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Boost the Tillamook County Fair Association.

Who are responsible that city warrants are on the bum? The spirit of agitation and knocking.

It maybe that a few persons will "knock" the Tillamook County Fair Association, but that should not cause surprise, for no matter what is taken in hand in Tillamook there is sure to be curb stone knockers.

Monkeying with the tariff is going to knock the bottom out of the fishing industry. With most of last season's pack unsold, the fishermen's prospects for the future are anything but bright.

There will be \$1,000—probably more—offered as premiums by the Tillamook County Fair Association at the fair this fall, for stock and produce raised in this county. That is some improvement over previous fairs where the fakirs got the money and the exhibitors a piece of blue ribbon.

It looks to us that the real estate agent who told a new comer who was about to buy property in this city that Sunny-mead was under water in the winter should be placed on a rail and run out of town. It is a well known fact that real estate agents have knocked one another's deals, and in doing so have knocked other people's property.

A large number of visitors will visit Tillamook this month. The Moose lodges will come over 1000 strong and during the encampment of the Third Regiment, Oregon National Guard, there will be over 1000 visitors in the city from outside points. The Druggists' Association is scheduled to meet at Bayocean and will visit this city, and with a large number of persons here for their summer's outing, July will be a busy month.

If we are rightly informed, if the city loose in the injunction suit, it will have to pay \$1000 a month interest from the first of the year until the time the case is settled in the supreme court, to say nothing of attorney's fees. How many months and how many thousand dollars that will depend upon the time the supreme court takes to decide the case. All this adds to the high cost of living in a city where there is friction and personal fights. We are glad to say that this is not our fight.

Tillamook has a slander suit for \$15,000, but it is not our intention to discuss the merits or demerits of that case, for we do not want to create any prejudice on one side or the other. What we wish to call attention to is the custom of men denouncing one another orally, and as it is lawful to sue an editor for publishing false statements it is proper that those who make false statements orally should be treated the same way. The few curb stone knockers who have been knocking the city and maligning some of our best citizens had better watch out, for they would certainly collapse if they were sued for \$15,000.

It is safe to say that the fair in this county, under the auspices of the Tillamook County Fair Association, will not be a

fakir's fair. The money for the most part will go for prizes and necessary expenses. Those who have blooded stock, and have been anxious to exhibit, can do so with the expectation of winning a suitable prize. We expect to see a very creditable stock show that will be interesting to those who have gone to considerable expense to improve the dairy herds in this county.

It is really too bad, Bro. Trombley, that Bro. Baker is, 't the lucky, sniveling little puppy for a disturbing element in this city. We want to give our respected Bro. a word of fatherly advice not to publish things that he cannot substantiate on the witness stand and which places him in a position where he can be sued for \$15,000. But if he must publish false statements and allow other people to get a bulge on him, with a lot of hungry attorneys ready to sue for the fee, why, go it, Bro., but he should not squeal if he gets "stung" for publishing libelous matter.

We want to congratulate J. H. Dunstan upon being elected first president of the Tillamook County Fair Association, and we feel glad that the honor was conferred upon one who is identified with the dairy interest and the Grange. At the same time we must ask the citizens to give Mr. Dunstan their co-operation and assistance, for without this it is going to be impossible to obtain the best results. Let everybody get the fair spirit and help boost, with three cheers for the new association and its new president. With R. Y. Blalock secretary, who is an energetic worker, we feel glad that the association has an excellent corps of officers.

The matter of agreeing upon a suitable person for mayor who has a mind and a will of his own is a problem that is now confronting the citizens. On account of so much friction no was is desirous of being made a goat of. The City Council made a wise selection in appointing Chas. I. Clough for mayor, but it is not surprising that he has declined, for Mr. Clough has enough business sense to know that as long as a few individuals keep the city roiled up and in a state of ferment it is going to cause unpleasantness, especially when people go to that extreme to employ detectives to investigate city officials. With that regrettable condition of affairs it is not surprising that respectable business men do not want to get mixed up in that kind of a muss.

The organization of the Tillamook County Fair Association on Saturday was a move in the right direction and along progressive lines. One important thing, in making a start, is that the association should not attempt to do too much the first year, on account of the shortness of the time, for it is our judgment that it would be far better to have a small complete fair than one too large. Nor should the public expect too much from the association this year, and if it succeeds with a fair of modest proportions it will be doing well. The Tillamook County Fair Association is here to stay, and we predict, with able management, most every progressive dairymen will take a lively interest in it, with the result that the annual fairs will result in a great deal of pleasure and profit. It takes time and grit to bring this about, but we believe we can have an attractive fair every year that will be a credit to the association and the county. With everybody boosting for it, and with a determination on the part of everybody to assist and not to knock if a few mistakes are made, let there be united effort and harmony in conducting the affairs of the association.

In a suggested list of ten great Americans Thomas A. Edison stands first and Col. Bryan eighth. The former furnished the talking machine and the latter contributes most of the talk.

Asiatic workmen can exist on a minimum of wages and thrive under a poverty unknown in this country. But the United States has no desire to get acquainted with such conditions.

A Kansas congressman proposes that the House membership be reduced from 435 to 231. The trouble in a case of this kind is to convince Congress that it ought to perform a heroic amputation upon itself.

Let Patriots Weep.

R. L. Eddy, formerly of this city, writes to the Umpqua Valley News, regarding the attempt to squash white slave cases in California:

The Press dispatches of the past two or three days disclose a remarkable blunder, or something worse, on the part of the administration at Washington. To understand the present situation, readers of the newspapers must recall that a few weeks ago two young men in California had debauched and were found living with young high school girls. Both men were married and had families. The story was revolting and shocking in the extreme. Every decent person felt that it was a case where the hand of the law ought to be laid on with speed and severity. The men were Diggs and Caminetti, both prominent and having influential connections. Mr. McNab, United States district attorney for the northern district of California, found that they could be prosecuted under the federal law, known as the Mann white slave act. They were indicted and about to go to trial. In the meantime, Caminetti, father of the criminal, was appointed by the administration to a responsible position in the government service as an inspector of immigration. He was in Washington, and it was made to appear that he could not be in performance of duties there and at the same time attend the trial of his son in California. It is not claimed that he was a witness in the case, but his official superior, Secretary of Labor Wilson, undertook to cause Attorney General McReynolds to have the trial postponed. He succeeded. Mr. McNab, who was trying to do his duty in California, was ordered to postpone the trial. How convenient to have a pull! Caminetti senior, evidently a man of political influence, was thus enabled to make good a boast that friends of the culprits in the case had made, namely, that powerful influence at Washington would save them. In a case like theirs postponement is a great help. Time dims the recollection of witnesses, and, besides, death may intervene; a less vigilant prosecutor may be at the helm; witnesses may be bribed to leave the country; they may be frightened away. Time is a great friend to the criminal brought to book. It is said that President Wilson has stated that postponement of the trial could do no harm. He either knows better or he does not. In either case our chief magistrate must have lowered himself tremendously by such a statement, if he made it.

But the case of Diggs and Caminetti is not the whole story. The Western Fuel Company and its officers were also under indictment and were being prosecuted by Mr. McNab for defrauding the government of large sums, and their trial was coming on. The accommodating McReynolds also kindly came to their rescue and ordered a postponement. For what reason? What subtle and powerful influence interfered in this case? No one can answer.

Of course District Attorney McNab resigned, and he embodied his resignation in a telegram to President Wilson that ought to have made even the most self-satisfied dignitary sit up and take notice, and then some. The president promises to investigate. The public will not be inclined to be patient over any long-winded investigation. If the department of justice at Washington cannot satisfactorily answer McNab's burning, yet dignified and manly telegram in half an hour there is great need of a house-cleaning in that department. In fact the situation is pretty well understood, and nothing but the immediate resignation of Secretary Wilson and Attorney General McReynolds, and the immediate and vigorous prosecution of the cases in question will satisfy the American people. With all this done, the administration will not soon recover from the effects of a most disgraceful affair. The people had hoped for much from President Wilson. Their disappointment is proportionately keen.

There may be a shadow of truth in the statement that the big gun-makers are behind most of the schemes for the promotion and spread of war. And behind the gun-makers are the moving-picture concerns.

In the last war between France and Germany the people were rushed into hostilities by diplomatists. The pending international proposition to take time to think it over has already been favorably received by eleven governments.

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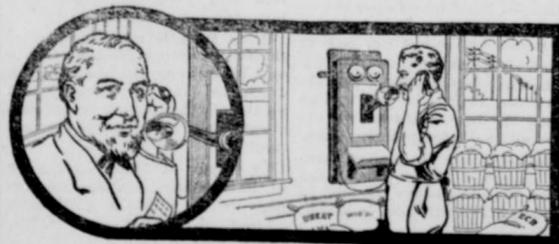
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