

PHONE MATTER UP TONIGHT

City Council Expected to Take Final Action On Franchise Question.

The Marshfield city council is expected to again take up the telephone franchise asked by W. U. Douglas and R. T. Durett for the Coos Bay Home Telephone Company, the successor to the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company in Coos and Curry counties tonight, and will probably finally dispose of it. Judging by unofficial statements of city officials and members of the council, the franchise will not be granted unless some radical changes are made in it.

In addition to this, there is feeling among the members of the council that as the old franchise which the new company secured with the local exchange of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company has somewhere between five and nine years to run, that it is not essential to grant a new one now, especially in view of the general belief that Coos Bay is on the verge of a period of rapid development which will change conditions so that a franchise applicable to the present city would not be to the Coos Bay of five years hence.

Objections to New Franchise.

It is pointed out that the new franchise as it stands at present does not guarantee any better service than the city is and has been receiving for sometime past and which was made the basis of the request for a franchise for a competitive telephone system before a deal was made for the purchase of the local exchange. Messrs Durett and Douglas have verbally promised and agreed to make improvements in the service but there is nothing in the new franchise as drafted, it is declared, that would enable the city to insist on any particular improvements in case the ownership of the company should change in a few years and the new owners would not be bound by any verbal promises. As the new franchise covers a period of twenty-five years, it is pointed out that it is only reasonable to expect that there will be changes in the ownership or management in that time.

In addition to this, it is claimed that the new table of maximum rates that may be charged for phone service under the proposed franchise is much higher than has been charged on Coos Bay.

The matter is likely to be thoroughly discussed tonight. While the provisions that the company shall pay a franchise tax of two per cent after Coos Bay becomes a metropolis and that the wires in the business section shall be placed in cables or underground are looked upon with favor but the council may also insist that these be so fixed as to be realized much sooner than are provided for in the present franchise.

CONGREGATION BIDS FAREWELL TO PASTOR

Members of First Baptist Church Present Rev. and Mrs. D. W. Thurston Fine Silver Set.

The congregation and friends of the Rev. D. W. Thurston, the retiring pastor of the First Baptist church, last night joined in a farewell reception to him and his family at the home of Robert Harrington on Balnes street. A large number were present. At the conclusion of the evening's program and just prior to the personal farewells, an elegant silver service was presented Rev. Thurston and his wife, C. H. Marsh making the presentation speech. The Rev. Mr. Thurston attempted to reply but said that the occasion was too much for him and that he could not voice the appreciation that he felt.

Rev. Thurston and family left on the Alliance today for Portland where he has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Sellwood Baptist church.

NOTICE.

Sunset Lodge, No. 51, I. O. O. F. Members are requested to meet at I. O. O. F. Hall, Friday, at 1 o'clock p. m. to attend the funeral of our late Brother P. S. Weaver of Humboldt, Lodge No. 77, I. O. O. F., of Eureka, Cal.

Sofjourning members respectfully invited.

By order of
A. U. NEAL, N. G.
By I. LANDO, Secretary.

The BREAKWATER sails for Portland Saturday, September 5, at 5 p. m.

CONTESTANTS GETTING BUSY

Candidates For The Times Magnificent Prizes Are Hustling Now.

With the fair and carnival out of the way, the candidates in the Coos Bay Times Popular Voting contest are renewing their energies to land the fine prizes that are offered. While the contest does not close until October 31, the candidates now realize that the votes secured early are the easiest to obtain and that many are inclined to throw their votes to the leaders unless personal ties guide them otherwise.

School will soon reopen and it is expected that two or three of the public schools now in the race will have all of the pupils united in securing votes for them to land the piano or talking machine. This will make them hard competitors of the lodges now working for the piano and talking machine.

Many ballots are being turned in but the rapid strides are made by the candidates securing new subscribers, one new subscriber paying fifty cents for a month's subscription securing 100 votes and 1,200 votes where he pays \$5.00 in advance for a year's subscription.

Dogs Raid Hen Roosts.—West Marshfield is on the war path as a result of the trouble caused by two or three dogs in that section. The animals not only keep people awake nights but have killed some small canine pets and their latest offenses are raids on the hen roosts of Judge John F. Hall and W. S. Wheeler. Messrs. Wheeler and Hall declare that they will kill the canines unless the owners tie them up promptly and put an end to the nuisance.

WHAT WOMAN HAS DONE WOMAN CAN DO.

One feminine correspondent writes that on the unused portion of a fifty foot city lot, her house and lawn occupying the front, she has raised enough garden stuff for her own family and considerable for the neighbors. This she has done with only one hour's work a day and a few cents occasionally for seeds. Fine. She not only knows how to make a garden, but how to write about it. It is dollars to doughnuts that this particular correspondent's place looks as spick and span as a new pin, that it is clean inside and out and that there is some joy and ginger in life for those who live in her vicinity.

There is no question that these things can be done by any one with sufficient common sense and energy. The trouble with most city dwellers or suburbanites who try to make garden is that they know nothing of the subject and do not try to find out, that they get any old kinds of seeds, that they stick them in at any old time, that they do not half prepare the soil, that they do not use manure and that they do not properly cultivate or keep out the weeds after the plants are started. If a merchant ran his business on the slipshod methods employed in most gardens he would go broke the first year. Gardening is a science, likewise an art. It requires intelligence and hard work, like anything else in life. With this intelligence and hard work, however, there are few occupations that give a larger return for the money and time invested—a larger return either in value or in happiness.

We hope in time to have numerous other correspondents who will tell even a better story than does this woman who spends an hour a day in her back yard, but who makes that hour count.

BRUSSELS SPROUTS AND KOHL-RABI.

There are two members of the cabbage family that are not so well known in this country as they deserve.

Brussels sprouts produce a few small heads about one to two inches in diameter. They are boiled and stewed in cream and are of fine flavor. The seed should be sown early in rows two feet apart and should be thinned to two feet apart in the row. When the heads appear the leaves should be removed to give more room, a few leaves being left at the top of the plant. In winter the plants may be preserved by setting in a pit in the cellar. Then the heads can be used as desired.

Kohlrabi grows into a head something like a cabbage, which it resembles in flavor, but still more closely resembles the turnip. The heads should be picked when about three inches in diameter, as they grow tough when larger. Seed should be sowed early, and when three inches high the shoots should be transplanted to rows two feet apart and one foot apart in the row. The vegetable is sliced and boiled like turnips.

His Last Joke.

"You say you would like more exercise," said the deathwatch to the condemned man. "What sort of exercise would you like?"

"I should like to skip the rope," replied the prisoner with a grin.

BUSINESS LOTS TO W. R. HAINES

Marshfield Man Secures Fine Property and Litigation Is Ended.

Negotiations have just been concluded for the sale of three valuable lots on the edge of the business district of Marshfield to W. R. Haines by Mrs. Anna M. Peterson and daughters of San Francisco. In addition to the importance of the location of the property, the deal brings to an end litigation which has been on in the local courts for the past eighteen months.

Mr. Haines contracted for the purchase of the property a couple of years ago, but when he was ready to close the contract, he was met by refusal. Through his attorney, W. U. Douglas, he instituted action for specific performance of contract.

One of the lots is on Second street, directly across the street from the first building south of the new Chandler hotel. The other two lots are directly west of this lot and front on Third street.

It is Mr. Haines' intention to convert the property into business locations at an early date, replacing the present residences with fine modern buildings.

PONY LAND COMPANY IS ORGANIZED HERE

Local Men Arrange For Development of Tide Lands at Mouth of Pony Inlet Near North Bend.

The Pony Land Company was organized here yesterday for the purpose of developing tracts. Eugene O'Connell, J. H. Flanagan, R. F. Williams, Henry Sengstacken and F. E. Hague were elected directors and they in turn elected the following officers:

President—Eugene O'Connell.
Vice-president—J. H. Flanagan.
Secretary—F. E. Hague.
Treasurer—R. F. Williams.

The company has some valuable tide land at the mouth of Pony Inlet where Montana and Virginia avenues cross from North Bend to Bangor and the object is to develop it.

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LET ALL PULL TOGETHER.

Then Maybe That Prospective Factory Will Come to the Town.

Nothing helps more to build up a town commercially than the locating of a reputable, up to date manufacturing concern "in our midst." This sort of establishment also helps to build up a town socially, for it supplies employment and wages to young people who otherwise might not earn money enough to take a part in local social affairs. Every factory, large or small, that any town can get adds to the vitality of the town and community. In commenting on a proposition recently received from a firm that wants a two acre factory site in Cold Spring, N. Y., with a guarantee of steady employment for fifty men, the editor of the Sentinel in that town makes some remarks which are applicable to any other town in the United States.

"There are only two things needed—unity on the part of the citizens of Cold Spring and a cordial welcome to the new industry."

"So long as the citizens of Peekskill were divided the village made no progress. When these divisions ended and a spirit of enterprise, construction and progress was shown the recent marked progress of Peekskill started."

"Every city in the country has a similar history. Industries do not come unless they are solicited or at least made welcome."

"Cold Spring has missed getting two or three factories through lack of a united spirit on the part of her citizens. Why not get over all these petty jealousies and unite to help each other and to uphold the community? We would all be the gainers from such a policy, gainers not only in money and in population, but gainers in good will, in hope, in public spirit and in all that makes for communal improvement and for individual good flowing therefrom."

"Is it not high time to get rid of petty misunderstanding and factionalism and join to bring industries and new residents to the town? Let the motto be:

"Unite for the common good."

Where Vigor Is Necessary.

In this day of fashionable glossy locks one must cultivate energy or her hair will go lusterless.

There is but one way to get this luster—by regular brushing. Massage helps, as does electricity, but both are of little account if not supplemented with the night and morning use of the brush.

Don't think you are brushing your hair if you give it a few languid strokes. As well try to shine muddy shoes by gentle passings of a cloth.

Brushing should be vigorous, even with steady strokes that reach down to the scalp. You might as well not brush as not reach the skin.

Don't economize on your brushes. Get good ones with bristles neither too hard nor too soft. The one tears the hair; the other fails to stimulate the scalp.

The surest recipe for lustrous locks is plenty of "elbow grease" regularly applied, assisted by cleanliness of the scalp and occasional soakings in kerosene.

Steel Ranges

Let us show you the good points of Quick Meal and Comfort Ranges

They are made to wear as well as bake, and are the satisfactory line.

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