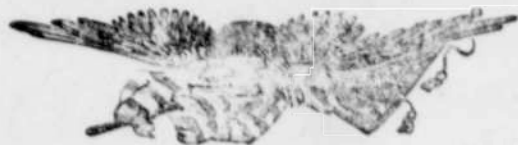


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ELKS PICNIC SUNDAY IN PARK

The season for Sunday picnics in the park, was opened Sunday by the Portland lodge of B. P. O. Elks, who with their families and friends assembled for their annual picnic. A special train of ten cars besides automobiles, brought the crowd which was estimated at a thousand. The weather in the morning was a little threatening but it cleared up nicely in the afternoon.

At the noon hour a great basket luncheon was served, after which athletic and novelty contests for prizes were indulged in. One of the stunts was an automobile race that netted about \$200 for the Salvation Army drive, sponsored by the Elks. Scores of "Bills" spent their money eagerly for chances, only to learn at the drawing that they had been paying into the Salvation Army fund with a toy automobile as a prize.

Dr. Charles T. Wheeler, speaking in behalf of the Salvation Army drive, told of the many war activities of the organization and outlined the work that will be undertaken with the funds sought in the present drive.

All returned home feeling that they had vastly enjoyed themselves.

Real Estate Moves

S. E. Wooster, our real estate specialist, reports the sale of three farms in Estacada and vicinity. The first was the Martha Tracy estate, consisting of 20 acres north of town. This was sold to W. E. Clossner, the consideration being \$4,000. The second sale also was 20 acres, one and a half miles south of town, belonging to Harold E. Wooster, the purchasers being C. L. Conrad and wife and the consideration \$1,800. The Matilda Neal farm of 47 acres was the third sale, which was sold to J. W. O. Cox for \$3,000.

THE GOOD ROADS MOVEMENT

One of the most promising signs of the time is the demand for good roads. Counties and districts are voting special taxes for this purpose, besides the state and federal appropriations. While this calls for a large outlay of money, no other project is more likely to bring in greater profitable returns, so that in a few years the original cost will not only be refunded, but a continuous, substantial interest on the investment received.

Good roads mean facilities for transportation and transit, which are essential for the growth and development of any community. The great empire builders of the world recognized this, and an empire making nation is characterized by the attention it displays in this direction. The Roman roads in Europe are instances. They are in existence today after all the centuries which have elapsed, since they were first laid. By means of them the armies of the Roman empire were transported quickly and efficiently. Thus order was maintained throughout the empire, and protection given to its citizens. "Civis Romanus sum," in that day and generation, was something more than an empty boast, and woe be to those who abused one who would claim this honor, no matter how far distant from Rome he might be.

Later on these roads became the main trade routes, and in England were used as the famous coaching roads before the advent of the railroads. England is noted for her empire development, and has followed the same principles of securing means of transportation and trade routes. Only with her, as her empire was widely scattered, these were principally upon the seas and oceans. Her merchant marine and navy made these the highways of her empire, and thus united the numerous, and far distant units of which it was composed. The secret of her success lay in thus securing good water routes which were not only highways but market highways. With us, the U. S. A. comprises a vast empire. The facilities for transportation have in the past, been by the rivers and lakes principally before the coming in of the railroads. The first great impetus to inland development, came when the first transcontinental railroad was completed. This united and made accessible the extreme east and west to each other. It must not be forgotten that a vast slice of the territory west of the Rocky mountains, was only saved to the Union, by the news that an adventurous individual had crossed

DANCE

The United Artisans of Estacada, who have recently organized a lodge, will give a dance at the Park pavilion Saturday night. It will be a very enjoyable affair and is open to everybody whether members of the order or not.

Clinton Looney of Currinsville, had the misfortune Tuesday, to break his arm.

then with team and wagon, thus showing that there was no unsurmountable barrier to prevent access to this territory by land routes.

Since the railroads have spanned the continent the development of the west, has been rapid and phenomenal. But railroad facilities are limited, and there are still large areas which are without them. No matter how fertile and rich in natural resources these may be they are practically negated for lack of transportation of their products to markets. It would take years to sufficiently provide rail transportation, but since the perfecting of motor trucks and automobiles, the need of railroads has been greatly lessened, provided the dirt roads are in good condition for the traffic. But dirt roads are out of commission during the wet season. Gravel or macadam roads are better, but these while a great improvement are subject to weather conditions. Paved roads which are now possible, supply the great need. Once laid they are easily kept in repair, and last for years and stand splendidly the strain of transportation.

It will not be necessary now that trucks and automobiles are within the reach and means of nearly every farmer, to depend on railroads. With his truck, the farmer can haul his grain and produce from the interior to the trunk railroad lines and terminal points. By so doing he will save a large amount of what formerly the railroad received for hauling, and in consequence will obtain higher prices for his products. It is not unlikely in the future that these paved highways will be built instead of railroads in many localities, connecting with the latter, as being more economical and more beneficial to the inhabitants than a railroad would be.

A great era of international commerce seems to be dawning, which will cause a demand for everything this country can raise and produce. To take advantage of this, there must be adequate transportation facilities provided all over the country, so that these may reach the points of export, otherwise this trade will be lost.

Heaven helps those who help themselves, and it rests with ourselves whether we get our share or not. So to fail of joining in this mighty movement for road building which is now sweeping over the land, will be to convict ourselves of the rankest stupidity and most shortsighted, suicidal policy.

Estacada Wallops Maroons

The game Sunday between the Kirkpatrick Maroons of Portland and Estacada, was a good clean one, resulting in favor of Estacada. All the local boys played well. We clip the following from the Oregonian:

"Manager William R. Heales' Kirkpatrick Stars returned from Estacada Sunday night yelping loudly over the decisions of Vampire Anderson of that fair city."

"Estacada won the battle royal, final score 8 to 7, making 14 hits against 11 for the Maroons."

BIG FREE DANCE FOURTH OF JULY

While this place will not formally celebrate the Glorious Fourth, yet it won't be without amusement in keeping with the occasion. The business men and others of the vicinity have made up a fund to give a big free dance in the pavilion in honor of all those who have been in the service of Uncle Sam, and the P. R. L. & P. Co. has generously donated the use of the pavilion. Soldiers and sailors are requested to wear their uniforms. Good music by a four piece orchestra, will be furnished and a free lunch served at midnight. Everybody is invited to come and help give the boys a good time. No charges whatsoever will be made.

LIBRARY MEETING

The Library Association will meet in the C. I. C. rooms on Friday evening at 7.30, to effect a permanent organization.

Salvation Army Fund

There will be no special solicitation for the above object in Estacada, but those wishing to contribute, can leave their subscriptions at the bank.

GEORGE DOES IT

The people in the George district are determined to do their bit towards securing the Hood River Loop road. Last night an enthusiastic meeting in connection, was held at the George club hall, when a report was made as to a preliminary survey of a tentative route for this road if it passes thru the district. H. Joyner called the meeting to order and several speeches were made, after which the taxpayers present of the district, signed the pledge for taxing themselves 10 mills for 2 years. Refreshments of cake and coffee were served at the conclusion, which testified to the excellent culinary skill of the George ladies.