

### FAVOR FREE HIDES

Leather Dealers Say Duty Is Not Beneficial.

### BIG PROFITS NOW PREVAIL

Removal of Tariff Would Not Cut Prices to Consumers, According to Opinions Advanced by Local Manufacturers.

Portland leather manufacturers endorse the reported action of the tariff conference committee at Washington in placing hides on the free list and reducing substantially the duty on the products manufactured from hides.

Telegraphic dispatches from Washington yesterday indicated that hides will be placed on the free list and that the duty on leather and boots and shoes will be reduced more than 50 per cent.

The extent to which the duty will be reduced on manufactured leather products is shown in the following: Sole leather, from 17 1/2 per cent to 5 per cent ad valorem; leather for uppers, from 17 1/2 per cent to 7 1/2 per cent; boots and shoes, from 25 per cent to 10 per cent.

There was a general demand for free hides, said W. O. Breymann, president of the Breymann Leather Company, last night. "Practically all of the tanners wanted the duty taken off of hides, not particularly for the reason that it naturally would reduce the cost of leather, but because it would enlarge the field from which they could buy."

Under the present conditions the stockman in the Pacific Northwest receives about 6 cents a pound for his hides, which are sold in the Chicago market for from 12 to 15 cents a pound.

The truth of it is that, if the duty on hides is removed, as it properly should be, the producer will not be injured.

He surely will continue to get his 6 cents a pound, but it is to be expected that the profits of the Chicago dealers, who control the market, will be cut down.

"From the fact that the hide market is high all over the world, the removal of the duty on this product will not make any great difference to the producer," said W. H. McMonies, of W. H. McMonies & Co.

### SWEETLAND TO BE COACH

New Athletic Director at Willamette Has Good Record.

SALEM, Or., July 24.—(Special.)—Dr. C. J. Sweetland, Jr., has been engaged as athletic director of Willamette University and will be here before the first of the school year to take up his labors.

Dr. Sweetland comes to Willamette with the very highest recommendations as a business man, a coach and a scholar. He has been for some time athletic director at the University of North Dakota and under his direction the football team won the championship of the state and defeated all teams in the same class in neighboring states.

Dr. Sweetland is a personal friend of F. H. Yost, the famous Michigan coach, by whom he is warmly recommended.

Dr. Sweetland is also recommended unreservedly by a large number of well-known athletic men and by the presidents and officers of a dozen of the leading schools and colleges throughout the country.

Concert at Columbia Park. The Peninsula Band will give a concert today at 2 o'clock at Columbia Park.

### BIG ELK ON VISIT

Grand Exalted Ruler Sammis Has Day in Portland.

### SIGHTS ARE SHOWN HIM

Reception, Banquet and General Good Time Enjoyed at Elks' Club Before Distinguished Visitor Takes Leave.

Yesterday was a big day for the Elks of Portland. It was even a more momentous event than when the lodge said good-bye to the big delegation sent to Los Angeles, for the day was marked by the visit of James U. Sammis, of Le-mars, Iowa, grand exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks in the whole United States.

Elks' chief, and his party, arrived on a belated section of a Southern Pacific train at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, when the original schedule had his train due here at 11:30 a. m.

After being met at the depot by Ralph E. Moody, George L. Hutchin and the reception committee, Mr. Sammis and his party were hustled into automobiles and driven through Portland for several hours.

At 6:30 o'clock an informal banquet was tendered the visiting delegation at the Commercial Club. The distinguished guests were: James U. Sammis, A. C. Colledge, E. A. Dalton, C. C. Bradley (of Iowa), R. J. Woods, Dr. C. M. Cluette, W. H. Timmel, W. M. Boyle, C. L. Kingsley, R. E. Nicholson, G. A. C. Clarke, W. H. Dent and L. J. McDuffie.

At 8 o'clock the distinguished Elks and his party left at midnight for Seattle, and expressed the hope that he would have the pleasure of greeting a large delegation of Portlanders at Detroit next year.

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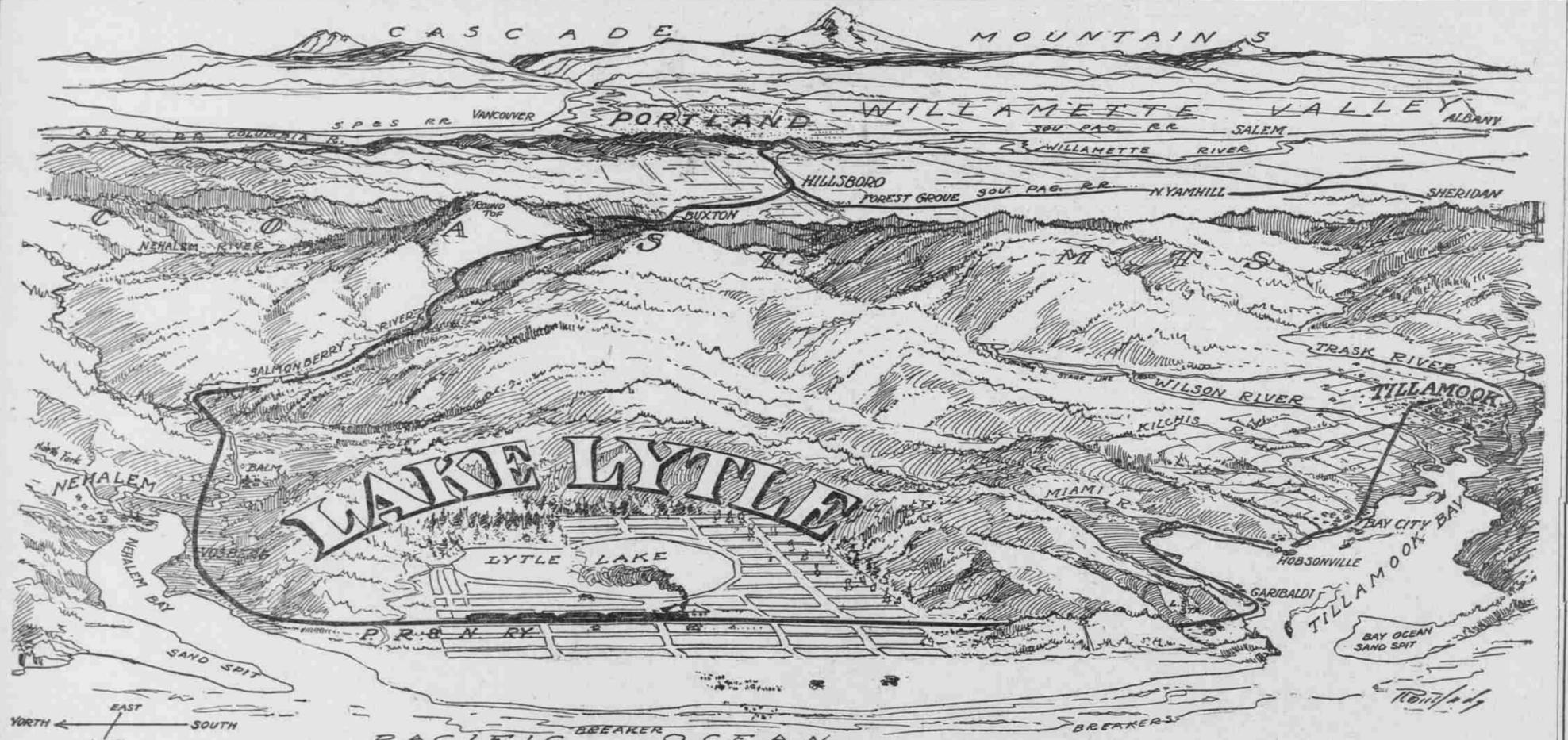
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REASON NO. 5, BY ELEANOR GARDNER, PORTLAND, OR. Reasonable prices and easy terms. With all its natural advantages and proximity to Portland one would naturally expect land to be held far in advance of what it is.

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REASON NO. 8, BY MARIE HANNIGAN, PORTLAND, OR. beautiful spot you have chosen for your summer vacation you will shake hands with yourself and pat yourself on the back and say, "Just leave it to me when you want to select an ideal spot."

REASON NO. 9, BY IDA M. BARRETT, PORTLAND, OR. Lake Lytle. Perhaps you wonder why so much comment on the little lake. These facts will prove interesting. Lake Lytle is a body of fresh water about a mile in length, one-half mile wide and varies from 6 to 20 feet in depth and has a hard sand bottom.

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