

DOINGS OF CITY COUNCIL

RETAILERS SAFE-GUARDED BY LAW

WHOLESALE MUST PAY CITY LICENSE AS WELL AS GOVERNMENT TAX, SAYS NEW CITY ORDINANCE.

Liquor licenses will hereafter be collected by the city as well as by the government from wholesale and retail liquor dealers selling intoxicating liquors not to be drunk on the premises. An ordinance authorizing this was passed by the members of the Council last evening.

Dealers selling spirituous, malt or vinous liquors will be restricted from selling in lesser quantities than two quarts and must pay an annual license of \$100.

For bottling works or wholesale dealers who sell only malt liquors and not in quantities under three gallons a license of \$50 will be required annually.

"This ordinance," said Mr. Kendall, "has been drawn up for the reason that a particular place here has been evading the law. We want to safeguard the retailers that are paying their \$1,000 tax into the city treasury. Also we want to make it certain that these places are not entered on Sunday and that they observe the regular closing hours. A bond of \$500 will be required of bottling works where beer is bottled.

"It's a tax that won't last long," said Councilman Coppel, "but it will aid in keeping every one within the spirit of the law." A penalty of a fine not less than \$25 or more than \$100, 30 days in jail or both is affixed as punishment for all transgressors.

Present Petition.

A petition signed by a share of the property owners on Central avenue between Fourth and Eighth streets asking that a grade fill not be made on that avenue at this time was presented to the Council. At the last meeting of the Council it was decided to plank this street and no action was taken on the petition.

Dr. Leslie came asking that Anderson avenue be opened between Third and Fourth street, this to be planked. The City Engineer was authorized to draw up plans and specifications for the work, that will be commenced in a very short time. Near Third street some grading will be necessary, according to the Engineer.

Must Pay for Repairs.

Mr. Gidley stated that he has secured blanks to be signed by property owners affixing the cost of mending any cut in hard surface pavement on the companies who tear up the pavement for the laying of their pipes.

Open Up Eighth Street.

The opening of Eighth street between Commercial and Central avenues and also from the intersection of Eighth Terrace to the intersection of Seventh Terrace, was authorized

CEMENT SIDEWALK DISTRICT PLANNED

WOODEN WALKS ARE STUMBLING BLOCKS IN MAIN TRAFFIC DISTRICTS, SAY THE CITY FATHERS.

The laying out of a cement sidewalk district to conform with the fire district of the city, within which no board sidewalks can be repaired other than by the substitution of cement, was the order given City Engineer Gidley by the city fathers last evening.

This action followed the appearance of C. I. Reigard, on behalf of Mrs. James Kjellond, asking what settlement the city is willing to make for personal injury damages suffered by Mrs. Kjellond last fall.

It is claimed she tripped on the end of an unnailed plank in the Broadway sidewalk and for several weeks was laid up because of the resultant injury.

"City Attorney Goss took up the matter with me before he left," stated Mayor Allen, "and we would prefer to have the matter rest until he returns from Salem."

Make Property Owners Liable

Councilman Coppel, at his first meeting in several weeks, during which he has been East, declared his belief Marshfield should adopt an ordinance similar to one in St. Johns. There the city condemned all wooden sidewalks, thus throwing the responsibility for any damage suits because of such walks onto the property owners.

Such an ordinance could not wholly relieve the city, thought Mr. Reigard, but could make the owners and the city officials jointly liable for personal injuries.

Lay Out District.

"That is just what I have been considering," broke in Mr. Gidley. "I believe that we should allow no repairs on wooden sidewalks. Every time they are out of order let the city condemn them, this to mean the owners must replace them with cement. Eventually such an action will mean a vast improvement over the entire city and it would come gradually enough to work a hardship on no one."

Thereupon he was authorized to outline such a district and report at the next meeting of the Council. An ordinance covering this will be drawn up by the City Attorney.

Make Assessments.

Though the building of a sidewalk on Hemlock between Front and Sixth streets has already commenced, having been let last week to the contractors, under the new law the Council must meet as a board of equalization and re-affirm the assessment. This they will do on March 15.

The same action is true on South Broadway, where the replanking of that thoroughfare between Hall and Kruse is now under way.

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FIRE ORDINANCE MUST BE REVISED

MAKE UNIFORM WITH STATE REQUIREMENTS, SAYS COUNCIL.—NEED MORE FIRE ESCAPES IS PLEA.

New city ordinances making the local fire laws comply with the state statutes and fire escapes that answer the best of requirements as a means of safe-guarding the public in buildings of more than two stories, was the substance of a request presented by Fire Chief Dan Keating. The City Attorney was instructed to draw up new fire ordinances for Marshfield.

Several years ago the laws of this city and of the state regarding fire escapes were uniform. Since that time there has been a change made by the Legislature, but the local requirements have remained untouched, and hence, have fallen behind.

"The state requires," said Chief Keating, "a fire escape for every 100 feet of frontage of a building on any street. This is for an example. Right here in the city the enforcement of such a statute would mean a change in many of our buildings."

Fire escapes should have ladders reaching down from the last landing to the sidewalk, pointed out the Chief. It's a long drop and if people are in a hurry, they haven't time to wait for the fire department and the putting up of ladders. The men might make the jump," he said, "but it would be severe on women and children."

To have fire escapes open off private rooms that can be kept locked during the night is especially dangerous, believes the Chief. "Any one occupying the room off the fire escape would, in all probability, leave the building through the window without first unlocking his door. That would leave a helpless band in the hallway hammering on his door, caught like rats in a trap."

"Neither the Chandler nor the St. Lawrence Hotels have escapes opening off a hall way," said Councilman Evertsen. "This is complying all right with our present ordinances, but I believe this should be changed."

Make Escapes Accessible.

This subject will be taken up thoroughly in the new fire ordinances. The Councilmen suggested the plan of having all rooms opening into the fire escapes either left vacant or that the locks be removed from the doors. Some believed the rooms should be taken out and made into a hallway, though this plan was not countenanced. In apartment houses, some said, an entire apartment might be entirely disarranged.

School Building Protection.

School buildings should have even more escapes than the law requires was the belief of the Councilmen. Two were suggested for the Central School and another one for the High School, which now has one escape, that on the south side of the building and leading down from the third floor.

A spiral chute making it possible to whizz the children from the top to the bottom of the building many times quicker than stairways and fire escapes can ever work were suggested by the Council, though it was pointed out that the cost of construction would be quite large.

Children Endangered.

"Why I heard several days ago that there was a fire drill in one of the school buildings here," said Councilman Coppel, "and that it took more than four minutes for everyone to get out of the building. Now if there had been smoke and fire in addition the result would have probably meant the loss of several lives."

"In drawing up the new city ordinances," said Mr. Kendall, "we can make special precautions for school buildings."

On a motion made by Mr. Coppel, Fire Chief Dan Keating was instructed to make a thorough investigation of the fire equipments and escapes in both school buildings of the city, a report to be presented at a later meeting.

"And as a parting remark," said Councilman Kimball, "let's not let this business drag as soon as we forget the bad fires we have had lately. We've got to keep hammering on this subject."

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ASK RURAL ROUTE NEAR MARSHFIELD

PETITION FOR SERVICE THAT WILL SERVE SEVERAL HUNDRED FAMILIES IN BUNKER HILL AND EASTPORT.

A petition asking for the establishment of a rural free mail service for Bunker Hill, Stagstaff and Eastport, is being completed and will be forwarded today to the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General. At present there are no free rural delivery routes in this section of the state. The route would serve a large number of families and that it will be granted is practically assured. The route is described as follows:

Beginning at the U. S. Postoffice in Marshfield, thence south along South Broadway, thence along the Coquille-Marshfield county road to the intersection of the Libby county road about four miles south of the City of Marshfield, and thence back on said Libby road to Eastport, returning to Postoffice via Tenth street, Johnson avenue and Fourth and Curtis.

Among those signing the petition, which was circulated by Jim Hunt, are W. H. Dindinger, H. L. Pratt, F. C. Mosteller, Carl Benson, Peter Diameda, E. L. Peterson, Bert Mathison, C. F. Lund, Alex Sandon, Oren Allen, Frank Gray, Frank L. Compton, L. E. Roberson, C. Thorswald, Otto A. Wallmark, P. L. Turley, J. R. Rhine, J. F. Huffman, F. G. Edwards, H. H. Edwards, L. F. Edwards, Fred Grinolds, F. M. Marhofer, W. H. Foley, J. A. Oleson, John Ekblad, Carl J. Jargenson, A. B. Snow, R. F. Bush, W. H. Ferguson, A. H. Hammond, Chas. A. Hughes, Felix Kester, Axel Rudberg, Jas. Forty, Pete Sunneson, J. A. Collier, H. Samson, Pete Edstrom, Joseph J. Hennessey, Ed Erickson, James Maloney, W. Erickson, A. E. Gagnon, John Beck, Chas. J. Knox, F. A. Baker, Wm. E. Herndon, Henry A. Olson, Bartlett L. Knox, Gust A. Steen, C. A. Westberg, V. F. Colloom, Aug. Carlson, Edwin Colloom, J. E. Duncan, J. J. Kendall, Geo. Han, Fred Miller, E. Yake, R. Glatzer, C. G. Larson, J. Brockmueller, M. E. Raymond, H. M. Albee, Pete Erickson, C. E. Hayes, L. G. Ross, G. Johnson, L. Knutson, E. A. Nelson, M. J. Anderson, Alfred Hagquist, Mike Hagman, George Rourke, E. Refsland, J. E. Refsland, J. C. Meyers, E. W. Cole, John Dotson, Genere Perry, J. A. White, R. A. Corthell, John Halle, P. J. Kislung, Daniel Small, Jas. H. Sutton, William E. Phillips, Dan S. Orr, H. J. Barnhardt, Rex D. Barnhardt, Alonzo McDougal, Harry Galbraith, Mrs. V. A. Williams, Mrs. S. A. Mandery, Mrs. A. Schwartz, G. D. Windbigler, W. W. Duncan, E. Grandell, H. H. Harper, F. C. Birch, Marion M. Lesh, H. B. Granby, J. Durrand, R. Duffy, Wm. Ruffner, Elma M. Roberts, L. F. Edgington, Lee Nunn, Arthur Williams, Ben Cooley, E. M. Smith, R. L. Miller, L. M. Hazelton, Geo. L. Dindinger, W. J. Rust, Alfred Jewell, Chas. H. Coddling, Nellie Wolf, O. P. Noah, N. Ekblad, Miss Marion Smith, Zoe A. Sandon, Mrs. Geo. Montgomery, F. L. Caldwell, A. E. Sleep, B. Y. Wymore, Mrs. L. L. Smith, Harry Graves, Geo. W. Smith, Wm. Hearon, A. H. Noah, O. W. Rudberg, H. H. Harris, Emily Harris, John Harris, Oscar Ingman, Carl Carlson, Matt Anderson, Homer P. Hauzey, Simon Anderson, H. E. Reanier, Mrs. C. Colombo, Wm. N. Abel, L. B. Bradley, M. L. Stromberg, J. C. Eggleston, S. Raymond, F. E. Raymond, Bert Hawse, A. L. Evans, Mrs. W. H. McClure, Wm. A. Pugh, E. T. Balch, Roy Cameron, Ray Pendergrass, Mrs. Kathryn Pendergrass, J. E. Kuch, C. Kuch, Joseph Treweila, W. H. Steward, R. J. Steward, Mrs. E. Roberts, Gus Flaquist, P. H. McDonald, R. F. Mael, Mrs. Etta Brown, O. K. Hullin, C. McComer, C. A. Pettit, J. E. Pettit, G. M. Binkey, W. O. Stone, J. E. Cooley, B. R. Mynatt, D. Kimael, Matt Rankila, S. Hendrickson, H. Wist, P. P. Oar, F. H. McElroy, Geo. Treanor, A. Struffert, M. C. Wood, E. R. Heasler, P. W. Dodson, Roy Carpenter, E. Wist, J. A. Newman, Robt Hebert, F. C. Wukasch, Mrs. H. A. Harris, Geo. S. Peterson, August Peterson, M. M. Crabtree, A. E. Nelson, Nick Stambone, Jas. Cuniff, J. A. Edwards, John Kerrigan, Edw. Cameron, W. H. McBroom, Frank Hunt, Jerome Losinger, Mrs. M. L. Ross, Joe Rogers, Roy Rogers, J. M. Carrol, E. Lothard McClure and James E. Hunt.

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The law requires that anyone who produces, imports, manufactures, compounds, deals in, dispenses, distributes or gives away any opium, or the other other drugs included in the law, shall register annually with the Collector of Internal Revenue for the district in which he does business and for the purpose of the law, the residence of anyone dealing in such drugs is regarded as his place of business. Registration shall be mailed to July 1 of each year and the dealer at the time of registration shall pay a special tax of \$1. A majority of physicians, druggists, dentists and veterinarians will be compelled to register.

Government and state officials purchasing for hospitals, etc., are exempt. It will be unlawful for anyone to handle the drugs without registration.

In addition to the tax of \$1 for registration, the sale of these drugs shall be exclusively made through a form prescribed and to be sold by the Collectors of Internal Revenue in their respective districts. It will be unlawful to sell, exchange or give away any of the drugs without a written order of the person to whom such article is sold or given. This order is to be made out on the form and a duplicate of the order is to be kept by the seller. The original in the hands of the buyer and the duplicate retained by the seller must be kept for a period of two years, during which time any agent of the Internal Revenue Service or any state or municipal officer in whose charge the regulations for the sale of drugs is placed, may examine either the original or the duplicate. Conviction for violation of the law is punishable by a fine of not more than \$2000 or imprisonment for not more than five years, or both.

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