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L. J. SIMPSON AND A. W. MYERS ARE NOMINATED IN NORTH BEND

Caucus Last Evening Passed Off Very Smoothly Despite Big Crowd.

FALKENSTEIN LOSES FOR COUNCILMAN

Judge Guerry Defeats W. P. Evans For Chairman By Two Votes.

For mayor—L. J. Simpson and A. W. Myers. For recorder—A. H. Derbyshire. For treasurer—J. H. Gardiner. For councilmen (three to be elected)—M. M. Strawn, Edgar McDaniel, J. A. Jacobson, F. E. Glazier, M. E. Everitt and Geo. D. Mandigo.

The North Bend city caucus last evening passed off smoothly although it was one of the most largely attended ever held in North Bend.

Under the charter, only two candidates for each place can be put on the ticket by the caucus, and the vote resulted as follows:

- For mayor: A. W. Myers...149 L. J. Simpson...124 Peter Loggie...100 For councilmen: M. M. Strawn...164 Edgar McDaniel...164 J. A. Jacobson...142 F. E. Glazier...149 M. E. Everitt...174 Geo. D. Mandigo...177 L. P. Falkenstein...69 A. H. Derbyshire was unanimously renominated for recorder. N. C. McLeod who had been mentioned for place arose in the caucus and said that it was his desire that Mr. Derbyshire be unanimously renominated. The same courtesy was paid J. H. Gardiner, the city treasurer.

Guerry Was Chairman. The first contest came on the chairmanship. Judge Guerry was the choice of the Loggie and Simpson factions while W. P. Evans was the candidate of the Myers' faction. The vote resulted in Judge Guerry winning by two votes, the vote being 153 to 151. Tom James was selected for secretary by acclamation. No lengthy nominating speeches were allowed, in fact it wasn't necessary as the contestants came into the caucus with their names printed on ballots.

The candidates for councilmen on the Citizens' ticket were M. M. Strawn, Edgar McDaniel and J. A. Jacobson while F. E. Glazier, M. E. Everitt and Geo. D. Mandigo were the candidates of the Business Men's ticket. Mr. Mandigo's name being inserted in place of Frank Woods who had been first talked of. L. P. Falkenstein came in as an independent, but did not have any printed ballots with his name on them so his supporters had to write in his name, making a big handicap for him to go up against. J. H. Diers, Robert Kehoe and W. P. Evans were chosen as tellers and the vote resulted as announced above.

Kinney Not In It. Major L. D. Kinney was present last evening, but his name was not presented to the caucus and he did not make any speech. Instead of his support being thrown to L. J. Simpson as was expected yesterday afternoon, it was stated last night that it

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CITY RIGHTS ARE CONTESTED

Municipality's Claim to Ownership of Land and Streets Attacked.

The city of Marshfield is confronted by three suits to maintain or establish its title to property and streets now held by the municipality. City Attorney Goss last evening so reported and steps were taken to establish the city's rights.

The first involves the tract known as the old cemetery. The Southern Oregon Company has been claiming certain rights to it on the grounds that it is no longer used for a cemetery, the purpose for which it was given to the city. Mr. Goss said that in 1883, the property had been ceded to the city for cemetery purposes by Mr. and Mrs. Nolles. A few years ago, the Southern Company secured the waiver of the heirs of Mr. and Mrs. Nolles to the property, and have been trying to establish a cloud on the title in order to have streets opened through the tract and thus save the grounds in their adjacent property for lots instead of using pieces of it for streets. It seems that a few years ago, they platted the tract, leaving streets around the old cemetery and conforming with the streets of the town. Later, they vacated this plat and filed a new one, eliminating the streets around the old cemetery. The county court concurred to this but the action may result in the Southern Oregon Company losing half of the streets around the cemetery.

Mr. Goss said that the Southern Oregon Company's claim to certain rights over the cemetery tract were not valid for the fact that the deed did not provide that it should revert to the donors in case it was not used for a cemetery.

Another case is that of the water rights on the city park. Robert Marsden held them originally but later they were ceded to the Flanagan & Bennett Bank. Mr. Goss said that certain water rights were reserved but that he did not think the holders of the water right could maintain buildings on the property that were not being used.

Lapps Want Ground.

The city has also been made defendants in a suit begun by the Lapp estate against various property holders in North Marshfield. The Lapps claim that through fillings on a certain strip of tideland, they acquired a strip of property that is now very valuable. The case is a complicated one as a result of the various surveys and meander lines originally established, various claims overlapping the others. The city is defendant because the Lapps claim that certain property now used for street purposes is in their claim and never was dedicated by them. The property for the streets was dedicated to the city by other parties who claimed it.

The case will come up for hearing at the December term of court. A new map will have to be prepared showing the exact property lines, surveys, etc.

Get Thirty Days.—Sheriff Gage came over from Coquille today on business. He reports that Jack Price and Billy Berry are serving thirty-day sentences for breaking in to the H. J. Collier house just below Coquille. They had not taken anything of value when members of the family returned.

REMEMBER THE ONE-HALF REDUCTION SALE still on MRS. J. H. SOMERS, designer, Coos Building.

CLAUSEN'S shoes CURE COLD FEET. Try a pair.

BARLEY \$1.30 at HAINES.

FRESH MEAT FAMINE IS FEARED

Tacoma, Seattle and Puget Sound Cities Likely to Suffer As Result of Switchmen's Strike.

(By Associated Press.) PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 1.—The Northern Pacific & Spokane, Portland & Seattle today are refusing to receive perishable freight of any kind and are only accepting carload

shipments of other commodities. No open shipments are to be handled until the strike situation improves. All freight is subject to delay. Passenger business has not yet been seriously handicapped but trains are being operated on an emergency schedule. The fact that the Northern Pacific will not accept shipments of fresh meat for Puget Sound may cause a meat shortage in Seattle, Tacoma and other places north. Large quantities of fresh meat leave this city daily for the north.

TACOMA FIRE LOSS IS HEAVY

Destruction of John B. Steven & Co. Warehouse Causes \$100,000 Damage.

(By Associated Press.) TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 1.—The hay and grain warehouse of John B. Steven & Company, in this city, was burned today. The loss is \$100,000. It is fairly well insured.

SAFE CRACKER IS CAPTURED

Would-Be Burglar Caught In 'Frisco Thought Prominent Seattle Man.

(By Associated Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1.—The police arrested a man giving the name of John Bennett Rogers while he was attempting to crack a safe in a prominent saloon. He had in his possession papers and letters indicating he is a man of prominence and of financial position. Letters of credit from Seattle banks and other documents indicated he was a business man of that city at one time. The police believe he is a noted criminal.

IS THOUGHT INSANE.

Rogers Once Prominent Business Man of Seattle.

(By Associated Press.) SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 1.—John Bennett Rogers was formerly head of the J. B. Rogers Wholesale Wine & Spirits Company of this city, and was well-known here a dozen years ago. He was then worth \$25,000 and had a good reputation and business standing. His financial agent here has not seen him since three years ago when he appeared to him to be hopelessly insane.

JOINT DEBATE TURNED DOWN

Chairman Tower Declines Challenge From Chairman Traver.

There will be no joint debate between I. S. Smith and Dr. E. E. Straw. This was announced today by Dr. C. W. Tower, chairman of the Administration Club, who mailed the following letter in reply to the challenge sent him yesterday: Marshfield, Or., Dec. 1, '09. L. W. Traver, Chairman Citizens' League Campaign Committee, Marshfield, Oregon.

Dear Sir: I was duly in receipt of your favor of the 29th inst., wherein you invite the Administration Club to meet with the Citizens' League in the I. O. O. F. hall, on the 6th inst., for the purpose of having a discussion of the issues of

THROW 10,000 OUT OF WORK

Switchmen's Strike Will Seriously Affect Duluth Within 48 Hours.

(By Associated Press.) DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 1.—Only two switch engines are working today at the Head of the lakes. Ten thousand men will be out of work within forty-eight hours.

ALLIANCE IN FROM PORTLAND

Rough Bar On the Columbia Held Her at Astoria Until Tuesday Morning.

The Alliance arrived in early today after a fairly good trip down the coast. She was delayed at Astoria until yesterday morning by the rough bar of the Columbia. The flood and storm were more severe there than here. Captain Parsons reports that on the last trip up, the Alliance was the only vessel able to make the trip up the river against the ten-mile current which threatened vessels with destruction when swinging around piers near Portland.

The Alliance had a fair cargo of freight and a fair passenger list. Unless something unexpected interferes, the Alliance will get out this afternoon in order to maintain her schedule.

Hold Up Light Bill.

The Coos Bay Gas and Electric Company's lighting bill was held up last evening. It was found that in consequence of the council having docked the company \$2 last month because some of its lights did not burn that the company had retaliated by adding \$7.50 for a light that is burning in the city hall. Heretofore, the city hall has been given free lights under an agreement with General Manager Bell.

Some of the council reported that various arc lights had not been burning and the bill was held up until the matter could be checked over. Chairman Albrecht of the light committee, is having the arc lights changed around town so that the city will get better service. Some new lights are being ordered in. The city is now paying about \$3,600 per year for lighting. Last evening, J. W. Snover and other residents of Ferndale presented a petition asking for an arc light there. The petition was referred to the light committee.

Pass Ordinance.

The new building ordinance was passed last evening. It is a lengthy document and provides stringent regulations for building in the city limits. The present fire limits are maintained and it is said there can be no deviation from the ordinance. The question of fixing the rental for the city's dock was left over until next meeting. Meanwhile, the council will investigate to ascertain if Wm. Noble collected both from the Breakwater and the city for putting

NORTHWEST RAILROADS TIED UP BY STRIKE OF THE SWITCHMEN

TO CLOSE "B" STREET LOT DEAL

City Council Will Hold Special Session Thursday Evening For Purpose.

The Marshfield city council will meet Thursday evening to conclude arrangements for the purchase of the "B" street lot case which has been hanging fire in the courts for the past several years. The council has until December 9 to raise the funds for the purchase of the lot. While the money from the sale of the \$54,000 bond issue may not be here by that time, it is believed that the money can be readily secured.

C. R. Peck, who had charge of the negotiations to market the bond issue reported last evening that the bonds had been accepted by Woodin, McNear and Moore and had been shipped from Chicago, November 20. They should be here any day and he said the money would be available just as soon as the bonds are properly signed up. He stated that the charge for his services would be \$125. He was given a rising vote of thanks by the council for the manner in which he had handled it.

Last evening, the matter of fixing the tax levy for the ensuing year, was left with the finance committee, consisting of Councilmen Hennessey, Powers and Albrecht, who will report back at the next regular meeting. The committee will meet Sunday and go over the city's expense account for the past year to ascertain about what will be needed for the various departments.

W. U. Douglas appeared before the council and asked that steps be taken to construct a sewage system in West Marshfield. He said that many of the property owners wanted it as they felt the district was too thickly populated to continue the use of the old cesspools.

The council took the same view of it and City Engineer Sandberg was instructed to prepare plans and specifications for the system so that the contract may be let this winter and the construction start just as soon as the weather will permit next spring.

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No Freight Moving and Passenger Trains Are Delayed Today.

EXTENDS FROM ST. PAUL TO THE COAST

Some Cities Fear Food Famine As Result of Tie-Up of Railways.

(By Associated Press.)

ST. PAUL, Dec. 1.—Both sides in the controversy of the railroads of the Northwest and the Switchmen's Union of North America, which resulted in a walk out of the switchmen between here and the Pacific coast last night, claimed the situation well in hand today. Very little freight was handled anywhere between the Great Lakes and the Pacific coast. Passenger traffic is delayed.

So far as can be learned, no attempt has been made to employ strike-breakers. The railroads claim there are enough old men left together with others that can be pressed into service to do the work. No freight was handled out of St. Paul last night or this morning, and only one train left Minneapolis. Railroad officials, train dispatchers and members of train crews did the necessary switching in the Twin City yards. The freight handlers did not report for work this morning.

"We will fight," declared president L. W. Hill of the Great Northern. "We carried the men through the financial depression without a cut in pay. Every five years or so we have to meet this question and now is the time to settle."

President Hawley of the Switchmen's Union, maintained the demands of the men are reasonable. They ask an advance of six cents an hour and double pay for Sunday work and overtime in excess of ten hours.

ALL OUT AT TACOMA.

Switchmen Quit and Yardmasters Have to Work.

(By Associated Press.) TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 1.—Practically all the switchmen went out last night. Northern yardmasters are assisting in the local movement of trains. The railroads are not accepting livestock or perishables.

FEAR LONG STRUGGLE.

No Attempt Will Be Made to Break Strike at Present.

(By Associated Press.) SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 1.—Railroad traffic here is seriously handicapped by the strike. Freight shipments will be delayed and passenger service will probably be operated on a slow schedule. It looks as if there will be no attempt to break the strike for the time being.

STRIKE AT SPOKANE.

Hill Roads Moving Only Perishable Freight.

(By Associated Press.)

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 1.—Freight traffic is completely tied up today on the Northwest Pacific and Great Northern main lines. Train crews and office men are doing a little switching to take care of live stock and perishable freight but no effort is being made to move ordinary freight. Passenger business is moving about as usual.

School Meeting.—The Marshfield school board has called a meeting of the patrons at the Central School building for 7:30 this evening to fix the tax levy for the ensuing year. Clerk John Hall finds that it will require about a seven-mill levy to meet the current expenses and about three mills to take care of the bonds, making a total of ten mills the same as at present.