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The Tillamook Headlight
Fred C. Baker, Publisher.

Sparks from the Anvil.

Now see the democratic "ring" get together and fix the "slate."

The democratic primaries on Saturday were thinly attended and came near being a political frost.

We felt sorry on Saturday—for the democrats—for it looked as though the few untried leaders had some trouble in drumming up a corporal's guard to select delegates to the convention.

How to make good roads. There's too many men who think they know all about it and are too conceited to be told how to make good roads. Hence so many poorly constructed highways.

As the steamers plying between Tillamook and Astoria have gone into a cut rate war, and as fares and freight rates are not vet down to h-drock, we would suggest that Captain Shradler, by way of inducement to persons to travel on the Sue H. Elmore, that he serve a swell banquet and wine and dine his passengers, free of cost.

A petition was circulated in this city to have Judge R. P. Boise run for circuit judge as an independent candidate. However much we may admire the aged and respected jurist, his advanced age and defective hearing must be taken into consideration, and on that account we do not think he can be re-elected, even should he become the nominee of the democratic party.

For the first time in a number of years the saloons were closed on Sunday in Tillamook City, and with gambling and slot machines closed down without opposition, there is not likely to be any complaints filed in the circuit court next week against the gambling houses and slot machines, least ways, that is what we should recommend, for a prosecution at this time would accomplish no good, and it would be unfair to proceed against one or two only.

It is characteristic of some people in Tillamook who boast so much about their republicanism and their loyalty to the republican party, when things don't go to suit them at the primaries or in the convention, to become somewhat disappointed and then turn round and help defeat the very party they claim they belong to. Rats, they do not belong to the republican party, so what's the use of taking notice of such persons, for all true and loyal republicans are well pleased with the republican ticket, and they cannot be influenced to vote against it.

There is this much to say in behalf of Councilman Chase, he has been congratulated by a large number of citizens for putting a stop to gambling in Tillamook City, and acting as he did, in his official capacity, makes it more significant, for the reason that for a number of years no city official had the sand to make a motion that the marshal close up the slot machines and gambling. Every woman who is raising a family of boys, and who have their sons interests at heart, should thank Councilman Chase.

Woodburn took a vote whether cows should be allowed to run at large, and Old Bossy won out with a vote of two to one in her favor, and it would come out in about the same way if a vote was taken in Tillamook City. Talk about a nuisance, Old Bossy is not one-sixteenth of a nuisance as the duck pond right in the heart of the city and which is a menace to the health of the pupils who attend the public school. Another thing that should not be lost sight of, it is far healthier for the city to allow cows to run at large than to have them housed up in barns all summer which are not kept too clean. And another thing, if Rollie is wanting to clear out a genuine nuisance and germ breeder, let him get in and help clear out the cesspools and privies in the city, and we'll gamble he'll run across something that is mighty stronger than a little cow manure which may be dropped occasionally on the side walks.

Not one word of logic is contained in the assertion that Tillamook City will become a dead town now that gambling is stopped. The money that went into the coffers of the gamblers, loafers and hangers on will now go into the legitimate channels of trade and a number of business men will reap the benefit in having back accounts paid up and less book accounts in future, and, besides, they will do more business. It is all tommy rot to say that gambling makes good times in a city like Tillamook, for, on the contrary, we make the assertion, that it has an opposite effect, and every business man is injured, more or less, by "wide open" gambling. Another thing, which is a fact, when the gamblers want furniture, clothing, jewelry and other things, they invariably do their trading in Portland. No matter from what point of view one argues the gambling question, it cannot be shown that it is a good

thing for a town—other than enabling a lot of men to live without work and turning a lot of bright young men into saloon bums and hoodlums.

The letter of State Dairy and Food Commissioner Bailey in our last issue, and that of Mr. Jack Jennings in this issue raises a question that is of much importance to the dairymen of Tillamook county. As to the suggestion of Mr. Jennings to have the cheese graded, that is a matter which has been talked about and recommended for years, and we see no reason why this cannot be done by an act of the state legislature. That would establish the reputation of Tillamook cheese and protect the factories that turn out a good article. Under present conditions, good, bad and indifferent cheese manufactured in this county goes for first-class cheese. That is not right. The person who manufactures a poor grade of cheese is not entitled to the same price for his product as the person who turns out a first class article. Probably there are men who honestly believe they are turning out a first class article, while if it was graded it would prove the contrary. One thing that the grading of cheese would do, it would put the poor manufacturer out of business, and if for no other reason, that would be a good thing, for his success now depends entirely upon putting his product in and selling it at the same price as the manufacturer who turns out first grade cheese.

Quite a number of the citizens of Tillamook, who are holding down homesteads in this county, are on the anxious seat for fear they will not be able to prove up now that the homestead law has to be more strictly lived up to. True it is that it is almost impossible to take up an homestead, away back in the mountains and miles from any road, and live upon it and make a living, for the conditions in Tillamook county are different than most other places, for the reason that it rains nearly eight months in the year and with a rainfall of 150 inches annually. Had the homesteaders been on their claims the past winter, miles away from civilization, quite a number of them would surely have lost their lives. Under these circumstances, it is not to be expected that the land office officials or the special agents will be unreasonable in passing upon proofs from Tillamook, but if nothing is before them of the local condition which exists in this county on account of the large amount of rainfall, they are liable to overlook the very thing that makes it impossible for the homesteader to comply strictly with the law. Hundreds of our best citizens have taken up homesteads in good faith, and have had to wait for years for the development of the county and the building of roads before they could make a living upon them or take up permanent residence. From what we can gather, we do not think that the land office officials or special agents will trouble those who take up homesteads in good faith and intend to improve and retain them, but it is where homesteads are taken up for speculation and to be disposed of after proof is made where investigation is liable to follow. We would not advise those who have homesteads to relinquish them if they have taken them up in good faith, and to the new settlers who have come here to take up government land they should go ahead and file on claims as fast as they can find them.

One would imagine that the city had made a fairly good contract with the Tillamook Lumbering Company to furnish the city with 35 32-candle power lights for \$25 per month for a term of ten years, and to light the city hall free of charge. All additional lights to be charged at the rate of 70c per month. This is not a case where the Tillamook Lumbering Company was desirous of a new franchise, but on the other hand it was a case where the city had made overtures to the company for the purpose of obtaining more lights for the city at less cost. The city is now paying \$27 per month 27 lights, while, if Mayor Talmage had not vetoed the ordinance, the city would have had eight extra lights on the streets and two at the city hall at \$2 per month less what the city is now paying for 27 lights. Another thing, it would have cost the company \$200 to install the extra lights. Whoever it was of the city councilman that induced Manager Whitehouse to agree to the new terms, they succeeded in making a good bargain for the city. The Tillamook Lumbering Company is not caring one iota that the mayor vetoed the ordinance, for it has a free unrestricted charter good for 18 years, and will save \$300 the next 12 months in expenses. What if the franchise is for 99 years, that does not amount to a row of beans, for the company cannot be granted an exclusive franchise, and as to contracting for lights for 10 years if the charges are reasonable, we do not see anything that is wrong with that, other than it will insure the city being lighted for the next ten years, whether the city will be able to stand it through that time. It is not likely that Manager Whitehouse will want to entertain another proposition for cheaper lights and more of them now that Mayor Talmage has put his veto on that kind of thing, and the people who live on the dark streets and who have been doing some remonstrance because they have been neglected will probably do a little more kicking.

Nothing Too Good for Travelers.

Sue H. Elmore, only passenger boat on route. Fare \$2.50. Don't ride on a tow boat.

Democratic Delegates.

Hogarton: J. S. Diehl, Len Hiner, C. R. Hunt, Wm. Plank, Peter Heisel, Thos. Coats, J. S. Lamar, S. A. Broadhead.

Tillamook: Geo. Cohn, C. H. Woolf, B. S. Thompson, D. C. Pierce, W. G. Kelso, Fred Tomlinson, J. W. Latimer, Frank Berns, N. J. Myers, J. A. Richardson, J. H. Whiting, M. Melchior.

Fairview: E. E. Jenkins, Tom Jenkins, Sam Downs, T. McCormick, L. Johnson, S. Earl, Web Maddux, H. F. Holden.

South Prairie: David Fitzpatrick, Frank Fitzpatrick, Albert Phelps, John Sheets, Andrew Christensen.

Vote of Condolence.

Whereas, Divine Providence in his wisdom has deemed it just to visit the deepest sorrow upon E. H. Whitney, the Principal of the Tillamook City Public Schools, and

Whereas, In the death of Mrs. E. H. Whitney, the school has lost one of its warmest friends and society a pure, uplifting influence,

Be it resolved, that to Mr. Whitney we, the Emersonian and Ciceronian Literary Societies of the Tillamook High School, extend to him the assurance of our heartfelt sympathy in his bereavement, and

That these resolutions shall appear on the records of the two Societies and in the City papers, and that a copy be presented to Mr. Whitney.

Adopted April 11, 1904.
Arthur Hill, Ralph Moore, Presidents.
Ella Hays, Alice Rhoades, Secretaries.

Electric Light Franchise Vetoed.

Mayor C. W. Talmage has vetoed the electric light ordinance which was passed at a recent meeting of the city council, which was to grant the Tillamook Lumbering Company a franchise to operate and maintain an electric light system. The principal features of the franchise are these: To use the streets of the city for the purpose of erecting poles thereon, wires and other conductors; the rights, privileges and franchise was for 99 years; in consideration of the granting of the franchise, the Tillamook Lumbering Company was to furnish 35 lights to light the city for the sum of \$25 per month, and all such additional lights to be paid for at the rate of 70 cents each per month, for a term of ten years; the company was to light the city hall with electricity without expense to the city; and that the lights be kept burning from dusk of each day until midnight, and from five o'clock a. m. of each day until day light.

Mayor Talmage gives these reasons for vetoing the ordinance:

First—I consider it an unwise policy to grant a franchise for the use of the streets, or an easement in any public property for so long a term. These franchises are at all times very valuable to the corporation or person to whom they are granted, often becoming more valuable as time passes. If they are worth anything, they should be paid for, and the city should have an opportunity to derive the benefit of the value thereof.

Second—The within ordinance proposes to grant the franchise for 99 years, and at the same time binds the city to pay for the lights proposed to be furnished for that length of time. This is evidently unwise, other patrons of the company have the privilege of disposing with the lights when they can do better, or when they do not wish to use them any longer, and are only bound to pay the company for them while they have them; I think the city should be accorded the same privileges. I am unalterably opposed to binding the city to the payment of the sum stated for such length of time. I have no objection to the company named obtaining a franchise substantially as stated in this ordinance for 25 years, and I have no objection to the amount proposed to be charged for the service it proposes to render.

Mayor Talmage has evidently not read the ordinance very carefully. The ordinance states, in regard to the time that electric lights are to be furnished the city, that it is: "For a term of ten years from the date on which this ordinance shall go into effect," therefore, the whole logic of the Mayor's veto is not very effective when he gives as his reason that he is unalterably opposed to binding the city to paying for electric lights for 99 years. The ordinance does not read that way, so the city council will be in order by referring it to the Mayor for reconsideration.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known by the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer one hundred dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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Prohibitionist Convention.

Notice is hereby given that the Prohibitionists of Tillamook County, Oregon will meet in mass convention at Todd's Hall in Tillamook City, Oregon, on Wednesday, the 20th day of April, 1904, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of nominating candidates for the various County offices, to be filled at the coming general election, and to transact such other business as may come before the convention. All Prohibitionists in the County are requested to be present. On Tuesday evening the 19th, at 8 p. m., there will be a mass meeting at Todd's Hall, with public speaking, and songs by a male quartette. All are cordially invited to attend. By order of the Prohibition County Central Committee.

G. A. R. Entertainment.

Corinth Post will give an entertainment at Todd's Hall on Tuesday evening, April 26th.

Old soldiers and their families are all invited to come and bring their suppers and have a pleasant evening together talking over old times.

PROGRAM

- Song, "Red, White and Blue." Prayer.
- Song, "My Country."
- Five Minute speech, C. N. Drew.
- Music, Chester and Ruby McGhee.
- Recitation, Hazel McNair.
- Music, Mr. Ellison.
- Five Minute Speech, Mr. Mills.
- Music, Chester and Ruby McGhee.
- Recitation, Gertrude Briscoe.
- Song, Charles Reynolds.
- Music, Mr. Ellison.
- Recitation, Carrie Fox.
- Five Minute Speech, W. E. Page.
- Song, Chester and Ruby McGhee.
- Five Minute Speech, C. E. Reynolds.
- Recitation, Blanch Smith.
- Music, Chester and Ruby McGhee.
- Five Minute Speech, Mr. Brooks.
- Recitation, Frankie Drew.
- Song, "Boy in Blue."
- Five Minute Speech, Frank Severance.
- Recitation, Cosy Clark.
- Music, Mr. Ellison.
- Five Minute Speech, Mr. Palmer.
- Reading, Mrs. Conover.
- Music, Chester and Ruby McGhee.
- Reading, "A Vision of War." Cosy Clark.

- Song, "Ellsworth's Avengers." Mrs. Weston.
- Five Minute Speech, Mr. Ellison.
- Music, Chester and Ruby McGhee.
- Song, W. E. Page.
- Speech, Abe Severance.
- Song, "Star Spangled Banner." Benediction.

Change in Rates.

Freight, Portland to Tillamook, per steamer Elmore, \$2.25 per ton, subject to change without notice.

Adrift at Sea in a Small Boat.

Mr. Geo. Higgins, one of the keepers at the Cape Mears light station, reports the following: A small boat was sighted off the light at 7 o'clock on Monday morning, having three men in it. We made them out to be fishermen and later they turned out to be the boat and crew that were lost on Saturday from the sealing schooner Carlotta G. Cox, of Victoria, B. C. The crew put in at Netarts beach and came up to the light house for food. They were out one night and day without food or water. The story they tell is as follows: "We shipped on the sealing schooner Carlotta G. Cox, of Victoria, B. C., and had only been out two months. The vessel put in at Hesquill, for water, this place is on Vancouver Island. Then they came south. The crew got lost off Tillamook rock in a fog. They worked on down the coast in hopes of picking up their vessel again, but not sighting her they decided to make a landing here at the light house. Their names are, H. L. Wietzel, hunter; Stanley Bridges, boat puller; Mio Sackey, boat steerer. They intend to go to Tillamook City, and from there to Astoria as soon as possible.

Hermann Nominated.

Congressman Herman was re-nominated on Wednesday for the Second District and Congressman Williamson for the First District.

Property for Sale.

Lots 1 and 2, block 11, Miller's addition.
Lots 15, 16, 17 and 18, block 11, Miller's addition.
Lots 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, block 12, Miller's addition.
Lots 5, 6 and 7, block 28, Thayer's addition.
Lot 4, block 20, and house near Tohl's store, Nehalem.
West half of lot upon which our residence stood, opposite the Court House, in Tillamook City.
Make your offers to any Tillamook Real Estate Agent; or to the owner, W. A. Wise, The Failing Building, cor. 3rd and Washington sts., Portland, Ore.

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Meldrum Indicted.

It developed Monday that one of the three secret indictments returned by the recent grand jury was against Henry Meldrum, ex-Surveyor-General and a prominent citizen of the State of Oregon. Mr. Meldrum is accused of forging petitions for surveys in Harney County that he might collect the fees from the Government. In brief it is charged that, at times when business was dull and petitions were not coming in rapidly enough from bona fide settlers, these petitions were manufactured in Mr. Meldrum's office, and that he forged fictitious names to them. It is alleged further that through these alleged false petitions he was enabled to let contracts for the surveying and collect the fees allowed him for such surveys from the Government. The indictment charges that Mr. Meldrum made most of these illegal surveys in Harney County. There are 21 counts in the indictment, each one reciting a separate petition which is alleged to have been forged by Mr. Meldrum while he was in office. These petitions bear dates ranging from January 6 to 16, 1902. In order to receive authority to let contracts for surveying townships in public land districts that are open to settlement, there must be a petition from some settler who makes affidavit that he has settled upon an unsurveyed section, has built a home and is desirous of filing a claim to the land, and, for this purpose, wants it surveyed. The indictment against Mr. Meldrum charges that 21 of these petitions, signed by alleged settlers, were sent to the department by Meldrum as authority for issuing contracts for surveys. It is alleged that Meldrum forged fictitious names to each of these contracts simply for the purpose of collecting fees for the surveys for his own gain.