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We have come again to the Thanksgiving season and despite a few minor hardships, resulting from the past summer's drought, and the few privations asked of us as patriotic Americans, which latter are being shared by all—Eastern Clackamas County has much to be thankful for.

To enumerate all these blessings would be an arduous task, but the past year has found us in astoundingly good health, free from epidemics and serious illness and sustaining a minimum of deaths in the twelve months passed.

As a partial offset to our drought-ridden crops, the good prices incident to the war, has left us in better financial condition than many sections.

Our road building and especially our industrial growth has eclipsed all records and our schools and churches have maintained their high standard.

But one thing we can be most truly thankful for, is the satisfaction of knowing that we live in one of the most patriotic, truly American communities in the United States, as amply evidenced by the generous support given every patriotic call.

We can too be thankful that Eastern Clackamas has its full quota of young men enlisted and doing their duty at the front.

We can be more than proud of our hearty response in moneys and labor to the Red Cross, Y. M. C. A. and Liberty Loan campaigns and with the knowledge that future calls on our patriotism will be met with equal liberality.

The true Thanksgiving spirit should permeate this community as never before and if the customary bounteous feast of turkey has this year to be supplanted by some cheaper Hooverized diet, we can be thankful that this privilege of aiding in the food conservation is given us, as another chance to "do our bit."

"The greatest food experts on both sides of the Atlantic say that there is a world shortage of food. The boys who are enduring the hell of the trenches for our sake cannot hold out if ill fed.

The situation which we have to face right now is plain. Either the stay-at-homes must save so that the soldiers may get their vital needs, or the soldiers must go short so that the stay-at-homes may fatten. You cannot have it both ways, and must make your choice.

Those of us who grumble at being asked not to waste sugar and other foods should be ashamed of ourselves.

"The people in France today are living on one pound of sugar per month. We use seven! Seven times as much sugar as the

French with all their other sacrifices, and yet we grumble!

"The man who pours sugar in his coffee regardless, and then leaves half of it on the bottom of the cup doesn't like to be asked to stir it up!

"Let us save part of our sugar, let us observe the wheatless days and the meatless days.

"It will do us good and it will save the life of France!

"If you can't raise a pig, save one. You can do so by eating less pork."

We note that one of the Portland high schools was last week presented with a banner or flag, with each star representing one of that school's boys who is enlisted and fighting for his Country.

The making of such a flag by the girls of the Estacada High School would be a proper and fit tribute to the E. H. S. heroes, who are now doing the fighting in all parts of the world.

Such a banner would be a souvenir well worth perpetuation and would be an object of patriotic adoration for future classes of students, long after the war has gone into history.

That it pays to advertise and that the home newspaper is read, was evidenced last week in the flood of pennies that pored into the Estacada State Bank, following a note in the News, asking for these small coins. The bank can still use more and requests that parties having same in home banks, kindly have them changed for coins of larger denomination, for the demand for pennies is outgrowing the supply.

Of the two big dances scheduled for this week, the first occurs Thanksgiving eve at Cogswell's Hall in Eagle Creek, when a big crowd is expected to participate, with equal interest shown in the Hard-times Dance given by the C. I. C. Thanksgiving night at the Estacada Pavilion. At this latter affair, overalls and clothes of poverty will be in vogue, with the girls wearing calico aprons, housedresses and the like.

Walter Snuffin, of Garfield, has lately rooted out the last of his commercial apple orchards, replacing same with prune trees, giving him a total acreage of young and bearing trees of about 19 acres.

Mrs. Jennie Dahlquist, of Gresham, is a guest at the home of her brother-in-law, J. C. Peterson, of Estacada, where she will remain over the Thanksgiving holiday.

At the Dodge Hall on Saturday evening, December 1st, will be held a dancing party, to which all are invited.

The Cascade Garage of Estacada reports the sales of the following cars last week: Dodge five passenger cars to R. H. Currin of Currinsville and C. C. Longwell of Eagle Creek, a Dort five passenger to Bert Byers of Estacada and a Ford to Guy Grable of Springwater.

We Strive To Please

Our prices are kept as low as can be made and our service the best we know how to give.

We can get cheaper merchandise but we do not believe in sacrificing quality for quantity—but try to live up to our motto

"The Best Is None Too Good For You"

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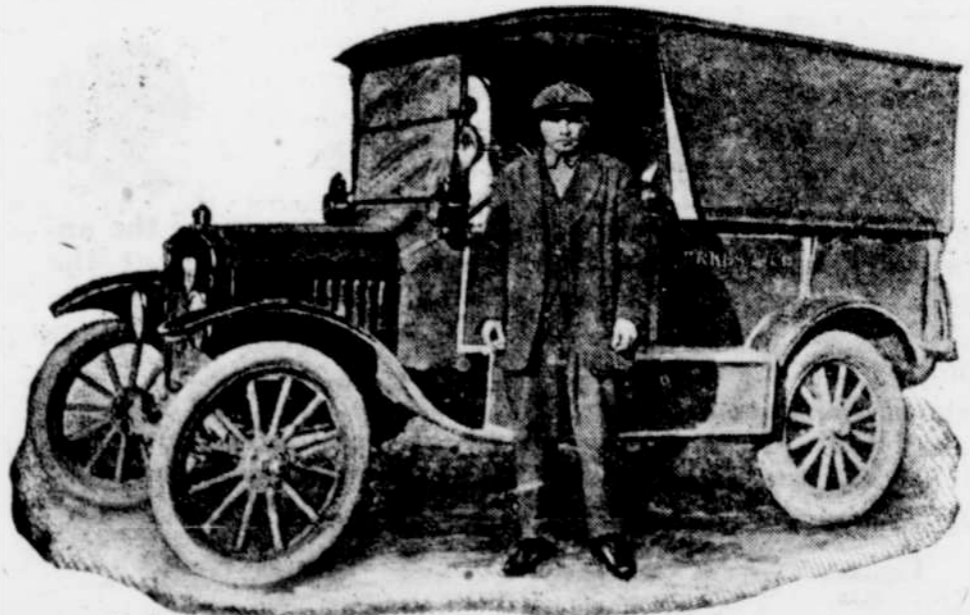
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