game on the home grounds against the Fulton Greys of Portland, besides increasing the average of the Estacada team, up to 778, with seven winnings in nine games played, also brought out a new pitching star, John Moger, the southpaw, from Springwater.

Moger pitched eight innings of as pretty ball as ever was witnessed here, with all batters receiving the same treatment, namely the privilege of taking three strikes at the little ball as it whizzed by. Fifteen of the stickers were cleanly struck out, while occasionally a scratch hit was obtained.

With the addition of Moger to the Estacada team, it looks as though the big money from the Chautauqua series was sure coming back to Estacada, as the team now has three or four first class twirlers.

Estacada has probably seen the last of the Fulton Greys, whose championship aspirations and claims, have been badly shattered here in the two games played. Tuesday's little affray allowing them the short end of an 18 to 3 score.

The local boys, headed by Roy and Doc Douglass, and Art Smith, all of whom knocked out home-runs, did their regular heavy hitting, with heady work on bases and even faster work on the defensive.

Owing to the absence of the Bronson brothers, the line-up was altered, but apparently not weakened, as Heck Hewitt of Garfield strengthened the infield, and the others played their places as well as ever.

The first game of the Chautauqua series will be next Saturday, July 8th at Gladstone, when Estacada will tackle the newly organized Clear Creek Creamery nine. A bunch of fans will probably make the Gladstone trip and expect to witness a winning.

Estacada will play on July 8th, 12th, 14th and 17th at Gladstone, with the contending teams being Clear Creek, Wilsonville, Redmen and Canby, in the order named. All Chautauqua games will begin at 3.30 sharp.

On Sunday, the 9th, the Estacada team will play on the home

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COUNTY DIVISION FAVORED

Other Parts Of Clackamas County Dissatisfied

The commercial bodies of Hillsboro and Forest Grove and similar organizations from parts of the northwestern section of Clackamas County are now working for county division.

The idea seems to be for the segregation of parts of Clackamas and Washington counties and either the forming of a new county, or the addition of part of Clackamas to Washington County.

The words "County Division" stir up old memories in this section of the tall ferns, with faint recollections of a lost cause, called "Cascade County."

Can it be possible that other parts of Clackamas County are not perfectly satisfied with the management of this county, as administered by Oregon City? Can it be that there are taxpayers in other rural sections, who feel that for their best interests, it would be advisable to establish a county seat nearer the scene of activities and have a rural county seat, with rural officers?

The county division movement is underway also in many other sections of Oregon, which indicates that better and more economical government can be obtained by creating smaller county units and doing away with the county boundaries which went into effect when Oregon was granted statehood.

Chautauqua Opens Friday

Beginning at 1:30 next Friday afternoon, July 7th, the annual Willamette Valley Chautauqua, will open at Gladstone Park, continuing through July 16th.

An attractive program has been arranged, including musical, educational, amusement and sports features, the latter part includes the baseball series, with the fast Estacada team as a strong contender.

For some reason or other, the News has not been advised of the full program and possibly the need of publicity throughout the eastern part of the county is not felt. Nevertheless, it is a safe assumption that we are all invited to attend and it is a safer bet that we will all be there, to help root for Estacada during the baseball series.