



ISSUED TWICE A WEEK—TUESDAY AND FRIDAY

LARGEST CIRCULATION OF ANY PAPER IN TILLAMOOK COUNTY

XX.

TILLAMOOK, OREGON, SEPTEMBER 2, 1913.

NO. 64

## Tillamook County's First Annual Fair Opens Favorably In Spite of Wet Weather

### Wonderful Dairy Products and Returns

Why Our Lands are Better than Gold Mines. Land Values High but Figures Prove Income Producing Ability.

General review of the resources of the county, the cheese making industry as known, is entitled to first consideration in this subject, we will confine ourselves to figures which are interesting to themselves to give the reader a basis for thought and speculation. Figures given below were taken from the report of the Cooperative Cheese Factories of Oregon, which may realize the rapidly growing cheese industry of the county. It is interesting to note that the production of approximately 2,000,000 lbs. of cheese during the year 1908, while during the year 1912 the county produced approximately \$500,000. This is holding its own very well in the face of increased production and prices. The following report of the sales of July cheese for the county is interesting.

1	7827	248.00	\$101.52
2	11755	400.00	161.16
3	7445	271.96	109.82
4	8927	295.48	114.99
5	8770	307.87	120.57
6	9221	308.55	123.09
7	10777	348.61	139.29
8	8961	304.59	121.01
9	8984	307.77	121.08
10	8128	291.35	114.58
11	8881	320.99	121.45
12	9522	348.99	142.06
13	8232	361.09	148.25
14	6934	284.85	113.22
15	6884	269.44	108.56
16	9381	307.85	120.51
Totals	132760	\$103.71	2779.14
Average	8485	318.98	129.95

It might be interesting to note what some of the individual dairymen are doing. For instance C. B. Wilby is pasturing 7 cows and 1 horse on 8 acres one half mile north of town on river bottom land. The gross income from the 7 cows for May was \$15 apiece and for June it was the same. The gross income from Mr. Wilby's 12 cows was \$155 each for 1912 and he estimates it will be \$150 each for this year. His extra expense for feed amounts to \$30 a year for each cow, which leaves a balance of \$120 per cow per year. Under this arrangement he is running a cow to the acre.

During 1912, A. M. Hare kept 4 cows on 3.85-100 acres of bottom land. Besides pasturing the cows he raised from this land 3 tons of hay and 4 tons of roots. His income from the four cows was as follows: \$374.90 for milk sent to cheese factory, value of milk for home use \$50, value of calf raised \$25, value of hay \$20, making a total of \$669.90. \$50 was spent for feed and hay leaving a balance of \$619.90.

### Salmon Fishing on Tillamook County Bays

Fishing Industry that Yields Four Hundred Thousand Dollars Annually. Many Canneries Kept Busy During Fishing Season.

Each year at a stated period, the water streams emptying into the ocean become highways for myriads of struggling fish, recruited from the mysterious depths of the sea. These fish—salmon by many names—are greatly valued by man as food, as their delicate pink flesh is acknowledged to hold pre-eminence over all known forms of sea food, and is acceptable to the most fastidious epicurean palates.

A peculiar fact connected with this visit to fresh water by the salmon is that certain territory distinguished by latitude, has its distinct return year after year. Although the same streams with few exceptions. Thus the Alaskan district of the Sound country, the Oregon and the California sections, each have a different kind of salmon of excellent quality, but in size, coloring and flavor. This distinction, there is a difference of three different varieties, but one another in each section.

Salmon fishing has been taken there weighing one hundred pounds. The Sockeye of the Sound country is a close rival to the Chinook and Seattle people maintain its superiority but the market figures indicate a different story in favor of the Oregon product.

The wide mouth of the vast Columbia, has long attracted the greatest run to its waters, and the town of Astoria has long stood supreme as the greatest fish mart on the Pacific. The Chinook comes to those waters in early August, while old to note, only a few miles south in the Tillamook Bay region they postpone their visit until a month later, coming in, from September 1st to the 15th when they are replaced by the smaller Silversides and Steelheads. This fact enables many Columbia River fishermen to move down the coast at the close of the Astoria season and participate in the Tillamook catch.

### Much Good Work Done by Fair Officials

Exhibits are of Wide Range and Include County's Best Products. Considerable Preparation Made for Live Stock Exhibit.

The First Annual Tillamook County Fair is being ushered into the annals of Tillamook County history. It marks the culmination of much labor and worry on the part of those who conceived it, yet there are none concerned in its creation who do not feel satisfied that the good results obtained from it, justify their efforts.

The concrete idea of holding an annual county fair in Tillamook grew from vague suggestions put forth from time to time by various people that it would be a good thing for the country and town to meet on equal footing at the close of each summer season and display the fruits of the year's labor. The idea grew finally, two committees were formed, one representing the grange, another the Tillamook Commercial Club. The men on these committees are Wm. Maxwell, Marion Chance and Morrison Mills for the Grange and C. I. Clough, Will Spalding and Ira Smith for the Commercial Club. This joint committee gave birth to the present fair and perfected the ground work for its occurrence. Later the present men holding office were elected and the actual work of assembling the material begun. These officials are to be given large credit for the success crowning their efforts.

Perhaps the greatest work has fallen on the shoulders of Mr. Blalock, the secretary, who has been in active charge on the grounds, yet everyone has supervised the live stock exhibit and this department is one of the principal features. As dairying comprises the main occupation for the farmers in this section, the cattle exhibit is bound to be a good one. Most of the ranchers own blooded stock and some have prize winning herds. A good showing is also expected by the horses brought in and the swine also.

A complete premium list and prizes offered has been published and thoroughly distributed among the farmers and citizens. Milk test and cheese exhibits naturally hold first place in the list of farm products. The highest prizes are offered for excellence in these articles.

Considerable poultry has made its appearance and vegetables of all kinds are in evidence. In the eastern portion of the county fruit is successfully grown and there will be a good line up in the horticultural department. Flowers have not been neglected and as they grow in profusion here their beauty and fragrance should be a feature attraction. Dahlias do especially well in this climate and it is doubtful if the display made with these flowers will often be excelled at any like show.

The useful arts and crafts have not been overlooked, and the women will have a chance to present specimens of their needle and crochet work. Also the small boys' booth will offer water at the sight he beholds in the domestic science section where cakes, cookies, jellies and jam will be temptingly placed in view.

It will be noted by looking at the program, that the O. A. C. is sufficiently interested in this first effort, to send some of their faculty to address the gathering and it is believed this feature will be one that the farmers will find profitable to them.

The Fair Association is a stock organization and to make it possible, the business men and many individuals have liberally subscribed. With a good showing this year the future should bring forth many additions and improvements that will make the fair an occasion looked forward to impatiently by the people throughout the county.

### Tillamook City Enjoying Unusual Prosperity

Many Expensive Business Blocks and Residences in Course of Construction. Facts and Figures that Tell the Story.

The year 1913, regardless of the unlucky "13" attached to the figures 19, has been one of considerable importance to the city of Tillamook. The long anticipated boom, occasioned by the assurance of harbor improvements, seems to have struck us this year. The population of our city has increased considerably this year and it is estimated that we now have 1800 residents. A scarcity of houses for renting purposes has stimulated a building boom of considerable proportions.

The year 1913 has seen the completion of a fine \$20,000 Christian Church, a three story hotel and bank building valued at \$75,000, over three miles of hard surfaced streets, a fine sewer system and many miles of cement walks. The important improvements now under construction are, an Odd Fellows two story brick building which will cost over \$20,000, a two story brick building being constructed by the Masonic order and will cost nearly \$25,000, and the Catholics of this city and locality are building a \$10,000 brick church which will be an ornament to the city. There are many other minor improvements, which, taken collectively mean much for the city.

Tillamook City has truly been designated the hub of the county as nearly all important roads of the county terminate at this point. The road leading south into the Nestucca country is a splendid feeder for Tillamook City as are the Wilson and Trask River roads. The lately completed Netarts road is also of much benefit to our city. We are waiting with anticipation the building and completion of the Tillamook Bayocean road, the construction of which will no doubt begin next year. This road will be of much benefit to Tillamook.

Another fine thing for Tillamook is the fact that she is situated in the midst of one of the greatest cheese producing districts in the world. This immediate district alone producing over \$50,000 worth of cheese out of a total production of \$650,000 for the whole county. In 1912, and when we come to consider the fact that only a small proportion of our lands are producing to their full capacity at present, we can readily see what the future has in store for us as a cheese producing center.

The year 1913, regardless of the unlucky "13" attached to the figures 19, has been one of considerable importance to the city of Tillamook. The long anticipated boom, occasioned by the assurance of harbor improvements, seems to have struck us this year. The population of our city has increased considerably this year and it is estimated that we now have 1800 residents. A scarcity of houses for renting purposes has stimulated a building boom of considerable proportions.

The year 1913 has seen the completion of a fine \$20,000 Christian Church, a three story hotel and bank building valued at \$75,000, over three miles of hard surfaced streets, a fine sewer system and many miles of cement walks. The important improvements now under construction are, an Odd Fellows two story brick building which will cost over \$20,000, a two story brick building being constructed by the Masonic order and will cost nearly \$25,000, and the Catholics of this city and locality are building a \$10,000 brick church which will be an ornament to the city.

Tillamook City has truly been designated the hub of the county as nearly all important roads of the county terminate at this point. The road leading south into the Nestucca country is a splendid feeder for Tillamook City as are the Wilson and Trask River roads. The lately completed Netarts road is also of much benefit to our city. We are waiting with anticipation the building and completion of the Tillamook Bayocean road, the construction of which will no doubt begin next year. This road will be of much benefit to Tillamook.

Another fine thing for Tillamook is the fact that she is situated in the midst of one of the greatest cheese producing districts in the world. This immediate district alone producing over \$50,000 worth of cheese out of a total production of \$650,000 for the whole county. In 1912, and when we come to consider the fact that only a small proportion of our lands are producing to their full capacity at present, we can readily see what the future has in store for us as a cheese producing center.

### Swiss People to Stage Old Country Custom

Annual Festival Marking Spring Move From Valleys to Alpine Mountain Sides Acted Out in Detail. Most Novel Feature of Fair.

The Swiss people, who figure largely in Tillamook county and its cheese making industry, will feature an old country folk custom in the stock parade, held by the First Annual Tillamook County Fair Wednesday.

Dunstan, 5th grade; Miss Blanche Lucas, 6th grade; Miss Mary White, 7th grade; Miss Georgia Sours, 8th grade. Will C. Will has been employed as teacher in the manual training department and Miss Emma Ueland will have charge of the domestic science department for the ensuing year. All of the important religious denominations have organizations at work here and much good work is being done for the moral uplift of the town. There are two new industries which promise much for Tillamook City and the County. These are the brick yards being established by the Krebs Bros., north of town, and the milk sugar factory which has been built near the Maple Leaf cheese factory. Examinations have proven the fact that we have the very best of clay for the manufacture of brick, tile and other building material. Tillamook City will no doubt be one of the best convention cities in the state. We have entertained this year, the United Brethren Conference of the state, the Oregon National Guards, a large delegation of Moose from over the state and our next work along that line will be the handling of the State Dairymen's Convention which will be held sometime this fall. The big event of next year will be the state reunion of Old Soldiers and Sailors of the Civil War. Tillamook City has made splendid advancement during the past year, and the prospects for the future are indeed bright.