

## WHISKEY TRAGEDY IN TILLAMOOK CITY.

### A Fisherman Killed by Marshal's "Billy" and Head Striking the Hard Pavement.

Too much whiskey was the cause of fatal wounds which sent another man into a premature grave and caused some excitement in Tillamook City on Monday afternoon. The star act in the tragedy were City Marshal M. D. Reading and a fisherman by the name of Tom Johnson, of Garibaldi, who was crazed with drink and had been causing a disturbance in different parts of the city. The marshal was sent for and he arrested the man, and being in a fighting mood, the marshal called to his assistance Mr. Tenant. When near the Todd Hotel, their prisoner broke away and commenced fighting the officers, striking them several times. As Johnson was making a rather thrust at the marshal Reading pulled his "billy" and struck the man a light blow over the left side of the head. This rendered him unconscious. He reeled and then fell on his back on the concrete pavement, his head striking with a heavy thud. This is, probably, what caused the fracture to the man's skull and later fatal death. The man was dragged to the city jail. He did not regain consciousness and died about half an hour after being struck down. Dr. Boals was called to attend to the man's injuries, and he pronounced him in a bad way directly he saw him.

The unfortunate man was a native of Norway, strong and unusually active for a man 36 years of age. He resided at Garibaldi with his wife, who is an half breed.

It seems that several days before Johnson came to the city he was in a quarrel at Garibaldi and was hit on the head and telled to the ground.

#### The Inquest.

Coroner W. C. Hawk was notified and he came to the city on Tuesday and held an inquest on the body after a post mortem examination of the head had been made by the doctors, the jury being composed of Frank Severance, Alex. McNair, C. E. Reynolds, Carl P. Kundson, W. S. Hare and Alva Finley.

#### The Doctors' Story.

The first witnesses called were the

doctors. Dr. Boals testified that Johnson was in his office in the morning and was drunk at that time. About half past three he was called to the city jail and found the man in a comatose condition and in a very bad shape. His eyes were set and he was breathing slightly but his pulse was good. He told the marshal to keep him warm. When he returned he gave him a hypodermic injection, but he did not rally at all and died in about half an hour. He was present at the coroner's examination of the man's head and removed the top of the skull and found a fracture on the left side, back of the ear. At the point of the fracture and pressing on the brain was a blood clot. The membrane surrounding the brain was torn an inch and a half, and in his judgment the fracture with the blood clot caused the death. The fracture was caused either by a blunt instrument or violently striking the sidewalk. Dr. Monk's testimony was practically the same.

#### The Marshall's Testimony.

Marshal M. D. Reading testified that he was called about three o'clock to arrest a man at the Commercial Building, by request of Mayor Talmage. The man was drunk. He told him that he was the Marshal and placed him under arrest. He refused to go with him, and with a great deal of difficulty he managed to get him down the stairs and over to the corner of Todd's Hotel. He was resisting him all the time and he called for help and a man named Tenant came to his assistance. Johnson knocked Tenant down and broke away from the marshal and struck the officer several times. The marshal drew his club and struck the man a light blow on the side of the head below the ear. The man made a quarter of a turn and fell backward, striking his head a terrific blow when it came in contact with the pavement. They picked him up and dragged him to the jail and went for a doctor.

#### Other Evidence.

Thomas Coates testified that the man was drunk and endeavored to prevent him from going up to his office in the Commercial Building, and was causing a disturbance. After the man was arrested he fought and struggled with the marshal going down the stairs and until they reached Todd's Hotel, where the marshal called for help and Tenant went to his assistance. The man continued to fight the officers, and the witness wondered that the marshal did not draw his club, but finally he did so and struck the man a light blow. The marshal did not throw his club back before he struck nor did he use much force. He heard the blow when the marshal struck the man and saw him strike

his head a violent blow on the sidewalk when he fell. The sound of the striking of the man's head on the sidewalk was very much louder than that when he was struck by the marshal. The marshal seemed to be doing his duty as an officer and did not use any more force than was necessary to overcome the man. The marshal was cool and was not angry.

Mayor Talmage's testimony was about the same as that of the previous witness.

Dr. Sharp testified that Johnson was about half shot when he came to his office to have two teeth extracted. After he did so, the man wanted witness to extract more, but he put him off by telling him to come in some other time. Johnson thought he had a \$20 gold piece in his pocket to pay him, but could only find 75c., which he wanted left there for the janitor. Sharp managed to get him out of his office, when Johnson began singing. He saw the marshal arrest Johnson, and the remainder of his evidence was similar to that of the other witnesses, with the exception that he did not see the blow struck but saw the man fall.

Barber Johnson, who was a close observer of what took place on the street, coincided with the other witnesses, with the exception that he thought the marshal struck the man on the top of the head. The witness took the "billy" in his hand showed the jury that it was but a slight tap, when the man partly reeled and fell backward and his head striking hard on the cement pavement. As an officer he thought the marshal was simply doing his duty.

Other witnesses were called, all of whom gave similar evidence and that the marshal had not used undue force or brutality.

#### Marshal is Exonerated.

We the undersigned, the Jurors summoned to appear before W. C. Hawk, as Coroner for Tillamook County, State of Oregon, in the above named county and state, at Tillamook, Oregon, on the 28th day of February, 1911, to inquire into the death of Tom Johnson, having been first duly sworn and having made such inquisition, after inspecting the body and hearing the testimony adduced, find as follows: We, the Coroner's Jury, find that the deceased, Tom Johnson, was a native of Norway, and about 36 years of age, and his present place of abode Garibaldi, Tillamook County, Oregon; That he came to his death on the 27th day of February, 1911, in Tillamook City, Oregon, in the manner following, to-wit, That while the said Tom Johnson was resisting arrest he received a blow on the head with a billy in the hands of the Marshal, M. D.

Reading, causing him to fall to the concrete sidewalk, fracturing his skull, causing concussion of the brain. From the testimony in the case it appears that the Marshal, M. D. Reading was simply performing his duty as an officer.

#### Synopsis of the annual statement of the Phoenix Mutual Life In- surance Company,

Of Hartford, in the State of Connecticut.

On the 31st day of December, 1910, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

CAPITAL.	
Amount of capital paid up.....	\$ -
INCOME.	
Premiums received during the year.....	\$ 4,764,198.33
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year.....	1,442,512.40
Income from other sources received during the year.....	89,225.29
Total income.....	\$ 6,295,936.02
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Paid for losses, endowments, annuities and surrender values....	2,412,322.03
Dividends paid to policy holders during the year.....	592,500.08
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year.....	-
Commissions and salaries paid during the year.....	792,016.70
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year.....	140,917.30
Amount of all other expenditures.....	296,467.66
Total expenditures.....	\$4,204,222.77
ASSETS.	
Book value of real estate owned.....	\$ 730,852.00
Market value of stocks and bonds owned....	6,601,175.60
Loans on mortgages.....	17,624,908.28
Premium notes and policy loans.....	3,795,910.64
Cash in banks and on hand.....	600,572.91
Net uncollected and deferred premiums.....	357,480.87
Other assets (net).....	427,235.10
Total assets.....	\$ 30,117,245.40
Less special deposits in any State (if any there be).....	145,280.00
Total assets admitted in Oregon.....	29,971,965.40
LIABILITIES.	
Net reserve.....	\$ 27,703,784.00
Total policy claims.....	62,420.91
All other liabilities, less special deposits.....	1,071,976.34
Total liabilities.....	\$28,838,181.25
Total insurance in force December 31, 1910.....	\$120,350,616.00
BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR.	
Total risks written during the year.....	\$ 1,000.00
Gross premiums received during the year.....	17,285.52
Premiums returned during the year.....	2,236.34
Losses paid during the year.....	-
Losses incurred during the year.....	-
Total amount of risks outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1910.....	425,972.00

PHENIX MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
By S. H. CORNWELL, Sec.  
Statutory resident general agent and attorney for service J. C. Cox, Mohawk building, Portland, Ore.

# ROYAL Baking Powder Economy

The manufacturers of Royal Baking Powder have always declined to produce a cheap baking powder at the sacrifice of quality.

Royal Baking Powder is made from pure grape cream of tartar, and is the embodiment of all the excellence possible to be attained in the highest class baking powder.

Royal Baking Powder costs only a fair price, and is more economical at its price than any other leavening agent, because of the superlative quality and absolute wholesomeness of the food it makes.

Mixtures made in imitation of baking powders, but containing alum, are frequently distributed from door to door, or given away in grocery stores. Such mixtures are dangerous to use in food. In England, France, Germany and some sections of the United States their sale is prohibited by law. Alum is a dangerous mineral acid, and all physicians condemn baking powders containing it.

The label of alum baking powders must show the ingredients.

READ THE LABEL

#### Wanted Contract.

Wanted immediately by a married man, with family, a contract to slash or cut wood. Would want a house to live in—Address G. E. Parker, Tillamook, Ore.

#### Stray Notice.

A Brown Mare came to Ike Quick's place on January 10th. Owner can have the same by paying expenses.

John W. Sickelsmith, Greensboro, Pa., has three children, and like most children they frequently take cold. "We have tried several kinds of cough medicine," he says, "but have never found any yet that did them as much good as Chamberlain's Cough Remedy." For sale by Lamar's Drug Store.

#### Kills A Murderer.

A merciless murderer is Appendicitis with many victims, but Dr. King's New Life Pills kill it by prevention. They gently stimulate stomach, liver and bowels, preventing that clogging that invites appendicitis' curing Constipation, Headache, Biliousness, Chill, 25c. at Chas. I. Clough.

## Reduction of Rates.

On March 1st we will inaugurate a new residence, rate for the first two units (kilowatt hours) used per month for each 16 candle power lamp or its equivalent installed we will charge 15c. per unit as present. For all excess the charge will be 10c. per unit. Checking of lamps for this rate will be by request only not earlier than Feb. 10th or later than Feb. 25th.

TILLAMOOK ELECTRIC LIGHT AND FUEL CO.  
WILL SPALDING,  
General Manager.

## BIG BARGAINS! LOOK AT OUR PRICES.

Can you beat them any where in Town?  
Come and see us, we can save you money.  
We are Retailing our Groceries at Wholesale Prices.

3 Bottles Catsup..... 25c.	Small White Beans..... per lb. 4½c.
3 Cans Cove Oysters..... 25c.	Large White Beans..... per lb. 4½c.
3 Cans Red Seal Lye..... 25c.	Bayo Beans..... per lb. 6½c.
3 Cans Pioneer Milk..... 25c.	Lima Beans..... per lb. 7c.
3 Cans Van Camp's Pork & Beans 25c.	Pink Beans..... per lb. 7c.
21 lb. Buhl Milk Can..... \$2.50	4 lb. Pale Cottolene..... 60c.
Elaine Coal Oil..... per case 2.90	10 lb. Pale Cottolene..... \$1.50
20 lbs. Fine Granulated Sugar... \$1.00	Regular 10c. can Spices..... 5c.
Best Fruit Sugar..... per sack 5.60	2 cans Salmon..... 25c.
Dry Granulated Sugar... per sack 5.40	5 cans Sardines..... 25c.
Extra C. 20 lbs. for..... 1.00	Westmoreland Syrup..... 5 lbs. 50c.
Cube Sugar, 15 lbs. for..... 1.00	Westmoreland Syrup..... 10 lbs. \$1.00
1 Doz. Cans Corn..... 90c.	Columbia Oat Flakes..... pkg. 30c.
1 Doz. Cans Tomatoes..... 90c.	Columbia Wheat Flakes, pkg. 25c.
Arbuckle Coffee..... per pkg. 22½c.	1 gal. Apricots..... 35c.
3 lbs. Royal Club Coffee..... 90c.	1 gal. Peaches..... 35c.
1 lb. White Seal Coffee..... 25c.	1 gal. Tomatoes..... 30c.
1 lb. Mocha and Java Coffee..... 25c.	1 gal. Apples..... 30c.
1 lb. Caracola Coffee..... 22½c.	Cider Vinegar..... per gal. 25c.
Snow Drift Flour..... per bbl. \$5.60	Baker's Cocoa..... per lb. pkg. 20c.
Light House Flour..... per bbl. 5.25	Arm & Hammer Soda..... pkg. 5c.
	5 pounds Crescent Baking Powder 80c.
	5 pounds Royal Baking Powder... \$1.85
	6 lb. Box Macaroni..... 35c.
	Shredded Wheat..... per pkg. 10c.

THE RAY FEED CO.,  
C. F. SHORTRIDGE, Mgr. Grocery Dept.

## TILLAMOOK LAND SNAP.

### Number 1.

15 Acres located in the suburbs of Tillamook City. All under improvement and fenced. Located on the Main County Road. Near the P. R. & N. Railroad Terminals. Distant, nearer railroad terminals than the Business center of Tillamook; also nearer to Court House than some of Tillamook out-lying additions where lots are now being sold up to \$300 per lot. The land is high, dry and slightly. This is an ideal buy as an investment. Land adjoining this is held at a much larger figure. This tract is suitable for cutting into acre lots and will advance in price this Summer. If subdivided, would sell easy at \$100 per lot.

This is a Snap. Let us show you. Now. To-day. Price Now, \$6,500. Less than \$450 per acre. Worth \$500 per acre at least.

LET US SHOW YOU THIS TO-DAY.  
DONT LET THIS OPPORTUNITY SLIP.

ROLLIE W. WATSON,  
Real Estate and Insurance.

During the Future, when we have a Genuine Tillamook Snap Like the above, you will hear about it.