

# Tillamook Headlight

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## COUNTY FAIR PLANS UNDER DISCUSSION

### To Confer With Other Board Erecting Buildings Or Architect

## OLD GROUNDS WRECKED

### New Location Will Need Grading, Clearing and Fencing

The fair board held a meeting with county court Friday afternoon. The board not present, he being called to Nehalem on business. The matter of the improvement of the fair was discussed in detail, but it was decided that until definite plans are worked out for the improvements, no work will be done. Geo. B. Lamb was delegated to correspond with fair boards in two other counties who expect to build fair buildings next year, to find out whether the other counties would cooperate to the extent of employing an architect to draw plans for all the fairs, and thus reduce the expense of plans.

It was understood that there is a fire upon the part of many fair grounds to see the new grounds fitted for occupancy by next fair time, the old grounds are now in a dilapidated condition from the effects of the big storm last month, and are inadequate regarding room, other conveniences. Mr. Lamb probably be able to report at next meeting of the board.

Swale or depression in the grounds of some extent, however, it is believed, will be filled in in the meantime, and raised to a level with the main body of the ground, as the session occurs near a point where buildings will be erected. The matter of the availability of the funds was also discussed, and it was decided that these funds should be available before extended improvements are started. The board is anxious to have the new grounds ready for the next fair session if possible.

## IREMEN CALLED OUT CHRISTMAS MORNING

The clanging of the fire bell and following up shriek of the big fire at the Coast Power company, roused the town at about 3:30 o'clock Friday morning last. The fire was in the horse sheds just west of the Catholic parsonage, and it was just coming through the roof of the sheds when the engine arrived. It was quickly extinguished and did not do much damage. Chief Williams was unable to form an idea of the origin of the fire. It might have started from a cigarette stub, or might have been incendiary. The fire was a full turn out of the volunteer fire department, and the engine was there in short order, in the "Sandy," who when the siren rang on the engine, and barked like a dog. And "Grandpa" was there with a switch, with a fireman's cap on his head, and two times too small for his old head. It surely gets in the blood, old man.

## P. LODGE HEAD VISITS OFFICIALLY

W. Barrick, Grand Chancellor of Knights of Pythias returned home Friday after a week spent in attending lodge conventions in the Willamette valley. He was at Salem on the 17th, where upwards of three hundred people attended a convention; on the 17th he was present at a convention at Albany, and was present with Knights at Lebanon on the 18th.

Shearer was called to the Sander's general hospital last Wednesday for consultation on a major operation returning late Wednesday night.

## AUTOMOBILE WRECK INJURES TWO PEOPLE

### Mrs. N. S. Stewart and Fay Langley of Garibaldi, Hurt When Car Skids

Mrs. N. S. Stewart of Garibaldi sustained severe injuries, and Fay Langley also of the same place was hurt on the right hand, when an auto driven by George Krumlauf of Garibaldi, skidded and turned over on the pavement at the intersection of the highway and the Mapleleaf road, last Saturday afternoon. The three occupants were pinned under the auto for a moment or two, when they were taken out by people in other autos who came by.

An auto driven by Theodore Powers was coming out of the Mapleleaf road and had started to make the turn, when Krumlauf put on his brakes to avoid collision, with the result that his car skidded and turned over. Mrs. Stewart and Fay Langley were taken to Dr. Robinson's office where they were treated. The rest of the story is given in the statements of the auto drivers filed at the court house.

Theodore Powers states: "I was coming from Mapleleaf, and was just ready to turn toward town, when I saw Mr. Krumlauf coming at about 25 to 30 miles an hour. When he saw me he put on the brakes. They seemed to lock and his car skidded and turned completely around, then turned over on the gravel at the side of the pavement, breaking the top and windshield, and pinning the three occupants underneath."

The statement of Mr. Krumlauf is as follows: "I was coming down the pavement 25 to 30 miles an hour. I put on my brakes, the car skidded and turned over."

## BANK BURGLAR ALARM ATTENDS TO BUSINESS

The burglar alarm in the First National Bank of this city began a wild alarm last Friday night at 10:30 p. m. that caused considerable consternation for a time, until it was found out that the mechanism was purposely set for 10:30, with the idea that some of the merchant customers would want some change at about that hour to accommodate Christmas shoppers. As no one called at the hour, the bank clerk who set the alarm forgot the matter of setting it, and it sang its weird warning for several minutes, until one of the bank officials arrived and turned it off. Many thought it was a new kind of fire alarm, and when they found out, they expressed the opinion that it was a pretty good bank contrivance to warn off burglars.

## DRAGNET OF LAW HAULS IN THREE

Craig Edgar, Walter Earl and Walter Williams were arrested last Wednesday charged with possession of liquor. Edgar and Earl appeared before Justice Stanley Wednesday last and pleaded guilty to the charges against them and were fined \$25 each, this being their first known offense. Williams will be arraigned later.

## TREES BLOWN DOWN ON NETARTS ROAD

Two big trees were blown across the Tillamook-Netarts road last Monday night, one near the Worthington place, the other west of the sawmill. They were taken out Christmas morning by Supervisor Ed Schelling. The trees were blown down by the big gale Monday night.

## LEGION AUXILIARY OFFICERS ELECTED

The American Legion auxiliary recently elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. J. E. Shearer, re-elected; vice-president, Mrs. Jesse Kennedy; secretary, Mrs. Ira W. White; treasurer, Mrs. Jas. Williams. The election occurred on the 13th inst. The Auxiliary has a growing membership in this city.

## REDUCTION ON FEED MADE FOR FARMERS

### First of Year Will See Lower Costs on Hay and Feed

## MAY PURCHASE ALL HAY

### Land Here to be Used For Pasture and Meadow Not Hay

The Oregon Public Service commission has granted a reduction of \$2.80 a ton from Hermiston to Tillamook on hay. This is to take effect the 21st of January, 1924. It is uncertain whether or not the railroads will appeal from this decision so the Tillamook farmers cannot bank too strongly upon it until it is found out definitely what action the railroads will take in going to the courts in this matter. It will be remembered that last spring a hearing was had before the Public Service commission in which the Oregon hay growers, the Tillamook county creamery association, and others were interested. Afterwards the Public Service commission instituted a hearing on its own motion. At both of these meetings Carl Haberlach appeared and represented Tillamook interests. The reduction from other points was proportionately less. The rate from Eugene to Tillamook having been reduced to 80c a ton. It is believed that the reduction will result in a great change in Tillamook county, as it will mean that instead of most of the farmers raising enough hay to feed their cows that they will hereafter depend almost entirely upon the hay raised in other sections and brought into Tillamook county. With the present price of land in Tillamook county, it would not pay to raise hay, but the lands would be used simply as pastures with the difference that during the months of May, June, and possibly (Continued on page two)

## NEW PICTURE SHOW WILL START SOON

A new motion picture show will be opened to the public, it is stated, a week from Saturday next. Toby Oliver, the new proprietor, has rented the lower part of the Todd hotel annex, and has ordered two Simplex projection machines, and four hundred opera chairs, and has let a contract for the remodeling of the old hall, for the purposes of the show.

## TRAIN WITH LOGGERS GOES UNDER GUARD

### A Rumor of Holdup Causes Precautions to be Taken

The special train that left this city for Portland last Friday night contained a couple hundred loggers and mill workers from this county.

In some way a rumor became current before the train left that there was a plan to hold the special up somewhere along the road, and take up an enforced collection from the woods and mill men who doubtless had more or less money on their persons. Several railroad detectives were aboard in anticipation that something would happen, and Sheriff Aschim and two deputies were on the train until Wheeler was reached, when the deputies dropped off, and Aschim continued to Portland.

Just before the train reached a tunnel on the Salmonberry river, the engineer stopped the train and reported that a man had boarded the blind baggage on forward car. Aschim spied the fellow, who looked like a hobo, but he jumped off and made for the woods. Nothing after this incident happened. At the Washington county line, the train was boarded by the Sheriff of Washington county and two deputies who saw the train through to Hillsboro.

The timbermen got out of the woods in safety, and no daring robbers appeared to hold them up. The only thing that looked suspicious was the man who attempted to get on the train at a point near the tunnel, as he could easily have climbed up and gone over the tender to the cab and held up the engineer and fireman, had there been no officers along. If there was a scheme to hold up the train, those who intended it, became aware of the fact that the train was escorted by armed officers of the law.

## MYSTERIOUS ALARM BRINGS OUT ENGINE

At about 12:30 Thursday the siren blew a fire alarm, and the engine responded, going up First street as far as the Coast Power company's plant. No fire appearing, the engine returned. The engineer at the plant stated that a bell came in, but the question is from what place. The telephone exchanges said that no one called through those offices. No one appeared to know anything about it.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Over and son Larry of Brighton, were guests of Eugene Crosby and family on Monday and Tuesday of this week.

## INSURANCE RATES CLAIMED LOW HERE

### Rates Have Been Decreasing For Past Twenty Years Here

## IMPROVEMENTS HELP

### Fire Prevention Held Better Than Fire Fighting, Says Authority

"There seems to be an impression with many people that insurance rates are increasing," said a prominent insurance man at a local hotel one day this week. "Now, take your own town here, and let me show you." The insurance man took out a bulky book and drew forth a paper.

"Insurance rates on fire risks have gradually been decreasing for the past twenty years in Tillamook. Here we are: Take this business risk right here for example. In 1903 the rate for wooden commercial buildings in a certain block of this town was \$10 per hundred; today the rate on the same property is 3.75 per hundred, or three and three quarters per cent. In 1903, the building on the Lamar corner was rated at 8 per cent, or \$8.00 per hundred. Now it is \$4.42 per hundred. Take for instance the dwellings of your town as another example: A certain dwelling here in 1903 was rated at \$1.00 per hundred; this was reduced in 1916 to 50 cents on the hundred, where it now stands. Insurance protection on dwelling houses shows a noticeable reduction when it is now written for a term of three years for \$1.00, or thirty three and a third cents per thousand of insurance."

"I am giving these figures to show you that the people who tell you that insurance rates are increasing, certainly are mistaken, as the facts, (Continued on page 2)

## BODY OF J. K. KAYS TO BE BURIED HERE

J. K. Kays, aged 35, who committed suicide in a hotel at Butte, Montana, after fake promoters had swindled him out of \$2,000, formerly lived in Tillamook county, where his parents are buried. He is said to have been a man of good habits and industrious. A McMinville dispatch stated that the remains would be brought to Tillamook for burial beside his parents.

## MATLOCK LUMBER CO. CEASES OPERATIONS

### Forty to Sixty Men Thrown Out of Work As Result

The Matlock mills closed down last Saturday and posted a statement to the mill workers in the mill yard, in which they made certain statements which led to the closing down of the logging camp and mills.

It is understood that most of the men employed came to town and filed labor liens on the lumber at the camp and on three carloads of lumber at the loading dock in this city.

Forty to sixty men are thrown out of employment by the shutting down of the mill. Some of the men say that the last pay day was on the 15th of October, and it is estimated by the workers that the total amount owing to the men is between \$6,000 and \$8,000.

A. M. Matlock has had charge of the mills here, and it is said that he had business connections with a man named Everett in Dallas. It is understood that the timber has been purchased from Arthur Beals of this city. The mill has been operation something less than a year, and has cut and shipped considerable lumber.

## RURAL DELIVERY ROUTE WILL INCLUDE CAMP

Frank W. Hunter reports that on and after January first of the coming year that Route "A" will be extended to and include Coates Logging camp, about five miles southwest of town. This daily mail will reach about one hundred and fifty people working at the camp who will appreciate the service. The camp will get as much mail per day as do some second or third class offices in the county. Mr. Hunter will have charge of the delivery, which will make his route about fifty miles. Route "A" also serves the people along the Trask road to a point west of the state fish hatchery, thence east through a farm and dairy section, and back to town.

## SUPT. GEO. B. LAMB WITH ASSOCIATION

George B. Lamb, county school superintendent attended the State teachers' association which met in Portland last Wednesday. From Portland he went to Salem to attend the superintendents' convention, the latter being a conference of state superintendents who annually meet for an interchange of ideas and experience. L. W. Turnbull also attended the state teachers' association, as did Mrs. H. C. Hanson, I. D. Hatch, principal of the Cloverdale schools, and Mrs. Kathleen Durham, principal of the Bay City schools.

## TALANTED HARPISIT WILL PLAY IN CITY

Alice Genevieve Smith, Harpist, a talented harpist of nationwide prominence, will give a joint recital with McGhee's orchestra at the Christian church on January 11th next. From the very flattering press notices shown, it is believed that those who miss the opportunity of hearing this recital, will indeed be sorry. There are few better orchestras in Oregon than our own McGhee's combination of players; and one of the many press notices quoted will be sufficient to show the esteem in which Miss Smith is held as a musician. To quote: "Miss Smith besides being a thorough musician combines her musical skill with all the dramatic force, all the subtle shades of voice and expression, all the sympathy and poise belonging to a great actress.—The Times-Democrat, New Orleans."

Deputy state Game Warden George Russell has just recovered from a severe attack of tonsillitis, and now is suffering from an attack of sore eyes, and an infection of one of his hands. George thinks he is having his share of affliction all in a bunch.

## SHERIFF'S OFFICE PAYS DIVIDENDS

### Year 1923 Sees Record For Office Over Previous Years

## LAW VIOLATORS PAY

### 7,055 Days is Term Imposed By Circuit Court For Past Year

There are not many sheriff offices in the state that are made to pay their own way during the year, but that is the record of the Tillamook sheriff's office for 1923.

The amount in the budget for 1923 apportioned to pay the running expenses of that office was \$11,490. Up to December 15th, 1923, the office had collected in cash fines for law violations the sum of \$12,746, or \$1,256 more than the amount appropriated in the budget to run the office. In other words, the sheriff's office has handed back to the county \$11,490, and up to December 15th of the present month, and additional Christmas present of \$1,256, and it is believed that there will be enough by the first of the year to make it close to \$1500.

Here are the figures: Total sentences imposed from January 1, 1923 to December 15th, 1923, \$31,058.50. Actually collected in cash \$12,746.50. Paroled by the circuit judge and justice of the peace, the latter only in Tillamook city, \$18,312.50.

Figure this up, and it will be seen that the sheriff's office has not only paid its way, but has turned over a snug balance to the county, as a result of the activities of the sheriff and deputies in detecting violations and arresting violators whose fines have made it possible to collect the county taxes for nothing, and give the county a Christmas present of \$1,256.

The court imposed a total of 7,055 days imprisonment on law violators up to and inclusive of the last term of circuit court. The sheriff's showing is above all costs of the office, and includes all expense of that office. Nothing in the above cash collection total in fines covers fish violation fines, or state officers, nor does it take in to account money received from justice courts outside of Tillamook city. Due to the activities of the sheriff's office a lot of bad fines have been collected, due to parole violations, and such violators are forced to hide out or leave the state.

## 56-POUND SALMON CAUGHT WITH ROD

E. E. Koch holds the championship belt of this county if not of the coast for taking a 56 pound salmon with a light casting rod. The feat was achieved about eight o'clock Thursday morning on Wilson river. Mr. Koch at first thought he had hooked on to a big submerged hemlock log, but later a monstrous Chinook salmon came to the top of the water and began all kinds of fish gymnastics. After a hard fight the big one was gaffed and landed. The tackle used was a light six and one half pound casting rod, a Japanese silk line, a double leader gut, and a double number 4 double hook. The fish weighed 56 pounds; had jaw spread of ten inches; was 13 inches across, and measured 4 feet in length. This is believed to be the largest fish ever landed in this county with the same size tackle. The salmon was in prime condition.

## TILLAMOOK YOUTH WILL TRY FOR HONORS

On January 5th, 1924, twelve Oregon boys will endeavor to pass the examination that will allow some one of the number to be appointed to the West Point Military Academy. Among the number is G. W. Lucas of Tillamook.

## Events in the Lives of Little Men



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