GENERAL TAX IS REDUCED

City Dads Make Levy of Three and a Half Mills for 1908.

WHAT THE CITY DADS DID LAST NIGHT.

Levied general municipal tax of three and a half mills. Paid amounts on Front Street paving tests. Passed ordinance to extend Laurel street.

The general municipal tax of Marshfield for the year 1908 was reduced a half mill under the tax levied for 1907 at the meeting of the city fathers last night. The tax is two mills smaller than in the year 1905, when the tax was five mills. In 1906 the levy was three mills, in 1907 it was four mills, and for the coming year it will be three and a half mills.

The ordinance for the extension of Union street and Railroad avenue, in the Nasberg addition, were laid on the table until it can be ascertained whether Front street will be extended to meet the extension of the North Bend street on the waterfront. The extension of Laurel street through Donnelly's addition, from H avenue north to section line 27, 34, was approved, however, and the ordinance providing for the improvement was read and passed. It was decided to print the notice of the ordinance in The Times.

A payment of $270 to D. W. Small, for work on Front street in connection with the testing of road material, was approved, and the sum of $500 was ordered paid to Masters & McLain for providing the material from the crusher.

Minor matters engaged the attention of the council until quite a late hour, and other meetings will be held shortly to consider the passing of revised ordinances.

It is the general opinion among members of the council that cedar blocks treated with a composition to protect them from the weather is the only solution to putting Front street in good condition for traffic. It is conceded that bitulithic pavement would be the best, but that this would necessitate the securing of a plant which would cost the city from sixty to seventy thousand dollars, an expense not to be considered at present.

Mr. McLain stated this morning that the life of these blocks was about twenty years, and that this is the cheapest and best means for solving the miserable condition of the main street. It is expected that the council will go into the matter at an early date.

High School to Entertain—The members of the Marshfield High School will entertain the members of the North Bend High School tonight in the schoolhouse at 8 o'clock. An elaborate program has been prepared and a generally good time is expected to make matters entertaining for the visitors and the hostess of the occasion. The function is in return for similar entertainment to the local school by the North Bend institution several weeks ago.

SANTA CLAUS WILL ARRIVE MONDAY

Comes to Coos Bay and Will Meet His Friends in North Bend Monday.

Monday is Marshfield day at the Myers store in North Bend. Visitors from this city will have their fares refunded on the "Flyer" or "Kelly boats" whether they make a purchase or not. As a special attraction, as will be seen by advertisement elsewhere in today's paper, Santa Claus will arrive and make headquarters there. In his special honor the basement has been fitted up with woodland scenes and fountains where toy sawmills, windmills, electric street cars and boats are displayed in full action to the delight of the little folks.

A theater has been put in with little stage and drop curtains, in fact, everything seen in a large theater. Plays are given for the youngsters and music furnished by graphophones will be a feature during afternoon and evening. There should be a large attendance from Marshfield to see this magnificent display.

—Beaver Hill washed coal $6.00 per ton. Masters & McLain.

—Carving sets and pocket cutlery at Milner's.

SUNDAY SERVICES AT MARSHFIELD CHURCHES

EPISCOPAL—Rev. Horsfall will hold services in the Episcopal church Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

CATHOLIC CHURCH—Services will be held in the Catholic church Sunday morning at 8 o'clock, and again at 10:30 a. m., Rev. Edward Donnelly, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE—Services will be held in Redmen's hall, Sunday, at 11 a. m. Subject "Christ Jesus." A cordial invitation is extended to all.

SWEDISH LUTHERAN CHURCH—On 3rd St. between B and C. Announcement for Sunday, Dec. 22: Forenoon service: Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Sermon, 10:30 a. m. Evening service, 7:30.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH—10 a. m. Bible school, F. M. Stewart, superintendent. 11 a. m. sermon, "Stephen and Soul." 3 p. m., Junior Union. 6:30 p. m. Young Peoples' service, Homer Mauzey, leader. 7:30 p. m. sermon: "Behold My Servant." Special music at both services by the choir, C. J. Millis, director. Strangers especially invited to attend these services. D. W. Thurston, pastor.

FISST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Announcements for Sunday, Dec. 22. 10 a. m.:The Sunday School convenes for Bible study. 11 a. m.: Morning Worship. The pastor will preach the second sermon in the series on "The Person of Christ," the subject being: "Christ Born of a Woman." A special Christmas collection for a most worthy cause will be received at this service. The Young People's service is held at 6:30 p. m. Topic: "The Magnificat: a Christmas Song." Lk. 1:46-55. The evening service begins at 7:30 o'clock. The subject of the sermon will be: "The Middle Aged Man and the Kingdom." A Christmas song will be rendered by Mrs. J. W. Ingram, as a special musical number at this service. A cordial welcome is extended to all of these services, H. H. Brown, Pastor.

MILDRED COKE WINS CONTEST

Marshfield Girl Takes Gold Medal in Frey Oratorical Contest at North Bend.

Miss Mildred Coke, of Marhsfield, won the Frey Oratorical contest in Eckhoff hall at North Bend last night and secured a handsome gold medal donated by Louis Frey, who was the originator of the contest and provided the prizes. Miss Nora Truman, of North Bend, won the second prize, a silver medal, and Marion H. Reynolds took third prize, the latter being five silver dollars.

Miss Coke's oration was, "A Plea for Shylock." "What We Owe to Dreamers," was the oration subject of Miss Truman, and Marion Reynolds spoke on "Opportunity." The contest closed amid much enthusiasm and the marked curtesy shown by the North Bend people on the winning by Miss Coke has aroused flattering comment from the Marshfield visitors over the friendly spirit of the North Bend people.

The proceedings opened with a piano duet by Misses Hood and Raab. "The Kerry Dance" being rendered by the Girls' Glee Club, of North Bend between two orations. A violin solo was given by R. C. Hevener and afterwards the judges, among them being Mrs. E. Mingus, of Marshfield, awarded the prizes amid great interest.

The contest has aroused great interest in both communities and Mr. Frey asserted this morning that he was thinking of donating a cup next year, which would be held for the year by each winner, the cup being up in the contest indefinitely.

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Only two more days in which to think of overlooked articles, of additional friends be remembered. There ar etons of suitable gift things at The Myers store yet. Make up a list of the articles desired, and you will have little difficulty in finishing your Xmas shopping quickly and satisfactorily.

Ladies' Coats and Suit Reductions

Two more days in which to buy a coat or suit at from 20 percent to 25 percent discount. You can well take advantage of these reductions NOW. If you are at all thinking of getting a coat or suit, you want to look over our stock without waiting another day. Here are some of the savings:

Broadcloth Coats

$12.50 Coats	$ 9.95
$15.00 Coats	$12.75
$18.50 Coats	$15.25
$20.00 Coats	$15.75
$22.50 Coats	$18.75
$28.00 Coats	$19.75
$30.00 Coats	$22.50
42.50 Coats	$32.50

New Winter Suits

$16.50 Suits	$13.25
$20.00 Suits	$15.85
$22.50 Suits	$17.50
$27.50 Suits	$21.75
$30.00 Suits	$24.00
$32.50 Suits	$25.85
$40.00 Suits	$32.00
$42.50 Suits	$33.75

Misses' and Children's Coats 25 Percent Off

During the next two days, there will be a discount on all misses' and children's coats of 25 percent. This is certainly an opportune time to buy. The regular prices range from $4.00 to $12.50, and the ages are 7 to 16 years.

Our Candy Department

Since the Opening Night of our Candy Department, we have been flooded with business here. All our candy is guaranteed pure under the Pure Food Law. This means much to you in buying candy either for yourself, your friends or children.

20c Mixed Candy 10c

Our mixed candy at 10 cents pound is as good as the best mixture that was ever sold in this vicinity at 20 cents. It is guaranteed pure, and is as wholsome as any foods. Special, per pound 10c

25c Chocolates, etc., 16c

Our line of candy selling at 16 cents special, is the finest grade ever bought regularly in this country at 25 and 30 cents. At this price you will find chocolate creams, chocolate covered dates, cream kisses, Harlequin jellies, fudge creams, raspberry creams, chocolate bon bons, cocoanut wafers, etc., etc. Special, per pound 16c

45c Chocolates 30c

Here is another great candy special. Strictly high grade goods. Delicious and creamy. At this price you will find, fine cream drops chocolate covered, chocolate caramel kisses, chocolate yum yum, chocolate peanut cluster, chocolate creams and chips, cream almonds, etc., etc. Special, per pound, only 30c

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Will leave here tonight for Coos Bay. Am somewhat delayed account rough weather, but will arrive in your city Monday, December 23d, about noon, in time to meet all the children before Christmas evening. Will make your store my headquarters, as usual, and will be ready to meet the children in the fine theater in your basement by 2:00 o'clock sharp Monday afternoon.

Tell all the children about my coming, and, as done previously, be sure to give everybody from Marshfield and vicinity, a free trip on the boats.

I received your wireless message early in November, telling about your having a much bigger and grander stock of toys and other fine gift articles, and am glad to know I can get everything I require at your store.

Your Friend,
SANTA CLAUS.

Santa Claus Will Make The MYERS STORE His Headquarters Monday and Tuesday of Next Week

From the above telegram, Santa Claus is to arrive on the Bay Monday the 23d. What Pleasant news this was for us to receive. We thought we would have to give him up this year, owing to our not hearing from him for so long.

We are certainly glad to entertain him in our store, so that the children of Coos County can meet him. We will have the Santa Claus Theater open on Monday and Tuesday afternoon and evening for everybody to hear what he has to say.

In addition to Santa Claus' appearance in the Theater, there will be rendered an interesting program. The Theater opens promptly at 2:00 in the afternoons and 7:00 o'clock evenings. While the performances are prepared for children, they will be enjoyed by the older folks as well, and all are welcome.

Monday is Marshfield Day

Free Trip on Boats

We have set aside Monday, the 23d specially for the accomodation of our Marshfield and vicinity patrons. On this day we will refund fares on Steamer "Flyer" or Mr. O'Kelly's boats, without requiring you to make a purchase. This is open to everyone, children or adults, so that all may have a chance to see The Myers Store in its Holiday Attire. We hope to see many take advantage of this opportunity. The store will be open from 8:00 in the morning until 10:00 at night. There will be given a matinee in Santa Claus Theater in the afternoon and a continuous performance in the evening. The electric cars will be running, and many other mechanical toys will be in actual operation. So come, everybody.