

Doings of the City Council

LADIES WARN CITY LIMITS CITY COUNCIL EXTENSION UP

City Mothers Meet City Fathers —Seek Strict Enforcement of Health Laws.

Declaring that the impending epidemics of scarlet fever and diphtheria are particularly dangerous and asking that immediate action be taken forcing the strict observance of the quarantine rules of the city, sixteen mothers of Marshfield and members of the Progress Club appeared last evening before the city council seeking advice and enforcement of the health laws. Mrs. W. F. McEldowney, as spokesman for the gathering, stated that there are instances of flagrant violations of the quarantine laws. In behalf of the mothers of the city she had three questions to ask the members of the council.

The first of these was "What are the health ordinances regulating the spread of infectious diseases?" The second question "Is there a quarantine law in regard to scarlet fever and if so, why is it not enforced?" and the third "What penalties are there for the breaking of quarantine?"

Epidemic Was Predicted.
"Dr. C. S. White, the state health officer, said last year that Marshfield would one day suffer for her lax enforcement of the health laws," declared Mrs. McEldowney. "We seem to have plenty of ordinances, but they are not enforced as they should be. We believe that the health officer is in no way to blame—the problem is rather that he has no one to help him. He needs aid, for the town is too large for him to cover it in detail."

Mrs. McEldowney then cited an instance of where a family, at present with scarlet fever in their household, sent a neighbor boy for bread, giving him the money, which had not been fumigated. "You can easily see," continued the spokesman, "that was a fair case of thoughtlessness and a good way to spread the scarlet fever to another family."

Endorse Speaker's Statement.
"As chairman of the health committee I heartily endorse every statement of the speaker, declared Councilman J. W. Wilson.

Ordinances covering the spread and the prevention of scarlet fever, diphtheria and all infectious diseases, as they were passed in 1903, were read by Assistant City Attorney Kendall. It is the duty of families with any such diseases to immediately report the case to the city health officer, whose duty it is then to make a report of the case within the hour and to immediately quarantine the house. It is not only the duty of the marshal but of any citizens of the city to prosecute those who break the quarantine laws. Any violation, refusal or neglect to obey these ordinances lays the parties so implicated open to a fine not to exceed \$100, a jail sentence of not more than fifty days, or both fine and jail sentence.

Would Guard Houses.
"I'll go one better than just the quarantine," declared Councilman Ferguson. "There ought to be guards placed about the houses. The expense would be justified." "There ought to be notices inserted in the papers and the ordinance printed," stated Councilman Albrecht. It was agreed that the important sections of Ordinance 316, in regard to the prevention and penalties for the spreading of infectious diseases, shall be published.

Mrs. H. Sengstacken declared that hitherto no one had been responsible for the expenses of fumigation after the sickness is over. She, too, thought that Dr. Straw, city health officer, needs more help and thought it was the duty of the council to appoint some one. Attorney Kendall jokingly declared that a guard working for the city could only be employed on eight hour shifts.

Power Given Committee.
That there might be a chance of working in some of the police members for such duty was the declaration of Councilman Cople and the final decision was to empower the health committee to take any measures they see fit in co-operating with the city health officers.

LOOP'S LOOP FOUR TIMES.
(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 29.—Lincoln Beachey, in an aeroplane, looped the loop four times yesterday over the dome of the capital while President Wilson watched the performance from the White House. Beachey finished the performance by turning two flip-flops over the White House.

Special Elections Necessary to Vote on Annexation of Additions to City.

Annexing new territory to the City of Marshfield was an important question before the council last evening. Addition of Bunker Hill and the Boise Addition was particularly favored and the law regulating the extending of the city limits was read by Attorney Kendall, who declared that a special election is necessary for the submission of the question to the voters, both in the city and the addition proposed for annexation.

The question was brought up by Councilman Doll, who declared that he would like to see both the First Addition and Bunker Hill included within the limits of Marshfield.

To vote on the annexation of all the additions at one time would probably be a dangerous proceeding, was the belief of the council. Mr. Kendall pointed out that an addition with the largest percentage of voters could control the election and could, if they wished, either keep out or bring in additions contrary to the wishes of the voters of the smaller territories.

Councilman Cople declared the best procedure would be to select one addition at a time and vote on each separately and that the results would justify the special elections. Some of the members were not in favor of voting on the annexation of the Boise Addition on the grounds that the addition has but few residents and that they would be put to a greatly increased expense, both for improvements and for taxes as well.

To have a meeting called in Bunker Hill to have the question placed before the voters there, was the final decision of the council. In this way the council would be able to find out the sentiment of the people in that addition. It was declared that the sentiment there seemed about evenly divided and Councilman Doll stated that he had heard no protests from the residents of Boise Addition.

KINNEY CASE IS NOT COMPLETED

(Special to The Times.)

COQUILLE, Or., Sept. 29.—Judge Harris, after hearing all phases of the Kinney receivership cases, ordered that Court Reporter Loud take evidence on some disputed points on or before October 19 and after that date he will pass on the final decree. The two disputed points are in connection with the disbursement of about \$11,000 by W. J. Rust as trustee of the Kinney properties. If these are set aside, Mr. Rust may personally be held liable for that amount. Mr. Rust waived his claims for further recompense as trustee beyond the \$1200 he had already secured.

Hollister and Isaacs are insisting that their clients' claims, totalling about \$60,000, be made preferred claims owing to the diligence they exercised in forcing the suit. The other parties are contesting this claim, alleging that all were parties to the suit by agreement.

After hearing the evidence, the claim of Judge Watkins for \$3000 fees under the Rust receivership was reduced. Judge Watkins had already been paid \$1150 and was allowed \$750 more, making a total of \$1950. The deed for the block in Boulevard Park which was given him by Mr. Rust in payment was set aside.

COOS BAY WATER CO. RUSHES IMPROVEMENTS.

Manager R. H. Corey of the Coos Bay Water Company announced today that the new fourteen-inch main supply line from the reservoir to Fourth and Central will be completed and in operation by Tuesday night.

The new fire protection main in North Bend from the Porter Addition tank on Virginia avenue will be completed and in readiness by Wednesday morning.

M. E. LADIES will sell TAMALES at church WEDNESDAY afternoon.

PROPOSALS ARE BEFORE PEOPLE

Unanimously Pass Resolutions Relative to Receipt of Bids for Improvements.

Unanimously the city council last evening passed the resolutions relative to the charter amendments which will be placed before the voters for their final judgment at the next city election in December. The proposed amendments are relative to the calling for bids on street improvements. They would allow the council to ask for bids, not of one material only, as is the present case, but for as many different paving materials as they see fit, reserving their final choice until all have been received.

Introduced some time ago by W. U. Douglas, the resolutions have been the cause of much favorable comment, for it is declared that with them passed much money will not only be saved to the city but to the property owners as well. To limit the bids to one sort of material, believed the councilmen, is not right, for there might have been many bids from contractors with materials every bit as good as the one type selected and at a much less rate of cost.

Dredge to Save Money.

Bids which were to have been opened last evening relative to the work for opening Pine avenue between the end of Eighth and Front streets were returned to the bidders unopened on account of the declaration of Henry Sengstacken of the Port Commission, who stated that the dredge Seattle will be in that vicinity within the next three or four weeks and will place 80,000 cubic yards of fill from the Bay in on Pine avenue, bringing that thoroughfare up to a level with the surrounding territory and at a very much less cost to the abutting property owners than if the fill was allowed according to the private contracts.

It was for this reason that the bids were returned with instructions that they will be opened on November 1 for the completion of any remaining fill.

Resigns As Viewer.

The resignation of W. L. Rood, appointed at the last meeting as a viewer to determine the damage to the Southern Pacific for the crossing which the city proposes to condemn to connect up the two pieces of Ferry street, was received and accepted and John Blatt was elected to fill his place. Mr. Rood gave as his reason the fact that he is interested in property in that vicinity.

The bid of the First National Bank for \$300 of special improvement bonds at par and accrued interest, was accepted, and also the bid of Contractors Johnson & Larson for \$1702.46 of special improvement bonds at par and accrued interest. This is in regard to the improvement of the Alder avenue dock and also the improvement on Ninth street.

That the Brewery steps are unsafe was another question brought before the council and City Engineer Buckingham reiterated his statement of six months ago that something should be done. Attorney Kendall declared that nothing definite can be done until the ownership of the steps has been decided by the court.

The amount due on the city dock with the floor and piling at the foot of Alder avenue totalling \$1698.80, was ordered paid. The bill, as submitted by City Engineer Buckingham, called for 2,480 linear feet of piling at 12 1/2 cents per driven foot, amounting to \$334.80 and the dock and float at the price bid totalling \$1,364.

That the coal is being removed from the city dock, was the declaration of Councilman Albrecht. At the last meeting of the council it was stated that Richard Conboy had dumped a load of coal on the dock.

Councilman Albrecht, as head of the finance committee, was given to sell as junk several old stoves that formerly had been used for the heating of the city hall but which have since been superseded by a modern heating apparatus.

Hansen-Sneddon Controversy.

The street committee, which Thursday evening held a special hearing in the Hansen-Sneddon controversy, in regard to the allowance of a rebate to Hanson for the alleged making of a fill on Johnson Avenue. The committee decided that he should receive 25 cents for each cubic yard dumped on the Avenue. This is a reduction of nine cents in the claim as first allowed by the council and which was at once disputed by Mrs. Sneddon on the grounds that she herself was entitled to a share of the rebate for it was acting on her suggestion that Hanson began the fill. The rebate will now amount to \$170. Instead of \$231.20.

J. B. Sneddon, appearing for his mother, declared his lawyers would protest the rebate and that the claim would be held up indefinitely. The council declared that they had done their utmost in adjusting the matter, that both sides had received an impartial deal and that further action resulted largely from neighborhood differences and the council then proceeded with their other business.

SHOT WITH OWN GUN.

Tacoma Grocer Stain in Clash with Robber in Store.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

TACOMA, Sept. 29.—H. G. Montgomery, a grocer, was shot and killed with his own revolver by a burglar in his store this morning. Montgomery lived over the store with his wife and child. He heard the burglar and went down stairs, where apparently the burglar grappled with him and shot him after wresting the revolver from him. He left a bag of loot.

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COUPLE SENT ON THEIR WAY

NEW POINT IN LIQUOR CASE

J. W. Shannon and Daughter, Found Drunk, Given Orders to Move on Their Way.

(Special to The Times.)

COQUILLE, Or., Sept. 29.—A new point in Oregon law, or rather one that has never been passed on by the Oregon Supreme Court, has been raised in the case of Mrs. Fannie O'Donnell, indicted for selling liquor on Sunday at Empire. It is contended that the Home Rule Law, which gives cities and towns the right to regulate and control the liquor business within their limits, nullified the old state law prohibiting the sale has taken the point under advisement. District Attorney Liljeqvist claims that several circuit judges have overruled the point.

Marshfield Drain Case.
Judge Coke took under advisement the arguments on the demurrer to W. T. Stoll's motion for a mandatory injunction to compel the Port Commission of City of Marshfield to open the Mill Slough drain. Messrs. Stoll and Goss got into a lively argument before the court, which created considerable amusement for the spectators.

Petromouk Case.
Mr. and Mrs. Louis Petromouk of Allegany were brought here today to stand trial on the indictment charging them with stealing and slaughtering a yearly heifer belonging to C. A. Rodine.

needle.
"I am not a drinking man," reiterated Mr. Shannon. "This is very unusual for me too," and he mentioned his recommendation to show that he was a steady citizen. He declared he was on his way to a railroad camp in search of work.

Miss Shannon was extremely pale this morning. Last evening in the jail she sent for a package of cigarettes and continuously asked to be let out. She referred to her father as "Jim," and the two carried on a long roundabout conversation across the jail. When asked her name she declared it to be "Charlie," and that "Charlie sounds as good as anything else."

The wire received this morning at police headquarters stated that Mrs. Shannon is in the county hospital receiving treatment for the "dope" habit and also that she has a daughter answering the description of the woman picked up yesterday.

Miss C. E. Shannon declared that she is a competent bookkeeper and that she is willing to get out and work. "I am not used to doing this sort of thing regularly," she told the judge, "but I had been on my feet continuously for the past seven days caring for my mother. The strain was too great and I took the liquor to help my nerves. Cocaine was found in her baggage yesterday and evidences were found on her arms pointing to the use of the hypodermic

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