

LOOKS GLOOMY.

Letter from Senator C. W. Fulton on Tillamook Bar Improvements.

We received the following letter from Senator C. W. Fulton, which explains itself: United States Senate, Washington, D.C., Dec. 24th, 1903. Mr. Fred C. Baker, Tillamook, Ore. My DEAR MR. BAKER: I notice in your issue of Dec. 17th, of the "Headlight" you express great concern about an appropriation shall not be made by the present Congress for the improvement of the entrance to Tillamook Bay and urge the delegation to do all in its power to secure such an appropriation. I fully appreciate and sympathize with you in your anxiety to secure the appropriation. I believe I fully realize its importance, not only to the people of Tillamook, but to the state of Oregon, because the region that will be accommodated by Tillamook Bay, if improved as it should be, is one of the richest and most productive in Oregon. No proposed improvement is more deserving of recognition at the hands of Congress than is the desired improvement of Tillamook Bay. I trust I need not say to you that every member of the Oregon delegation will exert himself in the utmost degree to secure a suitable appropriation for that work, but I feel at the same time that I should frankly say to you that the prospect for such an appropriation during the present session is not encouraging. It was in doubt for some weeks whether or not any river and harbor bill would be passed at this session and it was only within the last week that it was determined by the leaders of the House to pass a bill, but they are very insistent that it shall carry only a small amount and provide only for carrying forward work that has already been commenced, and that no new work shall be provided for. If that purpose shall be adhered to and a sufficient number of votes cannot be secured to overcome it, then the new work in Oregon will have to wait as well as in other states. I sincerely hope that the policy of excluding provisions for any new work will not prevail, and I am sure you that the Oregon delegation will do all it can to defeat any such program. But we may be powerless to bring about its defeat, and if we shall be, then of course no appropriation for the Tillamook Harbor can be hoped for at this session. With best regards, I am, Sincerely yours, C. W. FULTON.

Senators Mitchell and Fulton and Congressman Hermann are indebted to Tillamook more than any other county in the state. It was Representative Eddy who stymied the state legislature and elected John H. senator after a prolonged fight and which again gave Oregon one of the best senators the state ever had. It was the loyalty of the same gentleman from Tillamook that kept Charles Fulton's forces together and elected him to the senate. It was the Tillamook delegation in the republican congressional convention, after Mr. Hermann and his friends admitted they were defeated, which broke the deadlock, and, much to Mr. Hermann's surprise and joy, turned a defeat into a victory for him and which gave him the nomination. Each of these gentlemen know full well why the representative men of Tillamook exert themselves in their behalf. The people of this county have prayed and petitioned for a number of years for bar improvements, and have patiently waited while other parts of Oregon have been well cared for. Now Tillamook county, with its vast timber resources, is practically isolated and bottled up, and unable to reach the markets on account of a shallow and shifting bar which stagnated the lumber industry, discouraged the manufacturers and put a stop to several large milling projects that would now be underway had there been any assurance that lumber and steam schooners could cross the bar in safety. That the condition of Tillamook bar does not justify the expenditure of large sums of money for big saw mills is the verdict of those who have looked over the situation. The experiences the present mill men have gone through, coupled with the fact that the owners of lumber schooners have a prejudice against the port on account of so many accidents and delays, has resulted in the export saw mills and logging camps being closed down. A gloomy state of affairs if we have to wait a number of years longer. Senators Mitchell and Fulton and Congressman Hermann are fully aware of the conditions in Tillamook, and also know that as a meritorious project, none is more needed and deserving than that of the improvement of Tillamook bar, and we hope they will succeed in convincing the river and harbor committee to sanction an appropriation for the improvement of Tillamook bar. If the members of the committee could only get one glimpse of what the people have had to buck against for so many years, with the Coast range of mountains on one side and the Pacific ocean the other, we believe their hearts would melt for those, who, with true western grit, have hewed homes out of the primeval forest and are now wanting to expand and reach the markets. It will cause a sad disappointment in Tillamook if the project is turned down on a false cry for economy. Yet for all that, we do not share the opinion of pessimistic democrats in this county that Tillamook is not going to get an appropriation for the improvement of the bar. That would give them an issue at the election next June to whip republicans and the republican party, but the HEADLIGHT has great faith in Senators Mitchell and Fulton and Congressman Hermann, who will now rise to the occasion in Tillamook's behalf as readily as Tillamook republicans rose in their behalf and sent them to Washington. Tillamook politicians asked no favors for themselves for their loyalty to those gentlemen, but what they did insist upon the senators and congressman trying to get was an appropriation for Tillamook bar, and we believe they will do everything in their power to get it, although the outlook is not very bright by the tone of Senator Fulton's letter.

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NETARTS.

W. H. Easter, the Tillamook liverman, was over to the beach Sunday. Peter Asp, of Portland, has arrived on the Cape and will stop on his homestead for a while. John Conklin and Ed. Weston, of Fairview, were on the bay Sunday fishing for clams. August Wint, who has been staying at Whiskey creek, left for Portland a few days ago. Miss Ruth Easter, of Tillamook, is visiting on the bay among her friends. Ralph Ackley and wife are visiting at Netarts with Mrs. Ackley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Phelps. Marvin Cane, who got his leg cut while working at the light house, is able to be around again.

SOUTH PRAIRIE.

Marion Lamb went to Eugene last week to visit his family. Quite a number spent Christmas day in Tillamook. Mr. and Mrs. George Bennett, of Woodland, Wash., are visiting Mrs. Bennett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Powell. Miss Winnie Goynne and friends of Tillamook spent Xmas day with her brother, Thomas Goynne. There was a Christmas tree and dance given at Grandma Johnson's Xmas eve. Mrs. Willis Powell gave a dinner Christmas.

BEAVER.

Christmas was celebrated here with a grand ball at Bixby's hall. There was a large crowd and all seemed to have a good time. We hear Mr. Bixby content plates having another dance new year's night. Ed. Kinnaman and wife have moved back on their farm and Mark Bays and wife now stand behind the counter. Misses Elsie and Inez Dickens, of Dolph, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Bunn this week. John Spencer is building a house on his homestead. Look out, John, its nearly leap year. Ernest Haag & Co. have their sawmill running.

BOULDER CREEK.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Kinnaman went home to spend Christmas. The clear frosty weather we have had lately doesn't seem to agree with Boulder erites; nearly everyone being about sick with coughs and colds. The Christmas tree and dinner at W. N. Bay's was quite a pleasant occasion as the guests can all testify. But then Mr. Bays always does give his guests a good time. Work began Monday on the new county road up Boulder Creek. This will be a fine improvement and every progressive citizen should be willing to help put it through. After it is finished we will get our bridge across the Nestucca. It is merely a question of time. Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Kinnaman and their infant daughter came up to H. A. Chopard's Xmas day. They intend to visit for several days among their many friends and relatives at Blaine.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lucas and little son Roy, and Mrs. Martha Roy came down from Blaine Christmas day to dine with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Lucas. Elder R. Y. Blalock returned from a month's absence. H. L. Jensen, H. A. Chopard, M. F. Soars, M. A. Cady, and a number of others went to Beaver one day last week. Miss Franklin of Tillamook, our new school teacher, arrived Saturday, and is boarding with Mrs. Lida Brady for the present. School commenced Monday for a five month term. J. Borha went to the hub Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Kinnaman of Upper Boulder, and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dye, of Wolf Creek were guests at G. W. Lucas' last Sunday. Grandpa Brady and P. B. Lucas went to Tillamook last Thursday after supplies and school books.

A few weeks ago we wrote a very innocent, and as we thought, inoffensive news item, to this paper concerning a certain lady. Although a stranger to us we never dreamed she would take offense to such a trifle mention of her name, but it seems she is very indignant that we should have "put her in the paper" at all, so if this should meet her eye we hope it will assure her that we meant no offense and will take extreme care to avoid the same mistake in the future, therefore she need give herself no further uneasiness on that score.

We are very much pleased to see that the editor gets a word of commendation and praise once in a while for his efforts to abolish gambling and we hope he will feel encouraged to continue the fight to a triumphant victory.

BLAINE.

[BY TOM BLAINE.] Blaine is still celebrating Christmas. Cecil and Alanzo Kinnaman, of Spruce, spent Christmas with their uncle, Mr. Carl. Miss Blanch Bailey came home last Thursday to spend Christmas with her mother, returning again to Spruce last Sunday. The "Pie Party" given at the home of Miss Maggie Creecy Christmas evening was a grand success. Everybody present had a good time and long to be remembered. Johnnie Creecy proved to be the "champion pie eater." Robert McClay, J. J. Howser, John Creecy, Will Ray, Miss Fanny Smith and Miss Maggie Creecy visited Tillamook City last week.

The citizens of Blaine hail with joy the news that the Panama Canal will be constructed. We realize what that canal means to Oregon. This has been a fine winter so far on stock. There is good feeding yet on the range around Blaine, and the stock is looking well. It has been a blessing to the stockman, as hay is scarce.

Ralph Bundy, "the heart smasher," of Blaine, attended the Beaver dance. Ralph always has a good time wherever he goes, as he has many friends. Next Sunday evening the Christian Endeavor will elect officers. All members are requested to be present. The Christmas tree and entertainment given at the Blaine school-house, Christmas eve, was a success. The tree was

beautifully decorated and well loaded with presents. The program was well arranged and entertaining. When the Christian Endeavor Society, with Blaine under leaders, to give an entertainment they always make a success of it.

Mr. M. Cody made a business trip to Beaver last week. The young people of Blaine called at the home of Mrs. Bailey last Saturday and spent the evening very pleasantly with games, etc. An oyster supper was served, which was enjoyed by all who were fortunate enough to be present. Mr. and Mrs. W. Booth, Miss Nella Smith and Dee Moon attended the Beaver dance on Christmas evening. They reported having a very enjoyable time.

The weather is beautiful and the farmers are preparing for their spring work. Slaughtering and grubbing is the order of the day. Secretary Hitchcock's hand was shown when Mr. H-mann was refused a place on the River and Harbor committee. That is all right, Mr. Hitchcock, your head comes off when the next cabinet is organized.

New Schedule for Recording.

The special session of the legislature raised the charge of recording fees about 50 per cent, the schedule being as follows:

- First.—For recording any deed, trust deed, declaration, contract, mortgage, chattel mortgage, bill of sale, or any instrument in writing required, or permitted by law to be recorded, for each folio 100 words or less such instrument, the sum of 25 cents, but no charge shall be made for the filing or indexing of such instruments, or for the official certificate attached thereto. Second.—For entering and attesting satisfaction, assignment, or release, on the margin of the record, of any mechanic's lien, real estate, or chattel mortgage, or other instrument, 50 cents. Third.—For filing and making the entry of any transcript of judgment in the judgment lien docket, \$1. Fourth.—For furnishing private parties copies of records and files, for each folio 10 cents, and for each official certificate thereto, 25 cents. Fifth.—For entering of record every declaration of intention of an alien to become a citizen of the United States, and furnishing to the declarant a certified copy thereof, \$1.50; and for entering of record every naturalization of (a) an alien, and furnishing to the person naturalized a certified copy thereof, \$5.

Hurts Oregon.

Senator Fulton had a second hearing before the Public Land Commission and discussed at some length the forestry policy of the Government, particularly as it applies to Oregon. The Senator stated that the present method of administering the timber and stone act is unjustifiable and impracticable. He objected to the set of questions that is laid before every entryman, and embarrassed many who are seeking to acquire lands in good faith. He protested the Government has no right to inquire of an entryman whether he will ever sell his quarter section of timber, or have a chance to do so at a profit, and also objected to many other questions that are now propounded.

Senator Fulton told the commission that a great deal of senseless outcry had been raised against allowing large bodies of timber lands to fall into the hands of lumber or logging companies. He showed that it is only the large companies that can cut and remove the timber and bring it into trade and commerce. He said no settler owning a single quarter section could afford to erect a sawmill, or undertake to log that individual tract. It is only the large companies controlling large tracts of timber land that can afford to operate mills or logging camps. He furthermore insisted that the utilization of Oregon's timber was necessary to the development of the state, that timber is not wanted or needed to any great extent for the home market, but for exportation to foreign markets.

The act suspending the duty on coal, passed by congress last January, will expire by limitation next month. The question will therefore soon come before congress as to the expediency of renewing the act and retaining coal on the free list. There can be no question regarding public opinion on the matter. It is overwhelmingly in favor of coal remaining on the free list and it is hardly possible that congress will fail to heed this sentiment. It may be admitted that the suspension of the duty has not resulted in materially reducing the price of coal, but it can be quite confidently assumed that a restoration of the duty would probably have the effect to put up the price. While relatively to the total consumption of bituminous coal in the United States, amounting to at least 170,000,000 tons, the imports from England and Canada play but a very insignificant part, yet, as the New York Journal of Commerce remarks, they place a check on the coal monopolists, which is a thousand times more valuable than all the revenue which can be derived from the restoration of the duty." This reflects the popular view and is argument sufficient for retaining coal on the free list. That this will be done it seems entirely safe to predict.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1898.—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. December 28th, 1903. Oregon City, Oregon. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1898, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as amended, all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892.

RICHARD WOOLSEY, of Portland, County of Multnomah, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1898, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as amended, all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 28th day of February, 1904. ALBENSON S. DENNER, Register.

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