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MORE LAND TO BE CULTIVATED

Agricultural Defense Meeting Well Attended

Following the Agricultural Defense Day meeting held in Estacada Monday evening, under the auspices of the Farmers' & Merchants' Club and augmented Tuesday night, by the passage of the Estacada herd-law, which became effective on Wednesday, arrangements are now under way for the immediate plowing and planting of more of Estacada's vacant property.

Monday nights dinner-meeting of the club was an enjoyable one, with between fifty and sixty in attendance, the ladies were guests of the club, as were also the non-commissioned officers of Company D.

The Defense Day meeting was held in the Family Theatre, through the courtesy of Manager Sparks. Reports were presented by Messrs. Givens, Whitcomb, Johnson, Ewing and Joyner, of the county meeting at Oregon City on the Thursday previous and also of the work already undertaken in the various nearby communities.

An open discussion of questions relative to the cooperation of the local people in increasing the production of farm products was entered into, with Dr. Adix appointed a committee of one to try to interest non-residents in the farming of several vacant farms in this section.

The Government's plan in this increased food production campaign was presented briefly, including the contemplated action by Congress of passing the Administration's Agricultural Bill, to fix maximum and minimum prices for food, clothing, fuel and other necessities and articles required for their production — to prescribe regulations to govern the production of these commodities — to compel holders of necessities to release them in amounts insuring equitable distribution — to eliminate market speculation — to govern movement of necessities by railroads — besides other provisions of the bill.

Conscription Registration Soon

The Army Conscription Bill, which requires the registration for conscription purposes of all male citizens of the United States between the ages of 21 and 30 years inclusive, will shortly be in effect in Oregon.

Further information relative to this War Census will be published in these columns, so that the general public may fully understand what is required of them on the day of registration.

BUREAU OF FISHERIES

INVESTIGATING

State Game Warden To Look Over Local Fish Conditions Friday

The resolutions lately sent out by the Estacada Rod & Gun Club and the Farmers' & Merchants' Club, protesting against the salmon blockades in the nearby streams, are receiving prompt attention by the State Fish & Game Commission and the Federal Bureau of Fisheries.

The following letter was this week received from the Commissioner of Fisheries at Washington, which shows that bureau is already making investigations:—

Department of Commerce
Bureau of Fisheries
Washington May 9, 1917.
Estacada Rod & Gun Club,
Estacada, Oregon.

Gentlemen:

Your petition has been received by this Bureau, and the matter referred to is being investigated. You will be advised as soon as further information on the subject is received.

Very truly yours,
H. M. Smith
Commissioner.

State Game Warden, Carl Shoemaker of Portland phoned Monday, that he and another member of his department will be in Estacada next Friday morning, May 18th, from which point they will visit the local dams and fish racks, to see if some relief can be given the present blockade conditions.

All parties interested, are invited to accompany Mr. Shoemaker and party on this trip, leaving the News office at about nine o'clock.

Mrs. Robley To Head Parent-Teachers

The Parent Teacher Association held its last regular meeting for the year in the high school assembly room on Thursday evening.

A program was rendered consisting of music by a girls' chorus from the high school; a song by a group of little girls from the first grade, and a talk by Miss Wash on the topic "How to Make Vacation Count". Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows.

President - Mrs. F. G. Robley
Vice Pres. - Mrs. W. Givens
Secretary - Miss Ruth Welch
Treasurer - Mrs. D. Fleming.

ROAD BOND DEBATE FRIDAY

Spence and Stephens vs Bowerman and Riley

At eight o'clock, Friday evening, May 18th, at the Family Theatre in Estacada, will be staged a debate on the proposed \$6,000,000 Road Bond issue that should bring out a crowd. The contest promises to be a hot one for the ablest of opponents are to present their arguments, and while the affair is free, it will well be worth an admission price.

As the sporting writers would say, "All contestants are trained to the pink of condition." The affirmative side will be presented by Ex-Governor Jay Bowerman and Frank B. Riley of Portland, with the negative champions being Representative H. C. Stephens of George and State Master C. E. Spence of the Oregon Grange.

This debate will be conducted under the auspices of the Farmers' & Merchants' Club, and everyone is invited to be present.

Emergency Herd Law Ordinance Passed and Now Being Enforced

By a vote of four to one, Ordinance No. 104 was repealed at the Tuesday night meeting of the Estacada City Council and Ordinance No. 105, being an ordinance similar to the repealed one, but with a few changes and containing an emergency clause, was passed by a similar vote.

City Marshal Park was instructed to begin the enforcement of this herd law at once and hereafter all livestock are prohibited from running at large within the city limits.

Action was also taken by the council to enforce the building, rebuilding and repair of the majority of sidewalks in the city and in compliance with this order the P. R. L. & P. Co. are already planning the building of concrete walks about their hotel property.

It was also duly ordered that five carloads of gravel be ordered for immediate use in the repair of the city's streets.

Ames Appointed Federal Hunter

Through the recommendation of Ex-County Game Warden Patton of Estacada, A. G. Ames of Estacada this week received the appointment of District Government Hunter.

This work is in connection with the Federal Department of Predatory Animals, which department pays salaries to regular hunters, whose duties consist of killing predatory animals, such as bobcats, cougars, wolves and the like.

Mr. Ames territory will consist of the nearby mountainous sections from Mt. Hood to the upper waters of the Clackamas and Santiam Rivers.

ESTACADA A CLEAN CITY NOW

Soldiers And Civilians Do Thorough Job Tuesday

If cleanliness is next to Godliness the City of Estacada is this week nearer a realization of its birthright than it has been for many years past.

Under the command of Capt. Harry Hulse, of Company D, the handling of Estacada's annual Clean-up Day was successfully conducted last Tuesday.

About seventy of the soldiers, formed in squads under the command of non-commissioned officers and augmented by equal civilian strength and accompanied by teams and wagons, began cleaning up and digging out the city public and private property, with the work continuing from 8:30 a. m. until 4:30 p. m.

Not less than 150 wagon loads of refuse were handled and burned on the lot in the rear of the City Hall. These loads of refuse, to the student of archeology, geology or that study of the strata of the earth's surface, would have displayed the past history of Estacada. Stratas of empty beer and whisky bottles clearly defined those periodic years of booze and prohibition in the past, with remnants and souvenirs galore unearthed, sadly reminding the excavators of those early boom days of watered clay manufacturing stocks and other bursted bubbles, not to mention a thick layer of the up to the present, uncivilized custom of allowing the livestock to roam at large.

The clean-up as conducted under army supervision was such a thorough one that the entire city could not be covered, but the flat and business portion was completed, dug out and disinfected in a business-like, sanitary manner.

The crowning triumph of the day and where a most thorough clean-up was made was during the noon hour, when over two hundred hungry soldiers and civilians, in massed formation, charged and gallantly captured the most delicious, magnificent, luxurious and abundant public dinner that has ever been served in the history of the city.

And to the ladies of Estacada is due the undying thanks of all of those who were privileged to participate in this feast, which appreciation was not only made known by the way the good things were consumed, but by the unlimited compliments heaped upon their hostesses by the soldiers and townspeople.

Now that Estacada is clean according to our standards, and passably clean according to army standards, let us try to keep it clean!

Let's take a personal pride in the appearance of our city. Let's stop the practice of throwing tin cans and refuse in vacant lots and

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