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AUTOS CRASH IN FOG

Estacadian Found Unconscious
Machines Damaged

The heavy fogs, which for the past week have been a constant danger to autoists especially on the roads near Portland and the Willamette River, were last Friday night responsible for a bad accident, which came near seriously injuring Bert Moore of Estacada.

Mr. Moore, in his Saxon Six, left Estacada late Friday afternoon for Portland. After passing Gresham, the fog became denser and on Powell Valley Road his machine crashed into another big car which was parked in front of one of the residences about half a mile below Gresham.

Mr. Moore's recollection of the accident thereafter is but meager as he soon after recovered consciousness in a nearby house, the owners of the parked machine having heard the crash and on investigation discovered Mr. Moore in an unconscious condition clinging to the steering wheel.

Luckily, Moore's injuries were only superficial and after recuperating a day at home, he was able to resume his work at the River Mill plant. But the damage to the two machines will be considerable as both machines were badly smashed.

BIG DINNER MEETING HELD PROSPECTS BRIGHT FOR CHEESE FACTORY AT ESTACADA

Petition Sent To Court Asking For Improvement Of Bad Roads

Never in the history of this part of the county, has a more representative gathering of men assembled for the discussion of community industrial development, than occurred last Monday night at the dinner meeting of the Farmers' & Merchants' Club at the Adams Hotel in Estacada.

Between forty and fifty representative farmers and business men enjoyed the first class dinner, the gathering being later increased by the addition of several farmers, who were unable to arrive earlier.

After listening to the reports of committees on minor matters, the report of the Condensery and Cheese Factory Committee was presented by Messrs Wright, Ewing, Dues and Deming. These men, who had during the past week visited the milk condenseries at Hillsboro and other points, reported at length on the subject advising the abandonment of the idea of establishing such an industry locally, owing to the high cost of the plant, equipment and processing.

This committee, which had also thoroughly investigated the cheese manufacturing business, having spent a day at the Canby Cheese Factory, reported favorably on this form of milk disposal and heartily advised this community to establish such an industry.

As a sum of not to exceed \$2500. is needed to establish a cheese factory at Estacada and as statistics relative to this business were more than satisfactory

to the farmers and business men, the proposition received the active support of nearly everyone present.

The discussion on this subject lasted for an hour or two, being entered into freely by all, among them being J. E. Schenk of Springwater, who for years had been identified with the cheese making industry.

Questions relating to form of organization, milk delivery, sale of finished product, manufacture etc. were thoroughly discussed and no difficulties arose but what can be overcome with a little united work.

As the meeting favored a co-operative form of organization, a committee comprising C. W. Devore, Don Crawford and W. R. Reid was appointed to draft a form of organization to be submitted at the next meeting.

The regular Condensery and Cheese Factory Committee was enlarged by the appointment of F. W. Bates, J. E. Schenk, John Ely, A. W. Botkin, R. H. Currin and Elmer Davis, which committee of ten is this week making a complete canvass among all farmers in this community, to determine the sentiments of the producers on the subject of an Estacada cheese factory; to obtain figures on the volume of milk that can be depended upon and to get a general idea of the number of farmers who will take a co-operative interest in the project.

It was suggested that farmers

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EAGLE CREEK PIONEER DIES

Death of Mrs. W. J. Howlett
Mourned by All

At the advanced age of seventy-six years, Mrs. W. J. Howlett of Eagle Creek peacefully passed away, Tuesday, December 19th, at the family home.

The news of Mrs. Howlett's death, while not unexpected, was a shock to her hundreds of relatives and friends in this community, where she had resided for over sixty years.

The funeral services, in charge of Rev. Aue of Eagle Creek Presbyterian Church, were held at the family home, Wednesday afternoon, in the presence of a sorrowing multitude of friends, neighbors and members of the family, the interment taking place at Gibson Cemetery.

Mrs. Howlett, whose maiden name was Sabina F. Markwood, was born in Ohio in 1840, coming to Oregon in 1852, where in 1854 she married Wm. J. Howlett. With the exception of three years she had resided on their upper Eagle Creek farm, since her marriage, Mr. Howlett having died in January 1914, but a few months prior to the 60th anniversary of their wedding.

The deceased is survived by four daughters being Mrs. Jane Douglass of St. Joe, Mrs. Viola Douglass of Eagle Creek, Mrs. A. W. Cooke of Damascus and Mrs. L. A. Woodle of Estacada; one brother Will Markwood of Portland and three sisters, Mrs. Jenney Johnson of Washington, D. C. besides twenty-seven grandchildren and fifty-two great-grand children.

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