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FIRE DESTROYS FARM HOME Will Douglass Residence In Upper Eagle Creek Burned To Ground

Sparks from a chimney lodging in the dry shingles on the roof, Saturday afternoon set fire to the home of Will Douglass of Upper Eagle Creek and before help could be obtained, the building and contents were completely destroyed.

The fire was discovered about 4:30 in the afternoon by Mrs. Douglass who was alone at the time. As her husband and the neighboring men were at work some distance away in the fields, the structure was a mass of flames before help arrived.

Aside from some clothing and bedding, all furniture and other household articles were consumed, as well as the adjoining wood-shed.

As no insurance was carried on the property the loss is a severe one, but Mr. and Mrs. Douglass are cheerfully arranging for a new home, temporarily rebuilding a nearby dryer, which with the addition of floors and a few windows will admirably meet the requirements.

On Tuesday evening, at the nearby home of Mr. Douglass' mother, Mrs. Viola Douglass, a number of the relatives and friends gathered and tendered a surprise party on Mr. and Mrs. Will Douglass, the enjoyable part of the surprise being the donation of many household articles and in fact everything needed for their immediate resumption of housekeeping.

Springwater Girl

Marries Soldier Neighbor

A quiet home wedding was solemnized Wednesday evening, July 10th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Fink of Springwater, when their daughter Erma became the bride of Grover Kiggins, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kiggins of Springwater.

The ceremony was performed in the presence of the immediate family and a few friends by Rev. Weld of the Springwater Presbyterian Church.

The groom, who is in his 25th year, is to join the military service the latter part of this month, having been called in the last draft.

The best wishes of their many friends are extended the young folks in this happy culmination of a neighborhood courtship.

Gladstone Chautauqua Open Gates Tuesday

Many of the local people who each year avail themselves of the camping facilities and advantages of the annual session of the Gladstone Chautauqua may this year feel they are in a strange place, as many changes and improvements have been made in the park this season.

A fine gravel walk has been laid from the lower gate to the auditorium, the old auto gate being moved one hundred yards north, allowing increased auto parking facilities. A new concession stand has been erected near the ball grounds and additional water has been piped into the grounds.

Among the Estacada people who are now camping on the grounds are Mrs. John Page and daughter Minerva, Rev. and Mrs. Henry Spiess and family and Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Judd, with many others planning to spend from a day to a week at the sessions later, as the assembly continues until the 24th.

Another Big Picnic

At Estacada Sunday

Another gala day is scheduled for the Estacada Park next Sunday, when a couple of thousand of the employes and their families, of the Supple Ballin Shipyard of Portland will hold their annual outing.

On Wednesday, July 24th, all records of recent years are expected to be eclipsed by the crowd attending the Grocers' & Butchers' Assn. of Portland picnic, with arrangements being made for over 3,000 people.

Injured Hand Exempts

From Military Service

Fred Nitschman of George, who last week was rushed to a Portland hospital, following the mangling of his hand in a saw at the Hillyard & Welch mill in Garfield, is reported in an Oregon City paper to have had the injured member amputated.

This report is unverified, as Dr. Adix of Estacada the attending physician, up to Wednesday had heard of no such operation and Fred's friends in George report that no amputation was necessary that they know of.

Nitschman's name appeared among the last call for draftees, but this disablement now places him in the exempt class, for whether the hand is amputated or not, it will be many months before the wound is healed.

Special School Meeting In Estacada Monday

The special meeting of the taxpayers of Estacada school district No. 108, as advertised elsewhere in these columns, will take place Monday evening, July 15th at the high school auditorium.

At this meeting three directors and a clerk will be elected, two directors to succeed W. H. Holder and Fred Jorg who have resigned and one director due to the expiration of the term of chairman J. W. Reed.

This meeting will take the place of the regular, annual meeting which was postponed from June 17th, owing to irregularity in its calling.

Little interest is being shown in the coming election to date, with no candidates having agreed to run for the offices and little comment among the taxpayers on the subject.

Third Payment

On Liberty Bonds

On July 18th the third payment on the Second Liberty Bonds will be due, this payment representing 35%, or in the instance of \$50. bonds, \$17.50.

The final payment is due August 15th, when the remaining \$20. on the \$50. bonds is forthcoming.

Garfield Soldier

Returns To Duty

Harry C. Reid of Garfield, who has lately been confined to the barrack's hospital at Camp Lewis is now completely recovered and with his company again. In a recent letter home Harry writes that he never was in better condition than now, despite the two sieges with pneumonia which he recently suffered from. He reports having spent July 4th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Trowbridge of Snohomish, Wash., formerly of Estacada, and where his sister Elizabeth is now visiting.

Chautauqua Base

Ball Scheduled

Interest in the baseball series at the Gladstone Chautauqua may not be as intense among Clackamas County fans this year as formerly, when county teams participated, but good ball is promised nevertheless for this season.

Three teams will contend, being the Willamette Iron & Steel Co's nine; the Wilsonville former champions and the Multnomah Athletic Club team of Portland.

NO FIRE PERMIT PRIVILEGES

Governor Issues Proclamation To Farmers Woodsmen and Campers

Authority delegated to fire wardens to issue burning permits, by section 7, chapter 76, laws of 1917, is suspended in a proclamation signed Monday by Governor Withycombe as a precaution against forest fires. Strict rules are laid down in the proclamation relative to camp fires, and persons going into forests are urged to refrain from smoking. Governor Withycombe calls the attention of the public to the extreme danger of the destruction of forests, grass and grain fields because of the present drouth. The proclamation follows:

"Because a general drouth condition has fallen on the state of Oregon causing an unusually serious situation which threatens the destruction of forests, grass and grain fields, I feel justified in ordering that all permits to burn, issued by state fire wardens as authorized by section 7, chapter 76, of the Laws of Oregon for 1917, be and are hereby suspended and that no more burning permits be issued until further notice.

"No camp fires shall be started in or near forest or brush covered lands within 20 feet of any standing or down trees, brush piles, or other litter that may cause the spread of fire, and under no condition is a fire to be built until the ground is cleared to mineral soil for a distance of six feet in every direction and no such fire shall be left even temporarily until it has been completely extinguished with a plentiful supply of water".

Kaake Takes Over

Horner's Viola Mill

With the Horner-Millard Lumber Company having lately moved their milling operations to near Mulino, Will Kaake of Estacada has taken over their Viola mill.

Mr. Kaake, with W. C. Hicinbotham as sawyer, will continue operations at the present stand, as long as the Ficken timber, on which the mill is working, lasts. As to where the mill will thereafter be located has not been decided, as some good timber is available in the Viola bottoms and some nearer Estacada.