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Its an ill wind and an ill rain that brings forth no good, and last weeks heavy rainfall and flood did one good job when it tore out the fish rack in Eagle Creek and we hope it did the same for the salmon rack at Clackamas.

We truly hope that those racks are now well afloat and headed towards the Pacific and that no successors will be builded in their places.

For a time it was rumored that the River Mill Hatchery would be engulfed and no large amount of effort would have been made by the residents of this section to save it, for between the hatchery and the racks, salmon fishing in the nearby streams is almost a thing of the past.

We suggest that the honorable fish authorities, both federal and state, try the experiment of leaving the Clackamas River and Eagle Creek open for a year, thereby, during this season of high cost of fish products, allowing the home angler a chance to catch his home supply of salmon and steel head.

During the course of the deluge and flood of last week, rumors had reached Oregon City and Gladstone that the Cazadero and River Mill dams were breaking consequently several phone calls were received by the News, asking if any danger existed, as the lower end of the county might suffer heavily in case of such breaks.

We only wished conditions had been the same as related in the story books of the brave boy who held his finger in a hole in the dike, until help came. thereby saving the country. Had such a condition been present here, we would have either created Cascade County then and there, with the consent of Oregon City, or we would have threatened to pull out our finger.

Several times of late the city water in Estacada has been turned off without warning, but aside from the inconvenience, no harm has resulted.

But now, that we have two industries in Estacada that are using boilers and steam, whenever possible a warning should be given those industries, for serious explosions have resulted from just such conditions.

If you're doing your bit, do another bit. That's two bits, for which you can buy a War Savings Thrift Stamp and that's still another bit.

### Danger on Springwater-Logan Road

The attention of the county court or county road boss should be called to a dangerous condition which exists on the Springwater Logan main road, at the point where that highway passes the so-called "Big Slide."

At this point, not farther than 40 feet from the road, yawns a dangerous precipice, with a straight drop of several hundred feet down to the Clackamas River. This slide occured several years ago and represents one of the thrilling scenic attractions of the county, but its present unguarded condition is a constant danger, especially to strangers, few of whom would ever suspect that such a canyon existed along an otherwise level and straight road.

Since the deluge of last week, apparently this slide is continuing, and that it may take the road with it, is not an impossibility, in fact the slide has been slowly working toward the road for several years.

A fence of some kind or warning signs should be posted along this highly dangerous spot and it should be attended to at once.

Also on this same highway, at the junction with the Trachsel Cut-off Road, appears an attractive road marker, reading "Estacada - 2 Miles". A stranger would naturally suppose that Cut-off to be the main highway to Estacada but woe unto him and his machine if he ever attempted that impassable road, especially during the rainy season. For the time being this marker should be removed or instructions printed, showing the main road to be a mile or so further on.

### Soldier Boys Want Home Paper

The News some time ago started a little donation in the form of free subscriptions to the enlisted boys from this community, with the expectation that not to exceed a couple dozen copies per week would fill the requirements.

But now we are in a quandry, for the local enlistments are nearing the half hundred mark, with double that number in sight and our pocket book wont stand the added demand.

Last week one of the new recruits wrote to remind us of our original offer and we are going to see that he gets the home paper, if it bankrupts us, but that is about as far as our pocket-book can be stretched.

We will however, make a special rate of \$1.00 per year on subscriptions sent to enlisted men only, in case relatives or friends wish to have them get the home news regularly.

Miss Roberta Reid of Portland spent Christmas day at the parental home in Garfield.

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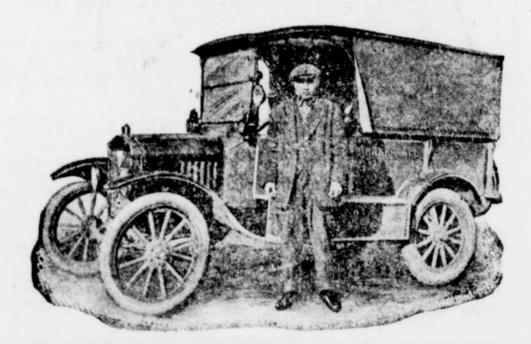
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