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# DOINGS OF CITY COUNCIL

## TO ENLARGE CITY CITY FACES A LOSS DOBBIN NOW TABOO

### CITY FATHERS WANT TO ANNEX TERRITORY TO THE NORTH

To Submit to Residents Taking in of Section Between Here and North Bend

Annexation of the strip of territory lying adjacent to the northern boundary line of the city and south of the limits of North Bend was seriously discussed last evening by the City Council and the measure will probably be put up to the residents of the section to be voted on by them.

"Lots of them don't want to come in though," declared City Attorney Goss.

"That's right," explained Recorder Butler. "You can't shanghai them. You've got to be peaceable about it."

Unless Marshfield gets in the first move North Bend is liable to do the annexing, thought Mayor Allen and he was for immediate action.

Under the prevailing laws no section may be admitted to a city unless the residents of the particular community vote with a good majority in favor of it. Some of the city fathers explained that the people living there like our water works, the electric lighting, the use of the fire engines and etcetera, but they do not like our taxes and therefore, enjoying all the comforts of a city at a low cost, would be altogether too wise to further burden themselves.

**Vehicle Ordinance Bothers**  
"Where's this vehicle ordinance?" queried the Councilmen of City Attorney Goss. This is the self same question brought up eight months ago and revived again last evening following the announcement of R. A. Copple that the revenue of next year will be considerably under what it takes to run the city.

Mr. Goss explained that he has already dug through dozens of ordinances made elsewhere to tax vehicles within city limits, but that he has found none of them satisfactory. Portland has tried several, he said, in fact had an attorney once spend six weeks on drafting a "bomb proof" measure, and every one, including the last, have been given the "coupe de grace" by the Supreme Court.

With state decisions continually to the contrary it's a hard job, said the City Attorney, to draft a measure that will stand the bombardment of the upper bench, though he refuses to get weary and says the proposed ordinance shall be drawn forthwith.

A. J. Mendel, of the Hub Store, asked permission to allow two show cases to project onto the sidewalk about six inches. He said they had been built and when put in place were found a trifle too long. The permission, revokable at any time, was granted by the Council.

### Paving is Accepted.

S. C. Small has completed the curbing and the paving for Tenth street between Elrod avenue and the bridge to the north, according to a report of City Engineer A. B. Gidley, and on his recommendation the work was accepted at the contract price of \$653.17.

Plans and specifications for a six-foot plank sidewalk and a curbing on Central, between Eleventh and Twelfth streets were adopted.

Mayor Allen said that property owners, saying the street is now torn up with logging operations and that hard surfacing may be done there next year, asked permission to make temporary repairs in the planking for at least a year.

"There is hardly a plank in the whole sidewalk that could hold a nail," declared A. G. Gidley. Other members said the city should be protected from further liabilities for damages and the measure was passed.

### NORTH BEND NEWS

Mrs. Robert McCann spent the latter part of last week with relatives on South Coos River.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Roswell and Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Roswell were Coos visitors Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. I. B. Bartle expect to leave this week for Los Angeles, to spend some time with Mrs. Bartle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Coke.

Mrs. M. K. Temple and daughter Pauline plan to leave this week to visit relatives in Klamath Falls and then will go to San Francisco to take in the exposition.

Miss Helen Mende, a teacher in the North Bend central school, attended the institute in Coquille, last week.

Anna and Irene Hodson of South Coos River are spending the week at the home of their grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCann.

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### CUTTING OFF OF REVENUE TO BE SERIOUS HAMPER

With \$30,000 in Sight For 1916, Cost of Administration About \$44,000 Says Figures

Marshfield faces a deficit of \$14,000 in the conduct of its administration, according to figures submitted to the council last night by R. A. Copple. A provision of the law refuses cities the right to increase their taxes more than six percent over the levy of the year previous. The question now stares the city dads in the face like a bugaboo.

"Cut down our expenses," said some.

"We've tried it for a year," replied Carl Albrecht. "Everywhere we tried to shave expenses, we increased them. Its costing the city more to run now than it ever did before."

For an entire month the council rested in comparative peace and quiet from financial troubles, but with the return of Councilman Copple the truth is again brought up to them face to face and, this time must be threshed out.

"There is about \$30,000 in sight for next year," declared Mr. Copple. "It costs us about \$44,000 to run the city this year. "Where are we going to get the difference." He brought up the question of being able to increase the tax levy only six percent.

By special tax levies for certain purposes, City Attorney Goss said the city might be able to get around the embarrassing situation, though all of these would have to be voted on by the citizens.

Carl Albrecht believed that if the city needs more money they should get it through bond issues and not let their paper fall to a discount. The discussion was closed until further notice.

### Logging Injures Streets

The logging over the paved streets of the city is raising havoc with the paving, said the councilmen. It will continue for at least nine months, they said.

"If it keeps up that long, replied Mr. Copple, "we're going to have new streets to build. There ought to be some way of requiring this company to keep the streets in repair. Mr. Gidley stated his belief that none of the loads hauled so far have been over the seven ton limit, as limited by a city ordinance.

To cut down the speed of the auto trucks "would probably result in less damage to the paving, thought the city engineer. It was pointed out there is no ordinance so far to this effect and special action would have to be taken.

"The trucks are working the asphalt off the concrete base, tearing it out in some places in big chunks," replied the mayor. Mr. Gidley pointed out that with the lighter loads, heretofore, the concrete arches have brided over many holes on Front street, and it took the heavy trucks and loads of the logging company to find them.

No action was taken in the matter of either cutting down the loads or limiting the speed of the trucks.

### Trucks Interrupt Services

Heavy logging trucks, rumbling past the Methodist church last Sunday morning seriously interrupted the services, according to a letter from Rev. Mr. Knotts, to the council. He asked that the nuisance be abated.

To direct the trucks onto other streets would mean the interrupting of services someplace else and a motion was passed that the company will be asked to hereafter suspend operations between 10 a. m. and 1 p. m. on Sunday.

Underneath the Chamber of Commerce building is a leaky sewer that has caused considerable trouble, it was said.

J. O. Langworthy, Ben Ostlund and Dr. Leslie were appointed viewers for the sewer on Broadway, from Hall to Johnson and thence to Coal Bank Inlet and also for the one proposed for north Front street, from Market to Alder avenues.

### DEER HUNTER SHOT

John Gates, Portland Hotel Man, Victim Near Roseburg

ROSEBURG, Ore., Aug. 31.—John Gates, of the Ramapo Hotel, Portland, was brought here with his left hand almost entirely shot away, where he had received the discharge of a .22 special rifle when he fell down a cliff while hunting. The accident occurred about 50 miles in the mountains east of Riddle. Mr. Gates was accompanied by J. E. Nichols, also of Portland, and the two had been enjoying a hunt for the past ten days.

### TO STAND ON STREETS, PAWING WEARS HOLES IN PAVING

City Fathers Say Teams Must Go to Sandy Lots—May Eliminate Primaries in City Elections

To hitch old Dobbin to the shay and allow him to stand for hours on paved streets of the city, pawing and pawing until his hoofs wear through the bitulithic and the concrete will hereafter mean nothing less than inviting the wrath of the city police and Dobbin will be asked to remove his pawing to some sandy lot. This is absolutely necessary, said the city fathers last evening after arduous debates, for already standing horses have destroyed many square feet of paving on Marshfield streets.

Express vans, particularly were under fire. For hours sometimes it was said, the teams stand in the streets, kicking, ever kicking, and kicking, and now in some places are great holes through the upper strata of the street, all of which must eventually be paid for by the property owners before whose places the teams stand.

A public hitching rack on a sandy lot close to the business section was suggested and well received. The Councilmen said that though standing teams might be put under the ban, yet at the same time adequate provision must be made for visitors who come here in wagons and buggies to trade and for all sorts of teams doing business on the streets.

Though no ordinance to this effect was ordered drawn, the opinion was that the police shall be directed to ask owners of teams to move them if they stand too long on the streets. The matter was also referred to the street committee.

The suggestion was made that First street be used as a proper hitching ground, after fencing in both ends, but John D. Goss thwarted this idea when he said it would then be impossible for little boys to use their tricycles on the streets there.

### Hydrants Are Leaking

Two hydrants, one at the corner of Sixth and Central, and the other on Tenth and Central, have been reported by the water company as being in a leaky condition, said A. B. Gidley.

R. A. Copple said that two street lights on Kruse and Johnson avenues had not burned for some time prior to his leaving for the East, and the city should have a refund coming from the light company.

### Get Measures Ready

Six days previous to the city election of December, measures for the ballot must be filed, said the Councilmen, and next month they intend to take up several matters that will be submitted to the people. Special among these will probably be a proposal to nominate candidates for city offices by petition, eliminating the caucus and the primaries that heretofore have been a heavy financial burden on the city. The primaries of last year are said to have cost close to \$200.

City Attorney Goss stated that he has discussed the matter with John Butler and they believed the petitions would be practical and would do the work satisfactorily, but he believed provisions should be made to have the petitions carry more than the ordinary number of names.

The proposition of buying an incinerator for the city was not brought up last evening, but it is expected that next Tuesday evening the matter will be given consideration.

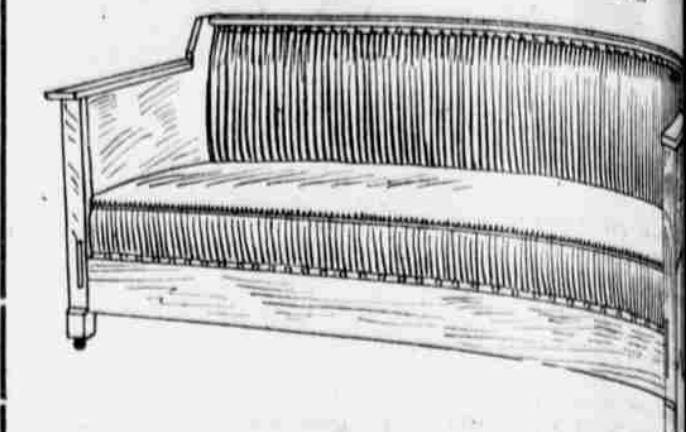
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## BASEBALL SCORES

### COAST LEAGUE TEAMS TO NEW BATTLE FIELDS

Beavers To Try Luck With Seals in South—Rain Man at This Late Season Busy in East

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 31.—It was moving day in the Coast League yesterday. The Beavers went down and will try their luck this week with the San Francisco Seals; the Vernon aggregation went to Los Angeles and the Oaklanders will play with the Bees in the Mormon capital across the mountains.

All year the Rain Man in gleeful fashion has hovered about the eastern leagues, spilling a drop and then some ever and anon on the diamonds and refusing to hibernate during the straw hat period.

The scores in the National League yesterday follow:

- National League**
- At New York: Chicago, New York, wet grounds.
- At Brooklyn: Pittsburgh, Brooklyn, rain.
- At Philadelphia: St. Louis . . . . . 3 Philadelphia . . . . . 4
- At Boston: Cincinnati, Boston, rain.

## FIRE NOT SERIOUS

### IN BRUSH NEAR HEAD OF PONY INLET BUT UNDER CONTROL

Lack of Wind May Have Saved Much Timber—Two Fires Near Eckley Cause Little Damage

Fire in the brush, back in the woods of Budden Park was discovered late yesterday and two fire wardens were put on watch and this morning Manager Corey, of the Water company sent out two men to see that it does not spread. So far this summer there have been no fires of any seriousness in Coos, according to W. J. Conrad.

On Sunday near Eckley were two fires reported. These might have developed into serious ones had there been any wind. The absence of heavy winds during the past few weeks may have saved many thousands of dollars in timber locally.

Coming home from Brewster Valley on Sunday Mr. Corey said that he saw dozens of small fires scattered through the brush, all of them small at the time, but he believes they will burn themselves out.

However from now until the first rains the fire wardens are especially vigilant for with the woods dry and hunters scattered here and there the danger of big fires is increased considerably.

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## PETITIONS ARE OUT QUERIES POUR IN

### MANY SIGN TO CALL SPECIAL ROAD BOND ELECTION

Charles Hall and James Montgomery Do Missionary Work—S. Benson Would Come Here

In the interests of the Good Roads movement Charles Hall and J. E. Montgomery, of the Coos and Curry telephone company, last week spent several days in the cities of the county, meeting with the prominent road enthusiasts. Confidence that the petitions for a special election on a \$370,000 bond issue will secure necessary signers has been expressed by both men at the conclusion of their trip.

Through the cities of Coos the petitions have lately been spreading, securing signers among the men who are anxious to see the highways of this county placed at least on par with those in other parts of the state.

### Benson Would Come

Simon Benson, of Portland, millionaire lumberman and perhaps the greatest Good Roads exponent in Oregon is a personal friend of both Mr. Hall and Mr. Montgomery and has written his willingness to come here to act in a campaign for a special election.

Only through gradual education of the voters and through the showing by concrete examples what permanent roads would do can the measure ever be carried is their expressed belief.

### Concrete Example

Figures of importance were shown to the men of Bandon at a special meeting held there. From Bandon to the Curry line is 18 miles, with Langlois but a short distance over the border. Freight rates in there are \$8 per ton; at some seasons of the year the road is practically impassable. With a hard road there it is claimed the tonnage could be taken in for \$2 a ton. In other words, every ton of freight to Langlois and beyond is now paying a \$6 "hand tax."

A flour dealer of Bandon daily ships about ten tons along to Langlois. The other daily tonnage is large; a loss of \$6 is being made on each 2,000 pounds.

To build a road to the county line would cost approximately \$50,000. It is estimated; the Floras creek gravel is said to be the best in the county. There will be a saving of practically \$35,000 a year with a permanent hard road and auto trucks could be put in use.

With the movement launched Mr. Hall believes that at least two men should be secured who can for several months devote all their time to educating the voters on the value of the bond issue. There should be an advertising campaign; the men should meet with the voters and the work through local good roads organizations in all communities.

### EASTERN PEOPLE WANT INFORMATION ON CRAWFORD POINT

One Writes Asking About Sewage System Supposed to be Here—Letters Come Every Week

Two more inquiries regarding Crawford Point were received at the Chamber of Commerce this morning from points in Nebraska. On an average of 12 letters a week are being received from that section and a short time ago many came in from Colorado, showing the moving about of the agents.

Dr. Edwin L. Hasteed, of Scribner, Nebraska, has several questions that bother him. He states having been told by the agents that the site is all graded and that a sewage system has been put in there.

"Is Crawford Point the same as or part of Eastside?" he asks. "They told me there is no post office at Crawford Point, the post office being called Cooston. Can you tell me what connection this Point has with Cooston?" The doctor does not state he has bought any lots but says the price quoted is \$250 a lot, \$25 down and \$10 a month.

E. W. Rummelhart writes from Sidney, Nebraska, asking similar questions about the land.

Secretary Motley, of the local Chamber, says that inquiries are also being received from the east by the Chambers in Portland and Eugene and in turn are referred here for information.

His letters carry the situation as it obtains here at present, making no allowances for what might happen in the future.

### MISS MOORE WILL NOT RETURN HERE

Supt. Tiedgen Announces That She Has Resigned Place in the Marshfield Schools.

The Marshfield public schools will open September 13. In addition to the changes of the faculty previously made public, Supt. Tiedgen announces the following:

"Miss Elizabeth Moore, who has had charge of the department of domestic science for the past four years found it advisable to ask for her release. Home conditions made it desirable for her to be close to her parents and her home schools offered her a salary of \$1400 to take charge of the cooking department alone. This kind of work was much to her liking as the trouble she has experienced with her eyes during the past two years has made sewing work a questionable occupation for her." She will be greatly missed in the local schools and in this city for she possessed qualities that mark the superior teacher, mature judgment, loyalty to the school, enthusiasm for her work, confidence in her department, large sympathies for young people, and a general culture that made her at ease in any place and with any people." Miss Iva Stokes, a graduate of Corvallis, will succeed her.

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