

WILL GUARD FUTURE WORK

City Council Changes Conditions In Specifications For Contractors.

As a result of the Sixth street plank paving muddle of a few weeks ago, the city council last evening changed the wording of the specifications governing city contracts. Instead of leaving the specifications ambiguous and conflicting, the council altered the construction so that henceforth the final acceptance of work or material lies with the council. Hitherto, the city engineer has passed on material and the interpretation of the contract but, the street committee of the council will have to do this in the future with the final decision lying in the hands of the council. The changes were made by Councilmen Sacchi and Lockhart.

New Building Ordinance.

A new building ordinance to take the place of the "joker" building ordinance enacted last August which eliminated the fire limits, was read last evening. The new ordinance which is copied closely after the Portland building ordinance was not found just what is desired here, and its enactment postponed. The proposed ordinance makes some radical changes.

Pass Over Condron Matter.

For the first time in several weeks, the full membership of the city council was present last night. Mayor Straw was present at the opening but soon afterwards left, saying that he had business elsewhere. Owing to his inability to be present during the entire session, the suspension of Nightwatchman Walter Condron was not brought up. Whether it will ever be brought up, no one appears to know.

To License Teamsters.

Councilman Sacchi reported last night that the special committee of the council had held a meeting with the representative teamsters of the city and that the proposed license ordinance had been agreed upon. However, owing to the absence of city attorney Farrin, the ordinance has not been drafted.

Estimate 1909 Expense.

Deputy City Recorder Kaufman last evening was instructed to prepare an estimate of the current expenses of the city for the year 1909 so that the city council will be able to make a sufficient levy to cover it. The levy has to be made in December. In making the estimate, a report on the expenses for the present year will be made and proposed special expenditures will be discussed.

Allow Ferry Bill.

A bill for \$230 for lumber for the new ferry was allowed last night, the lumber having been purchased to construct a pontoon for the slip at the Marshfield end of the run.

The contractors on the "B," Seventh and Prospect avenue job were given an extension of time until January 1, to complete their work. They have been delayed by inability to secure lumber.

Walter Condron was ordered paid \$1,000 more on his Cedar street contract.

The Cedar street contract of Masters & McLain was accepted and the firm ordered paid in full.

D. W. Small was ordered paid \$300 more on his street contract which was completed a few months ago.

Masters & McLain were the only bidders for the proposed improvement of Alice street between "D" and Queen and were awarded the contract for \$1,235.

The council will meet as a board of equalization on the Front street improvement November 30.

Grades were ordered established in North Marshfield and in Bennett's and Nasburg's additions.

The adjustment of D. W. Small's claim for \$25 on his contract for putting rock on Front street a year ago was referred to Mayor Straw. Henry Sengstacken refuses to pay \$25 of his \$75 apportionment, claiming that \$50 was more than his rightful share. Mayor Straw and Ivy Condron, then a member of the council, had arranged verbally with the property owners to reimburse the city for this expense. Ivy Condron who was present last night said that the city should pay Mr. Small even if Mr. Sengstacken refuses to pay the balance on his assessment.

The health committee of the council was instructed to see that residents of South Marshfield cease dumping refuse in the slough that crosses Broadway near the mattress factory.

Read the Times' Want Ads.

TO SAFEGUARD SHOW HOUSES

Moving Picture Shows Will Be Compelled to Furnish Better Fire Protection.

As a result of a reported threatened fire in one of the local moving picture shows last week, and in consequence of the heavy losses of life from panics and fires in them over the country, the Marshfield city council last night instructed the city attorney to draft an ordinance requiring them to furnish adequate protection to patrons.

The details of the ordinance were not gone into. Councilman Sacchi brought the matter up. He said that the machines of the shows should be enclosed in metal boxes. Councilman Flanagan said that adequate exits and fire escapes should also be required.

North Bend recently drafted an ordinance regulating the moving picture shows there and it is likely that it will be copied by Marshfield. It provides for rear exits, a metal box surrounding the machine, that the doors open outward, etc.

A GREAT CATTLE KING.

A sketch of Henry Miller, the great California cattle king, which appears in the World's Work, is a reminder of old times. It tells about his wealth, especially his landed wealth. He has 600,000 acres in California, besides plenty outside. It was said forty years ago that he could buy stock in southern California and drive it on his own land to San Francisco. That was not quite true, but he owned plenty of it.

Henry Miller is just a natural absorbent of wealth. He was brought up a butcher. When he reached California he had no money. He strode up the street until he came to a butcher shop. He walked in and asked if he could get a place as cutter or fletcher—we do not know the scientific butcher terms. He was told that they had a full supply of help, and then he explained that the reason he asked for work was that he wanted money to buy something to eat. The owner tendered him some money for that. He said no, he never ate the bread of charity and never would as long as he had health, and then the owner gave him a beef to cut up. He did the work so swiftly and thoroughly and perfectly that he was given a place. Later he made the acquaintance of Charles W. Lux and the firm name of Miller & Lux is still used.

The above facts are not mentioned in this account of him, but they are old legends in California. With his first wages he began to buy stock. He pastured it on government land or on some of the great Spanish land grants of California. In that way he got in the habit of buying stock in southern California, driving it slowly to San Francisco, fattening it on the way and selling it at a profit. Then along the route he bought lands where there were springs, and his lifework has been to buy land to feed stock and to buy stock to eat the grass on his land. He is just naturally a great absorbent of money. He has a clear mind and bent simply on one purpose.

This account says that he keeps his farms in perfect order. By that is meant his stations where stock is stopped and fed. A great deal of his land he never sees. He has a foreman on each ranch, and he is in the habit of dropping in on them when they are not expecting him. The first thing he looks to is his own room, which is set aside in all his houses for his own use exclusively. If that is all right he looks to the kitchen; if that is all right he looks to the yard to see if there is any waste or any negligence, whether it is kept in good order or not, and if it is not, there is trouble.

He is now 83 years old and he is pursuing the work with just as much enthusiasm as when he began fifty years ago. He used to say, half in fun, that he intended to buy all the land in California; later he said he would have half of it but his son would have the other half. But his son died and he pursued his way, buying land for the cattle, sheep, pigs—everything he could turn into money.

He is one of those men who is of no particular use to the world, but who is gathering up an estate that by and by will be of use to mankind. He is eccentric in his methods; for instance, he was robbed of \$200 in Pacheco Pass three or four years

ago by a Mexican. He told the Mexican he was a long way from home and asked him for a little of the money as a loan to pay his expenses home. The Mexican gave him back a \$20 piece. Three years afterwards he saw the man on the street in Hanford and offered him the \$20, saying, "I borrowed this from you once." The Mexican answered, "I never saw you before." "Oh, yes you have. I borrowed \$20 from you in Pacheco Pass three years ago." And he made him take it.

He simply illustrates the possibilities that were before men in the golden state in the long ago. He had an iron constitution, nothing could weary him, he could ride horseback all day and day after day. He began his narrow life in a circle with but one object, and that was to acquire land and to acquire stock to feed off that land, and he succeeded wonderfully. It is said he has accumulated \$20,000,000, and probably that is true, but we never heard of his founding a school, of picking up a poor boy and educating him. His character is shown in one little instance. A vaquero asked him for a job. Miller replied, yes, he had one vacant. The cowboy asked, "What's in it?" Thirty dollars, thirty days and thirty nights," was the reply. When he trusts a man he lets him buy property on his own account. One of his foremen told the writer in the World's Work that he had acted for years under the instructions, "Buy anything you see that will make money, cattle or sheep or land." He drew checks for hundreds of thousands of dollars in all against Mr. Miller's account for things Mr. Miller had never seen or passed upon. He bought 200,000 sheep for Mr. Miller in one year. Sometimes he would meet his chief in Oregon, sometimes in Nevada, sometimes in California. Once they met in Bakersfield in California. As they parted Mr. Miller called him back and said, "By the way, if you see any good land for sale, buy it. I have a little spare money I want to invest." "How much?" was asked. Then he answered, "About \$300,000 yes, a little more than that."

Going back over his long life at 83 years of age, if he were a sensitive man the little good he has done in the world would worry him, but it does not worry him at all; he did not start out to do good to anyone except to Henry Miller, and he is just as intent on doing favors for that man as he was in the start. When his will is left it will be a curious thing to read, because all his life his belief has been that all a man needed in the world was brains and energy and he has had very little patience with people who could not come up to his standard. Just now he is engaged in trying to create a public sentiment for a new county to include most of his holdings on the west side of San Joaquin valley, to be called "Miller County." If he succeeds in this it is possible he will leave his estate to that county, with instructions what to do with it, but he will be more likely to go on buying land and cattle until some morning he will forget to wake up.

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TO MARSHFIELD VOTERS.

The platform adopted by the Marshfield Citizens League which asks all desiring a better city to join it and aid in carrying out its aims is as follows: "WE PLEDGE OUR CANDIDATES TO AN HONEST, STRAIGHT FORWARD, ECONOMICAL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, AND TO REDUCE THE DEBT OF THE CITY IN ALL LEGITIMATE MEANS POSSIBLE."

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NOTICE CALLING FOR A NOMINATING MEETING OR CAUCUS FOR THE NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF COMMON COUNCILMEN AND OF RECORDER.

Notice is hereby given that by order of the Common Council of the City of Marshfield, Coos county, Oregon, duly made and entered on the 28th day of October, 1908, a nominating meeting or caucus will be held in Odd Fellows Hall in said city, on Monday, the sixteenth day of November, at the hour of half past seven o'clock, in the afternoon of said day, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the offices of two members of the Common Council of said City, and for the office of Recorder of said City, to be voted on at the regular annual Municipal Election of said City to be held on the first day of December, 1908.

By order of the Common Council.
Dated this 5th day of November, 1908.

J. M. UPTON,
Recorder of the City of Marshfield,
Coos County, Oregon.

NOTICE OF SALE OF IMPROVEMENT BONDS.

Sealed proposals will be received by the Finance Committee of the Common Council of the City of Marshfield, Coos County, Oregon, at the office of the Recorder of said city, in the City Hall of said city, until 4 o'clock p. m., Monday, November 30, 1908, for \$16,023.37 street improvement bonds of the City of Marshfield in denominations not exceeding \$500, bearing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, payable semi-annually; each bond to be dated November 24, 1908, payable ten years from the date thereof; provided that the right is reserved to take up and cancel any of such bonds, upon the payment of the face value thereof, within accrued interest to the date of payment at any semi-annual interest payment period at or after one year from the date of such bond or bonds, by giving thirty days published notice.

Bonds authorized by act of Legislature of State of Oregon.
Assessed valuation of City \$1,791,549.00.

No bonded indebtedness.
Population estimated at 5,000.
Certified check for 5 per cent of amount of bids must accompany each bid, to be forfeited in case bid is accepted and bidder fails to accept bonds within ten days.

Bids received for any amount of said bonds, small bidders being given preference. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

Dated this 5th day of November, 1908.

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