

# TO CHECK UP PARCELS POST

### Local Postoffice Must Make Detailed Report of New Business Next Month

**NO MAIL CONTRACTS LET FOR NEXT YEAR**

Postmaster Curtis has not yet received word as to what will be done about the mail service when Contractor Barnard's contract for the Coos county service expires, July 1 next. The Coos county mail contract is a big one and if a new contractor is to have it he will have to assemble about \$25,000 worth of horses, rigs, etc. It is intimated that the Government is waiting to see how soon service will be established between Eugene and Mapleton on the new Coos Bay line with a view of possibly having the Coos county mail handled that way instead of over the old route to Roseburg. However, this is only speculation.

Postmaster W. B. Curtis has received instructions from Daniel C. Roper, first assistant postmaster general, to make a complete check of all parcel post packages arriving and going out of the Marshfield post-office between the dates of April 1 and 15 inclusive.

This is to determine the amount of business handled in the parcel post department of the local office. The report will show the exact number of packages weighing from one ounce to fifty pounds handled either coming in or going out. It will give the exact weight and the amount of postage the parcels require and the value of the cancelled stamps put on the packages.

The report blanks sent to fill out are voluminous affairs and require that figures be given on the number of packages and the weight handled by the city carriers, rural carriers, star route carriers and those delivered through the general delivery window. The blank also contains spaces for figures on the mail sent to each zone in the country.

# HIGH SCHOOL LOST DEBATE

### Marshfield Defeated at Klamath Falls Last Night—Hard Trip

The Marshfield High School debating team was defeated by the Klamath Falls team at Klamath Falls, according to a telegram from Principal A. L. Barker, who accompanied the boys there. The debate was for the Southern Oregon District Championship, the winner of which is to try for the state championship.

Marshfield had the affirmative of the question "Resolved, that the welfare of the nation will be furthered by the Democratic Tariff bill." Marshfield's team consisted of Cecil Roberson and Chester Isaacson and Mr. Barker in his telegram said they gave a good account of themselves. They were handicapped by debating so soon after their long hard trip from Coos Bay there and the judges voted unanimously for Klamath Falls. They will probably return via San Francisco.

# MISS HANSEN WON CONTEST

### Chosen to Represent Marshfield High School in County Oratoricals

Miss Eva Hansen won the Marshfield High School oratorical contest at the high school last evening and will compete for the Coos County honors at Bandon April 10. There was a good audience. Mrs. R. H. Corey, Miss Eva Dresser and W. F. McEldowney were the judges and the program was as follows:

The Gold Louis ..... Ruth Dungan  
The Lance of Kanana .....  
The Inmate of the Dungeon .....  
..... Eva Hansen  
Commencement, Evelyn Langworthy  
Gentlemen, the King, Olga Shutter  
The Fiddle Told ..... Wilda Harris  
The Sign of the Cross, Ruth Cowan  
The Old Violin ..... Bessie Flanagan  
Jerry ..... Gladys Priddle

### SPECIAL SERVICES.

Elder T. G. Bunch of Myrtle Point will deliver a discourse on "The Sabbath Question" at the Seventh Day Adventist church Friday evening, March 27, at 7:30. All are invited.

### GREAT PICTURE COMING

No lover of Dickens should miss the seven-reel picture of his masterpiece, "David Copperfield," to be shown at the Grand Theatre Thursday and Friday nights this week. The great story has been shown before but never at such length and in such detail.

Times Want ads bring results.

# MOOSE HOLDS BIG SESSION

### Initiate Sheriff Gage and Mayor Allen—New Officers Are Chosen

At a meeting of Coos Bay Lodge No. 678 last evening, Sheriff Gage and Mayor F. E. Allen headed a big class of candidates. New officers were also elected as follows:

Mel G. Duncan, Dictator; C. W. Warner, Vice Dictator; Geo. W. Tribbey, Prelate; G. W. Dungan, Treasurer; W. J. Cosmey, I. G.; W. E. Sullivan, O. G.; Guy C. Lattin, trustee, 3 years; A. B. Campbell, delegate to Supreme Lodge; Mel G. Duncan, alternate.

Geo. E. Cook was elected secretary for a three-year term some time ago. The Sergeant-at-Arms will be appointed later.

The following candidates were initiated last night:

W. W. Gage, F. E. Allen, W. K. Wiseman, Geo. R. Johnson, Geo. McLain, I. M. Thorp, Nels Thorp, C. A. Hanson, J. P. Farley, L. C. Weygant, L. J. Englund, R. J. Sacchi, Geo. Kohl, Joe Mastig, Wm. Haglund, M. T. Boyd, A. O. Peterson.

The following have been elected to membership and will be initiated April 14, when officers will be installed:

Herbert J. Chapman, Henry V. Taylor, Louis Henry, Jas. A. Wilson, G. W. King, Henry Blunk, C. O. Kamper, F. H. Woodruff, J. W. Sweet, R. M. Radford, Joe Svante, Wm. Heira, Dr. Wm. Horsfall, Carl Benson, A. R. Norton, Vaughn E. French, R. L. Miller, D. M. Grow, H. R. Eland, James Morgan, J. G. Watson.

The lodge is now arranging for club rooms. They now have 206 members and will soon have 250.

### SAILS FOR EUREKA

#### Alliance Leaves This Morning for South With Good List

The Alliance sailed for Eureka from Coos Bay at 9:45 a. m., with a good list of passengers and a cargo of 125 tons. The passengers and crew anticipate a pleasant trip with the favorable weather conditions of today. Among those sailing on the Alliance were C. W. Murphy, S. L. Murphy, Clarence Eptly, Pat Lyons, A. H. Plinks, A. Williams, W. H. Markens, J. H. Meyers, J. Adams, J. E. McAthens, D. Licker, E. W. Aetlin, Mrs. E. W. Metlin, Morton Tower, E. C. Mitchell and W. H. Markens.

# BOY'S APPEAL MADE IN VERSE

### Charles Smith, of Catching Inlet, Tells of Playground in Poem

Charles Smith, a student at the Ross Inlet school, has just made a poetic appeal for a better playground there. He is eleven years old and displays considerable ability as a writer. He is a son of Ernest Smith and a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Smith of Marshfield. Here is the appeal which he handed to Miss Pittman, the teacher, and it will be of considerable interest to those who know that the school is built on a sidehill with no level playground:

#### Just a Rhyme.

If you will listen to what I say  
I will hand you a treat you don't get every day.  
The teacher told me to make up a rhyme,  
It won't be much; I haven't the time,  
I have been thinking of all of you,  
And the old schoolhouse that stands by the slough,  
The house is all right; the teacher O. K.,  
But the hillside ground is a bum place to play;  
Either running or jumping you take a big chance  
Of slipping or sliding and ripping your pants.  
This isn't much, 'tho I've done the best that I can,  
And I expect that some day I'll be a great man.

CHARLES SMITH, Catching Inlet.

# EXTEND DOCK TO HARBOR LINE

### North Bend Lumber Company Builds Extension—James is Agent

The North Bend Mill and Lumber Company is extending its dock out to the harbor line there. Manager Dimmick has awarded the contract to Anderson & Klockers. There remains a gap of 185 feet from the present dock to the harbor line to be filled in for a distance of 240 feet. It will make a big change in the appearance of the waterfront there.

James is Agent  
Mr. Dimmick announced today that he had appointed T. B. James Marshfield agent for the steamship Aroline. E. W. Wright is expected here in a few days, when they will probably close a lease for the old Breakwater dock and warehouse.

# HIRED PLAYERS REAL PROBLEM

### That Seems to be Question in Organizing Coos County League

The problem as to the number of imported players to be allowed in each team in the Coos county league this year is one that is confronting the fans and players and promises to be the most difficult to settle owing to the fact that practically every team has a different view of the situation. The Marshfield fans are in favor of allowing all teams to hire as many outside players as they desire. The Coquille fans say "all home guard," and the North Bend fans unite with them in favor of the ruling of no imported players.

The Bandon team has not yet expressed itself as to the number of imported players they desire, but if the lineup of their team is taken as a sign, no imported players will be allowed to enter, as the Bandon team as now suggested is made up entirely of local material.

Tamp Osborne, who pitched for Bandon and other teams last season, and who is attempting to assist in the organization of a league here this season, favors no restriction on the players as to their residence or importation. Osborne says the question is a tough one to decide and the matter should be arranged and understood in an agreement before the games start, as some of the teams violated the importation agreement last year after the games commenced, when defeat was striking them in the face and they saw no alternative but to get imported players.

The baseball public likes to be familiar with the name and position of each player, in order that they may call him by name from the grandstand, either reproaching or applauding as the occasion demands. Should the players be shifted and transferred as they were last year the public has a new team to memorize at the opening of each game. This, however, is only one of the small matters to be contended with in the importation of players.

#### Who Will Be President?

One of the next matters that should be disposed of as soon as the respective managers are appointed is the selection of a president for the league. So far the only name suggested is "Bill" Sprock of North Bend. Upon the organization of the league the question of imported players could be threshed out by the managers from the towns in the league. Discussion is invited on the question of the number of imported players to be allowed in the league and The Times will be pleased to print brief opinions of not more than 100 words on the question of the number of imported players to be allowed in the teams this season.

# BAND CONCERT NEXT SUNDAY

### Director Fenton Announces Program for Entertainment at Masonic

Director R. N. Fenton of the Coos Bay Concert Band has announced the following program for the concert to be given at the Masonic opera house next Sunday:

March, "53rd Iowa," ..... Frazer  
Overture, "The Beautiful Galatea," ..... Suppe  
Entr'acte et Valse from "Coppelia" ..... Delibes  
Cornet solo, Cantabile from Sampson et Delilah" ..... Saint-Saens  
H. G. Howard.  
Fantasia, "A Summer Day in Norway" ..... Willmers  
Characteristic, "Scarecrow Dance" ..... Ringlilien  
(Donated by R. O. Graves.)  
Selection, "Mikado" ..... Sullivan  
March, "The Whip" ..... Holzman  
Star Spangled Banner.



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Coaledo; H. C. Davis, Coquille; W. W. Lawhorne, McKinley; T. C. Louis, Ruth, Seattle; Jos. Cabele, J. C. Cantwell, Inspector; A. S. McKee, Coquille; C. S. Howatt, Portland; V. S. Booth, San Francisco; H. S. Porter, Portland; William Hahn, Seattle; J. C. Kingsley, Sitka; Capt. Armstead, P. S. Michie; Walter H. Mortens, San Francisco; H. T. Holden, Portland; C. S. Uran, Portland; Mrs. Norman Phillips, M. J. McCord, Portland.

The Lloyd.  
J. Hayden, Norway; Miss May Stenz, Roseburg; C. L. Lawlor, Myrtle Point; Sam McMann, Cincinnati; J. J. Ott, Allegany; John Schmidt, Florence; F. J. Fennell, Spokane; Krews, Sitka.

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# NEWS OF NORTH BEND

### LOT OWNERS TO CHOOSE PAVING

### North Bend Councilmen Favor Wood Blocks for Sherman Ave.—Other Business

The North Bend City Council decided at a meeting last evening that the property owners on Sherman avenue shall be the judges as to whether they desire asphalt, bitulithic or wood block pavement on that thoroughfare when it is paved this summer. The decision was arrived at after a suggestion was made by Councilman Bartle that the block pavement was the more preferable, but any would suffice if the property owners, who are assessed for the improvement, agreed to the demands for a six-inch concrete base for any pavement that is laid. Councilman Falkenstein said that he thought the asphalt pavement where the wood blocks had become loose and were carried away by boys. Peter Loggie said that he did not think it would make much difference what kind of pavement was used as long as a six-inch base of concrete was laid. City Engineer Andrews said that he knew of instances where the wood block pavement had been laid for eleven years and was still in condition in the face of heavy traffic. The pavement at Anderson and Second street in Marshfield was taken as an example of the stability of wood blocks by Dr. Bartle, who said that the blocks were the best pavement Marshfield had at the present time.

Fred Hollister said that the cedar blocks were the best that could be had and he thought these should be used in the improvement of Sherman avenue.

The contemplated improvement of Sherman avenue, which will be advertised for bids at the next meeting of the City Council, is estimated by Engineer Andrews to cost \$42,587.20 for paving, or \$34,551.30 for wood blocks. This estimate includes the removal of all old plank on all the street to be paved from the north line of Washington avenue to a point four hundred feet north of the north line of Florida avenue.

#### Saloon Licenses

Application was made to the Council for the re-issuance of saloon licenses to six saloons in North Bend for the year 1914-1915. The applications were presented in regular form, each applicant securing the signatures of a number of freeholders and two bondsmen. The Councilmen voted to grant the licenses to the saloons without any new stipulations other than the ones that govern at the present time.

On a motion from Fred Hollister, the City Attorney was instructed to make certain that every man who went bonds for a saloon man was worth the entire amount. Mr. Hollister said that he had no doubt but all the bondsmen were good but he wanted to see the thing done in a business-like manner. The motion carried.

#### Want More Lights.

The people of Bangor voiced a request through Councilman Loggie for the installation of more lights on the Bangor bridge. At the present time only two lights are on the bridge, one at each end. The Council ordered two more lights installed at intervals of fifty feet on the bridge, making four lights in all.

Councilman Loggie came in for considerable criticism from the Council for his action in the installation of a large arc light near what the Councilmen termed his "cow pasture" on Washington street, instead of cluster lights, as was ordered by the light committee at the last meeting of the Council. The corner of Washington and Stanton avenue is not lighted, and automobiles turning in the dark are likely to collide. The light committee seeing this danger, instructed Loggie, who is a member of the committee, to install cluster lights near the corner of Washington and Stanton avenue. Loggie either misunderstood or disobeyed the orders of the committee, as he ordered the light company to install one large light directly opposite from his hall on Washington avenue. Dr. Bartle said that Loggie had acted altogether wrong, as the cluster lights should be installed. Loggie tried to explain that he thought the arc light across from Loggie Hall was the best for Washington street, but Dr. Bartle or the other members of the Council couldn't see it that way. After some discussion the matter was dropped, and the light still hangs high across from Loggie Hall on Washington avenue.

#### Meade Street Grade.

H. C. Diers asked the Council what they were going to do about the grade on Meade avenue. The City Engineer has exhausted his ideas trying to draw plans to suit all the property owners on Meade avenue as the grade he recommends for one set will not at all suit the other, and a compromise provokes a heated argument from both sides. Fred Hollister said the only way to establish a grade on Meade avenue was for the City Council to accept one of the plans submitted by Engineer Andrews establishing the grade, and then let the property owners file a remonstrance if they so desired. Mr. Hollister said that the Council had no feeling in the matter and if the Meade avenue property owners could not agree on a grade the street would remain unimproved.

Allowance on Improvements  
E. S. Barzee asked the Council what they intended to do regard-

### SMALL WRECK IN NORTH BEND

### Part of Perham & Gidley Work Train Goes Over Grade—Saves Engine

Seven cars of a Perham & Gidley work train went over the grade in North Bend this morning and were piled in a heap at the bottom of the fifteen foot grade.

The accident was a lucky one as the engineer, felt the grade giving away and by throwing the throttle wide open was able to get to safe track before the slide carried him away. Seven cars on the rear end of the train went to the bottom.

No one was hurt and the damage will largely be the cost of lifting the cars up again.

An allowance for the property owners on Meade avenue between California and Connecticut who were being charged twice for the same improvement, while other property owners were not charged at all. The Council ordered a rebate for \$25.74 to each of the property owners in the disputed territory, thus arranging to the satisfaction of all concerned.

The improvement work which has been performed on McPherson avenue between California and Florida, was ordered accepted by the Council.

An assessment of \$4,118.15 was ordered levied on the property owners for improvement work performed on McPherson avenue between Virginia and California avenues.

Bids were ordered advertised for the improvement of Oregon avenue from Sherman to 120 feet west of Russell street. The specifications call for the work to be finished ninety days from the issuance of the contract and the City Engineer's estimate of the work is \$1870.20. The contract will also provide for a payment of \$10 by the contractor for each day he is late on the completion of the work.

Bids were also advertised for the improvement of Liberty street from Maine to Ohio streets. The City Engineer's estimate of the work is \$4858, and allows the contractor ninety days in which to complete the work, and a fine of \$10 per day for every day he is late.

The City Engineer was ordered to establish a grade from State street east of Sherman avenue to the Kinney bridge on a motion from Dr. Bartle.

The grade on Sherman avenue from State street south to the city limits was ordered established, the City Engineer being instructed to keep his plans under an eight per cent grade.

Many improvements are being made daily in the North Bend streets and the paving of Sherman avenue this summer will lend an air of metropolitan dignity to North Bend.

### NORTH BEND NEWS

The ways and means committee of the North Bend Public Library will meet with Mrs. Josephine Frame on Saturday afternoon for the purpose of inaugurating a series of afternoons to be held on Saturday of each week at the Library Rooms of the Hollister home. The committee plans to increase the scope of its work upon the organization of the library and will endeavor to provide a better class of entertainment for North Bend than that offered by the motion pictures at the present time. "It is not the sense of the library board to condemn motion pictures," said Mrs. Herbert Armstrong today, "but we should like to see a better class of entertainment." This is one of the objects of the public library movement and it is the intention of the ladies of the North Bend Library Board to endeavor to further the plan. An entertainment was given by Mr. McCauley at Eckhoff Hall last evening for the benefit of the Public Library association, and while the attendance

was comparatively small, the representative people of North Bend were present.

The Presbyterian Ladies' Society will meet at the church this day afternoon. As there is an election of officers all members are urged to attend.

ASHLAND—This city is planning to put water fountains along the street.

GRANTS PASS—The city and Grants Pass has been criticized severely by the members of the council, although it has been only a little over a year. It is a continual danger of burning on account of the construction of the city.

PENDLETON—The Civil Club Pendleton has suffered from the best gardens grown by the city in that city. This is done in the interest of the children in the city and the beautification of the city.

ASTORIA—The Astoria Mill company will begin operations in Astoria before April 15.

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