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### To Our Patrons.

After some four weeks of expensive delay we are enabled to present to the people of Tillamook county the first paper printed within her borders. The TILLAMOOK HEADLIGHT is here as a permanent fixture, and its future developments and success will depend largely upon the liberality of patronage from the citizens whose cause it has undertaken to espouse. We will, as time advances, enlarge our paper to meet the demand of business which is sure to follow the rapid immigration now heading for Tillamook county—sturdy farmers, solid business men and capitalists who are seeking to enhance their wealth by proper investments in a county of great promises. For the years past and gone Tillamook has remained dormant, dependent upon outside people to herald its wealth and its worth, which, to say the least is unknown and untold, but now, as the HEADLIGHT grows older, and becomes better acquainted, the county possesses no merit but which should be sung in tones of echoed splendor, and the reverberation shall be daught up in the most nethermost parts of the earth, and the name become synonymous to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. We bespeak a liberal, open hearted patronage, and the greater liberality bestowed the greater benefits will be accrued. Roll in your subscriptions—your money—your aid—counsel and your well wishes, and the HEADLIGHT will have achieved its greatest aim and object.

Respectfully, C. E. Wilson & Co.  
**Ready for Business.**

The HEADLIGHT, in all its glory, to-day sheds its refulgent rays upon something less than one million readers, and as time rolls on in its majestic greatness we anticipate something greater even than all this. All things have a beginning, but, although our proportions are somewhat smaller than the leading journals of the Union, who can foresee the future to prophecy that we will not be able, in a few years, to cope with the greatest journals of the age.

"We are here strictly in the interests of Tillamook county and her citizens in general. Therefore our politics will be neutral, from the fact that a partisan paper would do more to demoralize the best interests of this county than any other one thing introduced, hence the greater achievements for the county, and the paper can be accomplished by a strict application to the upbuilding of as grand a county as God ever ordered the sun to shine upon. Upon this issue, then, will be the basis of the HEADLIGHT principles, working for the greatest good to the greatest number, always remembering the people's interests are our interests, and it devolves upon us to guard zealously the handling of the county finance, that the tax payers may know expenditures are made in a manner calculated to bring benefits to those who are taxed for the general and necessary improvements. Our greatest aim is to see Tillamook

county the banner county of the state of Oregon, and Tillamook city leading the van in all greatness arising in cities of note and worth.

We are yet unknown, but be assured when our resources are once known the flood gates of immigration will be opened, the hidden wealth unearthed, and Tillamook will be looked upon as the wonder of wonders. We have the climate, advantages and resources to make us what no other county in Oregon can make, and it but wants the outside world to know of the advantages untold when thousands will knock at our doors for admission and acceptance into the great family of Tillamook.

We shall strive to give you all the news, county and general, and in order to do this it behooves every citizen to send us the news from his respective locality. In this manner the reputation of the HEADLIGHT can be built up until it will be sought with greater zeal than the buried wealth in the vaults of the nation's treasury.

"Cast your bread upon the waters and it will return after many days,"—so deposit your wealth to the fullest extent with the HEADLIGHT, and one year from to-day we will guarantee each and all of you a genuine surprise party.

Very truly, J. B. Edwards, Editor.

### LOCAL NEWS.

On Sunday last the young folk of Tillamook assembled and proceeded to picnic in Attorney Thayer's grove. That the affair was pleasant and enjoyable is beyond question, from the fact that broad smiles and pleasant faces greeted you on every corner of the highways and byways.

We are informed by Mr. W. J. Smith, that there is a vast amount of vacant farm land on Wilson river awaiting some enterprising person who wishes to make a home and fortune in Tillamook county. To immigrants this would prove a boon, being of ready access to markets, etc.

Mr. E. F. Brown, a conductor on the N. P. R. R. at Missoula, Mont., and son-in-law of Mr. W. O. Thayer, is in the city the past week visiting with his wife and friends. Mr. Brown is filled with enthusiasm over the grandeur and magnificence of Tillamook and its general surroundings, and strongly hints this will be his ultimatum.

A few days ago Bent Smith, of Wilson River, thought he had a panther foul and proceeded to empty the contents of a pistol at the supposed intruder. This was in the evening; in the morning he visited the scene of his panther's lair, and found to his astonishment a large band of elk. His disgust at frightening the game can better be imagined than described.

From the Verien Eintracht society of Portland comes a complimentary ticket to participate in Gambrinus Garden festivities June 3. To the management we beg pardon, as the notification arrived too late, but rest assured if we had the wings of doves the HEADLIGHT would have had a representative on the grounds. Next time Gambrinus Garden shall be duly recognized. Thanks.

Commissioner W. N. Vaughn, of Kilchis sent the editor a sample strawberry on memorial day measuring seven inches in circumference and four inches in diameter. If there is any doubt in the minds of easterners that this is no fruit country, let them dispel that idea at once. People in this county frequently hew out apples and use them for rain sheds, to say nothing of the pumpkin crop.

### TILLAMOOK HARBOR.

Service to Commence About July 1, With the Steamer Alliance.

To give utterance to a falsehood would be an abuse of confidence, and were we to say that our present mode of egress and ingress (for freight) was all that could be desired we most certainly would merit condemnation on all sides. From a talk with our merchants we learn there has never been any regularity with regard to freight destined for this harbor, and that upon several occasions their freight has been stored in Astoria for four months before they were able to have it delivered at this port. Such a state of affairs became monotonous, and the Tillamookers kicked out of the traces, demanding why things were thus? By an effort the Oregonian was prevailed upon to espouse the trampled cause, and at last we learn our wrongs are to be righted. A company has been formed in Portland who will place a regular line of steamers on the route from that city to Tillamook harbor, the first trip to be made by the steamer Alliance, under charge of Mr. John Melville, July 1. Tillamook has always wanted to give her trade to Portland, but shipping facilities have become outlandish that it became near a forced impossibility, and competition could close upon the San Francisco market as a redress. But the citizens of this county are kindly disposed toward Portland, and an effort on its part will retard a trade of no mean proportions.

Upon the eve of the announcement of the Coast Steamship Co. that it would soon make regular trips to our harbor, comes the promise that a regular line will at once be placed at our disposal, as that city, foreseeing our future, wants the immense trade which is bound to follow in a few short months.

With competing steamship lines from two great metropolises, what is to hinder Tillamook from becoming a port of general and lucrative importance? The resources are here, awaiting development, to make this one of the richest and most populous counties in Oregon, and with encouragement of this nature the government will take cognizance of our interests and at once discharge the small apportionment recommended for Tillamook harbor improvements. That once accomplished, according to the government engineer's report, we will have one of the finest harbors on the coast, and the city of Tillamook will advance with greater rapidity than any town on the Pacific Coast. The one, an only, thing necessary to achieve these prophecies is the united and harmonious efforts of our citizens. It is our hope they will take steps at once which will tend to a lasting and lucrative benefit, and be the means of yet better transportation. Nothing succeeds like success, and a determined effort upon the part of Tillamook's honored settlers will bring a hearing in the halls of our United States congress. We are here in the interest of Tillamook, and purpose voicing her rights and redressing her wrongs until the member from this district presents us in a right light to the great body of law-makers at the Washington appropriation dispensary; when that is done Tillamook will get her just deserts, and not till then.

If we are correct in the above sentiments, move at at once; if wrong, inform us of the fact that the right may prevail.