

NORTH BEND MAYOR RESIGNS; PLAN FOR \$100,000 BOND ISSUE

L. J. Simpson Announces That Business Won't Permit Him to Serve Longer.

CLASH LIKELY OVER NAMING HIS SUCCESSOR

Prepare to Open Sherman Avenue South to the City Limits.

At a meeting of the North Bend city council, last evening, L. J. Simpson tendered his resignation as mayor. In resigning, he stated that for sometime, he expected to be away from North Bend considerably and that his private business would not permit him to give as much attention as the office of mayor required. The resignation was accepted by the council.

Mr. Simpson stated today that he could not at present make any statement of his plans for the future other than that his business would require him to be away a large portion of the time. He said that he would continue to make North Bend his home and maintain his residence there. The understanding is that Mr. Simpson will devote a considerable portion of his time to the San Francisco office of the Simpson Lumber Company, arranging for the sale of the output of the company's mills. He said that the prospects for the lumber business were unusually good.

Talk of Successor.

Last night, the North Bend City council did not take any steps to select Mr. Simpson's successor. Geo. D. Mandigo is president of the council and ordinarily he would be given the honor of filling the unexpired term and he may be anyway. According to rumors afloat, the council will clash over choosing the new mayor.

The clash, it is said, will result from the old trouble over the city marshal. Peter Loggie and some others in the council want to force Marshal Caffrey to resign while other members of the council are standing by Caffrey. At present, it is said to be about an even split with the Caffrey forces having slightly the best of the situation.

Besides electing one of their own number to succeed Mayor Simpson, the council will have to select another member of the council. The two will serve until the regular election in December.

Plan \$100,000 Bond Issue.

At last night's session, the North Bend city council also passed a resolution instructing the city attorney to draft an ordinance to submit to the voters there the issuance of \$100,000 improvement bonds to be issued by the council as might be needed.

The council has a number of municipal improvement projects under consideration and requires considerable funds to carry them out. One is a waterworks system besides the street improvements.

However, it will be impossible to submit the bond question before the December election and under the law, the council will have to specifically state the purpose for which the bonds are desired.

Open Sherman Avenue.

On motion of Peter Loggie, the city engineer was instructed to prepare plans and specifications for opening Sherman avenue south to the southern city limits of North Bend. Mr. Loggie said that a number of property-owners along the streets wanted it opened. There is some opposition to the plan. Major Kinney has promised to pay one-quarter of the expense of opening the street through Plat B regardless of his property holdings along it.

May Affect Bell.

While it is not definitely known, it is understood that the opening of Sherman avenue will affect the street car franchise in North Bend now

L. J. SIMPSON DENIES THE STORY

Declares That Report That Father Had Ceded Property to Wife Before Her Death Is Untrue.

"The press dispatch concerning the disposition of Father's property is absolutely unfounded," declared L. J. Simpson of North Bend, today when asked about the story that Capt. A. M. Simpson had ceded all his property to Mrs. A. M. Simpson and that her death had resulted in it being divided among the children. The story caused considerable comment here, the item appearing in the Portland Sunday Oregonian under an Astoria date line. The Oregonian's story was as follows:

ASTORIA, Ore., Sept. 13.—The Columbia Mills at Knappaon are

HOTTEST DAY OF THE YEAR

Coos Bay Today Experiences One of the Few Hot Days in Its History.

Today, Coos Bay is experiencing one of the warmest days in its history. Shortly before 2 o'clock, the mercury reached the top notch, reaching 93. All forenoon it had been steadily climbing and this afternoon is dropping backwards and tonight it will be cool enough again to retain the blankets.

A hot day on Coos Bay is so unusual that it causes much comment and the heat was the principal topic of conversation today. Until today, two weeks ago last Saturday was the warmest day of the year, the thermometer registering 78. Only two other days, has the mercury reached 70.

Today is regarded as a "weather breeder" and being so near the equinox, September 21, a storm is forecasted by local weather prophets.

The few warm days in Coos Bay's history are reported as follows by Mrs. E. Mings, government weather observer here:

September 15, 1909 (today) . . . 93
September 8, 1902 . . . 91
June 6, 1903 . . . 94
July 8, 1905 . . . 98
October 4, 1907 . . . 91

This morning, an unusually heavy fog prevailed here. It was so dense that the ferry Transit was unable to make its first trip to Eastside.

Parties returning from Coquille today noon, report that it is several degrees hotter there than here.

NEW STRIKE IS CALLED TODAY

Foreigners at McKee's Rock Quit Work Again This Morning.

(By Associated Press.) PITTSBURG, Pa., Sept. 15.—A new strike was inaugurated at the Pressed Steel Works at McKee's Rocks today by 3,000 foreigners who refused to work unless the bosses and sub-bosses of the plant be discharged.

At 1 o'clock the strike became general. All of the workmen numbering more than 5,000 had left the plant and all departments were closed down.

Most of the American workmen went to work as usual but later several hundred of them quit. The absence of the foreigners they say, necessitated their coming out. The main grievance, it is said, is the em-

closed down as the result of a very peculiar circumstance. The property belonged to Captain A. M. Simpson as did several other mills along the coast.

Captain Simpson is a very old man, although active physically and mentally, and realizing that he could not live many years, recently deeded his holdings, which are valued at several million dollars, to his wife, who was several years his junior. A short time ago Mrs. Simpson died, leaving a will that bequeathed the entire estate to the children, so that Captain Simpson's property has passed from his control.

The mill is closed, pending the division of the estate, and will probably change ownership within a short time, as local parties who have extensive timber interests on the north side of the river are negotiating for its purchase.

PLAN NEW LINE TO COOS BAY

Wm. N. Hanley and Others Incorporate to Build From Boise Here.

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 15.—Articles of incorporation of the Boise & Western railway were filed in the office of the secretary of state. The purpose of the corporation is to construct a railroad from Boise, Idaho, to Marshfield, Ore. The incorporators are C. W. Mallett, William N. Hanley and J. W. McCulloch. Power is conferred upon the new corporation to condemn rights of way, to acquire property and to contract for the construction of a railroad and operate it after it has been constructed. The capital stock of the enterprise is \$50,000. The managing offices of the railroad are to be in Portland.

IS EASTERN END.

Hanley and Associates Work Coos Bay, Boise and Idaho Railway.

The above dispatch will mean the beginning of the active campaign to secure the survey and right of way of the eastern end of the Coos Bay, Boise and Idaho Railway, according to local men. Mr. Hanley has been a firm supporter of the Coos Bay project and is one of the big land owners of the Harney Valley section. Sometime ago, he promised to look after their part of the work and with the Boise people active and the success of the Coos Bay-Roseburg section assured, Mr. Hanley and Col. Woods and others will hasten the balance of the preliminaries of the proposed road.

IS SEALED IN STONE VAULT

E. H. Harriman's Sepulcher Closed Today With Steel and Concrete Wall.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—Having blasted a tomb out of solid rock for the body of E. H. Harriman, the grave is locked to all the world by the closing of the sepulchre with massive mound of concrete which has been reinforced with three tons of steel.

A petition from the property-owners on South Fifth street, formerly Baines street, asking that the thoroughfare from Hall to Johnson avenue be paved with bituminous rock was received. They want the street paved thirty feet wide and the rest of it parked. Owners of forty-four out of the eighty lots have signed for it. They are F. R. Haines, Geo. Haines, R. O. Harrington, Wm. Abel, D. J. Rees, F. A. Haines, Henry Black, T. Ballne, C. E. Jordan, G. Gabrielch, W. P. Squire, Wm. Horsfall, Ellen M. Hennessey and Jeanette Cox.

BARLEY \$1.30 at HAINES.

PORTLAND FLOURING MILLS DESTROYED BY FIRE TODAY

PROVIDE FOR SALE OF BONDS

City Council Holds "Executive Session"—No City Attorney Yet.

At an executive session of the Marshfield city council last evening, the ordinance providing for the sale of the \$54,000 issue of municipal bonds was passed. The council went into executive session on the matter owing to C. R. Peck, the attorney called into to arrange the legal phases of the matter, having found numerous flaws in the proceedings. These were satisfactorily adjusted so that it is believed no trouble will be encountered.

During the "Star Chamber" session, the matter of securing a city attorney was also brought up by Mayor E. E. Straw. He reported that he had been unable to find an attorney who would take the position at \$50 per month. A letter from C. F. McKnight stating that he would accept the position at \$100 per month providing his appointment was unanimously ratified. While no action was taken on the latter, some of the councilmen are understood to have signified their opposition to paying more than \$50 per month.

Mayor Straw also brought up the matter of repairing sidewalks. He advocated the idea of the city making all minor repairs, the most of which was to be paid out of the general fund. He said that the walks around town were in bad shape owing to broken or loose planks at various places and that it was difficult to see that the property owners make the repairs. Most of the councilmen thought the abutting property-owners should pay for such improvements but it is not unlikely that a man may be hired to go around and fix up the walks after the property-owners have failed to comply with the five days notice, the cost being charged up to the property-owners.

To Extend Hard Paving. Plans and specifications for paving Commercial avenue west, from the Sacchi building to Fourth street, with bituminous rock were adopted. Six or eight weeks ago, the council gave the property-owners thirty days time to have the street planked but they haven't done so and now many of them want the hard paving.

A. Maxon and Dan Campbell, owners of property on North Pine street, were present and wanted to explain about I. Hacker's property, part of which may be bought for a street. They claim they own part of the ground that Mr. Hacker wants to sell the city. Mayor Straw said that until City Recorder Butler had an abstract of the property and a written proposition from Mr. Hacker, no action could be taken on it.

A new grade was established on Donnelly avenue between Fourth and Ninth streets. The South Marshfield sewage system bonds and the improvement bonds in the district now being paved with bituminous rock will be ordered sold at the next meeting of the council.

Want Fifth Street Paved.

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Largest Mill On Pacific Coast Burns With \$400,000 Loss.

INSURANCE ABOUT ONE-HALF THAT SUM

Two Firemen and One Jap Injured In Fighting Conflagration.

(By Associated Press.) PORTLAND, Sept. 15.—The mill and elevator of the Portland Flouring Mills Company, the largest on the Pacific coast, were destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is \$400,000, and is about one-half protected by insurance. The fire was caused by the explosion of the dust collector on the sixth floor of the mill and spread rapidly to other portions of the plant. Two firemen and one Japanese were slightly injured.

The dock was saved by the heroic effort of the firemen and municipal fire boat.

NO ONE NAMED.

Harriman's Place On New York Central Not Filled.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—No successor to E. H. Harriman as a director of the New York Central was chosen at today's meeting of the board of directors.

TAFT STARTS ON LONG TRIP

President Happy Over Proposed Jaunt of 13,000 Miles.

(By Associated Press.)

BOSTON, Mass., Sept. 15.—Well tanned by more than five weeks on the Golf Links and invigorated by the salt sea breezes of Massachusetts Bay, President Taft closed his forty-day vacation today and in excellent voice started on his 13,000-mile swing around the country. The president is looking forward to a delightful two months in which he will meet thousands of people and proclaim the purposes of the new administration. The president began his speech-making tour last night at a banquet at the Chamber of Commerce of Boston. He will resume it in Chicago. The president had as a guest at breakfast Senator Crane of Massachusetts, and former Secretary of the Treasury Cortelyou and others. The president entered his private car Mayflower which was awaiting him at the South Station, while ahead of it was the car Hazelmere which carries newspaper correspondents who will accompany the president on his trip about the country.

(By Associated Press.)

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Sept. 15.—Taft arrived here at 12:35 o'clock. After a five minutes' stop during which he addressed five thousand people his train proceeded on.

WEDS FOREIGN PRINCE.

"Silent" Smith's Step Daughter a Bride Today.

(By Associated Press.) DINGWALL, Scotland, Sept. 15.—Miss Anne Stewart, daughter of Mrs. James Henry Smith of New York, became the bride of Prince Miguel of Braganza today in the little Roman Catholic church of St. Lawrence.

PIANO STUDIO of Louie H. Bell in First Trust and Savings Bank Building. Pupils desiring appointments should apply immediately.