

FORMER NORTH BEND MAN IS MURDERED IN SEATTLE

F. E. Hand, Who Was Involved In Coos Bay Shooting Scrape Killed.

SLAIN BY WOULD BE SALOON ROBBERS

Local Trouble Several Years Ago Separated Himself and Wife.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 14.—Shot down in the performance of his duty, F. E. Hand, 50 years old, a patrolman employed by the West & Surry Detective Agency, was instantly killed by a burglar whom he interrupted while attempting to break into the Federal Bar, at Third avenue and Pine street, about 3:30 o'clock in the morning. The murderer is at large. Residents in the hotel above the saloon heard four shots, and, ignorant of the occasion for the firing, called the police headquarters. When the officers arrived, they found at the rear of the barroom, lying partly inside and partly without the lavatory intervening between the saloon and the alley, the body of Hand, stiff in death.

Three shots had taken effect, one in the pit of the stomach, a second in the left side, probably penetrating the heart, and a third in the right arm. Hand had been shot down without a chance to draw his revolver.

Lying near him was a pinch-bar which the robber or robbers had been using in an effort to force open the door to the barroom. One man saw someone hurrying off, but did not get a good look at him in the darkness. No witnesses saw the crime.

Hand was single, and he has no known relatives.

During last night four different attempts were made, the police believe by the same men, to enter buildings in the vicinity.

SCANDAL IN NORTH BEND.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Oct. 14.—F. E. Hand conducted a cigar store in Roseburg about ten years ago. His place of business was at the present location of W. H. Carroll's plumbing shop. Upon leaving Roseburg, accompanied by his wife, Hand went to North Bend, where he came into public notice through a family scandal, he having shot at his wife's visitor, missing him and inflicting a flesh wound in the woman. This incident was followed by a legal separation between Hand and his wife, after which he gradually drifted to Seattle.

HERE THREE YEARS AGO.

F. E. Hand is well remembered by the older residents of North Bend. While in North Bend, he ran a shoe-maker's shop. About three years ago, he became jealous of a man named Beckett and shot at him. He missed Beckett but hit Mrs. Hand. After this, Mrs. Hand left him and went to San Francisco. Hand left and nothing has been heard of him for some time.

REBEKAHS IN SESSION HERE

Lodges of Coos County Hold Annual Convention In Marshfield.

The annual convention of the Rebekahs of the Second District of Oregon, is in session at the Odd Fellows Hall this afternoon, and will conclude with a session this evening. All of the lodges in Coos county are represented but the attendance, owing to the inclement weather, is not as large as was expected.

Western Star Lodge of Marshfield, is acting as host to the visiting delegates and entertained them at dinner today. The business session

FIFTEEN WILL DRAFT CHARTER

Council Instructs Mayor E. E. Straw to Name Committee Of Citizens.

Upon motion by Councilman Nasburg, the city council last night instructed Mayor E. E. Straw to name a committee of fifteen leading citizens draft and submit a new charter for the city to the council. It is proposed that an entirely new charter be drafted instead of attempting to amend the present one. Mayor Straw is to report his appointments on this committee to the city council next Tuesday night for the board's approval.

Hit Unlicensed Doctors.

Upon request of many of the regular practitioners in Marshfield, the city council last evening passed an ordinance prohibiting physicians and surgeons who have not secured a license from the Oregon State Board of Medical Examiners from practicing here. The ordinance provides a penalty of a fine of from \$10 to \$100 or imprisonment in the city jail for any violation of the ordinance.

In their petition to the city council, the physicians stated that a number of itinerant practice medicine here from time to time and that they do not hold a license from the Oregon State Board of Medical Examiners and frequently do not possess even a diploma from a medical college. They stated that while there was a state law prohibiting the practice of medicine without a license from the State Board of Medical Examiners, the law was not enforced and that it was difficult to enforce. By having a city ordinance, they believe that they can prevent unlicensed doctors from practicing here.

To License Vehicles.

An ordinance providing for licensing vehicles passed its first reading last evening but final action on it was postponed until next Tuesday night in order that teamsters and automobile owners may have a chance to discuss it. In the draft read last evening, the amount of the license was not fixed. It provided for different charges for vehicles according to the number of horses used in hauling them and also for automobiles.

Mayor Straw suggested that a license also be placed on baby carriages, declaring that the number of them interfered greatly with pedestrians in Marshfield. City Attorney Farrin and Councilman Claude Nasburg objected to placing a license on baby carriages, declaring a subsidy should be offered for them.

Condron Wants Pay.

A bill for \$9 as the salary for the first three days of October of Night-watchman Walter Condron, who was suspended sometime ago, was read last night, but action was postponed on it. Whether the bill means that Mr. Condron has personally severed his connection with the city for all time regardless of the result of the proposed hearing before the city council, was not stated.

Among the other bills allowed last night was one for \$188 as salaries for the Mayor and members of the city council.

Plumbing Inspector Turpen presented a request that copies of the Marshfield plumbing ordinance be printed so that they can be placed in the hands of plumbers doing work here. He also suggested that the plumbers be charged twenty-five cents per copy for it to cover the cost of having it printed. Councilman Nasburg was instructed to ascertain the cost of publishing 100 copies of the ordinance and to report at the next meeting of the city council.

The evening's session will be devoted to degree work, the teams of the various lodges exemplifying the work.

The only business coming before the convention is of a private nature.

WIND AND RAIN CAUSE TROUBLE

Dredge Oregon Loses Pipeline Pontoon and Telegraph and Telephone Wires Are Down. —No Serious Damage.

For the past twenty-four hours, Coos Bay has been in the throes of one of the worst thunder and rainstorms that it has experienced in many months. Coupled with the heavy rain last night, a south wind that assumed the proportions of a gale and for several hours maintained a velocity of from fifty to seventy miles per hour caused considerable difficulty, especially to navigation. The greatest damage sustained was by the telegraph and telephone companies. The Western Union's line went down early yesterday afternoon and Manager Schetter has no idea of the extent of the damage. This morning practically all of the toll lines were out of business.

An unfounded rumor about the storm causing trouble for the Alliance was started this morning. There was absolutely no basis for it, Agent Skinner declared today, the steamer having crossed out before the storm became severe. The southerly wind would enable the Alliance to make a rapid trip up the coast.

Many trees were blown down in the suburbs and the crashes caused

uneasiness among the nearby residents, very little thunder and lightning accompanied the storm.

The Dredge Oregon which had just started to cut a big shoal below North Bend had pretty rough riding in the storm. One of the pontoons carrying the pipe line through which the dredgings are pumped ashore was washed away and had not been located at noon today. This made more trouble for the dredge and will delay her operations again. She just started to work yesterday and everything was going fine. The dredge after the smokestacks, lost outside the bar, had been replaced and the hole punched in the bottom by the sunken piling repaired, had difficulty in anchoring its pontoons near the Pony Inlet peninsula owing to the current being unexpectedly strong near there. It is not believed that the delay this time will be of any considerable duration.

Some of the smaller crafts on the bay found it pretty rough riding last night and some were driven onto the mud flats, but none of them were severely damaged. A couple of lighters carrying lumber to the lower bay to complete the loading of the Nann Smith were torn away from the boats towing them and carried onto the mud flats. They rested there until this morning until they were again taken in town and hauled down to Empire. No lumber was lost.

R. N. A. LODGE FORMED HERE

Organized Last Evening With Charter Membership of Forty-One.

"Pride of Oregon," the new Royal Neighbors of America Lodge in Marshfield, was formally installed at the Finnish hall last evening by Clara E. Mills, special organizer. The new lodge starts with a charter membership of forty-one. Owing to the inclement weather, only about twenty-five of the number were able to be in attendance last evening, but the installation proved a very entertaining ceremony and those present felt more than repaid for braving the elements.

Officers Elected.

The following officers were elected: Past Oracle—Grace Jones. Oracle—Ellen Kelly. Vice-Oracle—Beatrice Walters. Recorder—Helen Downs. Receiver—Josephine Cooke. Chancellor—Cora E. Bolt. Marshal—Nettie LaChapelle. Inside Sentinel—Anna Lund. Outside Sentinel—Anna Holmes. Managers—O. O. Lund, Helen Petersen and Elvira Frizzen. Physician—Geo. E. Dix. Pianist—Lulu Lund.

WILL SUBPOENA MORE.

Large Number From Curry County to Testify On Land Frauds.

PORT ORFORD, Ore., Oct. 13.—United States Deputy Marshall Griffith has been in Port Orford subpoenaing witnesses for the P. F. & L. Company land fraud trial at Portland. Those wanted from Port Orford and vicinity are: Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Dean, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Marsh, Wm. R. Hurst, A. Adolphsen, George Curry, Mrs. L. Knapp, George Forty, E. W. Jensen and Walter Sutton. J. H. Upton and Mrs. J. S. Capps were subpoenaed from Langlois, while Ed. Marsters and George Smith were wanted from Gold Beach. Most of the witnesses above have been used before in connection with this case but new names have been added in J. H. Upton, Mrs. Dean, Mrs. Marsh and George Smith. It is reported that this is only a beginning and that the Marshall will return and subpoena a whole bunch of Curry county people to attend the trial.

Steamer BREAKWATER sails from Coos Bay for Portland SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, at 2 P. M.

Cheap meals at NEW MARKET now open on 'B' STREET. Come and see.

HAVE TROUBLE OVER LOGS

Larson Timber Company and Owners of Timber Land Clash Over Contract.

Differences between the Larson Timber Company and the Coos Bay Lumber and Coal Company, whose lands they are logging, have occasioned some difficulty in business circles here and on the Coquille for the last few days. It was stated today that the trouble was due entirely to an interpretation of the contract between the two and would be adjusted soon.

It seems that the Coos Bay Lumber and Coal Company is insisting that all of the large trees be cut and removed while the Larson Company is refusing to do this, the Simpson Lumber Company which purchases the logs from Larson rejecting some as unfit for lumber and not being of the proper dimensions. In consequence of the Simpson Lumber Company's refusal to accept some of the logs, the Larson Company is refusing to place any more of the kind objected to in the water and thus escapes paying stumpage.

The halt occasioned by the trouble between the two concerns gave rise to all sorts of rumors, but Manager Falkenstein of the Simpson Lumber Company who is in close touch with the situation, said that there was no foundation for them.

The Simpson Lumber Company is now operating the Porter Mill, and Manager Falkenstein stated today that the other mill would be started just as soon as a supply of good logs can be secured.

LADIES ATTENTION!

A demonstration of CRESCENT BAKING POWDER will be given on Friday and Saturday afternoon at the Gas Office. A dainty lunch served to all ladies attending.

GRAND MASQUERADE BALL Thursday evening, Oct. 15, at Eckhoff Hall, North Bend. Music by the Bay City Orchestra. Special boat will leave for Marshfield immediately after the dance.

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Now is the time to get busy in The Times' Prize Contest.

Hot Tamales, fresh today, Corthell's.

REPORT THAT MOFFAT ROAD IS HEADED FOR COOS BAY

SAY COTTAGE IS ON STREET

Council Orders Investigation to Ascertain If Thoroughfare Is Occupied.

The Marshfield city council last night instructed City Attorney Farrin to ascertain if a cottage west of Councilman Nelson's home and North of the Dr. McCormac residence is on the street and if so to see that it is immediately removed. No one seemed to know who the cottage or makeshift residence belonged to. At first Mayor Straw said that he thought it belonged to one of the fellows who were active in the proposed recall of the city officials and put a notice that anyone proposing to recall the mayor or city officials should be ordered to get off the street. Then some one declared that Manager Shine of the Southern Oregon Company, was collecting \$5 per year as ground rental for the site and that if any one was guilty of occupying the street, it must be the Southern Oregon Company. Councilman Sacchi said that if it was on the street that the city might lose the thoroughfare by permitting private parties to occupy it. He said that first a tent had been put up, then board sides had been put on the tent and finally a roof put on, this converting the tent in two years' time into a makeshift cottage.

Use Hemlock Plank.

The substitution of hemlock plank or fir plank on some of the streets and bridges recently built, caused considerable discussion. It was first brought up in connection with the Sixth street improvement. Messrs. Savage and Nasburg said that they were in favor of accepting the contractor's work although a few hemlock plank had been put in instead of fir. Councilman Sacchi said that the contractors should be required to comply with the specifications. Mayor Straw after asking the opinions of a number present ascertained that the hemlock plank would last only about half as long as fir plank. Contractor Myren said that the hemlock plank had not been put in until City Engineer Sandberg had authorized their use. Sacchi wanted to know where Mr. Sandberg had secured authority to deviate from the specifications and was assured that no such authority had been given the city engineer. Contractor Myren said that most of the hemlock plank used on the street has been placed along the property of the J. E. Oren, general manager of the C. A. Smith Lumber and Manufacturing Company, which had furnished the lumber and from whom fir plank had been ordered. The acceptance of the contract was postponed, it being understood that if Contractors Myren and Erickson could get the consent of the property owners to leave in the hemlock plank that the city would accept the work.

Contractor Backman who put in a few hemlock planks on 'C' street agreed to remove them and put in fir instead.

Concrete On Second.

It was reported that the city engineer had declared in favor of placing a concrete top on the Second street fill. Councilman Sacchi was opposed to it, claiming that the fill would settle and cause the concrete top to break. D. L. Rood and some others claimed that if a concrete top was placed on the fill, it would preserve and protect the fill.

Councilman Nelson was opposed to ordering the work done until a full board was present, Councilmen Flanagan and Lockhart being out of the city now.

It was finally agreed to ask for bids for concreting the street and to award the contract next Tuesday night.

Other Street Work.

The cost of grading and planking front street from the city hall to 'W' street, was estimated last night

Articles of Incorporation Filed at Salem Gives Rise to Belief.

SMALL CAPITAL IS SAID TO BE "BLIND"

Portland Men Think Oregon Midland Railway Denverite's Project.

PORTLAND, Oct. 14.—Articles of incorporation of the Oregon Midland Railroad filed at Salem with a nominal capital of \$100,000 is believed here in a measure to confirm reports which at different times in recent years have been current to the effect that David Moffat, who is behind the Colorado Midland, intends to continue his road into Oregon.

The articles of incorporation of the Oregon Midland state that the purpose of the company is to build from Weiser, Idaho, to Portland, Tillamook and Coos Bay, Oregon. The incorporators are men plainly chosen to conceal the identity of the interest behind the scheme. Putting these things together with the fact that the Colorado Midland is now pushing toward Weiser as its goal, lends considerable color to the suggestion that the Moffat interests are behind the new road.

to be \$935.50, excluding corners. The council will meet October 27, as a board of equalization on the improvement.

The cost of the Alice street improvement, between 'D' and Queen streets, was estimated at \$1,343.35, exclusive of intersections. The council will meet as a board of equalization on this work October 27.

Contractor Signalness was ordered paid \$550 on his Prospect avenue work.

Contractor D. W. Small was ordered paid \$168 on his Flanagan street work.

Carlson and Bach, were ordered paid \$1,250 on their 'C' street work.

Myren and Erickson and the grading contractor on the Sixth street improvement were ordered paid fifty-nine per cent of each of their contracts.

First street was ordered graded and planked from 'C' street to Queens avenue.

A railing was ordered constructed at Sixth and 'E,' an approach built at Sixth and 'H,' and a sidewalk in front of Mrs. Herneda's property in South Marshfield.

Won't Vacate Street.

Councilmen Sacchi and Nasburg reported to the council against the requested vacating of the end of Sixth street, near the cemetery. They said that the city needed more streets instead of giving up any that it has. The vacating of the street was requested by A. H. Stutsman and Mrs. Fannie Hazard, owners of the abutting property.

It was decided to make a rebate to the Laurel street property owners, an over assessment having been made.

Councilman Sacchi reported that the efforts to have the 'A' street property owners between Broadway and Front street, construct a sewer before the street is paved, had been futile.

Councilman Savage was appointed a member of the finance committee pro tem.

The auditing of the monthly reports of the city treasurer and city recorder was referred to Mayor Straw and Councilmen Sacchi and Nelson.

A plank approach to the asphalt paving on Broadway was ordered built along the Cordes property and also that provision be made for draining the street.

REMEMBER fruit preserving season is not over. Full line of Economy and Knowlton jars, pints \$1.00 and quarts \$1.25 per dozen, at Coos Bay Cash Store.

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