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The Tillamook Headlight

Editorial Snap Shots.

It's free for all those who wish to shy their hats into the political ring.

If taxes on dairy farms come high, blame real estate agents and sharks for some of it.

Why not ask the Railroad Commission to remove the toll gate in Yamhill county, for it is an injustice and graft in these days of progress.

Speaking about detectives, we heard a person say, why don't they investigate the transactions in a certain farm in the north of the county.

It is proposed to build a hard surfaced road from Portland to Eugene. If the promoters are looking for a scenic route for a hard surfaced road, why, that to Tillamook can't be beat anywhere in Oregon.

The snap shot man will be a live wire in the Republican band wagon in the coming election. Bro. Trombley will, of course, to be consistent, remain with the free milk, free cream, free fish, free lumber, Democratic party.

Well, wasn't it the sovereign will of the people that gave us a Democratic administration? And this spring when Canadian cheese is dumped on the United States markets that will also be permitted by the sovereign will of the people, because the Progressives helped to defeat the Republican party.

The city, and not the citizens who started the litigation, is taking an appeal in the pavement case. Strange, isn't it, that an appeal should be taken when it was proclaimed that the citizens had won a great victory. There's one thing about it the taxpayers will have to keep on paying high taxation for outside attorneys.

A "Go to church" movement is something that is worthy of encouragement, and appears to have started in the East. As there are a whole lot of persons in Tillamook county who rarely ever go to church and there are plenty of empty pews in the churches, a "Go to church" sentiment may help some form the habit of doing so.

The politicians are working all manner of schemes to obtain free space and notoriety in the country newspapers. Gee, it seems to us there must be a lot of individuals with bees buzzing in their bonnets by the amount of literary matter that is reaching our desk. That is a scheme to "work" the Press, but we declined to be worked that way. The trouble with some office seekers, they want the support of a newspaper when a candidate and are exceedingly nice to editors, but when elected they assume a different attitude.

Some 3541 acres of agricultural land was sold in Douglass county for \$16.50 per acre, to be divided into 40 acre farms for a number of Germans. This is \$800 for a 40 acre farm. It takes somewhere near that figure to buy one or two acres in Tillamook. Of course this is not river bottom land, but it is dollars to dough nuts that it is the equal, if not better, than the prairie land in this county. As to what the price of the Douglass county land will be after

real estate sharks have managed to "water" it with advanced valuations and commissions no one can tell.

Renewed effort should be put forth to improve the quality of Tillamook cheese. That, with the large amount of advertising it receives in the newspapers, will keep the price of the home product at the top possible price. At the commencement of the season is a good time to do this. The new tariff law will demoralize the price of cheese, and to off-set this a superior quality of cheese will command better prices. The dairy interests of the county have done much to improve the quality of Tillamook cheese. Let the good work go on and endeavor to convince everybody that it is the quality of Tillamook cheese that gives it its wide reputation and demand for the same.

Tillamook County was handed a lemon when the Democratic party placed the products and undeveloped resources of this county on the free list, for these are some of the things: Milk, cream, lumber, fish and wool. Isn't that tough on the dairying, lumbering and fishing interests of Tillamook County? Yet that is not all. Senators G. Chamberlain and Lane were bound hand and foot by the Democratic caucus, and instead of protesting against Oregon products being placed on the free list they voted against the best interests of this county. Those who kicked up a great big howl in Oregon because the Republicans held an assembly a few years ago are not raising one word of protest against the caucus methods and boss rule of the Democratic party at Washington.

Several of the county papers published a column of plate matter free of charge that was sent them to boost a politician. We are going to rap our editor friends over the knuckles for doing so. Why is it, Bros., that you give outsiders free advertising to boost a political candidate and have the gall to charge the local advertisers full rates? The article we refer to is that of John Manning published in the Wheeler, Cloverdale and Bay City newspapers. Surely, if anyone is entitled to free advertising it is home people and we are going to ask that they give us a column of space free to advertise the Headlight now that they are giving space free to outsiders.

Yamhill county is waking up and joining the good roads movement. There is one thing that we want to impress upon Yamhill county, and that is before it gets into the good roads band wagon, it should right the nasty, dirty, stinking trick the Yamhill county court played Tillamook when it permitted a toll gate to be erected in Yamhill county to exact toll from those who come to Tillamook by the only wagon road into the county. It took years of agitation in this county to put the toll gate and the toll graft out of existence at Dolph, but no sooner was this done, and notwithstanding the protests of Tillamook people, the Yamhill county court allowed the toll road grafters to remove the toll gate near the county line in that county. Tillamook county will retaliate, for it is proposed to erect a large sign at the county line and inform all those who travel that way that it is Yamhill county that allowed the toll graft to be perpetrated upon the traveling public.

We predict that the new assessment law is going to mean trouble, for there will be a wide difference in the valuations of dairy farms. Those who have bought high priced land cannot get away from the fact that they paid an exorbitant price, which is prima facie evidence that was what they valued it at. When the assessor comes round what will those do who have bought high priced land, which real estate agents inflated? Perjure themselves when they make the sworn statement, or place it in the figure they paid for it in notes and mortgages? This is a hard nut to crack for those who have big interests to meet, for as long as dairy farms are sold at inflated valuations this will have a great deal to do with the valuation of farms all over the county, and this is one reason why scores of dairymen are paying too much taxation now and will do so in future. Isn't it a fact also, that as soon as a farm

is sold at inflated figures, the adjoining land is immediately valued at the same price, consequently increased assessment and taxation follows. There you have it in a nutshell, which is going to be a burning question in this county. It is a live subject because it cuts quite a swath into dairymen's incomes at tax-killing times. We are going to ask the Grangers of the county to discuss this question at their meetings, and propound a few questions: "Is it right to pay out hard earned money in taxation for inflated values in dairy lands?" "What do they think would be a fair valuation to place on the different kinds of land?" "Why is it that many dairymen place high valuations on their lands when a prospective buyer is in sight, and then 'beef' like blazes at their lands being assessed at one half the valuation they have placed on them?"

It was not known last week, when we discussed the matter of a movement to make Oregon a great agricultural state, that Dr. Withycome would be a candidate for governor. We do not know anything that would help the movement more than having a person who knows how, from years of practical, scientific research, and knows what can be accomplished in all sections, the governor of the state. No doubt, other estimable individuals will aspire to the position, attorneys and politicians, but they are not liable to enhance the development of the agricultural resources of Oregon as a person who has made it a life study. It is not out of place to repeat, briefly, what Dr. Withycome had to say on some of the issues of the day:

If successful it will be my purpose and ambition to work steadfastly for a greater Oregon and for the universal happiness and prosperity of all our people. We should plan for large things in this grand old Oregon. Agriculture is our basic wealth. Last year the farms of Oregon yielded crops representing an aggregate value of \$140,000,000 and this even is no measure of the possibility of agriculture in this state. Therefore, the success of our commercial, banking, manufacturing and transportation interests is largely dependent upon the farms of Oregon. The most important problem confronting the people of Oregon today is better means of transportation. We need better roads, deeper channels to the sea, and more railroads; these are the main arteries of commerce and lead to a higher civilization. We should encourage the building of railroads and remember that capital must be assured of fair earnings from investments, otherwise investments will not be made. I believe in the principle of making the burden of taxation as easy as possible, therefore advocate the payment of one-half of the taxes by the first of April and the balance by the first of September, without penalty. I stand for rigid law enforcement and advocate the repeal of all useless laws I am heartily in sympathy with the principle that the laborer is worthy of his hire and every effort should be put forth to harmonize conflicting differences between capital and labor in the interest of the highest industrial achievement. We should be loyal to home manufacturers.

As a result of the new tariff law there is a large influx of foreign butter into the Eastern markets, and, as was expected, the price of the home product is forced down. Those who have been arguing that the tariff does not cut any figure are talking through their hats, for it is reported that since the first of the year butter in New York declined 10c. a pound. That ought to convince anyone that the dairy industry of this country is the first to feel the effect of the new Democratic tariff law and the first to suffer financially. That, and probably that alone, will convince those who were in the dairy industry and clamored for a change of administration that they were deceived and misled by politicians. This also confronts this and other dairy sections in the dairymen having to buy protected articles, while milk and cream is on the free list. We are wondering what the dairymen of Tillamook are going to do. Will they take their hats off to those who were called standpatters, who tried to avert free trade, or to the Progressives, who helped to defeat protection for the dairy industry by defeating the Republican party? We will ask the dairymen of this county who are their best friends, the Republican standpatters, Progressives or Democrats? After reading the following news item from New York it seems to us that the standpatters are:

An influx of foreign butter from all parts of the world, due to the reduction of the tariff from 5 to 2 1/2 cents a pound, has caused a decline in the New York wholesale price of 10 cents a pound since the first of the year. Butter has been coming

to this city from as far off as Australia, by way of San Francisco. Three hundred thousand pounds from that country has been laid down here within the last two or three weeks. Butter has also been shipped from the Argentine, Denmark and Siberia. The shipments, however, admitted today, have created marked uneasiness in the wholesale market, with the result that there has been an unloading of various stocks. The best grade butter was selling today at 20 1/2 to 27 cents a pound wholesale. The American demand for foreign butter has caused a rise of 2 to 3 cents a pound in some of the foreign markets. It is generally admitted here that the price of butter in this country will be kept in the future at a lower average level than before.

We respectfully refer the above to the editor of the Herald, for Bro. Trombley is one of the few Democrats who shouted for the free trade party and is lauding the new tariff law, notwithstanding that all the products of Tillamook county are placed on the free list.

The semi-annual edition of the Trade Review, published by G. R. Dun & Co., is a most reliable and misleading publication, and we want, in behalf of the people of Tillamook, to protest against such garbled stuff being sent out to fool the people. We give below what it purports to be the business conditions and outlook in this county, which we declare is absurd from beginning to end. Everybody knows that it is a lie to say there is a ten per cent increase in cheese at Bay City, because it neither ships nor manufactures cheese. Read the absurd truck:

TILLAMOOK COUNTY. BAY CITY.—There is a 10 per cent increase in cheese production and lumber is normal. Farmers are in excellent financial condition and loans are being reduced on account of prosperous seasons. Merchants are in very good condition with normal stocks and book accounts. Prospects for 1914 are good.

CLOVERDALE.—Dairying is the prominent industry. There is an increase in the cheese production. The salmon pack was less than half of last year on account of glutted market. A whey sugar factory was established at Tillamook this year. Farmers are prosperous and in the South end of the county merchants are in good financial condition, carrying normal stocks. In some sections of the county more is being carried on the books than usual.

TILLAMOOK.—Cheese shows an increase of 5 per cent. Small quantities of hay and grain are raised. Lumber shows an increase of 20 per cent. The financial condition of the farmers is fairly good. Loans are being increased in some places for improvements. Merchants generally are in fair condition. Prospects are fair for 1914. The tariff may affect cheese and lumber. Government projects at Nehalem and Tillamook will make business better.

WHEELER.—Cheese butter and vegetables show increase of 10 per cent to 30 per cent. Canned salmon a decrease of 40 per cent. Shingles an increase of 100 per cent, boxes and sashes, 25 per cent. A new shingle mill and two new saw mills have been established during the Summer. Farmers are in good financial condition. Speculation in land is over and farmers are paying out on their farms. Vegetable and berry growing are being added to dairying. Merchants are prosperous and carrying lighter stocks on account of buying conservatively. Very little was done in fisheries this year and consequently merchants are carrying more on their books. Harbor work projected will be in full swing in 1914 and should stimulate business, especially if the lumber market improves.

If that Indianapolis judge had paid more attention to equity than to law he would have ordered that wedding gifts be returned to the donors after the dissolution of the marriage.

Great Britain is not disposed to take any part in the Panama Canal Exposition at San Francisco next year. Probably the Britons are saving their money to invest in more submarine vessels.

It is explained that the Chicago surgeon's device is not to tell when one is hungry, but when one really needs food. But every owner of one would deem it as unreliable as a woman's watch and the repair bill would be entirely too heavy.

Levi P. Morton and Adlai E. Stevenson are illustrious examples of the fact that the pace of a vice president does not necessarily shorten the life.

New York is to erect a fifty-story building. The metropolis will never be satisfied until it boasts possession of a building with snow on the roof the year round.

Socialist jubilation over Vincent Aster's refusal to aid them would have been more persuasive if made immediately following Mr. Sinclair's proposal.

The Best Cough Medicine. "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy ever since I have been keeping house," says L. C. Hamea of Marbury, Ala. "I consider it one of the best remedies I ever used. My children have all taken it and it works like a charm. For colds and whooping cough it is excellent." For sale by all dealers.

"Stronger Than The Law" advertisement for Morris Schnal shoes. Includes a star logo and an image of a shoe. Text: "MANY laws have been broken, but this famous work shoe has never been broken by even the hardest wear—that's why we call it the 'Stronger-Than-The-Law' shoe." "All the money in the world could not produce a more comfortable or durable heavy work shoe. It cannot be equaled by any other manufacturer." "Take a knife and cut it to pieces if you wish, and you will find it honestly made of good leather, through and through. No substitutes for leather are ever used." "The uppers are made of Chrome Tanned Leather—as neatly water-proof as leather can be made. The counters, heels and double soles are of the finest sole leather. The 'Stronger-Than-The-Law' shoes are made together so it won't rip. It will keep your feet dry and give you double wear." "Star Brand Shoes Are Better" MORRIS SCHNAL, THE POPULAR PRICED CLOTHIER.

Advertisement for W. J. Van Schuyver & Co., General Agents, Portland, Oregon. Text: "when you begin craving rough, high-proof, strong whiskey-----when flavor delicacy and age no longer appeal to you---cut out drinking." "Cyprus Noble is pure, old and palatable—Bottled at drinking strength. Costs no more than any other good whiskey." W. J. Van Schuyver & Co., General Agents Portland, Oregon

Advertisement for Great Majestic Malleable and Charcoal Iron Ranges. Text: "Why You Need a New Range" "Some housewives who display a remarkable amount of broad, sound common sense along other lines, persist in the delusion—and it is a delusion—that they are really practicing economy by trying to get along—to get results—out of an old, worn-out range merely to save the price of a new one." "Your old range or stove was put together with putty and stove bolts and probably you can stick a pen-knife in the seams and joints anywhere on it where the stove putty has crumbled away. When a range gets in that condition, it takes fuel enough to warm all outdoors in order to get your oven hot enough for baking—and then you run the risk of burning your clothes in the oven. You can soon burn up the price of the best range ever made in a useless waste of fuel in an old, worn-out stove or range—and neither practical economy nor good management." "If you would practice real economy in your household management, you will pay you, the next time you are in town, to call at our store and closely into the perfect baking and remarkable fuel saving qualities of the Great Majestic." "It is the only range made entirely of malleable iron and charcoal iron. Charcoal iron won't rust like steel—malleable iron can't break, and while the first cost of a Great Majestic may be more than some other ranges, it outwears 3 ordinary ranges." "Half The Fuel" "The Majestic is put together with rivets (not bolts and stove putty) making it absolutely air tight, like an engine boiler. The joints and seams will remain air tight forever as neither expansion nor contraction can affect or open them." "Pure Asbestos Lining" "In addition, it is lined with pure asbestos board, covered with an asbestos cloth." "Other Exclusive Features" "It's the best range at any price and should be in your kitchen." FOR SALE BY ALEX McNAIR & CO. The Range with a Reputation