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A few weeks ago, when we conceived the idea of presenting the home newspaper to our soldier and sailor boys, we did it merely feeling it would help in a small way to cheer up some of our homesick boys, and expecting that a dozen copies per week would fulfil the mission.

Now we have come to a realization that we have tackled a real job, that is, in seeing to it that the News really reaches each and everyone of our twenty-five to thirty enlisted men, scattered in all parts of the world.

Without intending to compliment ourselves in the least, we had far from realized the value of the home newspaper to those boys, until we began receiving letters galore from all parts of the country, thanking us many times over for the paper. For instance, at Charlotte, N. C., one soldier boy carried his copy of the News several miles to a distant part of the camp, so that another Estacada boy could read it, but now both boys are getting a separate copy.

But now we are up against it, for we intend that our boys shall receive the News regularly, but we don't know their present addresses in many instances, for the recent troop movements have scattered them to distant camps and countries.

Chester Womer of Estacada, in a letter from Camp Mills, N. Y., under date of Nov. 6th, writes that by Thanksgiving time, he expects to be either in France or enroute across the ocean. He also mentions Bob Ewalt of Estacada and Leroy Gard and says he expects other home boys will reach there in time for transporting.

From the expressions of thanks which we have received for our small donations, we feel ashamed to think that more home news was not published in every issue, if for no other reason than to cheer up our boys. So we are now appealing to everyone of our people to help make the home paper a little more newsy, by seeing to it that it contains all of the home doings. Phone, write or in some way notify this office of your home and neighborhood news, if for no other reason than to do another little bit for our boys who are fighting our fight and a long ways away from home, friends and loved ones.

As to getting this news to those boys, we are going to do our best and if Uncle Sam and the postal authorities will follow directions and forward the News to "Somewhere in France" or elsewhere, we'll do our share. And if the boys do receive the paper, if they will send us their latest address, it will simplify matters.

A movement, now underway in a distant part of this county, to oust our County Agriculturalist and do away with that office entirely should not receive any support from fair minded farmers and taxpayers.

If for no other reason than the fact that the value of the work cannot be ascertained at this early date, Mr. Werner should be retained, for the results of work of this sort cannot be determined or hardly realized short of a year.

Up to a couple of weeks ago, lime for offsetting soil acidity, was being sold to the farmers of this portion of the county, by unscrupulous salesmen, at a price of from \$12. to \$15. per ton and many farmers were buying at those prices. Since then, County Agriculturalist Werner, with the assistance of Frank Ewing of Estacada, Agriculturalist for the P. R. L. & P. Co., has shown the farmers that lime for this purpose can be obtained at a price of less than one-half that asked by the private concerns.

Already many farmers have placed their orders through these agriculturalists and are thankful to effect such a saving.

Now, if at the end of the first sixty days of County Agriculturalist regime, a saving of many hundreds of dollars has been effected, why listen to talk of doing away with that office and officer, until a thorough trial has been given them?

The following clipping is in rebuttal to the News' recent comment on the way some of the county seat papers "handle all of the news of Clackamas County".

"The Eastern Clackamas News, Estacada, last week wasted space in babbling about mistakes in The Courier's report of an automobile accident. Editor Standish knows as well as we do why newspapers sometimes fail to print proper names correctly. We wanted to comment upon the Standish effusion, but after a thorough search of our exchange table have resolved that his little paper must be buried somewhere beneath a copy of the late lamented Sandy News."

We have to laugh at the way Editor Robey comes back at us, for it reminds us of the kid who couldn't lick the school bully, but was willing to bet him two marbles that their cat had more kittens than his.

Corporal Sam Barr, of the Quartermaster's Corps at American Lake, spent the week-end at his home in Estacada.

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