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OUR EDITORIAL POLICY

- 1. To advocate, aid and support any measures that will bring the most good to the most people
2. To encourage industries to establish in Tillamook county.
3. To urge the improvement of a port for Tillamook City.
4. To insist on an American standard of labor.
5. To be politically independent, but to support the candidates for public office who will bring the most good to the people of Tillamook county and of the State of Oregon.

Steelheads are now coming in to the bay in large numbers, and local sportsmen are having good luck in snagging them with rod, line and hook, using salmon eggs for bait.

The prospects for the improvement of the Tillamook bay now look exceedingly bright. If our congressmen and senators do their duty in watching out for government aid in the matter of the deepening of ship channels from the bar to Garibaldi, and from the latter place to Bay City, it would seem more than probable that an appropriation by congress for the work will result. One thing already has been accomplished, and that is the yielding of community interests by the cooperative action of the whole bay section for harbor improvements. The petty jealousies of the past, have been largely eliminated by United effort for the whole bay. And it is a hopeful sign. Community prejudice and jealousy are the forces that erect obstacles over dead towns. United effort brings general advancement of a state or county. Tillamook and all other towns in the county now see the value of community cooperation, and should forget ancient jealousies and childish disagreements as a nightmare or a bad dream.

It is reported that large sums of money are available to defeat Governor Pierce through the recall. It also said that most of this corruption fund is held ready for use in the hands of agents of corporations operating in this state, whose boards of directors and officers live in the big cities of the east. In other words, the slush fund of certain of the big eastern corporations doing business in the west, will give the people of Oregon an object lesson in the power of money to influence public opinion. If Governor Pierce is opposed to the big corporations, it is not to be said of him that he is friendly to their interests, and is their rival. These big corporations desire to operate here, but they want to do things to suit their own pockets. It would seem that the state of Oregon is or should be able to answer the question that might arise concerning the efficiency of its Governor or of his lack of efficiency as governor, without interference from corporations operating under the laws of the state of New Jersey.

The big political circus is getting ready for the coming presidential campaign. The band wagon has been repainted a gaudy red, to catch the eye of the party patriots. The us band is tooting some old tunes to new music, which in the opinion of the circus manager will prove to be to the prospective voter. The circus, which is an old tune which has been times caught many votes for party, is being sugar-coated and made to will have a new title, and the same old thing. The bass drum, the clarinet and the horn will be made larger, so as to make more noise. The drummers are now being their parts, and the old processions that used to

please the politicians so much, may this year be revived. The party newspapers have already received their cue, and will shout loudly the praises of the big woman, the wild man from Borneo, the two-faced freak from Patagonia, and other party side-show attractions. The prohibition question is to be nicely straddled by the platform makers, and they will also play peek-a-boo with other issues, so as to get by. But it will be the same old circus, despite efforts to disguise it. The bands will wear the same old threadbare uniform, well brushed, and pressed for the occasion. The main appeal will be to "beat the other fellow." Both parties will use the same side show methods, with slight variations. One will be labeled republican, the other democratic, but both will be owned and controlled by the same company, with the same board of directors. Many of the directors will have foreign names, but the parties want the votes of a certain class of the naturalized foreigners to help the party win. The circus will start out soon after the new year, and travel uptil the 4th of November, after which both shows will go into winter quarters under one roof. The old Nubian lion will be given a dose of "high life," and circus hands disguised as Agihoogitarians from the jungles of Africa, will prod the old beast with gilded pitchforks, to make him howl at the right time. Yep, it's the same old show. Both shows will make a pretense of fighting each other, but they will winter under the same old roof back in N' Yawk. Efforts will be made to sidetrack all issues of real importance to the nation, and the party spielers will sing the praise of the big shows and at the same time deftly short-change the voter at the ticket office. They will catch many. Some they will not catch. But, despite the platforms, it will be the same old aggregation, that think more of the dollar and party patronage, than they do of the fate of the nation. But, in some states, no doubt, the shows will not do well. People will be too busy with real principles to be allured by the blare of the old trombone, and the cage of monkeys, the striped stage-horse, and the thin man and the fat woman. Many there will be, who, tired of the old show, will demand new attractions, and those of real moment to the nation. A new spirit of Americanism has been born. It will not be downed by buncombe. It has tired of horse-play and graft and greed, and a pandering to foreign-conceived ideas, and foreign-made amusements imported to blind and deceive the voter for a purpose.

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WHO IS PUSHING RECALL?

The circulation of petitions for the recall of Governor Pierce, is progressing at the rate of ten cents per name. Just who is putting up the money will later develop. Evidently there are several interests behind the move to recall the Governor. The elements conspiring to remove the Governor from activity as the chief executive of the state, no doubt were heartened in making the present attempt by the very slight majority given the state income tax at the polls recently. One indignant corporation man and money lender, it is stated, has left Oregon because of the income tax law. Another former governor and unsuccessful contender for a second term, also left the state, disgruntled, and is now an official in an Italian bank in California. It is amazing how people do get peeved, like spoiled children, who cannot have their way politically and otherwise. Such people come positively to detest the will of the majority when the majority expression at the polls is not to their liking. Governor Pierce is not a great man. He probably has made some mistakes, but those who know him best believe that he is honest, and is striving to do what he conceives to be the right thing.

He is not in sympathy with the idea of tax-kiting; he also believes in law enforcement; he would like to see a lot of useless commissions lopped off that benefit no one but the office holding set who draw the salaries; he lacks somewhat in decision. He is a trifle too much inclined to change his mind, the result of an impulsive nature, but taken all together, there are a whole lot of worse governors than Pierce. But it is of the recall we would speak, or, rather of the abuse of the recall. It was primarily designed to pry incompetent and bad men out of office, and to supplant such a person with a better man. But the politicians and the tax dodgers have found a new and evil use for it. They want to use it against men whom they do not like, and who will not bend the suppliant knee to corporations that have entrenched themselves through special legislation, and who do not

want to be disturbed by any laws which will increase their own tax obligations or be put in a position where they cannot dodge their responsibilities. Some of these incorporations are controlled by men who do not even live in the state, but who are here by proxy to prosper, and to dodge taxation. The issue in this case then, is between a governor who is trying to act for the best interests of the masses of his state, and a class who have a spite at him because he does not stand where they would like to have him stand. Then there is the political hatred of those who saw him overturn a big party majority, and who hanker for the control of the state flesh pots. The Headlight is not in the business of predicting things. But it does not believe that Governor Pierce will be recalled. It also is opposed to the growing pernicious habit of the abuse of the recall. It deprecates the spending of money in calling another special election, in which a large sum of the tax-payer's money will be uselessly spent. Furthermore, it would like to know just what corporations or other interests are represented by the men who are putting up the ten cents per name to the men who are circulating the petitions to get the issue on the ballots.

URGE THE TRASK ROUTE

Hillsboro, Dec. 15.—Urging that the new highway to Tillamook be routed up Patton creek to Cherry Grove and down Trask river to Tillamook, a committee of citizens of the south end of Washington county met contended that pass was lower and with the county court. The committee proposed route would be from 10 to 13 miles shorter than the Wilson pass road, that five miles of completed highway between Forest Grove and Gaston and five miles of well graded macadamized road between Gaston and Cherry Grove would be available and that Washington county would have but two miles to build to connect with the Yamhill county market road, surveyed to within three miles of the summit.

The committee included Benn Patton, Lee Carpenter, Mr. Loomis, R. Thompkins, Oaka G. Beeler, Please Smith, J. J. Ford from Road District No. 4; and from Gaston and vicinity Jay Gibson, A. A. McDonald, Fred Lyons and H. H. Wescott.—Oregon Journal.

OPEN A NEW TOURIST ZONE

The entire Columbia Highway magnificent though it be, together with the grandeur of the scenic loop around Mt. Hood are not in themselves sufficient to attract and re-attract the bulk of the average summer tourist crop from over-advertised and burnt-out Southern California. Tourists from interior states and from the interior of our state want to see the ocean, sniff its salt air and eat sea food before it has been embalmed in ice for distant shipment—and there is a difference. The way to the tourist's heart is through his palate, and what has more zest than a crab cooked and cooled in ocean water, or delicately browned clam fritters preceded by a bowl of well peppered clam chowder—salmon purchased from the fisherman almost as it leaves the water or self-caught on a sporting spoon—trout for the hiking up a nearby mountain stream, or pop-eyed flaky meated ocean fish caught by the hook and line from the rocks and cliffs which irregularize our beaches from monotonous stretches of sand?

It takes more than the vision of a dreamer to make matter of fact a great horde of tourists overflowing the accommodation in the towns along every coast stream and bay and using the miles and miles of our uninhabited ocean shores. This can be done by forming a county wide zone along our entire coast line and restricting the commercial shipment of these delicacies to intra zone shipments during the tourist season. After this season, the matter of commercial shipments to points outside the zone but not outside the state could be left to the discretion of the people of the individual counties, providing regulations with due regard to conservation were adopted.

The stocking of these coast streams with Humpback salmon which will afford fresh salmon during the tourist season when ordinarily there are no salmon running, is the opening move for the creation of such a zone. Each bay should plant the varieties of bay clams which it lacks. Soft shell crabs which tickle the New Englander's palate should be introduced experimentally as should seed from the variety of Japanese oyster which prospers in water five degrees colder

than the temperature along our coast line.

This is merely the skeletonizing of a constructive vision. It can only be accomplished by the people of these counties. Will they be as slow to take advantage of the dollar drawing power in their very frontyard as the residents of the timber sections were to file on timber claims in their backyards?

STATE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Bend, Oregon, December 15, (Special) Dr. E. B. Bryan President of the University of Ohio, one of the leading educators of the United States and well known as a brilliant platform orator, has been secured as lecturer for the annual session of the Oregon State Teachers' Association by the President of the Association, Superintendent G. W. Ager, of Bend.

The convention will be held in Portland at the Lincoln high school on December 27, 27, 29. For the general sessions efforts are being made to secure another speaker of equal rank with Doctor Bryan. The annual session will open at nine o'clock, Tuesday, December 27, with a meeting of the representative council. The work of the Council, which consists of acting upon all official reports of standing committees and of transacting all regular and special business of the association, will occupy all of the first day. Only accredited delegates have the right to speak and vote during the deliberations of the council, though the meetings are open to all visiting teachers.

The general session of the association convene at nine o'clock Friday morning, December 28. The opening address will be given by Dr. Bryan. From reports already received by officers of the association, it is estimated that there will be more than two thousand teachers from all sections of Oregon in attendance at this session. Department meetings will be held Friday afternoon and Saturday morning, and the convention will close with a general assembly Saturday afternoon for which there has been provided an excellent program of special music and an address by one of the Eastern speakers.

The teachers' association is composed of twenty different departments. Programs of unusual merit have been prepared for these various divisions, the meetings of which will be held on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. The chairmen of the sections are as follows:

- Agriculture, Forest Rycraft, Lebanon; Art, Miss Esther Wuest, Portland; City superintendents, Supt. A. M. Cannon, Hood River; Classroom teachers, Miss Elsie M. Neave, Grants Pass; Commerce, R. D. Taylor, Portland; Higher education, Dean Colin V. Dymont, University of Oregon, Eugene; History, P. E. Christenson, City high school, Eugene; Home Economics, Katherine Kookan, Girls' Polutechnic, Portland; Industrial Arts, Washington High, Portland; Librarians, Superintendent Twyla Ferguson, Klamath Falls; Modern Languages, P. A. Getz, Roosevelt High, Portland; Music, Miss Louise Woodruff, Marshfield; Oregon State Council of English teachers, Miss Ida V. Turney, University of Oregon, Eugene; Oregon State Council of Geography teachers, Miss Jessie McGregor, Portland Public Schools; Physical Training, Dean J. F. Bovard, University of Oregon, Eugene; Psychology and Education, Superintendent M. S. Hamm, Roseburg; School Principals, Principal Austin Landreth, Pendleton; Vocational Education, A. R. Nichols, Oregon Agriculture College, Corvallis; Rural Schools, J. Alton Thompson, Bend, Science and Mathematics, L. E. Griffen, Reed College.

FISHERMAN BOTHER DAIRYMEN

Tillamook land owners are good natured, and want to give people a chance to fish, and have a good time, and have no fault to find with local people; but there are fishermen who come in from the outside who do not treat them fairly, and many of the dairymen will be forced to protect themselves by putting up trespass notices. Complaints are that fishermen leave gates open, allowing stock to go into fields where they do not belong, that fishermen take shovels and dig up large spots of good grass land in search of worms; knock off rails in getting over fences which they do not replace, and many other things that annoy and bother the dairymen. It would seem that fishermen would do as they would wish to be done by, but many of the city fellows and others from the outside, do not all consider the golden rule, hence, fishing places are going to be scarcer hereafter, say the dairymen.

Riddle State bank opens savings department.

CHURCH NOTES

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Service will be conducted on Sunday January 6th in the Adventist church at 11:00 a. m. by Rev. W. F. Georg of Portland. The Bible is the Word of God, the infallible truth. Come and hear this word preached.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Archdeacon J. C. Black will hold services next Sunday morning and evening at the Masonic building. Holy Communion 8:00 a. m. Sunday school at 10:00. Morning service with holy communion and sermon at 11:00. Subject the "Ministry of Giving." Evening prayer and sermon at 7:30, "The Ten Commandments."

"Though the mills of God grind slowly, yet they grind exceedingly small!" has been quoted in connection with a thousand causes. Not often is it applicable to roads, but in at least instance, no glove ever fitted tighter!

Two friends lived across a county line from each other; in the one county was good roads, connecting with the nearby county seat, in the other was opposition to good roads, and no good connection with the county seat. The two friends had many argument on the subject, he of the good roads county exulting in what the good roads did for him, he who had poor roads being glad at the smallness of his taxes.

There seemed no winning the argument for either. The one had a definite saving in hauling and time, the other had much smaller taxes.

Then the farm house and the barn where lived the opponent of good roads, caught fire. He telephoned instantly to his county seat, meanwhile his friend was also crying "fire" to his county seat, over his telephone!

The fire engines from the up-to-date county seat arrived and put out the fire before those from the poor road county were seen!

Of course the poor-road advocate had to pay the cost of that fire run; it was not in his county! And of course the cost was much, much more than a road tax would have been. But he paid it cheerfully.

"Either we get good roads next election, or I'm going to move across the line!" he said.

Adequate fire protection is just one of hundreds of reasons why any other kinds of a road than a hard road is uneconomic, expensive, unreasonable, and foolish!

NOTES OF PROGRESS

Pacific Northwest winter wheat acreage passes 3,000,000 for first time. Roseburg planning a \$18,000 library building.

Klamath Falls—Several thousand otherwise useless horses to be manufactured into chicken food. Portland tax levy reduced from 44.55 mills to 39.45 for next year. Eugene to get two new fraternal

buildings, addition to hotel, Eugene Guard building, \$225,000 hotel and numerous other improvements in near future.

Marion county slashes budget 58,716 below 1923.

Coast power line to be constructed between Garibaldi and Manhattan. Detroit-Niagara road to be built by county and forest service.

State tax levy for 1924 will be 13,277 below 1923.

Felix dedicates new high school.

Astoria—Work starts on new 4-story Higgins-Warren-Niemi building. Astoria had exports valued at \$975,000 during October, gain of 30 per cent over September.

The Dalles—Work being pushed on new telephone building. Plans completed for extensive development of hydro-electric power in

Deschutes county. Development of 175,000 h. p. in first two units possible at very small cost.

Wasco county's valuation amounts to \$15,842,690, increase of \$129,120 over last year.

Salem—\$32,000 apartment house to go up Parish Grove addition.

Roseburg broccoli growers receive \$2,000 shipment seed.

Wheeler to get \$15,000 hotel and store building.

TILE YOUR FARM ASK THE MAN WHO HAS TILED TILLAMOOK CLAY WORKS

Alice Genevieve Smith HARPIS Who will appear in a Joint Concert with the Me-Ghee Orchestra January 11th 8 p. m. AT THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH RESERVED SEATS ON SALE AT KOCH'S DRUG STORE

Taking America Off Its Feet! Overland Success is the Talk of the Country The year just ended has been the greatest of all the fifteen years of Overland history. A great year made by great cars—the greatest Overland ever built. Greatest in looks, power, action, comfort—and money's worth? Look at the new Overland Champion, for instance. It brings a quality, closed car with features and utilities hitherto unheard of within reach of every purse. America's first all-purpose car—conceded to be the most useful motor car on wheels. The Champion and all Overland models have the bigger Overland engine—brute power with extreme economy. Leaders in economy—leaders on the road—leaders in the many satisfactions they bring to owners. See them. Sit in them. Ask for a sample of their performance.