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BATTLE OF THE TOWN

WEATHER FORECAST
(By Associated Press.)
Oregon—Probably fair to night Wednesday, westerly winds.

LOCAL TEMPERATURE REPORT.

For twenty-four hours ending at 5 p. m., March 15, by Mrs. E. Mings, special government meteorological observer.

Maximum 70
Minimum 33
At 5 p. m. 61
Precipitation none
Wind, Northwest; clear.

refuse to grant it. Briefs were presented and whether the committee of the council will have time to prepare a report on the matter for tonight's meeting of the council is uncertain.

Due to Soft Ground.—The trouble encountered on the South Broadway fill is due to the soft ground on the marsh instead of to the bulk-heading. The trouble which is at the extreme south end of the fill is the result of two things. One is that the dirt pumped there from the dredge is the lightest of the slickings and does not settle compactly. When the dredge stops working and the slickings are allowed to settle, it shrinks away from the bulkheading. When the dredge starts again, the water finds this crevice and then washes out the soft dirt from beneath the bulkheading. In order to prevent further trouble on this score, Captain Pellers has arranged to keep the dredge going continuously until the street is filled.

Council Tonight.—The Marshfield city council will meet tonight to take up a number of street improvement projects and also other city business.

Mass Wednesday.—Mass will be celebrated at 9 o'clock at the Marshfield Catholic church tomorrow, St. Patrick's Day, by the Rev. Father Donnelly. No other services will be held here during the day.

Will Fight Here.—Articles of an agreement for a twenty-round bout here April 9 or April 16, have been signed by Carranza and Saxe. Carranza will go to Eureka to visit and return here about two weeks prior to the fight while Saxe expects to train at Coquille for the bout.

Stuck On Mud Flat.—J. W. Laird and Wm. Norris of Coquille, and a party of young folks en route to a dance on Coos River had a peculiar experience Saturday night. They started in a launch to attend a dance on Coos River. The tide was running out and in the darkness they ran onto the mud flats. They were unable to get off until Sunday morning, having to spend the entire night condemning their luck instead of enjoying the pleasures of the dance.

No Trace of Carlson.—As yet no trace has been found of Axel Carlson, the C. A. Smith mill hand who mysteriously disappeared from the mill boarding-house about a month ago. It was expected that possibly some word might be heard from him on the mill pay day as he had considerable money coming. But nearly a week has elapsed since pay day and no word has been received from him. August Frizeen, who has been vigorously pushing the search, has about given up hope of ever seeing or hearing of Carlson alive.

Argue Saloon License.—The arguments in the controversy over Charles Jost's application for a license for another saloon were submitted last evening before City Attorney Snover to Councilmen Lockhart, Sacchi and Nelson. Mr. Hoy represented Jost and J. D. Goss the opposing liquor men. Mr. Hoy contended that Jost's application complied with the ordinance governing the granting of saloon licenses and that the council could not rightfully

NORTH BEND NEWS

The steamer *Wilhelmina* left Saturday for the Stuslaw.

Archie Vaughan, who has been ill of la grippe, is improving.

D. Dobbins, who has been in Portland for some time, has returned home.

Mr. Robinson is making arrangements to put on "Queen Esther" here in the near future.

Martin Christensen has returned from a visit in Portland and has again resumed his work at the Coos Bay Creamery.

Mrs. Geo. Bolster left yesterday via of the Drain route for Portland where she was called by the illness of her daughter, Mrs. Harry Backenstoe.

The "Marconi" sailed today with a cargo of lumber from the Simpson Lumber Company for Valparaiso, South America, Captain Wilson in command.

The last basketball game of the season will take place this evening in the Simpson pavilion. There will be two games between the Married men and single men, and the fat men and small boys.

Edwin, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Burns, died yesterday afternoon of membranous croup, aged fourteen months. The funeral will be held from the home, the Rev. Father Curley, officiating. The body will be interred in the Coos Bay Catholic cemetery temporarily.

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Personal Notes

THOMAS LEWIS secured the carpet disposed of by Joseph Trewella.

MRS. S. NOAH and Mrs. Don McKay of Coos River, were Marshfield visitors today.

MR. and MRS. M. C. MALONEY returned on the M. F. Plant yesterday from their wedding trip through the mid-west and south.

MRS. HENRY SENGSTACKEN and daughters, Misses Genevieve and Doris, have gone to Los Angeles where they will spend several weeks before returning to Coos Bay.

F. E. HAGUE entered the Lane Hospital at San Francisco last Saturday to undergo an operation. He had planned to enter the Hahnemann Hospital but at the last moment was forced to change. It will be a week or so before the result of the operation can be definitely known, but that it will prove highly successful is the ardent wish of Mr. Hague's many friends on the Bay.

AT THE HOTELS.

The Blanco.—Lee Goodman, Coquille; J. C. Greene, San Francisco; Mrs. N. J. Cornwall, Berkeley; J. A. Bernstein, J. S. Cole, C. H. Boynton, R. A. Brink, F. S. Asbridge, J. B. Daniels, San Francisco; W. G. Dodge, Alex. Nichols, Eureka; F. T. Colene, Myrtle Point; Albert Brayton, Cloverdale; D. F. Hannas, Williams Miley, Myrtle Point; W. Towner, D. R. Morgan, Tom Smith, Empire; W. H. Savigny, Coos River; Gottlieb Kuehner, North Bend; W. C. Sellner, Mrs. D. Trowbridge, Jack Cornwall, Bandon; T. J. Thrift, Coquille; W. G. Willett, M. A. Martin, Portland; A. E. Walling and wife, Arago; Tom Smith.

The Chandler.—F. C. Billups, J. V. Milligan, J. Hingston-Smith, Fred Marx, A. I. Hall, Lee Bethel, T. Leyland, Portland; Jim Rodgers, Stanley A. Piltz, R. H. Smith, R. W. Davis, San Francisco; A. E. Walling and wife, Arago; William P. Smith, William McKay and wife, R. Kauppa, Bandon.

A rare freak of nature was brought in by John H. Smith, of North Roseburg. It was a hen's egg of abnormal size, within the outer shell of which was another perfect egg of the usual size and encased in a shell of the average hardness. — Roseburg Review.

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BIG BENEFIT OF PORTLAND PORT

How Port Commission Has Improved Columbia River Harbor and Channel.

Owing to the approach of the special election April 19 at which the electors of the Coos Bay drainage basin will determine whether or not Coos Bay shall enjoy the advantages of a Port commission, there is much discussion as to the real merits of a port commission. In this section, Portland is the only harbor or port that has had a port commission and naturally the experience there should be one of the best criterions as to the value of a port commission. I. S. Smith who has been investigating the matter thoroughly, wrote to C. F. Swigert, president of the Port of Portland, asking him about its workings there and how the people felt about it after several years' experience with it. Mr. Swigert in his reply says:

"You ask me if there is entire satisfaction among the taxpayers with the results obtained by The Port of Portland from the expenditure of the money for improving this harbor. In reply to this I can only say that to my personal knowledge and from the generally expressed opinion, there is entire satisfaction. An evidence of this might be found in the fact that when an amendment to the Charter enlarging the powers of The Port of Portland was proposed by initiative at the general election of June 1908, the vote for the said amendment was 16,111, and 4,294 against. It would appear that this vote is ample evidence that the residents of the district are well satisfied with the results so far obtained by The Port of Portland.

"With regard to the results accomplished upon the Willamette and Columbia rivers between Portland and the sea, I will say that from the earliest records obtainable it appears that the depth of water at the shallowest places was about 12 feet at low water, and vessels drawing as much as 14 feet were greatly handicapped in reaching Portland, lightering of cargo often being necessary. At the present time, there is a depth of 25 feet at low water in the shallowest places and the general width of the dredged channel is 300 feet.

"I will not attempt to show in this letter to what extent the general government has co-operated with the Port of Portland in this work, but I am sending you, under separate cover, some literature in which you may find all the details you may desire."

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