

# DOINGS OF CITY COUNCIL

## BIG WAREHOUSE TO BE ERECTED

### City Council Waives Forty-foot Street Along Waterfront—Smith Company Plans

A provision in the city building ordinance prohibiting the erection of buildings within forty feet of the harbor line was waived by the City Council last evening in order to permit the C. A. Smith Company to go ahead with its big warehouse south of the present Alliance warehouse on the waterfront. The provision was inserted in the ordinance a few years ago when it was proposed to have a street forty feet wide along the entire waterfront.

F. K. Gettings appeared before the Council and stated that Building Inspector Tribbey had approved plans for the big warehouse, but refused to grant a permit on account of this restriction. Mr. Gettings said that the company planned to leave a sixteen-foot strip between the warehouse and harbor line, but to leave more would make it expensive and inexpedient, owing to so much rainy weather. Furthermore, he said the company only had a strip of land 108 feet wide between the Southern Pacific right of way and the harbor line, and to leave forty feet of this vacant would not leave much room for a warehouse.

**Build Big Warehouse.**  
Mr. Gettings stated that the company would start immediately on the construction of a warehouse 208 feet long and 72 feet wide south of the Alliance warehouse now on the waterfront. In addition to this, a row of office rooms 20 feet wide will be built along the west side of the building.

**Up to Property Owner.**  
Dr. Straw said that he noticed by the paper that the Council had discussed the question of fumigating. He said that he had conferred with Dr. Culin, County Health Officer, and the latter had informed him that it was up to the property owner to have the fumigating done and pay the expense. Dr. Straw said that the city did not have anything to do with it and as health officer all he had to do was to issue an order for the removal of the quarantine when the attending physician gave him a certificate that the premises and occupants were no longer liable to cause a spread of the disease. He said that the people themselves were liable as well as the physician, to see that the law was complied with.

Councilman Evertsen said that he thought that Dr. Straw ought to do it, but Straw insisted otherwise.

**Street Assessments.**  
The assessment for the grading and planking of Fourteenth street from Central to Highland has been completed and was announced. The total cost is \$447.32 and the assessment on part of it is \$5.89 per front foot and part of it \$3.64, exclusive of the intersections.

**Charge of Inspection.**  
The Council also deducted \$90 from the South Broadway fund for the cost of inspecting the paving. The Council has just started in doing this, the charge reimbursing the city general fund. The Council ordered a rebate of \$388.70 on the paving to the property owners and a rebate of \$419.05 to the property owners for the sewer. The rebate is on the property between Central and Mill Slough.

**Kick on Tracks.**  
Councilman Cople has entered a protest against the two rails on North Front street where J. W. Bennett started to double track the Terminal Railway when the Southern Pacific was threatening to parallel the Terminal line. Only the one bend of track was laid and now auto owners and others declare it is a menace.

Councilman Ferguson said that Superintendent Miller, of the Southern Pacific had offered to leave the rails there and simply fill in the groove with bitumen.

The Council thought that this might be an effort to hold special rights on the track and Recorder Butler was instructed to notify the company to remove the rails and fix the street promptly or the city will do it and charge it up to the company.

**CORVALLIS.**—Postal receipts show a gain of 16 per cent over the month of May, 1913.

## DEED STREET TO THE CITY

### Ferry Extension Street From Broadway to Waterfront Except Ry. Crossings

A deed for the ferry extension street from South Broadway to the waterfront was presented to the City Council last night in conformity with the plan for hastening the hard paving project on South Broadway. The deed stipulated that the tract should always be used for street or ferry purposes or the property would revert to the donor. The Council objected to the restriction that the street be used for both street and ferry purposes, saying that it might become necessary to change the ferry some time.

Mr. Smith was called up and agreed to waive this change and the new deed will be executed today.

The tract deed is 49.7 feet wide, and is 375 feet south of Curtis avenue. It extends from Broadway 120 feet to the Southern Pacific right of way and then from the west line of the right of way to the harbor line, a distance of 147 feet. The right of way or crossing over the Southern Pacific tracks will have to be condemned or otherwise arranged.

**Delays South Broadway.**  
It was proposed to adopt the South Broadway assessment last night so that the paving could be hastened, as Mr. Arnold of the Barber company was very anxious to get this done. However, City Recorder Butler said that he could not get the certified list of property owners before June 22 and that the assessment could go over until next Monday night and this would eliminate technicalities which might be made the basis of an objection to the assessment.

**No Action Taken.**  
No further action was taken about straightening out the difficulties attached to carrying out the rest of the agreement between C. A. Smith and the Council about opening the other streets.

**After Pool Halls.**  
The Council received a letter from the Marshfield Ministerial Association and the W. C. T. U. asking that an ordinance be enacted prohibiting minors from frequenting pool rooms. They asked that the ordinance follow the state law. The letters stated that boys were allowed to frequent one place here and that it was detrimental to their morals.

The Council instructed Assistant City Attorney Murphy to draft an ordinance and provide for the punishment of boys going to pool rooms as well as of the proprietors for permitting them to loiter around the places.

**Bill for Damages.**  
Blanco Lodge of Masons, through Carl W. Evertsen and C. F. McKnight presented a bill to the Council for \$86.18 damages which they stated was the actual expense incurred in removing the water from the basement of the Masonic Opera House. The bill was also presented to the Port of Coos Bay and also to Manager R. E. Miller of the dredge Seattle. The Council did not take any action on it, saying that it was a matter for the Port Commission to handle. Mayor Allen stated that he understood that the Port Commission was willing to settle the claim.

**Grade in Ferndale.**  
City Engineer Buckingham presented a profile for a grade on Ninth street between Fir and Hemlock. This was requested by Mrs. M. A. Sweetman, who owns property along it. Mr. Buckingham said it was impossible to get a good grade there owing to the cross streets differing so much. The grade he proposed leaves the street about six feet higher than Mrs. Sweetman's property. No action was taken on it.

**McLaughlin Street Property.**  
Councilman Ferguson stated that Dave Holden, who says he has acquired the C. H. McLaughlin property in South Marshfield, had offered to sell the tract to the city for \$1500. The property is 50x140 and the city wants 35x140 to widen Ingersoll avenue south of the cemetery. The offer was referred to a special committee to take it up with John Merchant of the Merchant estate who is interested in having the street opened. Mr. Merchant some time ago offered to give another lot to McLaughlin in place of the one required for the street and then offered to pay the cost of moving the buildings, but as the recent fire destroyed the building, the latter will not be needed.

## LIVELY TIME OVER CONFETTI

### Council Would Permit It One Day of Celebration But Dr. Straw Says No

Whether or not confetti throwing, etc., will be permitted at the coming Fourth of July celebration in Marshfield promises to be a lively question before the celebration is over.

Some of the dealers around town want it and have made the plea to the Council that as long as the Council had not adopted the ordinance prohibiting it, they had laid in stocks of it and had made contributions towards the Fourth of July fund with the understanding that they could sell it. The Council last night brought up the old ordinance and it passed its first reading. It will be brought up again and unless the dealers promise the health committee of the Council that they will see that the sale and throwing of confetti is not permitted except on the last afternoon and evening of the two days' celebration, an emergency clause will be attached to the ordinance when it passes its final reading next Monday night.

**Straw Will Prevent It.**  
Dr. E. E. Straw, City Health Officer, announces that he will not permit the throwing of confetti. He was present at the Council meeting last evening and notified the Council that he, under the health regulations, could, and would prevent the throwing or sale of confetti. He says that it is a menace to the health.

Councilman Wilson, of the health committee, took the same view as Dr. Straw.

Dr. Straw stated that two years ago the dealers had been notified that the sale and throwing of confetti would be barred in the future and that the enactment of the ordinance then was held back so that none of the dealers would suffer a loss on account of having stocks on hand. This gave them an opportunity to sell that stock and he said if they had purchased more, it was their own fault. Furthermore, he said the stuff could be returned to the wholesalers.

**Danger From Epidemic.**  
Owing to the epidemic of measles, smallpox, whooping cough and other ills that have been prevailing in this section of the state during the last few months, Dr. Straw is said to feel that the dangers attached to confetti throwing would be greater than ordinarily attached to it.

**Council Differs.**  
Councilman Ferguson differed from Mayor Straw. He said that it looked to him as though the Council had waited too long to stop it this year. He said that he thought the fairest thing would be to pass the ordinance prohibiting the throwing of confetti, etc., without any emergency clause, and then it would become effective after the celebration and guard against any trouble in the future.

Councilman Cople took a similar view. F. G. Horton, of the Fourth of July Committee, who was present, wanted to know what they would do about granting concessions for the sale of confetti. He said that the Fourth of July committee had yesterday expressed themselves opposed to it and Dr. Straw, as City Health Officer, declared that he would not permit it.

Councilman Cople said that it would be permitted unless the Council passed the ordinance prohibiting it.

Finally the understanding of the Council was that the sale and throwing of confetti would be permitted the last afternoon and evening of the celebration, but if the dealers do not all agree to prevent it, the ordinance will be passed next Monday night eliminating confetti altogether.

**Ordinance is Rigid.**  
The ordinance prohibiting the sale and throwing of confetti is a rigid and rather broad one. Not only does it put the ban on confetti, but it also bars the feather dusters, ticklers, etc., which are used. It prohibits anyone from striking anyone with anything, thereby eliminating the "return balls," etc.

After it was read, Mayor Allen said he thought the ordinance covered too much territory, and he thought that the eliminating of all the "ticklers" would take the fun out of the celebration. There was considerable joking about the matter, but Councilman Albrecht said that the ticklers, dusters, etc., were just as dangerous, or more dangerous, than the confetti and the ordinance was allowed to stand.

## BUNKER HILL MEETING TONIGHT

Social Problem to Be Discussed at Schoolhouse Tonight.

There will be a meeting at 8 o'clock this evening at the Bunker Hill school for instruction of parents and adults on sex hygiene. The meeting will be in charge of Mr. F. A. Tiedgen and Dr. H. M. Shaw. It is under the auspices of the Marshfield Promotion Committee of the Oregon Social Hygiene Society and is a continuation of work recently inaugurated on Coos Bay by Dr. Calvin S. White of the Oregon State Board of Health.

Parents and adults living in the Bunker Hill and Bay Park district are invited to be present.

We are admonished to look not upon the wine when it is red—yet one little cider apple did the world more harm than all the wine ever produced.—Exchange.

## SEES DANGER TO FRANCHISE

### Councilman Albrecht Says City May Lose Its Rights to Southern Pacific

Councilman Albrecht last evening entered a vigorous protest against the action of the Council in changing the terms and conditions of the Southern Pacific's franchise in Marshfield. He said that he was afraid that the Council by juggling with the terms of the franchise might nullify it. He said that he did not want to be made a party to any such possibility and he asked that Recorder Butler make the minutes show that he opposed the motion passed at the last meeting of the Council whereby the Southern Pacific is not required to maintain the hourly motor car service until after January 1. He said that the minutes did not show this and he wanted it recorded so that it would not appear that the Council had unanimously granted the concession.

Mr. Albrecht said that while it was generally known that the Council could not change a franchise or ordinance by merely a motion, he was afraid that perhaps the motions might be construed by the courts as a waiver of the rights of the city.

In this connection he pointed out that a City Council in Marshfield had traded away the most important provision in the Coos Bay Water Company's franchise to the water company in order to get them to buy a "rotten old boiler." He said that the Water Company franchise provided that the city could at any time buy the waterworks for ten per cent more than its physical valuation until this trade was made.

Mayor Allen thought that if the franchise was annulled, it would be a loss to the company also, but Mr. Albrecht said that as long as the company had made an investment under the courts would probably not allow them to suffer any loss. Mr. Albrecht said that the Council was treading on very dangerous ground in changing the franchises in any way.

Mr. Albrecht also criticized severely the service which the Southern Pacific provides between Myrtle Point and Marshfield.

## NEW DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

### Royal F. Niles, of Whitman College, Will Succeed F. L. Grannis in Marshfield

Royal F. Niles, A. B., of Whitman College, has been secured as instructor of history and director of athletics in Marshfield High School for the coming year. Mr. Niles is a graduate of Salem, Oregon, High School; took two years work in Bellingham Normal and graduated this year from Whitman. In the meantime Mr. Niles has done substitute teaching covering a period of two years.

Mr. Niles is an athlete of note. For the past three seasons he has been chosen All-Northwest fullback in football; was captain of the Whitman team in 1912; is a member of the baseball team this season; knows basketball and track work. Mr. Niles is directly connected with the coaching system of Michigan and Pennsylvania, as well as with Whitman, where the well-known Archie Hahn is coach.

## ALUMNI IMPORTANT meeting Chamber of Commerce, Tuesday, June 9, 8 p. m.

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**PEOPLE YOU KNOW ABOUT**

**"STUB" TOWER**, who has been conducting a moving picture house at Bandon, and wife have returned to Marshfield and will remain here for a while.

**JOHN A. MADDEN** and George Flanagan expect to leave today for Coquille Valley and Curry county points, where they expect to spend a few weeks on insurance business.

**GEO. A. MADDEN**, of Burlingame, Calif., one of the owners of the famous Burlingame Grove, is expected here soon for an extended visit with his brother, John A. Madden.

**RAY NOEL** and about fifteen of the Blue Ridge Tigers were Marshfield visitors Saturday, getting rigged out for the big barn dance at the Lea Smith ranch Saturday night.

**HARRY EDLIN**, who has been spending some time here, left on the launch Tramp today for Wedderburn, where he has been employed for the past three years in the mechanical department of the Macleay estate.

**DONALD ALLEN** will leave this week for Albany, where he will join his mother, Mrs. F. E. Allen, for a visit with relatives. He will make the trip with F. L. Grannis, who will visit at Salem for a time before going to his new home in California.

**H. F. GORDON**, of this city, returned this morning from Portland, where he has been for the past two weeks attending to matters of a business nature. Mr. Gordon returned via the overland route, coming by the way of Gardiner.

**DON GARDINER** of North Bend was here today. He is planning to move to Eugene, where he will make his headquarters, Dunham, Carrigan and Hayden having added part of the valley to his territory. He will make this section about once a month.

**J. W. PERKINS** arrived here yesterday from Roseburg to confer with E. M. Andrews, who has been here on the oil project in which he is interested. Mr. Perkins says that everything is progressing nicely with the Roseburg-Coos Bay railroad project.

**C. R. PECK** left yesterday for Gardiner to attend a meeting of the Umpqua Port Commission. From there he will go to Portland to visit with Mrs. Peck and baby during the Rose Carnival and later will look after some cases there. He and Mrs. Peck and their little daughter will return here about June 25.

**BIG LEAGUE BALL SCORES**

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**  
New York, 9; Chicago, 1.  
Boston, 11; Cleveland, 9.  
Washington, 7; St. Louis, 4.  
Philadelphia, 5; Detroit, 4.

**NORTHWESTERN LEAGUE**  
Portland-Victoria—Postponed  
account of wet grounds.  
Spokane, 4; Seattle, 0.  
Tacoma, 0; Vancouver, 2.

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**  
Chicago, 3; Brooklyn, 2.  
St. Louis, 1; New York, 4.  
Cincinnati, 3; Boston, 2.  
Pittsburg, 7; Philadelphia, 4.

**NORTH BEND NEWS**

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. George Mandigo Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Bert Peterson on June 3, at the Life Saving station on the Umpqua River. He is their fourth son.

The Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church at North Bend will meet at the church parlors for their monthly sewing session Thursday afternoon, June 11th.

Members of the official board of the North Bend M. E. Church, with their wives, met on Monday evening in the Wesleyan Bible Class room, where they conducted a business session. They were entertained socially by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Chapelle.

Mrs. Hisey, who has been confined to her home with a severe attack of rheumatism, is now able to be out again.

Mrs. E. B. Curtis will entertain at a social tea the members of the first Larkin Club of sixteen, at her home in Plat B Wednesday afternoon, June 10th. The second club of sixteen will meet about the 12th of August.

There will be an important business meeting of the Baptist Ladies of North Bend in their rooms, number eleven Myer Bldg., Thursday afternoon at 2:30. All members are urged to be present.

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