

FIELD MEET HERE FRIDAY

**Stores Will Close Tomorrow
Afternoon For Big Event at
Fair Grounds.**

The Marshfield High School boys are trying their best to make Friday afternoon a gala day event in Marshfield. Everything is in readiness for the track meet and some good races are assured. Bandon and Coquille will be over with their teams, and Myrtle Point has also sent word that it will participate in some of the events.

Captain Asplund of Marshfield, has had his men out regularly and is quite confident of a victory. Principal Ferguson, who has been training the boys, says they are all in good condition for the contest. The events will be the mile, the one hundred yard and the two hundred twenty yard dashes, high and broad jumps, quarter mile, shot put and relay.

The track is in good condition and the boys expect to make fairly good time considering that this is their first experience in competitive athletics. There is, however, plenty of material in Coos county for a good, lively athletic association, and if things turn out as well, as they promise now, the track meet will probably be made an annual event.

Stores Will Be Closed.

The High School boys have been circulating a petition to get the stores to close, among those who signed it are as follows: Coos Bay Cash Store, Magnus & Matson, Mitchell & Jones, Geo. Goodrum, Merchant & Kammerer, Woolen Mill Store, Hub Clothing and Shoe Store, Peter Clausen, R. A. Copple, L. W. Planz, H. Finel, Ekblad & Son, Marshfield Hardware Company, Pioneer Hardware Company, Going & Harvey Company, C. A. Johnson, Perry, Montgomery & Co., Finish Cooperative Company, Marshfield Grocery Company, C. W. Wolcott, F. A. Sacchi, A. C. McFarlan, Geo. E. Cook, Chas. Stauff, The Bazar, Lockhart's Grocery, Pioneer Grocery, S. R. Belcott, Coos Bay P. & W. P. Co., T. J. Humphrey, Gow Why, New and Second Hand Store, The Gunery, E. Crosthwait, Bob's Billiard Parlors, Bird Billiard Parlor, W. K. Wismer.

This is an event in the history of the schools of Coos county, and it is hoped the people will turn out, en masse.

A banquet will be given to the visiting teams on the evening of the contest. A program is also being arranged for it.

WHEAT CLOSES HIGHER TODAY

**Advance of About One Cent
Per Bushel in Chicago
Pit.**

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, May 20. — Wheat prices advanced more than one cent during the early trading today. July opened at \$1.15 5-8, and later advanced to \$1.16.

The closing prices were: May, \$1.30; July, \$1.15 5-8; September, \$1.07; December, \$1.05 1/2.

(By Associated Press.)

PORTLAND, May 20. — Wheat unchanged.

(By Associated Press.)

TACOMA, May 20. — Wheat unchanged.

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COMPLETE DRAFT OF A FRANCHISE

**Citizens Committee and Seymour Bell Said to Have
Agreed On Terms.**

Seymour H. Bell, general manager of the Coos Bay Gas and Electric Company, and the members of the committee appointed by the Central avenue property owners, have held several conferences since Mr. Bell's return here a few days ago and it was stated by Dr. Tower today that they have agreed on the draft of a franchise for an electric railway system in Marshfield. They expect to present it to the Marshfield city council at its next meeting to have it approved before the consent of the property owners along the streets desired will be asked. Until it is presented to the council, it is stated that the franchise will probably not be made public. The members of the citizens committee appointed at the meeting of the Central avenue property owners a few months ago when Tom Nicols suggested that was the route desired by Mr. Bell, are Ralph Williams, W. U. Douglas, Dr. C. W. Tower, Henry Sengstacken and Wm. Grimes.

It is understood that the draft of the franchise agreed upon by Mr. Bell and the committee covers Front street or Broadway to connect up with North Bend by means of the elevated plank road on North Front street.

The matter, it is expected, will be taken up at the regular meeting of the city council next Tuesday evening. Mr. Bell has talked with a number of the councilmen and city officials regarding the matter.

NORTH BEND WATER FRONT

(Continued from page 1.)

stitute suits for their collection.

City Engineer Brigham was instructed to present plans to the next meeting of the most suitable streets to open from Sherman and Virginia avenues to the new high school building. The school board requested that streets be opened to give the pupils better access to the new building.

A six-per-cent grade was ordered established on Virginia avenue between Sherman and Sheridan. This block of the street will be opened soon.

The liquor license for the Marsden corner saloon was transferred from Walter F. Rau to Tony Nussell.

An ordinance providing the council should meet the second and fourth Tuesday evenings of each month was adopted. The old ordinance provided for only one meeting per month.

City Recorder Derbyshire was instructed to ask for bids for improving Reed from Connecticut to Montana.

The street committee was instructed to have the crossing of Vermont and Sherman, near Mercy hospital, put in proper shape.

NORTH BEND NEWS

The W. C. T. U. will meet today at Eastside school house.

Mrs. E. R. Hodson and Miss Erma of South Coos River, are shopping on the Bay today.

W. P. Evans, who has been quite ill for a couple of weeks, is now able to be up and around.

The Presbyterian Ladies Aid Society met yesterday afternoon in the Christian Endeavor room for a banquet which they will give to the Alumni, May 28.

The Mothers' and Teachers' Club of North Bend, will hold its last regular meeting, prior to the summer vacation, at the school house tomorrow. The club will resume its meetings in September. All mothers and patrons are urged to be present. The program tomorrow will be:

Piano duet—By Misses Mildred and Winnifred Reed.
Reading—By Mrs. F. Moore.
Vocal solo—By Miss Edith Auger.
Song—By Babe Imhoff.

Song—By quartette consisting of Ellen Anderson, Mildred Reed, Helen Mende and Edith Allger.
Lecture—By Dr. Ward.

KIDDER LOSES HIS HOMESTEAD

**U. S. Land Office Cancels His
Filing On Sengstacken
Tract Near Smith Mill.**

ROSEBURG, Ore., May 20. — Frank E. Alley the local land attorney, has received word from Washington, D. C., that the Commissioner of the General Land Office has cancelled the homestead entry of Claude Kidder on 143 acres of land on the waterfront of East Marshfield, Coos county. The text of the decision will be issued from the United States land office in Roseburg some time this week. Kidder's entry was contested by Henry Sengstacken of the Title Guarantee and Abstract Company of Marshfield.

The land involved is situated on what is known as Isthmus Slough, opposite the immense lumbering plant of the C. A. Smith Company. It is not only valuable for farming, but contains a promising deposit of coal. Mr. Kidder built a house upon the place, made a number of other improvements and has been residing upon it with his family for the past four months. He is well known in Roseburg, being interested in the Roseburg Abstract Company.

Originally, the land involved belonged to the state under the school allotment act. In the course of time the state used the tract as base for a lien selection, but in some manner this relinquishment was not recorded and the result was that the state, considering the land still to be its own, later sold it outright. From this buyer, the land passed into the possession of other parties until it was bought and finally held by Mr. Sengstacken's company. Mr. Kidder made his filing on the ground that the tract was open to entry because he state sold something it did not own.

The state became involved in the contest instituted by Mr. Sengstacken, and a mass of technicalities was brought forward to sustain the contestant. Evidently they were sufficient to knock out Kidder's entry in the mind of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, from whose decision Kidder has the right to appeal to Secretary Ballinger of the Interior. Should Ballinger uphold the finding of the Commissioner Kidder would still have recourse in the Federal courts.

CASE PTOMAINÉ POISONING HERE

**Mrs. Hart of South Marshfield,
Stricken This Forenoon—
Falls Down Stairs.**

Mrs. Hart, a trained nurse residing at the home of Mrs. Peterson near the corner of Hall avenue (formerly Washington street) and Second street south, was taken suddenly ill this forenoon of ptomaine poisoning and is in a critical condition. She was stricken while standing near the top of the stairs and fainted, falling down stairs. She was considerably bruised by the fall. Dr. McCormac who was called to attend her, reported at noon that she was getting along quite well, but was very sick.

This morning, Mrs. Hart ate some canned tomatoes and the poisoning is due to them.

TOPICS OF TIMES.

Joseph N. Shenstone, a millionaire manufacturer of Toronto, has given practically all of his fortune to the Baptist church, reserving only enough for his future living expenses. He should be ousted from the millionaires' union. If this practice becomes general it will not be possible to maintain the scale and we will soon be without millionaires.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received until 10 o'clock A. M., May 25, 1909, for clearing, grading and constructing road-bed and culverts of a portion of the county road known as the Pennsylvania avenue and Shingle-House Slough road extending from the one-mile post of the original survey of said road to Station 46 at Flagstaff, which is marked Station 51 plus 50. The said road to be cleared, graded and constructed according to the plans and specifications now in the hands of the undersigned and also at the office of John F. Hall, county judge.

Bids will be received for contract from the one mile post to Station 35, separate also for the whole amount to be expended on said road, to-wit:—\$3,500.

A certified check of 5 per cent of the amount of bid to accompany bid to be forfeited in case bid shall be accepted and bidder refuses or neglects to enter into the same within five days after notice of award.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or contract for a less distance than mentioned herein. Bids to be opened at the office of John F. Hall, Eldorado Block, Marshfield, Oregon.

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