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## EAST MARSHFIELD FERRY MATTER IS POSTPONED

Will Treat With County Court  
For Change of Landing—  
City Pound.

Committee Appointed by Mayor  
or Straw to Determine on  
Suitable Site.

Council Orders Work to Proceed  
on Several of the  
Streets.

"I believe, quoth the mayor, "it would be a good thing."

"No doubt of it, no doubt of it at all," agreed the city council.

"It would be self-sustaining," volunteered Alderman Lockhart.

"Of course," said Marshal Carter, reflectively, "we would want a spiked fence."

"Certainly; we would want to be assured of the collection of the forfeits," answered Alderman Flanagan, displaying the traditional banker's sagacity.

"Then," declared the mayor, with his habitual decision, "the thing for this council to do is to pass the ordinance."

"But," cautioned Alderman Sacchi, "this is an important step. Hadn't we better wait until the next meeting, and, meanwhile let a committee investigate?"

"Alright," said the mayor. "I appoint Aldermen Sacchi, Condon and Nelson, a committee to investigate and promote the project of a city pound."

At this point the crystallization of the city pound movement was halted until next week when the report of the committee on the advisability of selecting a location for the building of a detention station for errant cows, horses and other quadrupeds will be acted on. The city council, however, looks with favor upon the South Marshfield bridge. This bridge is of such a height from the ground and so wide that it can be made serviceable by placing boards on the supports of the bridge.

Action was again deferred on the W street ferry landing. Alderman Flanagan, who is on the committee to confer with the county court, was of the opinion that that body could be prevailed upon to alter its decision refusing to grant the \$2,000 appropriation if the foot of W street were not dedicated to the ferry landing. However, while it is imperative that the council take action one way or another on this vital matter, no serious injury will be done if action is delayed another week or two, so it was agreed that definite action would be postponed pending the county court's ultimatum regarding the selection of another ferry landing. (Note—Through a misunderstanding, the name of the proposed ferry landing has been given the name Douglas street, in these columns, when it should have been W street.)

The bill from the Coos Bay Gas & Electric Light company for December has been received and ordered paid. The city's lighting for that month cost \$245.30.

The city council last night ordered work on a number of streets. On Sixth street the present work was ordered discontinued and the city engineer was ordered to prepare plans for a plank roadway, also to extend improvements one block further, to H street. Grades were also ordered established on B street, from Front to Seventh; on Prospect from Seventh to Davidson. It was ordered to re-establish the grade on C from Fourth to Davidson. Next week the establishing of grades will be ordered on Lincoln, Linden and Randolph streets. Because of a deficit in the Tenth street fund, the council last night passed an ordinance taxing the property owners for the amount of the deficit. On motion of Alderman Lockhart, a number of the different street funds were transferred into one general fund.

Because of the defective condition of the Third street sewer between Cedar and Pine streets it was decided last night to make improvements and

## Good Evening

THE NEGOTIATIONS which have been pending for some time for the transfer of the majority of stock in the Coos Bay Times Publishing Co. to M. C. Maloney have been consummated. Today I enter into complete ownership of a controlling interest in this paper. I have not purchased the entire issue of stock but a majority of it. The stock taken over was formerly the property of Andrew McClelland, J. M. Blake and Kaufman. There is still some outstanding stock held by local business men, public spirited citizens who are interested in The Times as a public factor in the development of this section and in no sense to dominate its principles or dictate its policies.

The people of Coos Bay are now more or less familiar with the policy of The Times under its present management but in my new relations, that of permanent owner of the paper, I desire to have a little confidential chat with the readers this evening. During the existence of the option I was in absolute control of the policy of the paper but today I exchanged the temporary platform for a permanent one. Heretofore my relations to the patrons and the paper were in a nature transitory. Today they are as fixed as anything earthly. I have exchanged the temporary platform for one of the solidity of granite and as lasting as the hills. I speak now of the principles upon which the paper is founded and not as to the business features involved. The principles are those of truth, justice and liberty and must be as enduring as the race itself.

Today the paper is mine. Mine, did I say? No, it is yours. I am not going to permit any old Pittsburg steel magnate or Standard Oil Millionaire to outdo a humble citizen of the republic in philanthropy. While Carnegie is presenting libraries to the various towns in the United States and Rockefeller is endowing educational institutions I am going to present the people of Coos Bay with a daily newspaper. Carnegie and Rockefeller endow their institutions with dollars. I am going to endow my gift with a life of loving service. Today I dedicate The Coos Bay Times to the people of Coos Bay and Coos county. I mean it exactly as here pledged. There are no strings to the gift. In purchasing the controlling stock of the Coos Bay Times Publishing company I am holder of it merely as trustee for the people on Coos Bay. It belongs to everyone on Coos Bay. Every subscriber who pays 50 cents per month, every advertiser who spends a dollar in its columns becomes a stockholder and shares in the only dividend it will pay for many years. But it will be self supporting. Acting as trustee I am merely your hired man. It is my duty to get the best and fullest possible service out of every dollar you intrust me with to print and publish your newspaper for you. I realize to the fullest extent the responsibility involved and will earnestly endeavor to be equal to it. When E. W. Kamerrer pays his 50 cents on a subscription and J. W. Bennett his \$2.60 per month for his advertising card it is not a problem of how much profit is to be obtained from the transaction but how good a service can be rendered with it. The money is used by me merely as a trust fund. My share is not to be one quarter of a cent of the 50 cents I collect. I take it and distribute it where I can secure the most efficient service. Of that 50 cents received on subscription I give a few cents to Theo. Hillyer and R. J. Pettie who operate the type setting machines, a few more to Haley and to John Juza who assist in the mechanical work. Then there is Pasley and the carrier boys, the office force, Roy Lawhorne, and the Western Union, the Associated Press, and the Portland wholesale paper house. They all must have a share of that 50 cents and it is and shall be my constant endeavor to have them all "tote fair" to you, for it is your paper, and the measure of its excellence is the measure of your support if I render capable service and display good judgment in my expenditures. It is true there are times when I feel that Theo and Pettie and Haley and the others do not share with me in their appreciation of the responsibility that rests on all of us to make The Times the very best paper possible under the circumstances. If they did I cannot but think that it would be a better newspaper. Theo and Haley work eight hours, sometimes longer when the power stops, but the figures on the clock's dial mark their hours of labor. With me it is different. I come back every evening to go over the day's work and see if there is something that might not be added to improve your paper. I mean to work an hour or two. I become absorbed and when the creeping chilliness of the room and the growing silence admonish me I look at my watch only to find that it is 12:30 or 1 o'clock. I am back again often at 6:30 or 7 to see that the machines are lighted to begin another day's work of issuing your paper. And IT IS YOURS, to promote your welfare and protect your interests. The platform of The Times is broad enough for every man, woman and child within the radius of its influence to stand upon. Its columns are open wide for everyone. There is no limit of creed or country, politics or partisanship, that cannot gain a hearing therein. American or African, Irish or Scandinavian, Catholic or Protestant, Methodist or Mohammedan, Baptist or Bedouin, Republican or Democrat, Socialist or Labor Union, all are alike entitled to a respectful hearing and fair treatment, for does not the paper belong to all of them and wherefore should they be denied? It is only asked that their cause be just and if it does not seem just to you, let us reason together that the grain of truth, bright and golden and worth searching for, may be found. I have certain ideas and ideals as to the conduct of a newspaper and it embraces this fair treatment and the "square deal" for every man. Wealth or want of it enters not into the computation. Clay Moore and D. W. Thurston both are alike owners in common of The Times as both are sons of the Redeemer of the world. They view life and its responsibilities and opportunities from different vantage grounds. There is some good in every man. At times it seems deeply buried but it is always there. It is never completely annihilated or obliterated. A broader sympathy, a more charitable tolerance always aids in development of man's best side. This in a measure is the mission of The Times. It is one of the large planks in its platform.

The principles of its attitude toward individuals is applicable alike to the cities on the Bay and every town and hamlet in Coos county. The Times stands for North Bend, Empire and Eastside equally with Marshfield. It will labor as zealously for the upbuilding of one as the other. Coquille, Bandon and Myrtle Point and all the sections of the beautiful and fruitful Coquille valley are equally its concern as are Allegany, Ten Mile, Beaver Hill, Libby and every other community in Coos county. The Times is not devoted to these various communities for revenue only but it is animated by an earnest purpose to forward and promote their interests. To boom and boost in every way within the limits of its capacity their advantages and their resources. That is its mission because it is your paper and the immediate place of your residence is no more concern than the brand of breakfast food you eat. And it is because I wish you to know and understand this that I am going into the very heart of its principles and its policies.

It is because I have met and talked with many of you that I have become your trustee in the publication of The Times. I know that when you understand it is your paper, yours in fact as well as name, that you will stand back of it. When you know that if you furnish \$1,000 in one month to pay the expenses of its publication that you will receive \$990 in earnest and honest service, you will not be niggardly in its support. When you know that it cannot be bribed or bluffed into being false to your interests you will be loyal to it. That's why I am not concerned about the report of another daily being established on Coos Bay. The Times being your paper occupies a field of its own that no other paper can fill. I know that as a practical business proposition no newspaper man is going to establish another daily paper on Coos Bay for years for there is not the business to warrant it as a commercial proposition. If that is true any paper so started and established must be in some other special selfish interest and as such must, in the very nature of things, be inimical to your interests which are to be guarded and protected by your paper. That is why when friends

## FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS WORTH DOCUMENTS DISAPPEAR

ROOSEVELT APPOINTS  
UTTER TO BE IDAHO'S  
SURVEYOR GENERAL

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—President Roosevelt sent to the senate today the nomination of Darwin A. Utter to be surveyor general of Idaho.

WOMAN'S PEACE  
CIRCLE HANGS  
ONE ON "TEDDY"

Condemn Hymns of Martial Swing  
—Are Also Averse To Boys  
Learning to Use Guns.

(By Associated Press.)  
NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—The Woman's Peace Circle today condemned the singing of "Onward Christian Soldiers" and other martial hymns. The boy's brigades, as adjuncts to Sunday Schools, and Roosevelt were condemned because favoring the teaching of school boys to use rifles for shooting.

MESSAGE FROM THE GRAVE.

Document Bearing on Revolution and  
Signed by Washington is  
Found.

(By Associated Press.)  
NEWARK, N. J., Feb. 10.—A document bearing the signature of George Washington and attesting that Colonel Francis Barber, commandant of the second New Jersey regiment in the revolutionary war, was killed Feb. 11, 1783, was found in the court house.

COOS BASE BALL LEAGUE.

Bandon Fans Are Agitating County  
League for Season.

An effort will be made to organize a base ball league in Coos County this coming season. Here's to a better one than 1907 developed. Such an organization put on a paying basis and working together in hearty cooperation, will furnish many an interesting game and be appreciated by those base ball fans who like clean base ball.—Bandon Record.

came to me and told me to be careful about investing my money as another daily might be started I replied that when you knew what the principles of The Times were to be and that it was to be your paper I did not care if they started a daily paper in every block on Coos Bay. The Times would still be in operation and continue to be for it would be the paper of all the people of Coos Bay without distinction and without favor. I do not care if Rockefeller and Carnegie were both to come to Coos Bay and with their millions print a daily paper on white silk trimmed with gold lace and serve it to you tied with a pink ribbon, there would still be a place in your hearts and homes for The Times for it would be yours alone and it alone would be yours.

Have you ever stood on a street corner and seen a flashily dressed gentleman wrap \$5.00 bills around a bar of soap leaving the corner stick out and offer it for \$1.00. How you wondered if the bill were really there and how you would like to get that bar of soap for \$1.00 if it were there. While you debated and doubted John Brown, whom you knew worked in the local livery stable, stepped up with his \$1.00 and bought the soap. He opened it before the crowd and sure enough there was the \$5.00. It was good, too. Then you wished you had negotiated the purchase. While you procrastinated Billy Robinson, the barber, bought another bar and secured another \$5.00. Then you could resist no longer and made your purchase but all you received was the tiny corner of the bill and the bar of cheap soap. The game is an old one but as Abraham Lincoln has well and truly said "you cannot fool all the people all the time." Under whatever guise another daily newspaper comes it must be because it has some purpose to serve other than serving the people.

That's why The Times does not fear competition. There will be no competition. There can be none while your trustee readers faithful service in the performance of his duty and makes your paper really yours by being truly and honestly representative of your interests.

The Times is not now and will not in the near future be the ideal newspaper that its editor hopes to make it. Always however it will keep the lights of its ideals burning brightly to illumine the path it will try to follow. If at times you think it strays, bear with it, for it is honest in its intent and earnest in its purpose, and it is your paper, yours and mine to aid in making life better and brighter and help as best it may in solving the complex problems that vex existence in the world. That is why The Times is dedicated today to the people of Coos Bay and Coos county. It bespeaks your support and cooperation because it is your paper.

M. C. MALONEY.

OREGON PIONEER  
AND WAR VETERAN  
ANSWERS LAST CALL.

(By Associated Press.)  
ALBANY, Ore., Feb. 11.—Hiram R. Powell, County Commissioner of Linn county, Oregon, pioneer and Indian war veteran died at Brownsville today, aged 73 years.

TWENTY CENTS IS  
AWARDED BY COURT  
TO PRINCE SAGANAW

French Scion Gets Little Satisfaction  
For Injuries at Hands of His  
Cousin.

(By Associated Press.)  
PARIS, Feb. 11.—Count Boni De Castellance, divorced husband of Anna Gould, of New York, was today found guilty of criminal assault and battery on Prince Hello De Saganaw, his cousin, and fined twenty dollars. The Prince was awarded twenty cents damages.

GASOLINE TANK  
EXPLODES—TEN  
FIREMEN INJURED

Accidents From All Over the Country  
Brought in Over the Associated  
Press Wire.

(By Associated Press.)  
CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—Ten firemen were injured, one perhaps fatally, by the explosion of a gasoline tank while fighting a fire in a garage here today.

STREET CAR WRECKED.

(By Associated Press.)  
PITTSBURG, Feb. 11.—Three women and four passengers in a West Homestead street car were injured when the car plunged over a fifteen foot embankment near the city. The accident was caused by slippery rails. The car was demolished.

ENGINEER KILLED.

(By Associated Press.)  
RIVERSIDE, Cal., Feb. 11.—A construction train of the Sharpe & Hauser Construction Company, was derailed on the Santa Fe near here today. The engineer and two workmen were killed.

CONFESSES CRIME.

(By Associated Press.)  
BUTTE, Feb. 11.—Pat Gordon, aged 24 of Butte, today confessed to the attempts to wreck the Oregon Short Line trains. He declared he was drunk at the time. He denied a grudge against the road but admits a quarrel with a former section boss. Gordon said he alone was to blame. Another man was arrested with Gordon as a suspect.

DEATH ENDS MERRYMAKING

Young Man Without Apparent Cause  
Shoots Companion to Death.

(By Associated Press.)  
NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—A young woman in the tenderloin was shot and killed while riding in a Second Avenue car, by a young man who sat opposite her. He dashed from the car and escaped. The girl was decidedly pretty and was known as "Queenie" and formed one of a party of five, three girls and two men, including the murderer who had been having a good time. The cause of the shooting is a mystery.

The matter was placed in the hands of the Health committee with final authority to act.

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