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If there is anything more dangerous than a bananna peeling on a cement sidewalk, it is two peelings. And yet, it is seldom there are less than half a dozen on the sidewalks of the business section of Estacada at one time, together with an assortment of orange peel and other slippery refuse.

Last week, an Estacada business man took a bad fall, as a result of slipping on an orange peeling and pedestrians are in constant danger of similar accidents just so long as we carelessly drop the peelings on the walks.

While the children are to blame for much of this nuisance, there are plenty of adults, who thoughtlessly do the same and furthermore, it is against the law.

A few people in Estacada refused to cast a vote on the "herdlaw" question last week, for fear of antagonizing someone.

We wonder how these people would like to serve on the City Council, where voting on public matters is open and above board?

No man, nor his business has ever been seriously harmed by taking an honest stand on any question, but the straddle the fence man, is usually cussed by both sides.

The Estacada City Council is at least thankful that it is not blamed for the weather, but even then, if it passed an ordinance ordering all good weather, some people would kick.

And the Mayor only receives a yearly salary of \$0.00 and the Councilmen the same, so can you blame them for fighting to hold their jobs?

Somebody has suggested that a cheese factory in Estacada will be a nuisance, owing to the odors from the plant.

But a little thing like that will never keep an industry from locating here, for we will gladly welcome a tannery or a fertilizer factory, just so long as it carries a payroll, for there is nothing smells so good as the currency of the realm.

A comparison of the total taxes levied in Clackamas County for 1917 on the roll of 1916, shows this county's total to be \$823,946. 75, only being exceeded by Multnomah, Marion and Lane Counties,

Clackamas' State levy amounts to \$96,881.50 - County levy, \$135, 892. 59 - School, general and special, \$240,264.95 - Roads, general and special, \$280,353.64 - Cities and Towns, special, \$70,554. 07.

With over \$280,000, to be expended on roads this year, it seems as though something ought to be done to improve the Douglass Hill, Boring Hill and Clear Creek Canyon Hill roads in this section.

We are pleased to note that Estacada and eastern Clackamas county sportsmen are not alone in endorsing Ben S. Patton of Estacada for reinstatement as County Game Warden - for last week at a meeting of the Live Wires of Oregon City and the good people of the Mount Pleasant section, a resolution was unanimously adopted asking for Patton's early appointment.

If our new high school when completed is as handsome and inviting as the architect's drawing, the Board might as well start a night-school, for we'll all want to attend.

Again, with those stairless stairways, how are the kids going to wear out their pants sliding down the bannisters?

If Sheriff Wilson and his crew would finally put the booze peddlers of Milwaukie in the penitentiary, maybe they could then give attention to the chicken thieves, who are now adding to the high cost of farming in this community.

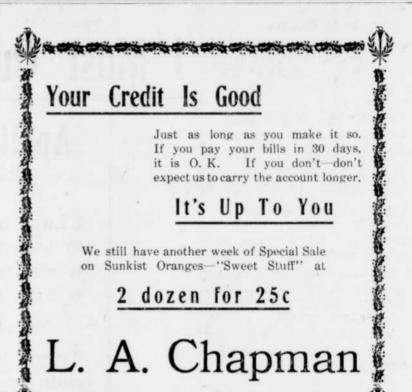
The monthly epidemic of "friarsclubitis" and hotelbellitis" has broken out in the upper end of the county again, with the usual cache of booze discovered and substantially the same old bunch of boot-leggers pinched.

If the law-breakers in these cases were allowed to languish a few months in jail, it would do more to stamp out these two county parasites, than all of the fines put together.

If it wasn't for these two permanent nuisances, the sheriff's office in this county would be a cinch and incidentally a few thousand dollars of the rural taxpayers' money would each year be expended in other and more permanent channels.

But that is one of the luxuries that a rural county has to pay for, when it wishes to maintain a highly civilized, metropolitan portion. And yet, some people wonder why the law abiding farmers of eastern Clackamas would like to have a county of their own?

Chas Bronson and son Neil of Estacada left Monday for Bull Run, where they will be employed on guard duty.



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