

DOINGS OF CITY COUNCIL

WATER CASE IS TALKED OVER

Council Irritated by Long Delays—Arbitrary Rules to Be Investigated.

The Marshfield City Council last evening instructed the city attorney to take steps to see if the Oregon Railroad Commission will not hasten the final decision in the Coos Bay Water company case and also requested him to see if the company has the right to make arbitrary rules regarding sprinkling, etc.

The matter was brought up by R. A. Copple. He said that about a year ago the Railroad Commission had ordered improvements and extensions which were not being completed. Assistant City Attorney Kendall said that the order had been made but that the company had asked for a rehearing and this was delaying the order requiring the improvements to be completed by this fall.

Mr. Copple said that the application to the Railroad Commission had been made nearly two years ago and it seemed awful slow. He said that unless something was done soon the summer would be gone and another year passed without any relief being given the community in water service.

Mr. Kendall said that City Attorney Goss had written to the Commission repeatedly and had personally interviewed them at Salem trying to hasten matters, but it seemed to be very slow.

New Arbitrary Rules.

Then Mr. Copple called attention to a notice that had just been sent him by the water company in which are rules and regulations were given. One rule provided that parties desiring to use city water for lawns or gardens must first sign an application and agree to pay for four months' service. In case they did not the notice said their water service would be shut off and the parties required to pay \$1 before it would be turned on again.

Mr. Copple said this was an outrage because many people did not want to use water for irrigating their little gardens or lawns for more than a month or two and there was no reason why they should be compelled to pay for four months' service. He said that in his case his garden was covered by water from the Mill Slough and he might not need water before September, yet according to the notice he would have to pay for four months.

Acting City Attorney Kendall said that he did not think that any such rule could be enforced. Finally the Council instructed him to have the matter looked up and the people notified as to their rights in the matter.

He will also take the matter up with the Railroad Commission again.

Want Smith Deeds.

Councilman Wilson requested that since the Mill Slough fill has been completed that the C. A. Smith company be requested to furnish deeds for the five streets and ferry landing which it agreed to give the city. It was stated that this would probably be forthcoming this week as Mr. Smith was now here.

Curtis Avenue.

The council approved the plans for planking Curtis avenue from Broadway to Second Street 36 feet wide with eleven foot sidewalks on each side. The work is to be done by private contract and the estimated cost is \$1170.

Pay Contractors.

The council ordered Pearl Brothers and Johnson and Larson paid what is coming to them on their work on Hemlock avenue. Councilman Evertsen protested about the way the fill was made along the sidewalk, saying that the fill rains would probably result in the sidewalk slipping down into the gulch. City Engineer Buckingham explained that this was because some of the extra dirt on Eighth street had been moved in there without cost to the Hemlock avenue property owners and that the latter got about \$600 worth of work free.

Moon and Barelay were ordered paid \$2500 on their Eighth street contract.

Alder Avenue Dock.

The council fixed the assessment for building the Alder avenue dock and a small boat landing at \$4.75 per front foot on the O'Connell property and \$5.52 on the Nasburg and Hirst property.

The bid of the First National Bank for \$1500 worth of special improvement bonds was accepted. The city also bid in \$464 worth of money from the city bond sinking fund.

Henry Sengstacken requested that

FINISH THREE MILES GRADE

Houser & Houser Move Steam Shovel to Robinson Place On North Inlet.

Yesterday Houser & Houser moved their steam shovel from the Hunter's Cabin on North Inlet to the E. L. Robinson ranch where they will continue the grade. This makes over three and one-half miles of grade completed north of Sand Point. Good progress is being made all along the route from the Bay to Ten Mile, the part which the Houser & Houser contract covers.

Piling for the trestle work along this part of the line are being got out by Mr. Gilbertson and he will have all of them ready soon. A large number of piling will be needed as an abutment will have to be driven along North Inlet near Sand Point where it is proposed to riprap the fill, thus preventing the rock from being undermined and washed into the channel.

the city engineer he requested to drain a water hole in the South Marsh field fill near Second and Johnson. The council ordered the work done by digging a surface ditch.

Re-deck Kruse Avenue.

City Engineer Buckingham stated that at the request of property owners on Kruse avenue he was getting estimates of the cost of re-decking the elevated plank roadway on Kruse avenue from Broadway to the Coal Bank Inlet drawbridge. He is asking for bids on the 70,000 feet of lumber needed.

To Aid Conway.

The F. E. Conway Company, through G. W. Tribbey asked permission to improve about 100 feet of Sixth street south of Central avenue. The company desires to use the street as a place to pile material for the new Conway building and the idea was to use the lumber required for the street as a base for it.

The council decided that they could not very well grant the permit to build the portion of the street as it would cut the project of improving Sixth street from Bennett to Commercial into two sections. It is planned to have this street improved just as soon as the fill settles enough and Councilman Albrecht insisted that instead of an elevated plank roadway being built there, the street should be filled to grade.

Finally it was left to the street committee to see that when the street is improved that the contractor or the city take the lumber as requested by the Conway Company.

Prices of Lumber.

In the discussion, some of the councilmen stated it would be a good thing to take over the Conway lumber as it might enable the city to find out the different schedules of prices that are being charged by the lumber companies here of street contractors, the city and private individuals.

Will Fill Area.

Henry Sengstacken on behalf of the Port Commission stated that the Dredge Seattle would probably fill all of the area in front of Ferndale, known as Nasburg's addition. He said that most of the property owners had signed up for it. He said they would know soon.

To Drain Area.

Councilman Wilson reported that arrangements had been made with the Port Commission whereby the latter would look after the assessment for the drainage system to be put in on the South Marshfield fill south of Elrod avenue. About 400,000 yards of dirt were pumped in there and the cost of the drainage system will be about two-thirds of a cent per yard.

Fourteenth Street.

The assessment for grading and planking Fourteenth street from Central to Highland was fixed at \$3.64 per front foot except for a small tract which will be assessed \$3.89, exclusive of the cost of intersections. The total cost of it will be \$4,202.

NORTH INLET NEWS.

The Presbyterian Ladies Aid society of North Bend will meet at the home of Mrs. R. C. Holmes on Union Avenue, Thursday, May 28, at 2 o'clock p. m. All are invited to come.

Rev. Fredrick S. Shimean will be married tomorrow, to Miss Dollar, at San Francisco.

Mrs. Maggie Young who has spent the past ten days with relatives on South Coos River, returned to Marshfield today.

S. Z. Converse of Lents is visiting today in Marshfield.

WANTS RAISE IN HIS WAGES

C. A. Pettit of City Street Department Asks Council to Raise Pay Above \$2.50.

C. A. Pettit, who has been employed as a laborer by the city since 1912 in the street cleaning and street repair department, sent a letter to the City Council last evening asking that his salary be raised. He stated that he was only getting \$2.50 per day and that his salary had been the same for the whole two years although the cost of living had gone higher. He said that he would appreciate any raise in wages, no matter how small, and concluded his letter with "Yours for a Greater Marshfield." He was present at the meeting but was not given a chance to talk the matter over as Councilman Ferguson moved that the request be referred to the finance committee.

MAN IS SAVED FROM DROWNING

Nick Delich, Austrian, Falls Off North Star and Is Rescued by Harry Jarne.

Nick Delich, an Australian, about 35 years of age, came near drowning yesterday afternoon when he fell off the launch North Star near Haines Inlet. He was rescued by Harry Jarne of North Slough, who dove from the boat and pulled him out after several attempts to reach him with a pole had proved futile.

When Delich was placed aboard the boat he was apparently lifeless. Jarne and Captain Ned Galloway, of the North Star, worked over the limp body for some time before any sign of life was noticed. He was placed ashore at camp 3 and according to men who succeeded in reviving Delich it took more than four hours to bring him through.

Delich secured employment at the Hauser and Hauser camp through the Doremus employment agency and left on the North Star for his post. Captain Galloway of the boat says that Delich was under the influence of liquor when he got aboard and that several times he cautioned him not to walk about.

The boat was carrying a capacity cargo and about twenty-five passengers and there was little room to move about. But Delich persisted in pacing up and down the narrow space on the port side and just as the boat approached Haines Inlet he toppled overboard. Those who saw him fall yelled to Captain Galloway to stop the boat.

Delich had gone under for the second time when the boat was turned around. Captain Galloway steered the craft to a point within a few feet of the drowning man, but no one on board had the presence of mind to throw him a life preserver or reach him with a pole. According to Captain Galloway one man threw a pole overboard instead of holding on to one end of it.

When efforts to reach Delich had proved futile Jarne jumped overboard and caught him just as he was going down the third time. Jarne had a hard tussle with the man in the water, who held him so tight he could hardly keep afloat. He managed to reach the side of the boat and the two were pulled over by waiting hands.

Captain Galloway learned this morning that Delich regained consciousness late last night and that he was seen about the camp early this morning.

Galloway says Delich is the seventh man that has fallen from his boat this year. None have been drowned. Delich was arrested several days ago for being on the streets in a drunken condition. He was fined \$5.

LOCAL OVERFLOW.

Engineer Here.

H. Sweeney, one of the leading engineers of the Oregon Power Co. on this Coast, is here demonstrating the Rectifier Automatic Gas Heating System, at the Oregon Power company. He expects to spend a week here at present.

Wells Gets It.

H. A. Wells has leased the room in the Donaldson Bldg., recently vacated by the Torgery. It is understood that he will put in a fine restaurant there.

Moves Business.

Joe Houser of the Ferndale Brewery has leased the Tower garage building on North Front street and will have it remodelled as quarters for the brewery and Ferndale laundry in which he is interested.

Miss Frederickson Dead.

Miss Freda Frederickson, daughter of Otto Frederickson of this city, died at Mercy Hospital this morning. She had been ill with measles and pneumonia for some time. The funeral will be held at the Swedish church tomorrow afternoon.

Along the Waterfront.

The steamer Hardy arrived in today from San Francisco after a good trip up the coast. She brought a fair cargo of freight.

BIG LEAGUE BALL SCORES

RITCHIE IS FAVORITE

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
MILWAUKEE, Wis., May 26. Willie Ritchie, champion lightweight, was the betting favorite over Charley White, of Chicago who are to meet in a ten-round bout here tonight. Sporting writers will give the decision, the only kind allowed by the Wisconsin law.

AMERICAN GOLFERS PLAY

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
VERSAILLES, France, May 26.—American golfers in the French Amateur Championship showed up well in the opening rounds. Francis Outmet, Jerome D. Travers and other Americans had easy games.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Chicago 1; New York 0.
St. Louis 2; Philadelphia 6.
Detroit 1; Washington 10.
Cleveland 3; Boston 0.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Boston 3; St. Louis 2.
Brooklyn 4; Pittsburgh 5.
New York 1; Chicago 5.
Philadelphia 6; Cincinnati 4.

NORTHWESTERN LEAGUE.

Portland-Tacoma; rain.
Victoria 7; Seattle 11.
Victoria 2; Seattle 2.
Spokane 2; Vancouver 3.
Spokane 1; Vancouver 2. (Eleven innings.)

STAYTON GIRL STORY DENIED

Mother of 15-Year-Old Daughter Says She Was Not Driven from Home.

Mrs. Lula Hansen, 395 Fourth street, mother of Gladys Stayton, denies that her daughter was driven away from home as reported by the girl last week. Her account of the affair is a direct contradiction of the story told by Gladys to the officers and printed in the Times. Mrs. Hansen admits that she scolded her daughter because she deserved it, but that she did not drive her away.

Mrs. Hansen also denies that she had her husband arrested for beating Gladys. She says that he was arrested on a charge of drunkenness and that he paid his own fine and that she had nothing to do with bailing him out. According to the story told by the chief of police at Florence, Gladys left home because she was mistreated. She went to Florence where she found employment. A few days later she was brought back to Marshfield at the request of her mother, who secured a court order for her return.

Mrs. Hansen says that her daughter is now in Coquille, where she was taken by Sheriff Gage. Mrs. Hansen says that her daughter called her by long distance telephone yesterday and ask her to come to Coquille, where a reconciliation would be effected. Mrs. Hansen says that she will bring her daughter back to Marshfield.

ROAD BOND VOTE.

The following is the vote on the proposition to issue \$440,000 in bonds for road improvement in this county by precincts:

| Precinct | Yes | No |
|------------------|------|------|
| Lakeside | 17 | 20 |
| Templeton | 14 | 14 |
| North Slough | 9 | 10 |
| Haynes Slough | 32 | 18 |
| Allegany | 1 | 74 |
| Kentuck Slough | 13 | 12 |
| North Bend | 185 | 78 |
| Pony Slough | 15 | 3 |
| Empire | 6 | 10 |
| Cooston | 30 | 3 |
| Coos River | 3 | 48 |
| Catching Slough | 1 | 35 |
| Eastside | 11 | 25 |
| Marshfield | 318 | 292 |
| Bunker Hill | 31 | 33 |
| Newport | 6 | 13 |
| South Slough | 10 | 13 |
| Coos City | 6 | 25 |
| Sumner | 4 | 42 |
| Burton | 5 | 40 |
| Dora | 2 | 92 |
| Lee | 1 | 22 |
| Cunningham | 23 | 35 |
| Coaledo | 4 | 13 |
| Fat Elk | 8 | 50 |
| Coquille | 24 | 176 |
| Riverton | 11 | 59 |
| Prosper | 20 | 51 |
| Bandon | 292 | 173 |
| Two Mile | 53 | 30 |
| Parkersburg | 14 | 29 |
| Lampa | 2 | 40 |
| Four Mile | 25 | 19 |
| Norway | 11 | 128 |
| Missouri | 0 | 36 |
| Myrtle Point | 81 | 132 |
| Catching Creek | 1 | 62 |
| Sugar Loaf | 5 | 71 |
| Enchanted | 85 | 21 |
| Rowland | 0 | 29 |
| Total against | 2082 | 1529 |
| Total for | 1529 | 2082 |
| Majority against | 553 | |

President Sproule of the S. P. Co. said there must be a change in public sentiment before railroad construction will begin, and the factories and mills can operate and employ labor.

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NEWS OF NORTH BEND

FOR LIBRARY AT NORTH BEND

New Institution Now Open and Will Be Aided by Series of Entertainments.

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Father Munro of Marshfield received the photograph, having number 1. Father Munro also received the suitcase having number 53.
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Mr. and Mrs. Ohman's children who have been very ill with measles and whooping cough are now improving.
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