

Tillamook



Headlight.

TILLAMOOK, OREGON, MARCH 11, 1920.

Tillamook Jottings.

When it is time to re-tread a pair of "Hood" tires, sold by J. C. Holden.

Mrs. Crank is in Portland visiting for a few days this week.

J. C. Todd bought a Ford from E. F. Rogers Tuesday.

J. C. Holm, of Portland, was in Tillamook this week on business.

On March 1 a boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Von Eiw.

Born to the wife of H. Walter Tooley, on March 9, a boy.

John Paquet, of Garibaldi, was in Tillamook on business this week.

T. E. Epplett and son Frank, were in Portland on business this week.

A marriage license was issued to Earl R. Woods and Lela Burbank, March 10.

Chas. McKillip bought a new Dixie Flyer from W. E. Noyes a few days ago.

Mrs. Gall Buel, of Tillamook, is in Rockaway visiting with her mother, Mrs. Hoskins.

F. H. Edmond and wife, of Tillamook, were in Hillsboro Saturday and Sunday on business.

Mrs. Harry Smith, of Portland, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Gillette.

G. A. Edmunds vs. James Wilson is a suit filed to recover \$163.59 on a promissory note.

Chas. A. Kunze, of Nehalem, was down for two days last week on business.

Wm. Babler, of Portland, who has been visiting with A. M. Blum, returned home Wednesday.

Emil Hansen, employed A. B. McWilliams, of Wisconsin, to assist him in his barber shop.

W. A. Lewis vs. E. E. Baker is a suit filed to recover \$329.99 for goods furnished the defendant.

Frank Fitzpatrick sold a Reo "Speed Wagon" to the Tillamook Mercantile Co., a few days ago.

George Williams returned from Stockton, Cal., Friday. He has been there for two and a half months, but is home to stay this time.

Mrs. L. E. Partridge and Miss Ruth Partridge left for Portland this morning. They expect to stay until Sunday.

Mrs. H. R. Martin, who lives at the Rajotte, Fobert and Winter camp, is in Portland for a few days visit this week.

Miss Grace Joffile, who is attending Tillamook High School, spent the week end with her parents at Wheeler.

R. A. Waynirre, of Fashion, was down last week on business. He says there are about thirty cases of flu up there now.

Mae Wilson was in Brighton Saturday on business for the Bell Telephone Co., she was accompanied by E. A. Harris.

Mrs. O. D. Smith left Monday for Portland. She was called to the bedside of her sister, Mrs. Cora McGill, who is very ill with heart trouble.

Last Monday most of the 29 schools that had closed on account of the flu resumed with a fairly good attendance of pupils.

C. Oberg, of Portland, was in on business last week. He is selling safety auto locks. No chance for auto thieves if you have one of these.

Mrs. D. P. Hopkins and sons were called to Dilly Saturday on account of the illness of her son Lloyd. They expect to return soon.

Rollie W. Watson bought a new Oldsmobile eight last week from W. J. Stephens, who expects another car load in the near future.

A. F. Coats was down from Seattle for ten days, to look after the mill and camp here. He returned this morning.

Rev. Wrinkle was called to Portland Monday on account of the illness of his nephew, who had just arrived there from Idaho.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Watson, of Portland, returned home after visiting for two weeks with Mrs. Watson's sister, Mrs. Ed. Mallory.

E. M. Clark, a dairyman of Nehalem, was in Tillamook this week for a business trip to Portland.

Nick and John Meyers, who have been living near the Coats camp, left for Portland Monday, where they will make their home in the future.

T. H. Richmond was in Tillamook last week from Donald, to look over dairy land here. He expects to locate in this county before long.

A. M. Eastman, who has been employed as mechanic at the Coats Camp, returned to his home in Seattle this week after having spent about fourteen months here.

Miss Elizabeth Carlyle, a nurse sent here from Seattle by the Red Cross, returned to her home Thursday, after nursing at the Emergency Hospital for three weeks.

J. G. Martin has gone to Portland to have his car treated by a specialist. He was hurt at the shipyard about a year ago, and since then he has been almost deaf.

The council postponed advertising for bids for fire apparatus until next Monday night, on account of the absence of Mayor Beals and two of the councilmen.

Dick Rutgers, of Clouse, B. C., returned Monday, having been called

here by the death of his brother Joe. He expects to return to Tillamook in the fall to spend a few months.

Part of the Trank and Fairview, Charles Pankov of the Star Garage, reports the sale of an Overland four to Joe West, of Nehalem. He says he has a carload of Overlands and one of Nash cars on the way here and will be here sometime in March. Walter Severance bought an Overland and E. S. Betcher a Nash last week.

Mrs. Minnie Worthington and daughter, Lorena, of South Bend, Wash., are here to visit with friends and relatives. They were residents of Tillamook until about a year ago, when they moved to South Bend to live with Mrs. Worthington's father and brother. They expect to remain here three weeks or a month.

Mrs. Elizabeth Olson, a trained nurse of Portland, left for Martin Springs with her mother, Mrs. C. A. Van Patten, Tuesday morning. Mrs. Van Patten has been very ill for some time with heart trouble and rheumatism and they have gone there in hopes of regaining her health.

In attempting to climb a log, Tom Nicholas, who works for the Star Lumber Co., fell and cut his arm severely on an ax. The accident occurred Saturday afternoon and he was brought to the Beals Hospital, where he will be kept for a month at least. He lost considerable blood being brought to the city.

A bond election was held Thursday at the City Hall, to decide the question of purchasing a fire engine and equipment for Tillamook City. The result was, 46 votes for the measure and 15 against it. Tillamook certainly needs a new fire apparatus and we are glad to hear that it is to be procured.

C. J. Edwards was in Portland on business last week. He reports that an electric line has been run out about a mile south of the city for the accommodation of farmers out that way. Good news, eh? Well, just ask the ladies, for they are the ones who had to fill and clean the dirty, smelly kerosene lamps.

Sam Lundberg was in the city on Friday from Wheeler having business here. Mr. Lundberg is in the hotel business and is giving good satisfaction in that line of business. He is somewhat interested in getting the best men elected for county offices for good roads are what people in that part of the county are interested in more than anything else.

The Wheeler Lumber Co. has granted their workers a raise of 15 and 20 per cent, retroactive to March 1. Common labor now receives a minimum of \$5.96 per day. Brighton Mill company has granted their men an increase of 5 cents per hour. A new wage scale will be adopted in all the logging camps on the Nehalem bay.

Sometimes when you are going down town, just make it a point to stop at Halton's and see our new window display. The arrangement which is by Frank Klinsky, is especially artistic and attractive. We are showing a new line of Palmer and La Vogue garments for women and Hart, Schaffner and Marx suits for men.

Mrs. Sawyer, who has been ill for some time at the emergency hospital, with the flu died last night at 12:30. She had been improving for several days, but an abscess formed in her neck and hastened the end. She leaves nine children and a host of friends to mourn their loss. As Mrs. Sawyer was the last case at the hospital it is to be closed soon.

Judging from the amount of new cars that have been sold in the last week the Sunset and Tillamook Garages are doing a rushing business. M. D. Ackley drove in a new Franklin six for H. T. Bette. The other sales are a Buick to E. M. Condit, also one to B. E. King, a Ford Sedan to Mrs. Edith Provost, of Bay City, and a Ford truck to Frank Freeman.

L. Ferguson, who lives above the Red Clover cheese factory, pleaded guilty to operating a still and Justice Stanley imposed a fine of \$200 on him. It seems that Ferguson was a beginner in the moonshine business and was unfortunate in getting a stock on hand, for Sheriff Campbell and deputy sheriff Aschm, who were two unwelcome visitors, found very little of what the still is supposed to produce.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Dyrland left for Hot Lake Tuesday, where they will remain for two weeks before returning to Portland for Mr. Dyrland to take up his new duties as cashier of the Lumbermen's Trust Co. Mrs. Dyrland has been the city editor of the Headlight, and Mr. Dyrland has been the cashier of the Tillamook County Bank. Burr Beals, Jr., has been elected as cashier to succeed him and Clarence Stanley is to be assistant cashier.

Mrs. E. Mathilde Claridge is here from Tacoma, to visit for a few weeks with relatives, also to look after her property at Rockaway, she

was formerly in London, but since her husband's death last year she has resided in the United States. Mrs. Claridge contemplates building a rustic cottage at Rockaway for a summer home, where she will chaperone young ladies from Portland and other places, who are there on vacations.

The nurses at the city hall were delighted to find the firemen's shower bath, and proceeded to make good use of it. They did not, however, know that the floor was porous until the boys who sleep below, found their shoes and bed full of water and politely inquired who had been trying to drown them. The firemen spent about \$100 to fix up the shower bath, but have never been able to use it because the builders failed to make the floor waterproof.

For a few days last week a tramp was haunting the streets, no one seemed to know where he was going or where he was from (perhaps he didn't), but after having been fired out of the pool halls, he went to sleep in a vacant house down by the river. But as there is no rest for the wicked, his sweet dreams were disturbed by Mr. Gruber, who brought him up to the City Hall for the night. After breakfast the next morning he had his choice between shaking the dust of Tillamook off his feet and the rock pile, and, not strange to say, he chose the former.

Professor Westover, of Corvallis, was in Tillamook this week to attend the annual meeting of the Cow Testing Association, but on account of so much sickness, the meeting was postponed until the last of the month, when he will return. Prof. Westover was quite interested in the annual report of the industry as published in the Headlight. He has received several copies sent out by this office and he requires more when in the city on Saturday. He said no other part of the United States could make such a splendid showing.

The American Legion boys are going to help in the fire prevention campaign by keeping the streets clear of traffic during a fire. By the way, did any one see them get their state of Oregon war medals? They did not. And nobody said a word. Each boy just exhibited his discharge and was handed a little envelope, and being satisfied it was safe, stuck it in his pocket and grinned at his neighbor as if he had been caught kissing his best girl. Heroes every one, and so hard for anyone to find words to express it. Here's to them.

Solon Schiffmann vs. Comstock Manufacturing Co., is a suit filed in the circuit court to recover \$3750.00. The plaintiff alleges in the complaint that he sold the defendant on the 23rd of December, 1913, 125,000 feet of fir lumber at Wheeler. At the same time defendant leased from the plaintiff his saw mill at Wheeler, and by the terms of the defendant by crossing the river on a foot plank. When they arrived at the Smith farm, where Walter Smith lived with his brother, Roy Smith, there were the young women, also nephew, a boy of 14 years of age. It had been decided by Roy Smith and the two young women that they would visit the Langley's that evening, but as it rained they decided not to go. When Blum and Walter Smith arrived, and having the automobile, all decided to go to Langley's. In going from the Smith farm to the county road, the party had to go afoot and cross the plank walk across the river. While doing so Walter Smith fell into the river, and after getting out started back to the house to get dry clothes, which is the last seen of him until his dead body was found covered up the next morning in Blum's garage.

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Blum had not proceeded far, for in a few minutes a loud yell was heard, and Roy Smith recognized the voice as that of his brother, Walter Smith, which was the last words he uttered previous to the tragedy.

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fell in such a manner that his legs, or part of the lower part of his body, was held fast with his head downward. Blum claims that he did not know that anything had happened and proceeded home. As he did so Walter Smith's shoulder and arm dragged on the ground. The tragedy occurred about 200 yards from the Zuercher home, and it was near that spot where the headlights of the auto were found and one boot, for a distance of 250 steps blood was sprinkled in the center of the road, and to the right hand side of the road. Here there were indications of a great deal of tramping, but whether this was done at the time of the tragedy or afterwards is not known. From the place of the tragedy to Blum's home is about a mile and a half, and no further trace of blood was found until Blum's garage was reached. From all appearance Blum had endeavored to drive the auto into the garage but had failed to do so, and the machine bucked down on the approach. Here more blood was found, the body of Walter Smith coming in contact with the approach.

Roy Smith while returning with the young women found the horse badly crippled near a small barn on the road. He readily surmised that an accident had happened and after attending to the injured animal he made a search along the road with a lantern, which took him some time. He thought that some accident had happened to his brother and Blum had taken him to a doctor. Finding that his brother was not at home he went to Blum's where he found Blum's wrecked machine. He called up Blum who was in bed, and they hunted the born for Walter Smith. Failing to find him there they went to the garage where the dead body was found. This was about three o'clock on Friday morning.

The body was badly bruised in several parts and the clothes and flesh of the right shoulder and arm were worn off to the bone on account of being dragged so far, and one ear was badly lacerated. Blum's auto was standing about 40 feet from the garage badly crippled, both headlights of the machine were broken off and gone and the radiator smashed in, which prevented the fan from running, with one of the back tires off and hanging to the axle. How Blum managed to drive the machine that condition at night, without lights and over the bridge, with the body of Walter Smith dangling on the ground is a mystery.

Blum claims that he does not know what happened that evening, his mind being a perfect blank, whether this is so remains to be proved. All that he remembers is he saw fire coming from the radiator when on his way home in the machine.

There is another matter that is unsolved, and that is who placed the body of Walter Smith in the garage? It was either taken from the auto when the machine bucked down from the garage, or did the body fall off after Blum had reached the garage.

The general supposition is that the body of Walter Smith was placed in the car on the road, where the blood marks stopped, and removed from the car by Blum's garage, for the inside of the car was muddy and the robes and other covering that were in the auto were used to cover up the dead body.

This is the sad, sad story of the awful tragedy that happened to Walter Smith on the Miami road on Thursday night, but there is this consolation, for had Blum met another car traveling over the road with a number of persons in it, it is safe to say that a number of other precious lives would have been snuffed out in short time as a result of imbibing too freely of hard cider with a "kick" in it.

Early Friday morning Sheriff Campbell was notified by Roy Smith and District Attorney T. H. Goynne made an investigation of the whole affair.

No inquest was held.

District Attorney T. H. Goynne preferred a charge of involuntary manslaughter against Blum on Monday, and the latter was brought before Justice Stanley. Attorneys Bette and Winslow appeared for the accused, and as they had only just been retained, they asked the justice to postpone the case until ten o'clock, Wednesday, March 17th, which was granted. The justice placed the bond at \$2,500 which Blum obtained.

Charles Blum is an old settler of Tillamook county, and has been an industrious citizen.

Championship Debate.

The second round of the championship series in the Western Division on the State Debating League will be held March 19. The results of the first debate, held last month, left the schools in the following order: Corvallis 6 points; Tillamook, 7 points; Banks 1 point; McMinnville, 0; Beaverton, 0; Forest Grove, 0.

In the coming debate the two leaders of the district, Corvallis and Tillamook, have been paired. The local

HARD CIDER, WITH A "KICK," CAUSE TRAGEDY UP THE MIAMI.

Walter Smith Ground to Death by Charles Blum's Auto after a Collision.

Sometimes it takes something extraordinary to transpire or even a tragedy, similar to that which occurred up the Miami, to get a peep behind the scenes as to what is going on in our midst, even in a quiet, peaceful place, seemingly, as Tillamook County. It was a real tragedy that took place Thursday night of last week and it was not until the next morning that the facts became partly known, and even now there is some mystery as to exactly how the tragedy happened. It is known, however, that it was hard cider with a pronounced "kick" in it that was first responsible for the gruesome affair. Whether any moonshine figured in the tragedy is not known, but it would not be surprising to some people if it did, for the Miami appears to have a bad reputation for moonshine. However the cider was home manufactured, made from apples grown on the farm, and quite a favorite drink even amongst prohibitionists, but it was the "kick" in this particular cider, so pleasing to those who like the home manufactured concoction, that made two men gloriously stewed.

The star actors in the tragedy were Charles Blum, who owns a farm up the Miami river; Walter and Roy Smith, brothers, sons of Lou Smith, who run their father's ranch on the same side of the river as that of Blum; and two young women who give their names as Misses Gladis and L. Yalove, who claim to be sisters. Probably they are not sisters, but are young women of the under-world who make their living by prostitution. They came from Portland about three weeks ago and have been living at the Smith ranch with the Smith boys since.

Walter Smith worked for Charles Blum, the latter taking Smith home after the day's work was done in his machine.

Thursday of last week the weather was wet, and Walter Smith split wood that afternoon and part of the evening in the wood shed. The wood splitting appeared very agreeable occupation for there were several bottles of hard cider there and Blum and Smith got gloriously full. The cider was made last fall by Blum, a whole barrel of it, which has become hard, and quantities were placed in bottles.

When Walter Smith was ready to go home, both men gathered up several bottles of the hard cider and placed them in the automobile. To drive from the Blum farm the river is crossed by a bridge and going up the road, the Smith farm is reached by crossing the river on a foot plank.

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affirmative team, Betty Lantz and Martha Crank, go to Corvallis to meet the negative team representing that high school, while the Corvallis affirmative team comes here to meet the Tillamook negative team, Clare Small and Harry Elliott. This dual debate will decide the championship of the district. The winner will send a team to the state championship tournament to be held in Eugene this spring.

The Tillamook debaters made an excellent showing in the opening round of series, and are hard at work under coach Floyd Dawson preparing for the coming contest, which they realize will be a much more difficult test of their debating ability. Due to the epidemic no efforts were made to secure a large audience at the first debate, but as conditions are rapidly improving a large turnout is anticipated at the contest to encourage the local students in their fight to win the championship. The debate will be the most interesting ever held in this section. The question is one of great interest, the debaters are evenly matched, and a championship is at stake. Plan to come out and boost, March 19, High School auditorium.

GEM THEATRE PROGRAM.

Friday, March 12—"Sapho", featuring Pauline Frederick.

"Ford Weekly" Educational.

Saturday, March 13—"Sacred Silence", William Fox production featuring William Russell.

"Looking for Trouble", One reel comedy.

Sunday, March 14—"Jacques of the Silver North", Select production, featuring Mitchell Lewis.

"Monkey Talks", two reel Sunshine Comedy.

Monday, March 15—"A Very Good Young Man", featuring Bryant Washburn.

Pacific International Livestock show filmed in Portland last November, at which time several head of Tillamook County's choice pure bred live stock were exhibited, and many prizes won. Don't pass up this chance to see the greatest stock show ever held on the west coast.

Tuesday, March 16—"Square Deal Sanderson", featuring William S. Hart.

"The Dentist"—2 reel Mack Sennet Comedy.

Wednesday, March 17—"Louisiana", featuring Vivian Martin.

"Bray Pictograph & Cartoon."

Thursday, March 18—"Oh, Boy!" presenting June Caprice and Creighton Hale in one of the best musical comedies ever put on a film. See advertisement on another page.

"Bumping into Broadway," a two reel Harold Lloyd Comedy.

The first one he has made under a new contract, and said by motion picture comedy critics to be the best of his career. Now! If you are looking for a laugh and plenty of fun, here is where you will get the best measure of your life. Don't miss it.

High School Notes.

The attendance in the high school is almost normal again.

A surprise was in store for the student body Monday, when letters were awarded to our football players for vallant bravery on the field of hard knocks. Letters were given to the following: Small, Elliott, Lienkemper, Moulton, Farley, Gay, Olson, Sharp, "Shingles" and Anderson.

Next Friday night our boys will play basket ball with Clatsop at the armory. This is expected to be one of the most exciting games of the season. Our boys are just now getting in practice and we know the outcome of this game will be in favor of T. H. S.

Domestic Art under Miss Skidmore have finished their linen problem and are now commencing school dresses of wash material.

The students of the high school are glad to see Miss Brakel back at school.

Monday our girls practiced basket ball at the armory. The girls are preparing to battle the Bay City girls on our floor.

Charles Lamb and Ernest Crockett, former students of Tillamook High School are debaters of the University of Oregon this year.

Dr. Gilbert Coming.

The Rev. E. E. Gilbert, D. D., successor to Dr. T. B. Ford, Superintendent of the Salem District of the Methodist church, will pay his initial visit as Superintendent to Tillamook City next Sunday.

Dr. Gilbert is a man of outstanding ability and winning personality and without a question will make a host of friends in Tillamook in the days to come. He will preach Sunday night, regular services in the morning, Sunday school at 10 a.m.

Reformed Church.

Cor 4th Ave. and E. 5th Street. Rev. W. G. Lienkemper pastor. Sunday School at 10 a.m. Morning worship at 11 a.m. Subject: "The First and Great Commandment."

Evening services at 8 o'clock. Subject: "The Christian Ideal of Conduct."

You are cordially invited to worship with us.