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TILLAMOOK JOTTINGS.

The editor again has great pleasure in wishing the citizens of Tillamook county a happy new year, and may the year be one of happiness and prosperity to one and all. As the editor will never have an opportunity at the dawn of another century to wish the citizens of Tillamook happiness, we will let our new year greetings cover both events.

Dr. Wise, resident dentist.

Mr. John Purcell returned Sunday on the steamer.

The Palace hotel is to be opened up on new year's day.

Miss Grace Sappington returned on the stage on Wednesday.

Mr. L. N. Maynard had several of his ribs injured by the kick of a horse.

Messrs. Henry Tohl and J. D. Newell came in from Nehalem on Wednesday.

Mr. Clark Hadley returned to the city on Sunday from a business trip to Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Ford will go out on the steamer to spend their honeymoon in Portland.

The public school closed on Friday for two weeks' vacation and the academy for one week.

Mr. O. H. Davenport came in on Sunday from Baker City to open dental parlors in this city.

The city council will hold an adjourned meeting on Friday evening to wind up the business of the year.

Miss Maud Sturgeon came in on the stage Friday from the agricultural college to spend the holidays.

Tuttle's telephone line, which was broken in several places in the recent storm, is now in working order again.

Miss Bella Watt is down from the north end of the county, where she is teaching school, for the holidays.

School Superintendent G. B. Lamb left to attend the state institute at Albany and to visit friends on the outside.

Mr. C. L. Thompson, of the Palace hotel, returned on the steamer, bringing a bride back with him from Eugene.

Pomona Grange will meet at Ackley's hall in Fairview on Friday, Jan. 4th, 1901, at 10 a.m.—H. F. HOLDEN, master.

Mr. Guy Reynolds has opened his new photography studio in the new building opposite the post office and is ready for business.

Mr. Frank A. Ely came in on Thursday from Forest Grove, representing the Embree McLean Carriage Co. of St. Louis, Mo.

Rev. Mr. Rossman, who was in for several weeks assisting at the revival meetings at the U.B. church, left on the stage on Wednesday.

County Judge Sappington will hold court on the 7th and 8th of January, and the board of county commissioners will meet the day following.

The best flour in Tillamook city is the Webfoot, manufactured from Eastern Oregon hard wheat. Is unequalled. Try it. Sold by McIntosh & McNair.

Mr. T. B. Handley returned to the city on Saturday from Oregon City, where he had gone on legal business connected with some timber claim contests.

Mrs. S. M. Hayes wishes us to state that the report is entirely false that is being circulated that the Presbyterian committee wanted their popcorn put up free of charge.

Do you want to make a really useful present? Then go to Nels Thompson's Furniture Store and buy one of those floor or plat rockers for your friends. Please call in and see them.

A new stock of diamond rings, gent's cuff buttons, watches and jewelry, which were delayed, have arrived at Letcher's. Call in and see them. They will make splendid new year's presents.

We are reliably informed that Father J. J. Burri left Wallace, Idaho, on the 26th inst. and may be looked for about the first of the month to take charge of the Catholic church in this city.

A school district meeting is to be held at two o'clock on January 4th for the purpose of levying a school tax and to create a sinking fund to pay off the bonded indebtedness of the district.

The Christmas trees in the Christian, Presbyterian, Methodist and United Brethren churches were well attended on Christmas eve and afforded a good deal of enjoyment, especially to the young folks.

Fairview Grange, No. 273, will meet at Ackley's hall, on Friday, Jan. 11th, 1901, at 10 a.m. Public installation of officers after dinner, to which the public is respectfully invited to attend.—L. S. MAYNARD, master.

Rev. C. P. Metzler will preach in the Presbyterian church on Sunday evening, and extends an invitation to those who do not attend church to be present. The services commence at 7:30, and visitors will be heartily welcomed.

From what we can learn some of the citizens in the Little Nestucca country want to be annexed to Yamhill county, while others want the county divided and a new county created, the dividing line being north of Beaver at Bloom's place.

Now is the time to fix your homes up with nice new furniture, making them cosy and comfortable. Nels Thompson's stock includes some pretty and serviceable carpets and linoleums, bed room suites, dining tables and chairs, elegant furniture for parlors, etc. All suitable for presents. Call in and inspect the nice assortment.

Married, on the 25th inst., at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. Edwin Morgan and Miss Freda Kunze. The bride is the daughter of Mr. G. Kunze, and after the nuptial knot had been tied the happy couple received the congratulations of a large circle of friends, when

the wedding festivities were participated in. Rev. F. H. Neff officiated at the wedding ceremony.

Fairview Grange met on the 14th inst., and had an interesting meeting, took in four new members and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Master, J. W. Maxwell; overseer, J. C. Holden; lecturer, L. S. Maynard; steward, H. F. Holden; assistant-steward, John Sheets; chaplain, Peter Brant; treasurer, Wm. Maxwell; secretary, Alfred Carlson; gate keeper, Hans Hiel; pomona, Mrs. J. W. Maxwell; flora, Minnie Olseu; ceres, Maria Maynard; lady assistant steward, Mrs. John Sheets.

Married, on the 25th inst., at the home of the bride's parents at Fairview, Mr. William Maxwell and Miss Minnie Olsen. Rev. S. A. Smith officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Olsen and the groom is the son of ex-State Senator J. W. and Mrs. Maxwell. A number of relatives and invited guests were present, who, after congratulations, participated in the wedding and Christmas festivities. Both the bride and the groom have a large circle of friends in this county who wish them a long life of happiness.

The party who made a raid on a hen roost the other night should be hauled over the coals. It appears that some of the boys put a job up on a certain individual to steal some chicken for the purpose of having a blowout at other people's expense, and after this party had screwed a number of chicken's neck, the boys commenced firing, consequently there was a hurried exodus with a number of chickens. But so hasty was the retreat that when the nocturnal thief arrived at his destination by a circuitous route he only had one chicken left.

A petition was circulated containing an expression of thanks to Congressman T. H. Tongue for his efforts in behalf of government improvements in Tillamook county. This was perfectly proper, for congressmen are human, and when they take their coats off and roll up their sleeves to carry through any measure for the public good, an expression of appreciation is encouraging to them. This is seldom thought of, for, as a rule, public officials, from the wayside postmaster to congressman, come in for more cussing than they do thanks. The democrats in this and other counties who gave Congressman Tongue a complimentary vote at the June election have no reason to regret doing so, as the large appropriations for Oregon in the river and harbor bill will show.

When returning home from church on Sunday evening in his buggy, Mr. John Svenson met with an accident which might have been more serious. Striking one of the logs in the road north of this city, the buggy upset, and scaring the team, made a dash for home, leaving the broken vehicle behind them. As the high tides are apt to remove some of the logs and then deposit them on the serpentine roadway it makes it exceedingly dangerous to travel when the water

is over them or after dark. As this is one of the most traveled roads in the county the citizens who travel it should endeavor to have the roadway straightened out and what logs remain there re-

moved, and we think if the road supervisor would start in to do that he would get plenty of help, for a few days work is preferable to running the risk of breaking one's neck.

Hoping for success in this matter, I am,
Truly and sincerely yours,
THO. H. TONGUE.

TILLAMOOK BAR IMPROVEMENTS.

Congressman T. H. Tongue Shows What Will Have to Be Complied With.

Congressman T. H. Tongue having received a number of letters from citizens in Tillamook county in regard to the improvement of Tillamook bar, this is a sample of the letters some of the prominent citizens have received in reply:

MY DEAR SIR,—I have just received yours of the 10th inst. in which you say: "I beg to urge upon you the great justice and importance of securing an appropriation for the improvement of the bar at the mouth of Tillamook Bay." The same mail brings me quite a number of letters from citizens of Tillamook in practically the same language.

Permit me to say that I fear these letters are written upon an entire misconception of the methods of proceeding in Congress in reference to the improvement of rivers and harbors of the country. Before an appropriation is ever made for any improvement of this class there must be a report from the Engineering Department of the government in reference to the proposed improvement. This report must cover,

First—A description of some plan, method or project designed to carry out and secure the desired improvement.

Second—A statement of the opinion of the Engineering Department whether or not the execution of this plan, and the completion of the project will secure the desired improvement.

Third—An estimate of the cost and expense, or amount of money necessary to appropriate in order to complete the improvement.

Fourth—The expression of opinion from the Engineering Department whether the commerce of the locality where the improvement is proposed is sufficient to justify the government in the expenditure of the amount of money needed.

The last recommendation, while always desirable, and while an adverse report is a serious obstacle in the way of securing the necessary improvement, is not necessarily fatal, and the difficulty is not always insurmountable. But the other three provisions must be complied with. These are technical matters. Congress cannot know, for instance, whether the Tillamook bar can be improved. It cannot know what is the best or necessary plan to secure the improvement. It has no means of knowing what the cost of such improvement will be, and whether it would be within the amount that would be justified by the amount of commerce, present and prospective. It never, therefore, under that condition makes any appropriation for such improvement without a knowledge of these facts.

Now as to Tillamook bar. There have been at least two surveys ordered, but there never has been a statement, plan or project formulated by the Engineering Department for the improvement of the bar. There has never been a statement from the Engineering Department whether the bar is susceptible of improvement. There has never been an estimate of the probable cost of improvement. While in both instances there has been a distinct recommendation that the improvement would not be justifiable under the conditions then existing. Under these circumstances it would be an absolute impossibility to secure any appropriation at this session of Congress. The first step to take, and the absolute pre-requisite to take is to secure from the Engineering Department a statement of a plan or project for making the improvement. A statement whether the proposed plan would secure the improvement, and an estimate of the probable cost. This can only be secured upon directions from Congress to the Engineering Department. Two previous laws upon which the surveys were made contain no direction further than the survey. After the examination made last summer I am thoroughly satisfied that the conclusions arrived at by Captain Fisk as well as the Engineer who made the survey prior to the one made by Captain Fisk, are not applicable to the conditions as they exist to-day, and that the bar ought to be improved. I am endeavoring to secure an insertion in the River and Harbor bill to be passed at this session, a provision requiring a new survey, and at the same time, containing a direction to the Engineering Department to report to Congress whether the bar is susceptible of improvement, as I have no doubt it is, and if so, to then submit a plan or project to secure the necessary improvement, together with an estimate of the cost or amount needed first, to secure a 15 foot channel at mean low water mark, and, second, the cost of securing a 20 foot channel at mean low water mark.

I have reasonable hopes of success in securing such a provision. If this is done, it is all that could be done at the present session of Congress. If this provision is secured, then I shall endeavor to secure a provision in the next River and Harbor bill for carrying out this improvement. This is the best that could possibly be done, and I hope the people of Tillamook county, interested in this improvement, will be satisfied with this.

The Chief of Engineers has recommended the appropriation of \$15,000 for the continuance of dredging the Tillamook Bay. The estimate is made that it will take \$27,000 to complete the plan previously formulated for this improvement. I hope to be able to secure an appropriation of the entire sum of \$27,000.

Hoping for success in this matter, I am,
Truly and sincerely yours,
THO. H. TONGUE.

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