

DOINGS OF CITY COUNCIL

CITY PRISONERS MAY GRUB PARK

Chamber of Commerce to Furnish Overseer for Free Boarders

That the Chamber of Commerce will agree to furnish a proper overseer to guard the city prisoners if they are allowed to work cutting out the brush and weeds in the City Park in New Bedford Addition, was the declaration of Henry Sengstacken to the City Fathers last evening.

The question arose for the "stealth" time of cutting down the city's expenses by curtailing the 25-cent feeds of the free boarders in the jail. "Put them to work on the streets with a broom," said Councilman Doll after the Council had debated long on the need of another street sweeper, thereby entailing an additional expense on the already bursting budget.

"Let them work in the park," declared Mr. Sengstacken. "If the Chamber of Commerce will make the prisoners work, why Mr. Butler, Chief Carter and myself will guarantee to furnish the convicts," reiterated Mr. Goss and the proposition was accepted.

And hereafter when John Doe and his friend Richard Roe take it into their heads to get on a "spree" they had best betake themselves to some far distant mountain top, for capture in an un navigable condition within the corporate limits of Marshfield will mean manual labor with grub hook and axe, beautifying the city's new park.

Accept Broadway Paving.

The Warren Construction Company's work in paving Broadway street between Curtis and Hall avenues was accepted by the Council. The total cost of this project will be approximately \$25,805.80, which includes \$2889.81, the cost of the curbing, which is not yet accepted, and \$1025.69 for the sewer. The share going to the Warren Construction Company at this time will be \$21,690.30 and City Engineer Buckingham announced that there will probably be a rebate of about \$1100 on the estimate of the project.

Modify Auction Ordinance.

C. A. Howard appeared before the Council asking that they modify the auction ordinance which makes all auctioneers pay a daily \$5 license. He explained that his business will be legitimate auctioneering, the disposal of shelf wares goods of local merchants and that nothing will be shipped in here from the outside. City Attorney Goss declared the ordinance is a protection to the city from frauds and should not be modified, but suggested that the city refund the \$5 daily license fee to Mr. Howard providing his business is as he stated it will be. This was passed by the Council.

Asks Improvement Credit.

For making a fill in front of his property on Eighth street south of Hemlock avenue, Oliver Larson appeared before the Council asking that he be given credit for \$58.87 for the work. The matter was referred to the city engineer, who will make a measurement of the dirt fill and later report back to the Council.

Move Hydrants.

Two more hydrants have been found sticking above the surface in the middle of the sidewalk at the corners of Tenth and Elrod streets and Eighth and Elrod. These will be removed at once.

CLAIMS FOR SERVICES.

Mrs. Sarah Yoakum Seeks About \$2,000 from Estate of George F. Blood.

Declaring that she kept George A. Blood, an old soldier who died some time ago, for a period of six years, and that she should be recompensed for her trouble, Mrs. Sarah A. Yoakum has filed a suit for about \$2000. This was heard today before Judge John Hall and will probably be appealed to the circuit court for final decision.

Mrs. Yoakum in her suit states that she charged Blood sums ranging from \$3 a month when he was not at home up to \$50 and \$60 a month when he was, the heavier charge coming for attendance when the old soldier was sick. The deceased had lived with the Yoakum family since about 1855.

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RECORDS IN FIRE TRAP ENDANGERED

City Fathers Declare Marshfield Needs New City Hall—Vaults Are Necessary

Informally the City Council last evening broached the subject of a much needed city hall and practically every member of the governing body expressed his approval of such a measure. This would entail an expense of at least \$25,000 was the declaration and that it was favorably received after the "cloud of gloom" that greeted the annual tax levy was taken by those present to presage a new home for the city officers.

"Too much to the hand," was the almost unanimous verdict of the City Fathers, who pointed out that \$1800 a year which now goes to the band would pay interest on some \$30,000 bonds, enough to build a suitable city hall on the lots owned by the municipality on Fourth street.

"How long before we can be released from this city band expense?" queried Councilman Albrecht, and City Attorney Goss declared his opinion that the outgo from the treasury for music can be chopped off at any moment.

Valuable Records in Danger.

"Well, then," continued the councilman, "the city owns lots on Fourth street. In this shack of a wooden firetrap are records of the city recorder worth at least \$25,000 locked in his safe on the second floor. Back in the city engineer's office are maps and plats that couldn't be duplicated, and these are worth at least \$12,000 more. All of these valuable papers are being kept in such a structure as this. And then downstairs we lock men in steel cages. In time of a sudden fire that would be a death trap to them. It is time that we have a city hall."

Council Assents.

To these remarks there was general assent. Mayor Allen pointed out that a \$25,000 city hall could be so built that in the future additions could be added on, either in the way of a second or third floor or about the sides and that these emergencies could be properly cared for at the time of building.

"We ought to have a big vault on the ground floor for these papers," declared Councilman Ferguson, "and other members declared they thought it about time the band is on a paying basis. No definite action was taken on the informal proposal to cut off the band from the budget, all agreeing that the matter will be fully discussed at another meeting."

To Redeck Broadway.

That Broadway from Hall to Kruse avenues is sadly in need of redecking was the declaration of Councilman Ferguson, and City Engineer Buckingham was given instructions to draw up plans and specifications for this work.

"Now that Broadway has been paved as far as Hall avenue," continued Mr. Ferguson, "most of the Bunker Hill traffic has been thrown on this street and continues out on the plank part of the street beyond the pavement."

To improve by planking the alley in Block 50 of Railroad Addition 150 feet north of Johnson avenue and to Ingersoll avenue was consented to by the Council and the ordinance passed. Assessments for the work will be levied on the abutting property.

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CITY DADS WORRY ON 52 MILL LEVY

Financial Budget for Next Year EnTAILS Heavy Expense—Much Talk

As a mighty ogre appeared the city budget before the city fathers last evening and though it was closely scrutinized for very small corners not yet rubbed off, but little subtractions could be made and the bitter pill was swallowed without further discussion. Marshfield's city tax levy for the coming year will be 13 1/2 mills and adding to this the school levy of 12.6 mills, the Port levy of four mills and then the impending county and state tax levies, and it is highly probable that the city's tax levy for the coming year will be close to 52 mills on the dollar. This year it was 45 mills, declared the councilmen.

"We have done our best in making this budget," said Councilman Cople, of the finance committee. "We have estimated as nearly as possible exactly the needs of the city for the coming year. It does not seem possible to reduce them below the point that we have."

Ask Fund for Fair.

These remarks were occasioned by the request of a Chamber of Commerce committee headed by High McLain asking a \$600 appropriation at the rate of \$50 a month for the Coos-Curry exhibits at the Panama-Pacific Exposition. This was granted by the Council after they had made a full exposition to the citizens present of the state of the city's finances.

"Dat it would be unjust to collect money from the business men of Marshfield through private subscription," declared President McLain. "This advertising of Coos Bay at the fair will be a public benefit and it seems no more than right that the expense should be met through a general tax." He gave then in detail an account of the work already done toward the exhibit and how the displays will be arranged in the Oregon building.

Advertisers Coos Bay.

Tom Bennett, of the engineer of Commerce committee, declared that the city should in no wise feel that this money is being doated to the Chamber of Commerce, but that it is going for the good of all Coos Bay. Henry Sengstacken stated his belief that the money should be paid by the city and he was backed up by Dr. Leslie, Secretary J. W. Motley and A. J. Mendel, other members of the committee.

Cople Explains Budget.

"Well, gentlemen," said Councilman Cople, "the \$600 you ask takes just one-quarter of a mill more on this tax levy. And now that you are here it seems the best time to explain this budget. This matter of taxes is getting every year to be a more serious one. We have now lost \$15,000 that formerly came to us through the saloon licenses. This next month we collect half, or \$7500 of this tax for next year. This means that in 1915 we shall receive but \$7500. The other like sum must be met by a heavier tax."

"I realize that with a high levy we can drive investors away from here, but this levy we have found to be absolutely necessary."

The budget as submitted by the finance committee consisting of Councilmen Cople, Albrecht and Wilson calls for a levy of 13 1/2 mills to meet general expenses, 1-2 a mill for a sinking fund and 5-8 mills for the public library that asked between \$110 and \$150 a month support. One mill raises about \$1500. These were the levies as reported by the finance committee and this was finally raised to 13 1/2 mills, this to include the \$600 appropriation and also to provide for a heavier miscellaneous expense. The engineering department, with an annual expense of practically \$5000 was removed from the city budget and will be discharged as a five per cent levy against all public improvements.

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scriptions," said A. T. Haines, present with the Chamber of Commerce committee.

"Well, the school board should not have raised salaries," reiterated Mr. Cople. "If the public doesn't like their present school board they can get another one," reiterated Mr. Haines.

Live Beyond Means.

That the city is living beyond its size was the declaration of Mr. Cople. "But even so," said Hugh McLain, "Let's live decently while we're about it," and there was general laughter for through it all the visiting committee in no wise lost track of their purpose. Mr. Cople stated that the city had not tried to live too cheaply last year and that this was the cause for the raising of the tax levy this year. "We are losing the saloon licenses," he said, "and this new levy must make up the difference."

The ordinance providing for a tax levy of 13 1/2 mills was carried unanimously. Following is the budget as reported by the finance committee though the final estimate does not include a later 1/2-mill raise:

Recorder's office	1914	1915
.....	\$ 2,871.20	\$ 2,871.20
Treasurer's office	200.00	200.00
City Atty's office	1,200.00	1,500.00
Police Dept.	5,267.53	5,267.53
Fire Dept.	6,047.75	6,190.25
Health Dept.	923.71	500.00
Lights	5,953.00	6,500.00
Water	1,250.00	2,000.00
Printing, Sta.	225.00	225.00
Elections	500.00	500.00
Mayor and Council fees	805.00	805.00
Labor and supplies	2,784.50	2,784.50
Cleaning streets	1,638.80	1,638.80
Inspector	900.00	900.00
Street Commissioner	1,200.00	1,200.00
Imp. Bond Int.	500.00	500.00
Band	1,800.00	1,800.00
Funding Bond Int. fund ..	2,100.00	2,700.00
Mis.	1,907.99	2,565.00
.....	\$38,674.48	\$40,647.28
Rev. other than taxes ..	\$12,000.00	
.....	\$28,674.28	
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KNIGHTS TEMPLAR SELECT OFFICERS

Pacific Commandery Holds Annual Election—Appointive Offices Filled Later

At a meeting of the Pacific Commandery No. 10, Knights Templar, last evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Eminent Commander—E. L. Robinson.

Generalissimo—C. F. McKnight. Captain General—A. P. Davis. Treasurer—Dorsey Kretzer. Recorder—R. H. Walter.

E. L. Robinson, the new Eminent Commander, is out of town and in consequence a number of appointive offices were not filled last evening. He will announce his appointments later.

The new officers will be formally installed Christmas morning.

SAYS UNCLE IS SAFE IN BELGIUM

Miss Louise Blatt of Marshfield, Gets Reassuring Advice From War Zone

Miss Louise Blatt, daughter of J. A. Blatt, has just received a letter from a friend in London to whom she wrote concerning the safety of her uncle, Armand Blatt, a big manufacturer in Belgium with whom she spent a season a few years ago, which is reassuring. It was written in London on November 5 and is as follows:

"I wrote you on the 19th ult., and have since tried to get some news of your uncle, my old friend M. Armand Blatt-Ducobu, through the American ambassador and also through the Belgian legation, but without success."

Today, however, I received a letter from a friend in Haarlem giving the following news, which no doubt you will be pleased to hear: "Mr. Armand Blatt called upon me (28 Rue des Aquatiques, Bruxelles), while I was out, but he left a message with Mr. van der Voort that he was as well as a 'fish in water.'"

"No doubt you will be relieved to hear this, and if I get any further news I will let you know."

Yours sincerely,
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Calling Gowns and Dancing Frocks

JUST OPENED—A new shipment of these dresses, direct from New York, arrived yesterday. They comprise the very latest style touches—in Basques, Boleros, B-dingotes and other effects; draped girdle, plain or with sash ends; trimmed collars and cuffs, short sleeves and sleeves less. Very reasonably priced.

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CANDIDATES TO BE NOMINATED

North Bend Will Hold Public Caucus to Name Office Aspirants Tomorrow

At a caucus held in the city hall at Eastside last evening six candidates were nominated for the three Council positions, two for recorder and two for Marshal. There were many voters present, including a contingent of about 15 that came over from Cooson.

From Eastside at the election on December 8 there will be elected our Councilman, J. C. Steele and Edgar Stonecypher were nominated. From Cooson the four candidates are L. G. Meeks, Mr. Mercer, Gregg Bailey and Mr. Iversen.

C. P. Keating, the present City Recorder of Eastside, was again nominated and will be opposed at the polls by W. C. Weaver and Marshall F. McGriff will seek the office against R. E. Robertson.

The three Councilmen who are going out this year are J. L. Johnson, L. F. Wild and John Olson.

STR REDONDO IN FROM THE SOUTH

Brings Passenger List of 20 Persons and Light Cargo of Freight

Bringing twenty passengers and a light cargo of freight, the Redondo crossed in this morning from San Francisco. She will leave again for the south Wednesday afternoon at 8 o'clock.

Those who arrived from San Francisco this morning were: W. M. Grant, V. Kuch, Mrs. V. Kuch, J. Kuch, T. Lagerquist, Gerlie Brown, Gaby More, C. E. Esselstyle, J. D. Snudis, Ray Brown, A. Clarkman, L. L. Futhy, G. W. Philbrick, E. Carrell, Dr. J. R. Wetherbee, J. A. Ormond, Mrs. J. A. Ormond, Mrs. F. J. Wendling, Mrs. L. M. Stenborn, R. Arbaugh.

ALONG THE WATERFRONT

At seven o'clock this morning the bar had calmed down enough to allow the Nann Smith and the Speedwell to clear for San Francisco, after having being harbored for two days.

Late last evening, the Paraiso, of the Swaye & Hoyt line, arrived in from Portland and today at 3 o'clock left out for San Francisco. She is due to carry a passenger list of 35 persons.

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AT THE HOTELS

The Chandler Hotel.

F. J. Feecey, Bandon; J. D. Sanders, San Francisco; William Grant, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. J. Ormond, San Francisco; Ben McMullen, Myrtle Point; John Belknap, Vancouver, B. C.; C. A. Gage, San Francisco; S. L. Larson, Portland; Mrs. R. H. Stevens, Portland; B. E. Blunden, Portland; R. E. Neal, Portland; W. P. Sergeant, Portland; Swan Benson and wife, Portland; A. O. Peterson, Lakeside; J. Barrett, San Francisco; K. D. Hanser, St. Paul.

The Lloyd Hotel.

P. Lagerqvist, San Francisco; Mrs. Gertrude Melorne, San Francisco; F. Brandis, Beaver Hill; W. Rhurle, Coquille; William Wakers, North Inlet; W. M. Wakeman, Baker Creek; Chas. Hubbard, Portland; Frank Kimball, Portland; Ida Newman, Portland; Frank Graustrom, Portland.

The St. Lawrence Hotel.

Benj. F. Clark, Seattle; Gust Allen, Beaver Hill; Joe Larson and wife, Eastside; Clara Hagen, Pendleton; Elmer Moore, Pendleton; Miss J. Siestrom, Lakeside; W. G. Perkins and wife, Daniels Creek; E. E. Oakes, Bandon; P. Mathison, Portland; Lew F. Price, Sumner.

The Blanco Hotel.

H. Marquette, Myrtle Point; Erick Olson, Myrtle Point; L. L. Cunningham, Coquille; H. Little, Coquille; W. B. Myers, Myrtle Point; Ed Yoakum, Coquille; G. D. Harding, Coos River; Wyman Albee, South Inlet; John Nielson, Bandon; R. W. Harrington, Myrtle Point; J. West, North Bend; Orrin Lattin, South Inlet.

YOUTH WILL SPEND WINTER IN MOUNTAINS

Two youthful mountaineers, Osborn and Jack Whitehead, had an old grey pack-horse, half a dozen traps and grubstake outfit, take them in, left the first of the week for the head of the Snowy range where they expect to spend the winter following the trails of Jimmie Boone. Although "Jimmie" is only in his teens he knows the wilds of Curry like a book. He is a lover of the woods and every day finds him at his old sport of trapping and other dwellers of the mountains. He usually comes out supplied with valuable furs and scalps that bounties alone pay a good salary. This time he has a new job in nature. After making camp on the boys will return to Port Coquille for more supplies before heavy snow fall, as the trails will soon be impassable. The snow usually comes and seven feet deep in that section Bandon World.

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