

# DOINGS OF CITY COUNCIL

## CITY LOSES ON CURTIS AVE.

Street to be 53 Instead of 60 Feet Wide Between Broadway and Second

In the matter of the width of Curtis avenue which had been the subject of a protracted controversy between the city and property owners at the corner of Curtis and Broadway, the city last night practically conceded defeat in their contention because of the strong evidence presented by the property owners. The city had contended that Curtis avenue was 60 feet wide, and that therefore a residence at the corner of Curtis and Broadway was occupying part of the public thoroughfare. City Attorney Goss was asked about the matter by Engineer Buckingham, who desired to proceed with street work in that neighborhood, and Goss explained to the Council that the property owners had a case built up of evidence that incontrovertible and that it would be useless for the city to proceed as there was no hope of the city overthrowing the case with any evidence that he had as yet been able to find. The question involved the location of certain boundary stakes that have lately disappeared because of improvement work in the neighborhood and the Mill Slough Fill. Mr. Goss stated that four reputable witnesses had made affidavits to seeing the stakes as the points claimed by the property owners, and that he had no way of proving the falsity of their statements, and was not prepared to say that they were false, and that as the city was trying to get something for nothing, it was his opinion that the best thing to do would be to relinquish any claim to the street.

The result of the discussion was that Curtis avenue at this point is determined to be but 53.7 feet in width instead of 60 feet as previously claimed by the city. Intersection improvement was ordered at the corner of Broadway and Curtis on the basis of a 53.7-foot street, and the property owners were ordered notified that they could proceed with street improvement work by private contract on the former figure.

## WANT STREET WORK FINISHED

City Council to Appeal to Warren Company's Bondsmen—Routine Matters

Several contractors have asked that they be allowed to make the fill behind the curbing on South Broadway, since the stopping of work by the Warren Construction Company, to protect the curb, which are already in, against injury. City Engineer Buckingham felt that the fill should not be neglected or serious damage might result to the concrete curbing already laid. He suggested that some contractor be allowed to proceed with the fill and the expense be charged against the Warren Construction Company's account.

Lengthy discussion followed as to the best means of getting the Warren Company to go ahead with the South Broadway and North Front street paving contracts and have them completed before the rainy season sets in.

City Attorney Goss explained that the company was under \$19,000 bond in a first-class surety company to fulfill their contract in time, and that if the city appealed to the bonding company and explained the situation to them, they would do all that could be done to compel the Warren Construction Company to complete the job in schedule time. The company is also under bond to finish the North Front street paving, and the Council on motion requested the City Attorney to notify the bonding companies at once of the state of affairs. It is expected that the bonding companies will hurry the paving the contracts.

Street matters were the principal points under consideration by the Council last night. A remonstrance was made against the city for having dammed up a natural water way by the fill near North Eighth street. City Engineer Buckingham said that a culvert had been put in at the point in question, and that it had become stopped up by refuse from the street work in progress there. He requested the street contractor to remove the obstruction in the culvert, and that if this were done there would be no accumulation of water behind the street fill.

The matter of so many breaks in hard surface pavements over the city was referred to. The City Engineer said that he had tried to get some street paving concern to patch the holes, but that at the present time there was no paving company operating in the city, the local company having taken their plant to Coquille recently. The City Attorney suggested that the holes be filled at once by some means, or the city would be called upon to defend a damage suit for injury as the holes were rather dangerous to pedestrians and likely to cause accidents to vehicles passing over them.

## WOMAN SEEKS DAMAGES NOW

Mrs. James Kellond, Who Was Injured by Fall on Sidewalks Appeals to City

The City Council met in regular session last night, little business coming before the body. Several important matters were laid on the table and others referred to the City Attorney for further investigation, and after holding the meeting open for about an hour and after the regular monthly bills were ordered paid, the Council adjourned until next Monday evening.

A communication was read by the City Recorder from Mrs. Matilda Kellond, asking that an investigation be made of an injury she received some months ago on Broadway between Market and Commercial streets.

While walking on the sidewalk there with another lady, her companion stepped on the end of a loose board, the board tripping Mrs. Kellond. No complaint was made of the incident at the time, as it was thought that no serious consequences would follow, but ever since the accident Mrs. Kellond has been under the care of a physician, and now feels that sufficient damage has been done to warrant some action being taken by the city to accord her relief.

Attorney C. I. Reigard and spoke to the Council a few moments regarding the affair, about which none of the Councilman had known. He explained that inasmuch as Mrs. Kellond had been subjected to a great deal of inconvenience and expense, she felt that the city should at least investigate its liability in the matter. No threats were made of damage suits, but the communication merely requested that an investigation be made. The matter was referred to City Attorney Goss.

An ordinance providing for the purchase of six fire hydrants from the Nelson Iron Works for \$204 came up for its first reading. City Attorney Buckingham explained that his department was waiting for the delivery of the hydrants, and that the Iron Works Company was now prepared to cast them at once. The ordinance was passed to its second reading by title, and on roll call passed.

## UNKNOWN SHIP OFF COOS BAY

Strange Wireless Calls From Naval Craft—Unable to Identify Nationality

Operator Williamson, of the local wireless station says that some strange naval vessel was off the Coos Bay bar yesterday morning bound north and that her calls for some other vessels, could be heard all day as she proceeded on her way. The call was unlike that used for boats of the United States Navy and was also unlike that of the Japanese wireless code. The calls used by the stranger were not like those used by merchant vessels nor were they any that Mr. Williamson was familiar with.

## RUMOR MYRTLE POINT BANK CHANGE DENIED

(Special to The Times.) MYRTLE POINT, Or., Sept. 1.—It was reported here today that Messrs. Benson and Roberts had closed negotiations for the sale of their interests in the Bank of Myrtle Point to the other stockholders and some associates. However, the report was denied by Mr. Benson, who is president of the bank.

## New Precinct Lines.

An ordinance regarding electorates and making new boundaries for precincts in the city was read. Instead of three precincts, the ordinance provides for four, the boundaries to be identical with the precincts as defined by the county, and designated also by the same number and name. An emergency was declared to exist and the new ordinance will become a law upon its approval by the Mayor. The law was pushed because of the approaching elections and to provide greater convenience in registering for primary elections, the precincts for both county and city registration being the same, electors can hereafter register for both elections at the same time and place.

An ordinance was passed for the issuance of street improvement bonds to the extent of \$2000 for the planking on Alder avenue.

A remonstrance presented by Alex Campbell against the improvement of Twelfth Court was, on motion made by Councilman Ferguson, laid on the table.

After some discussion as to the appointment of viewers to prosecute condemnation proceedings against the Southern Pacific Company for the opening of a right-of-way for a street across the tracks, it was found that the viewers could only be appointed after the adoption of an ordinance and not by resolution or on motion as had been expected could be done. City Attorney Goss was instructed to draw up a suitable ordinance immediately and present it to the Council at the next meeting.

## ELKS RETURN; EXPLAIN WHY

The Marshfield Elks who returned last night from Roseburg state that the Roseburg Elks ran in a lot of professionals on them in the game Sunday. They claim that Roseburg had a Cottage Grove player named Baker, who was tried out by Connie Mack two years ago, doing the twirling for them. Duke Freeman pitched for the Marshfield aggregation. Manager Conrad says that he had a good team and the only trouble was they were out of form from being treated too well, while the Roseburg players were kept far away from the festivities.

Even though Marshfield had the short end of the seven to one score, they were royally entertained by the Roseburg people and praise their welcome. There was talk of Roseburg coming here for a return game, but this will probably be deferred until next season. There was a big crowd out for the game.

## Dear Madam:-

School will soon begin and we presume that you are putting every effort forward in order to get the children ready for school. There are some things which we sometimes overlook in the preparation for school which are quite as important, if not more important, than dress, etc. One of these is the condition of the eye. Some people do not regard the eye an important factor in receiving an education, but we regard it as the most important.

If your child needs glasses it is high time you were attending to the matter.

To wait until they have begun studies means suffering on their part and less time for correcting and fitting.

Bring them here any day and rest assured that they will be kindly, carefully and scientifically treated.

We have two state-registered opticians, a well-equipped lens-grinding plant, and everything for the proper care of the eyes.

We remain

Respectfully Yours,

THE RED CROSS OPTICAL DEPT.  
RED CROSS DRUG STORE



# New Fall Suits Exclusive Styles

The many women who are ready and eager to see the Fall Tailored Suits will be delighted with this new collection.

Suits of fine Broadcloth, Serges, New Rough Weaves, Gabardines, Fancy Worsted and Novelties, in fashionable Autumn shades, exhibiting the new Russian long tunic skirts, and smart, handsomely tailored jackets in Redingote, Coat-cape and chic short styles. Some quite plainly tailored, but smart with their new lines; others with attractive trimming touches of velvet and clever placing of buttons.

Very Reasonably Priced at \$15, \$18, \$20, \$25 and up to \$50.00

## Fall Coats - New

At no time has fashion presented a more elegant or wider collection of styles

Smart Redingote models, seven-eighths length and modish three-quarter length styles, in Broadcloths, Wide Wale Serges, Chinchillas, Cheviots, Plaids and Mixed Cloths. New belted, rippled and tailored models with broad flat collars or military collars which button tight at the throat.

Exceptional Values at \$10, \$12.50, \$15, \$18 and up to \$50.00

## Newly Arrived Shipments--Wool Dresses--Dress Skirts

These women who contemplate purchasing a new Fall Dress or Dress Skirt will do well to see this newly arrived collection. Showing the very latest in style and shades and at very tempting prices.

New Trimming Silks in Roman Stripes and Plaids. \$1.25 to \$3.00 per yd.	40-inch Chepe-de-Chine in white and colors. \$1.65 pr. yd.	Large new shipment of Laces and Veilings. A special collection of Val. Laces at 5c per yard
D. M. C. COTTONS All Colors.	Exclusive Agents "Derby Gloves"	Denton Sleeping Garments for Children 50c and 75c.

# Hub Dry Goods Company

"Smart Wear for Women" Corner Broadway and Central Avenue Phone 361

## SHIPPING NEWS

### BREAKWATER IN EARLY TODAY

Brings 445 Tons of Freight and About Seventy Passengers From Portland

The Breakwater arrived in at 9:30 this morning from Portland after a good trip. She had about 445 tons of freight and seventy passengers. Owing to the large amount of freight she was compelled to leave considerable of it at Portland.

Among those arriving on the Breakwater were:

F. E. Ross, R. G. Rosentreter, Sarah De Vere, Miss L. Q. Newton, D. A. Miller, Miss Helen Willard, Edw. C. Hale, A. H. Case, Mrs. L. W. Panter, L. W. Panter, Miss Ada Bailey, Miss A. Leader, D. E. Tier, Rosa Cencil, Mary Cencil, H. K. Brinn, Mrs. E. L. McInturff, Lizzie Long, H. B. Donahy, Miss Ada Newell, Mrs. W. W. McBride, Geo. Peck, W. Galbraith, Miss Ina Pitt, M. A. Kaiser, H. Finn, A. Bauche, R. H. Glasgow, C. A. Scott, Chas. Bada, John Bada, John Nattras, Mrs. John Nattras, Frank Martin, D. A. McCollum, Frank Batchler, A. A. Levy, L. Linder, C. L. Campbell, James Brennan, Chas. Newman and thirty steerage.

### GEO. W. ELDER RETURNS HERE

The Geo. W. Elder arrived in at noon from Portland with a good list and cargo. She will sail at 6 o'clock tonight for Eureka and return here so as to sail for Portland Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

## Our Regular Annual Exposition

—of—  
Up-to-Date Autumn and Winter Millinery Wednesday, September 2 and following days at

# Clarke Millinery

Russell Building. Central Avenue