

BOYS ATE TILLAMOOK CHEESE

The Headlight inadvertently overlooked the fact that the Tillamook County Creamery association sent two cases of fine Tillamook cheese to the officers and men of Company K during the late encampment at Camp Lewis. The delivery of the cheese was delayed for a day or two, when some one not entitled, signed for it, but it was later received and much enjoyed by the Tillamook company who have a very kindly feeling for the thoughtful donors.

BOYS HOME ON FURLOUGH

Geo. D. Williams son of Mr. and Mrs. James Williams of near this city, is home on a furlough from his ship the U. S. S. California, now lying at Bremerton, Wash. George will visit in this county until August 1st. He has one more year to serve having enlisted for three years. Another sailor now visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Simmons of South Prairie, is Eugene Simmons, who comes from the U. S. S. New Mexico now at Bremerton, Wash. He has been in the navy about nine months and is taking electrical engineering. He will return in a day or two.

APPROPRIATION ASKED FOR ROAD

It is understood that an appropriation to finish up the government road leading from Bayocean to Cape Mears light house has been asked for and probably will be placed in the government lighthouse budget for the Oregon coast. It is also believed that the government has for the present, at least, abandoned the idea of erecting a light house on cape Lookout, some miles south of Cape Mears. It is learned that the government will soon make a number of improvements at Cape Mears, looking to that place as a permanent light station. There now is a road from Bayocean to the light house, but the road is not a surfaced highway which is desirable for hauling supplies. When the Tillamook-Bayocean road is completed, supplies probably will come by rail to Tillamook and thence go to Bayocean. From the latter point supplies will go forward over the government road to the light house.

LOGANBERRY PICKING NOW ON

F. D. Bester has eight acres of loganberries that are beginning to ripen 2 miles east of town. As the canneries in this county will not operate this year on account of the high cost of sugar and tin, berry raisers will have to depend upon family consumption of this fine fruit.

Mr. Bester says the loganberry got a black eye in the east because they were carelessly processed and poorly canned during the war period and that they did not look good nor did they taste good to those who bought them canned. Another objection was the high price charged for them when retailed. These causes have operated against the loganberry to a considerable extent, but the housewife out west knows that when properly canned, the loganberry is a table fruit delicacy and Oregonians are strong for it.

GOOD CHANCE FOR A JOB

Farmers are said to lack help in this county in haying and one of the mills in this county is also short of mill help, so it is reported. The berry crop will soon have to be taken care of also. Here is a good chance for some of the surplus and unoccupied population of Tillamook to get busy and take a job. A man who doesn't get a job now, can safely be set down as one who doesn't want one.

PIONEER ROAD BUILDER BUSY

"Spoken of roads, finished and un finished, and of road improvements," said County Commissioner Alley the other day, "reminds me of the yearning we used to have for just common dirt roads in the early days in this county."

"You must have been an early settler," remarked the reporter, scenting a story of pioneer road making.

"I came to Nehalem when only 15 years old, and at that time there were no wagon roads up there. The settlers followed the winding Indian trails for a while, and then began a system of their own, to shorten distances. There were no wagon roads until 1905, and when we wanted flour, sugar and such things, we came to Tillamook close upon the arrival of a schooner from Portland and brought our goods up from the boat to Brighton by pack horses, went across Nehalem bay in skiffs and canoes, and then packed in to our places. My father J. M. Alley and my mother left Indiana in 1866 at the close of the war, and crossed the Isthmus coming to California. My father was a first lieutenant in the army during the Civil war and had long had the west in mind as a place to live and grow up with the country. He settled in

Napa, California, where I was born. When a small boy I wanted to be a printer; soon the opportunity came, and I worked on the Gold Dollar and the Napa Register until I had learned the "art preservative" and was accounted a good type setter, when the family came to Oregon. We settled in Nehalem in 1882, and here my sister, Mrs. Stevens Scoville was born. She still resides in this county.

I have been a farmer practically all of my adult life, and am still on a farm in the north end of the county on the road leading through Mohler to Seaside. How long have I been county commissioner? Let me see. I began service as commissioner in May, 1907 and continued to January, 1, 1913; then came a gap in my service, as I was defeated for re-election by a narrow margin; but on September, 1917, S. G. Reed quit as commissioner and I was appointed to fill out the first part of his term; I was then re-elected for two more years. I was last elected in 1920, and still have about one and a half years to serve. "I was serving once, many years ago, as petit juror in this county; and frequently I was on duty, and at other times I had some time at my disposal. W. F. D. Jones, well known in this county, was editor of the Headlight during this period, and one day he somehow found out that I could set type. He was badly in need of a com-

positor and begged me to help him at the case during unoccupied jury service, which I did. One day, however, I was examined as to my qualifications to sit as a juror in a trial in which a man was being tried for murder. I knew of no reasons why I should not serve, as I had not read much about the case, but Tom Handley, senior, who was for the defense, after a few questions, excused me, much to my surprise. Just as I started out of the room into the hall I met Tom. "Say, Mr. Alley, Jones needs you mighty bad over there in the Headlight office. That's why I excused you." Tom was an old newspaper man himself, and had compassion for the editor who needed a juror for a compositor."

"Well, as to religion, I am a Methodist, and that was the faith of my parents, and is good enough for me. Politically I have always been a republican. I am largely self-educated, receiving only a common school education. My early experience as a printer taught me many things that have since been of value to me, and I guess that was a sort of an education in itself. The rest I have gotten in the good old school of "Hard Knocks," and in every day experience."

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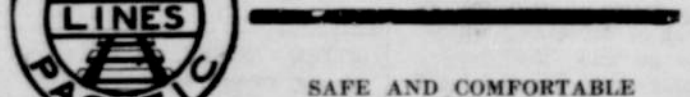
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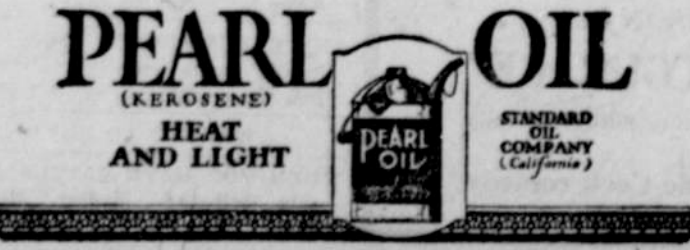
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