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## DOES ESTACADA NEED A HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING?

### Voters Meet To Consider New Building Next Saturday Afternoon

At a meeting of the taxpayers of the Estacada School District, to be held at the school Saturday afternoon, February 24th at 2 o'clock, a vote will be taken to determine whether this district will bond itself to erect a high school building.

At an unofficial meeting held a month or two ago, it was voted almost unanimously to build such a building to cost not less than \$20,000 and the coming meeting is for the purpose of legally and officially deciding the matter.

The need of a high school building is apparent to all who are conversant with the conditions and growth of the Estacada Schools.

As the present status of the finances of the schools is satisfactory, it is up to the taxpayers to decide whether the erection of a new up-to-date building will warrant the added expense and whether the new building when completed will sufficiently enhance the town's real estate values, to offset the difference in taxes.

Furthermore, it must be remembered that the Estacada Schools are the biggest individual asset to this city, not only offering the best of educational facilities for the boys and girls of the city, but offering the same facilities for the boys and girls from the outlying sections. As a business investment and trade stimulator among the farmers residing outside of Estacada, the Estacada High School is the best magnet that can be gotten to draw the trade and centralize the buying and industry of this community.

The present school building is used by both the high school and grammar grades and is crowded beyond capacity, the up-stairs portion of the building being used by the high school and the movement of the classes, coming as they do every forty minutes, must of necessity disturb the classes on the main floor. When the high school was small, the noise was comparatively unimportant, but with from fifty to ninety pupils in motion up-stairs and crossing the long halls, it is a constant source of confusion.

Added to this confusion above

## Legislature Increases Officials Salaries

By a recent act of the legislature, the salaries of the Clackamas County Judge, School Superintendent and Treasurer, were increased to \$1800., \$1400., and \$1400. respectively.

## O. A. C. Expert To be Here In March

Word has been received from the Extension Department of the O. A. C. that on March 15th, 16th and 17th, Prof. Larsen will be in Estacada and vicinity.

As Prof. Larsen is considered an authority on the selection of potato seed and the combating of potato diseases, as well as being an authority on grains, clovers, vetches and all legumes, his three day visit here should meet with a welcome from the local farmers.

stairs, it has now become necessary to occupy one or more class rooms down stairs, with one class room in the basement and two entirely off the school premises.

Owing to the present cramped quarters, the school library, which is an important item, is located in an inside cloak room, with electric lights used constantly. Classes have to pass through this cloak-room-library hourly in getting to an adjoining room, thereby disturbing those using the library.

In the past five years, the school board has been forced to utilize a nearby church for a class room—has built temporary rooms in the basement and on the first floor—has rented a cottage across the road and this year has rented the old blacksmith-shop nearby for the manual training department. All of these arrangements are purely makeshift and unsatisfactory.

In the past four years, the enrollment of the high school alone has grown from 35 to 100 and owing to the congested conditions, no efforts were made last summer by Principal Guthrie to induce more outside pupils to attend the Estacada High School.

The present conditions are neither sanitary nor conducive to good school management or efficiency and offer a poor investment for the school moneys.

There are few good reasons why Estacada should not vote to build a high school building and it is hoped the taxpayers will all attend the meeting Saturday afternoon and vote to continue along those lines, which in the past and at present have made our schools the pride of this community.

## CHEESE FACTORY SUBSCRIPTIONS MEETING WITH SUCCESS

### Farmers' & Merchants' Club Dinner Monday Evening

About forty farmers and business men attended Thursday evening's impromptu meeting of the Farmers' and Merchants' Club in Estacada when definite action was taken and a campaign launched for the establishment of a cheese factory at Estacada.

This meeting was only advertised over phone, as Prof. Barr, the O. A. C. Cheese and Dairy expert arrived in Estacada on short notice and remained but two days. Prof. Barr gave an interesting talk on the cheese industry and also spoke at length on the establishment of a sweet-cream-station.

On a vote of the meeting it was almost unanimously decided to begin at once to establish a cheese-factory and the following committee was named, who are in charge of the subscription campaign and who will act as temporary directors of the new co-operative corporation:—Frank Ewing and Ed Ficken of Viola; Edward Still of Eagle Creek; Peter Erickson of Springwater; and I. D. Wright of Estacada.

This committee has begun an active campaign to sell the stock, which is placed at \$10 per share, with no shareholder allowed over twenty shares. The form of contract used stipulates the number of cows owned by the shareholder; the number of shares subscribed for and date on which the cows become fresh.

This contract further binds the shareholder to agree to furnish milk or cream for the factory for a term of one year, with provisions relative to home consumption of milk or cream and the right to cancel under certain conditions.

The contract is dependent entirely on signing up and payment of 160 shares of stock and the obtaining of 300 cows by April 1st next. Already many farmers have signed the contracts and many more should be forthcoming within the next week, as the circulation of the contracts has just begun.

A big dinner-meeting to further consider and discuss the cheese-factory will be held at the Hotel Adams in Estacada, Monday evening, February 26th, with supper served at 7 o'clock.

Everyone interested in the disposal of dairy products is urged to be present and to make their

## Johnson - Klinker Wedding

One of the prettiest and happiest weddings that has occurred in this community in some time was held Wednesday afternoon, February 21st at the Johnson home in George, when Miss Flora, daughter of Henry Johnson, became the bride of Henry Klinker of George.

The ceremony was performed by Mr. Walter Givens of Estacada in the presence of a large assembly of relatives and friends and was followed in the evening by a supper and dance at the George Club, where the merry-making lasted until a late hour.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was attended by Miss Anna Pagh of Ridgefield, Washington, as bridesmaid.

The happy couple are receiving the congratulations of their many friends, who are doubly glad that the newlyweds will remain in George, where Mr. Klinker has a fine farm.

## Pig Club Specialist

### Visits School

Prof. L. J. Allen of the Extension Department of the O. A. C. spent Monday and Tuesday in this vicinity in company with Frank Ewing, the P. R. L. & P. Agriculturalist of Viola.

Prof. Allen's specialty is "pig club" work among the boys and girls in the schools and as this important work is being heartily entered into by the local students, his visit was more than welcome, ending Tuesday afternoon in an illustrated lecture at the Family Theatre, with many students and their parents in attendance.

On Wednesday, Prin. Guthrie and Mr. Ewing conducted a number of pig-club enthusiasts to a sale of registered pigs near Gresham, where four of the local boys invested in registered bred Duroc sows.

reservations well in advance, by notifying either A. L. Laswell or Harry C. Reid of Estacada, who are the committee in charge.

As usual, effort will be made to have autos aid in bringing the parties from distant points into town, thanks to the openheartedness of the local automobile owners.

There is no good reason why a cheese-factory cannot be operated here which will prove a financial success to the dairymen as well as to the other stockholders, as similar institutions have made money elsewhere and if the people of this community will stick and stand together, it will result in mutual gain to all and to the community.