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SMITH AND STRAW NAMED FOR MAYOR OF MARSHFIELD

Caucus Last Evening Was the Largest Ever Held in City.

RECORDER BUTLER WITHOUT OPPOSITION

Powers, Hennessey, Savage, Hansen and Riebe For Councilmen.

For mayor—I. S. Smith and E. E. Straw.
For recorder—John W. Butler.
For councilmen (three-year terms, two to be elected)—A. H. Powers, A. J. Savage and Jens Hansen.
For councilman (one year term, one to be elected)—Pat Hennessey and Frank S. Riebe.

The above candidates were nominated at the Marshfield city caucus last evening for the municipal election to be held Tuesday, December 7. The caucus was probably the most largely attended ever held in Marshfield, 305 votes being cast at it, exclusive of some defective ballots and some not voting. All in all, it passed off harmoniously, the only contest and possibility of a clash coming with the selection of the chairman and secretary in the organization of the caucus.

In this, the Citizens' League was defeated. R. A. Copple was the league's candidate for chairman being nominated by Thos. Howard, and Carl Albrecht, nominated by Geo. Balnes, for secretary. On the other side, R. O. Graves was nominated for chairman by G. W. Kaufman and Geo. N. Farrin nominated G. W. Kaufman for secretary.

Someone moved that the vote be by ballot. F. M. Friedberg amended the motion that all votes be by ballot.

There was a hitch when the nominations for chairman started between F. M. Friedberg and G. W. Kaufman as to who had the floor and resulted in Mr. Friedberg being finally recognized by City Recorder Butler who had called the caucus to order. F. M. Friedberg started to make another motion relative to the chairman which some interpreted as restricting the number of nominations. Finally J. W. Bennett gained the floor and said that he thought it was time for someone to call the caucus' attention to the fact that a "square deal" for everyone was desired and that the recorder in calling the caucus to order had specified nominations and not "nominations" so that as many could be nominated as desired. He said that if everybody wanted to be a candidate, all right. His remarks were warmly applauded.

City Recorder Butler suggested that the chairman and secretary be balloted on jointly as there were apparently only two candidates for each position. This suggestion was adopted and C. F. McKnight, Thomas Coke, Claude Nasburg and Tom Bennett were named as tellers and Judge Hall, S. B. Catheart and Hugh McLain as judges. The ballot resulted as follows:

For chairman:
R. A. Copple136
R. O. Graves169

For secretary:
Carl Albrecht130
G. W. Kaufman172

When the result of the ballot was announced Messrs. Graves and Kaufman assumed their positions. Mr. Graves explaining that the honor had come to him unexpectedly and said that if he had had an intimation of it in advance, he wouldn't have appeared in rubber boots as he was compelled to. However, he said that he would to the best of his ability see that everybody got a "square deal."

Smith Is Nominated.
Next name the nominations for

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WIRES STILL DOWN TODAY

Coos Bay Completely Cutoff From Outside World By Storm.

Both the Western Union and long distance telephone wires are still down as a result of the storm Sunday night, and it is uncertain when service can be restored. The telephone and telegraph wires went down about the same time.

With the crippling of the wire service and the mail service like it is, Coos Bay is more isolated than ever.

The Wireless, owing to atmospheric conditions has not been working well, either.

ALONG THE WATERFRONT.

The Nann Smith arrived today from Bay Point. Captain Olson reports that it was rather rough, but he made fairly good time despite the storm. Mrs. Olson made the trip with him. There were no other passengers.

The Bandon arrived in here early today from San Francisco. She brought up some freight which she unloaded at the Alliance wharf and then proceeded to North Bend where she will take on a cargo of lumber. This is her first trip since the accident at Bandon.

UNION SERVICES THANKSGIVING

Marshfield Congregations Will Unite Thursday at the Baptist Church.

The Union Thanksgiving service of the Protestant churches will be held, this year, at the Baptist church at 10 a. m., Thursday, Nov. 25. The sermon will be delivered by Rev. Frank R. Zugg of the Presbyterian church. The subject will be a reminder of "God's Goodness in our National Life," drawn from numbers 23:23. "What has God wrought?" There will be special music furnished by the Baptist choir, which will meet Wednesday evening at the church for practice. All Christians and all persons who wish to "praise God from whom all blessings flow," are cordially invited to attend this service.

ROCK BLOCKS ROAD.

Chief Engineer Haines Says Highway Is In Awful Condition.

Chief Engineer Haines, who came in yesterday from the surveying camps, says that the landslide near Remote threw a big rock into the roadway where it is narrow. He says that he believes it will probably have to be blasted out before the road can properly be opened up. The road is in frightful condition as a result of the heavy rains, his light buggy sinking almost to the axles in the mire.

"Despite the rain, the surveying crews are making good progress," said Mr. Haines. "The party working down the east side of the range will soon reach the level land and will have easy going. Engineer Stevens and his party are completing the work near Bridge, and it will be a few weeks before they start on the survey from the Coquille Valley to Marshfield."

Let Us Talk It Over

THE TIMES STANDS for peace and progress. The Times stands for the men and measures that make for the advancement of Marshfield and Coos Bay. It is a republican paper, but it never permits politics to enter into its consideration of local issues and local men. Nothing has done so much that has been detrimental to the progress and prosperity of this city as petty personal jealousies and private grievances dragged into public affairs. These conditions are to be deplored. Life is too brief to permit personal animosities to embitter its entire existence and thwart its best endeavor. The Times believes in fighting when there is a principle involved or some real good to be accomplished, but it does not believe in the perpetuation of petty personal bickerings and bitterness.

For this reason, The Times proposed a mayoralty candidate eminently satisfactory to both factions fighting for personal recognition. He was a man who had already done much in the way of civic accomplishment. He said he did not want to be mayor. He said, also, he did not want to be councilman. His selection and election as mayor would not involve any more personal or business sacrifice than his choice for a place on the council. There was, however, evident desire somewhere for a contest. The politicians prefer a fight to following in the footsteps of peace. The Times will not be a party to it. This paper refuses to foster the factionalism that has already proven such a block and barrier to the best interests of the city. The political ambitions of men serve no practical purpose and yield no advantage to the people. On the contrary, they only serve to perpetuate purely personal politics to the detriment of the entire community.

The two candidates for mayor considered individually are good men and representative citizens. It is only in the clash of ambitions and desire for public preferment and in the urgency of fool friends that the bitterness of personal animosity enters to the undoing and utter discredit of themselves and the community. The bitterness of the last campaign is not yet forgotten. It required more than a year for the city to resume its normal condition as a result of that campaign. That is why The Times will not participate in or be a party to the promotion of personal politics, and the personal animosities that follow in their wake.

Both men and both tickets are committed to a policy of progress. That is all Marshfield requires. To go forward unhampered by factionalism or personal fighting animated by envy or animosity.

It is just expedient and appropriate that the people be posted on the progress of the campaign. The Times will publish all the news as it develops untainted and uncolored, but it will not sell one inch or one line of advertising to either party during the campaign. It will devote as much as one column of space any or every day during the campaign to Mr. Smith or to Dr. Straw, without money and without price, in which the friends of these gentlemen may say all the good they can of their candidates, their merits, their principles and their policies. It will not permit any personalities or mudslinging. The space it gives over for this purpose must be used for good words for the respective candidates.

The Times is a communal newspaper. It has labored long and earnestly for the communal good, for harmony and for civic progress. It believes it has accomplished some good in this direction. It does not propose now to negative and nullify this good by precipitating and participating in a bitter personal fight. Dr. Straw is not a hobo or a horse-thief. I. S. Smith is neither a despot or a despoiler of homes. Let us get together and settle this contest on the basis of friends and neighbors. We must all live here. We all want Marshfield to move forward. Let us help and not hinder it. Let us meet this emergency like practical men, like gentlemen.

The Times is progressive when progressiveness means upbuilding. It is conservative when conservatism means the maintenance of credit of peace, order and prosperity. Peace and prosperity at home, honor and respect abroad, let that be our motto and our aim.

WATER LOWER IN COQUILLE FROM PORTLAND

River Reached Highest Point In Year at 3 O'clock This Morning.

MYRTLE POINT, Ore., Nov. 23.—Shortly afternoon today, the Coquille had fallen about eighteen inches since 3 o'clock this morning when the freshet reached its highest stage. It has been years since the river was so high here.

No particular damage is reported from any place. All the lowlands are flooded.

Whether the bridges of the railway have been damaged is not known and cannot be ascertained until the water declines considerably.

CLOSE THURSDAY.

We, the undersigned agree to close our stores on Thanksgiving Day, November 25, 1909:

The Bazar, Finnish Cooperative Company, Anona Cash Grocery, Oil-vant and Weaver, Geo. E. Cook, Marshfield Grocery Company, Chas. Stauff, Lockhart's Grocery, Pioneer Grocery Co., C. W. Wolcott, Gow Why, F. A. Sacchi, People's Cooperative Co., I. S. Smith.

Seats for MINSTRELS nights of November 24 and 25 at the Royal Theatre will be sold at Lockhart & Parson Drug Company. Entire change of program second night.

ALCOHOL STOVES at MILNER'S sign, pure white, \$4.75 at MILNER'S

WORST FRESHET COOS COUNTY HAS KNOWN IN YEARS

CITY'S BONDS ARE APPROVED

Woodin, McNear and Moore Announce They Will Take \$54,000 Issue.

C. H. Moore Jr., of the firm of Woodin, McNear and Moore, bond brokers of Chicago, announced last evening that the company's attorneys had approved of the purchase of the \$54,000 issue of Marshfield city bonds and that the blank bonds are now en route here. Just as soon as they reach here and can be signed up, the money for them will be forthcoming. The bonds are to be dated December 1.

This news will be gratifying to the city officials who have been laboring for several months to clean up the city's financial slate. It will also mean the closing of the negotiations for the purchase of the "B" street lot, opening Commercial avenue to the waterfront.

Messrs. Moore and Frake, who came here to close the deal for the city bonds and also to bid on the bond issue of the Port of Coos Bay left this morning for their home.

Mr. Moore is delighted over this section. While waiting to see what would develop in the Port Commission case, they spent several days hunting around the Bay and touring this section. Mr. Moore said that next summer he and Mrs. Moore will come here and spend several weeks.

AVERY HELD ON INDICTMENT

Alleged Coos Bay Counterfeiter Indicted by Federal Grand Jury in Portland.

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 23.—Among several true bills returned by the Federal grand jury were three against alleged counterfeiters, two of whom were caught in Portland, and a third in Coos county. The two captured here are Frank H. Devoll, alias George Weston, and Frank Watson. The latter had in his possession, when captured, implements for coining counterfeit money. There are two other counts against him, one for passing worthless money and another for having counterfeit money in his possession. Devoll was indicted for giving a worthless coin to Mrs. L. O. Porter on October 23. Floyd W. Avery, the third of the alleged counterfeiters, is charged with passing a worthless coin, represented to be a \$10 gold piece, on June 18, in Coos county.

FEAR FOR ASTORS.

NEW YORK, Nov. 19.—The fear that Colonel John Jacob Astor's yacht, the Nourmahal, with the owner and his son, Vincent aboard, may have been disabled in the recent West Indian hurricane, was further increased today by the failure of vessels known to be searching for the missing yacht to report her.

An Arkansas prophet says the end of the world will come in November, 1912. But can he give us the name of the Democrat who is to be defeated for the presidency that month?

REMEMBER the ONE-HALF REDUCTION SALE still on MRS. J. H. SOMERS, designer, Coos Building.

FOOD CHOPPERS at MILNER'S

Streams Entering Bay and Coquille Near New High Water Mark

DAMAGE THOUGHT TO BE SLIGHT

Boats and Landings On Coos River Carried Away—Railway Flooded.

The Coos Bay section and the Coquille Valley today are suffering from one of the worst freshets this county has known since 1890. This morning, the water was still rising but at noon it was believed to have reached its height. No single heavy loss is reported although numerous ones have suffered small losses.

The freshet is due to the heavy rainfall the past day or two. During the twenty-four hours ending at 4:30 o'clock Monday afternoon, the total rainfall was 4.02 inches, according to the government rain gauge kept by Mrs. E. Mings, the local weather observer. This on top of an unusually heavy rainfall the past few months has flooded all the creeks. The rainfall from September 1, 1909, to November 22, 1909, is more than double the precipitation for the same period a year ago. This year for that period the rainfall was 22.16 inches against 10.92 inches last year.

Stops Train Service.
The local railway is suffering a considerable loss from the flood. Its tracks just beyond Beaver Hill are inundated, also at Cedar Point and near Johnson's Mill at Coquille. Agent Sterling at Coquille reported today noon that if the Coquille river kept rising, the water would be up to the depot before night.

This morning, the train went as far as Beaver Hill Junction and was waiting there, but they soon noticed the water was rising above the track back of them. Then the train was backed up to the Summit where it remained.

If the water continues to go down and the track has not been damaged, Agent Miller hopes to restore service tomorrow.

Landslide at Remote.

According to telephone advice from Coquille and Myrtle Point, another landslide near Remote has blocked the road there and the mail will be delayed considerably. It was stated this morning that the letter mail pouches would probably be got through today but that the papers and other mail would have to lay there for awhile.

The railroad company has arranged to have the mail transported between Beaver Hill and Coquille and Myrtle Point by a launch while the freshet lasts.

Coos River Bad.

The Coos River freshet is sweeping all the landings, boathouses, etc., before it. This morning, the booms near the mouth and the cut-off channel were filled with landings, milk cans, etc., in a jumbled mass.

This morning, owners of cottages along the river began to fear for their property and several hired the Hercules and started up the river to see if the houses were in danger of being swept away or if they could anchor them with guy wires. Among those going were J. Albert Matson, Herbert Lockhart, Dr. McCormac, J. H. Flanagan, I. R. Tower and J. Arthur McKeown.

It was stated that South Coos River was away out of its banks near the summer colony district, the water being half way up on the foundation of Dr. C. W. Tower's home.

The party on the Hercules returned this afternoon from Coos River and report that every wharf and landing with the exception of J. W. Bennett's was carried away by the

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