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YEAR AGO TODAY

DEC. 4, 1914

The French begin a bombardment at a range of eight miles of the town of Arras.

The German artillery attacks in the vicinity of Ypres again fail.

The battle in Russian Poland remains undecided, both Germans and Russians claiming the advantage.

The German cruiser Karlsruhe is in the North Atlantic near the lane traversed by the Allies' ships.

## NOT TIME FOR CITY HALL

THE TIMES is a believer in progress. It has a firm faith in the future of Marshfield and Coos Bay. The Times has given proof of its confidence in this community by building a permanent home of its own. But the Times does not think that this is the proper time to bond the city for a new \$35,000 city hall. There are many reasons why such action would be ill-advised at the present time.

In the first place we have just passed through a strenuous season of depression. Taxes are already too high. The taxpayer is entitled to some consideration and to add to his present burden with a bond issue of \$35,000 for a new city hall is too much.

Then, too, if Marshfield enters into the period of prosperity, growth and expansion that is anticipated it will be only a few years until such a structure will be deemed insufficient and its construction at this time should not be considered.

Another important feature is the possible consolidation of the cities on the bay. Such an event may not be far distant and it would render practically valueless any city hall built at this time. There is much to be gained and nothing to lose by delaying action on this municipal improvement for the present.

Every voter should vote "No" on the city hall proposition next Tuesday.

## SUES FOR PAYMENT

## COOS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' ACTION TO BE TESTED

Suit Filed to Determine Whether They Can Reduce Legal Rate on Publication of Delinquent Taxes

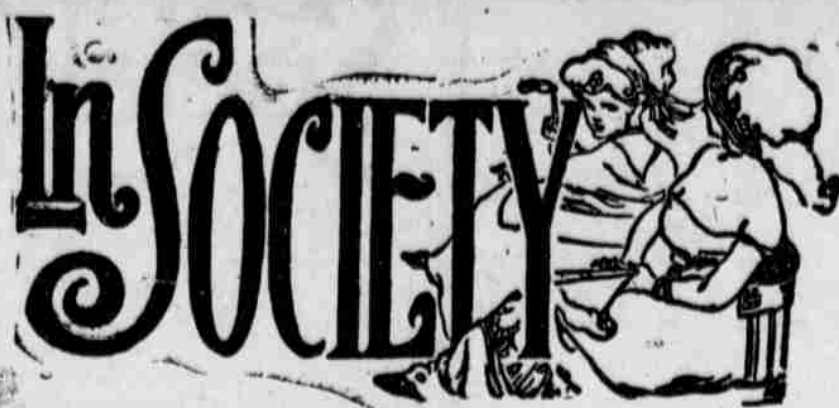
A suit to recover \$1035 from Coos County has been filed by the Coos Bay Times as a result of County Judge Watson and Commissioners Dement and Armstrong attempting to reduce the legal rate on the publication of the delinquent tax list. C. R. Peck is attorney for The Times and the case will be heard at the December term of court. L. A. Liljeqvist will appear for the county.

The action is begun following an arbitrary stand taken by Judge Watson and his associates. The regular legal rate for publishing the delinquent tax list is five cents per line. It was with the understanding that this was the amount to be paid The Times published the delinquent tax list as prepared by Sheriff Johnson.

When the bill was presented for the amount, \$1,035, the county commissioners, at the instigation of Judge Watson, cut it to three cents per line. The warrant for the later payment was rejected by The Times. The matter was taken up with the county commissioners but Judge Watson refused to reconsider although District Attorney Liljeqvist advised an adjustment.

The case is of state-wide importance as the question of law raised will affect every other county in the state. As a result the Oregon Editorial Association has become interested in the case and will assist financially in carrying it to the higher courts if need be.

Times want ads bring results.



## A. N. W. CLUB

The A. N. W. Club members had an especially pleasant afternoon last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Olivia Edman. During the business session, officers for the coming year were nominated and will be voted on next week when the club meets at the home of Mrs. Lily Friedberg. Sewing and social chat followed this part of the program, after which the hostess assisted by Mrs. Nancy Noble and Mrs. E. O'Connell, served dainty refreshments. The members out this week were: Mrs. F. E. Allen, Mrs. G. A. Bennett, Mrs. Carl Evertsen, Mrs. Lily Friedberg, Mrs. F. E. Hague, Mrs. A. T. Haines, Mrs. Alice Hall, Mrs. Frances Hazard, Mrs. Elizabeth Hyde, Mrs. Alexandra Lando, Mrs. Kate Lando, Mrs. E. Mings, Mrs. George F. Murch, Mrs. W. P. Murphy, Mrs. Mary McKnight, Mrs. Nancy Noble, Mrs. E. O'Connell, Mrs. H. E. Quist, Mrs. Annie Tower, Mrs. Charles Stauff and the hostess.

## MINNE-WIS CLUB

The Minne-Wis Club members and a few special guests enjoyed a delightful afternoon, on Thursday, their regular meeting day at the home of Mrs. O. W. Briggs on South Fifth Street, which was prettily decorated with huckleberry and choice chrysanthemums. Sympathy was expressed for two of their members who were absent: Mrs. W. E. Hoagland who has been quite ill but is better now, and for Mrs. John Dashney whose husband was so seriously injured at Powers this week. Sewing and conversation were followed by delicious refreshments served by the hostess.

The visitors out this week were Mrs. R. P. Harrington, Mrs. H. C. Noble and Mrs. J. E. Stack. The members present were: Mrs. Mary Thompson, Mrs. A. Z. Downs, Mrs. E. E. Kelley, Mrs. Charles Davis, Mrs. W. S. Brown, Mrs. F. H. Dresser, Mrs. E. A. Harris, Mrs. Charles La Chapelle, Mrs. W. H. Perkins and the hostess Mrs. Briggs.

In two weeks, the club will meet with Mrs. Brown.

## HONOR TEACHER'S BIRTHDAY

The Teachers of the Central School building celebrated the birthday of Mrs. A. E. Glossop, who is also a member of the teaching staff on Thursday afternoon, after school hours with a "spread" in the rest room. A delightful hour or two of chat was enjoyed by the following: Mrs. Glossop, Mrs. C. E. Ash, Mrs. P. M. Wilbur, and the Misses: Abercrombie, Larson, Immel, Griffen, Corning and Sprague.

## NEIGHBORHOOD CARD CLUB

The Neighborhood Card Club was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Loud on North Tenth Street, "500" being the diversion of a very pleasant evening at the close of which, Mrs. Loud served the guests with a sumptuous luncheon. Next week Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Diment will entertain the club. Those out were: Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Mattson, Mr. and Mrs. George R. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Feller, and Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Diment.

## INFORMAL EVENING

Last Wednesday evening, Mrs. D. J. McKinnon entertained informally at bridge whist in honor of Mr. McKinnon's birthday. Mrs. C. W. Cumbers winning lady's prize and C. R. Peck gentleman's. After a delightful evening of this pastime, the hostess served a dainty luncheon. Those invited were: Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Peck, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Cumbers, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Blake, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. F. V. Catterlin, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Powers and Mrs. Ida Conrad.

## EASTSIDE SOCIAL CLUB

Last Tuesday afternoon the Eastside Social Club met with Mrs. Robert Kittson for their business and social session, the time being spent pleasantly in sewing and Christmas chat. Refreshments were served and a plate of the dainties

was sent to Mrs. W. F. Byerly, a member of the club, but who has been very ill for a long time. The ladies present were: Mrs. Carl West, Mrs. West, Sr., Mrs. F. Avery, Mrs. George Brooks, Mrs. Sarah Jordan, Mrs. W. Cavanaugh, Mrs. C. Cavanaugh.

## NORWEGIAN LUTHERAN SOCIETY

The monthly business and social meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Norwegian Lutheran Church at North Bend, was held in the chapel parlor Thursday afternoon at which time plans were made for the Christmas festival. Mrs. R. O. Thorpe was hostess. Those present were Mrs. E. Refsland and Mrs. C. G. Magnus from Marshfield, Mrs. Lars Oxnevad, Mrs. John Olsen, Mrs. Fremdahl, Mrs. L. Knudsen, Mrs. L. Strommen, Miss Johnson, Mrs. E. Lillebo, Mrs. Ole Jaren, Mrs. L. Lillebo, Mrs. J. Jacobson, Mrs. P. Nelson, Mrs. Gunderson, Rev. and Mrs. R. O. Thorpe. The next meeting will be held the first Thursday in January, with Mrs. E. Lillebo as hostess.

## ALPHA DELPHIAN SOCIETY

After the usual business session and literary program at the home of Dr. Mattie B. Shaw on South Fifth Street, the members sewed and chatted, the main topic of conversation being, of course, Christmas. Suggestions were offered and discussed as to the means of obtaining new members for the society which will meet again next Monday evening with Mrs. Olive K. Brown. The hostess served dainty refreshments at the close of the pleasant evening. Those out were: Mrs. Harriett Kellogg, Mrs. Kate Lando, Dr. Shaw and the Misses: Myrtle Downer, Alice Curtis, Grace Johnson, Ellen Rudnas, and Myrtle Miller.

## TRIO CARD CLUB

Mrs. J. W. Hildenbrand extended her hospitality yesterday afternoon to the ladies of the Trio Card Club at their regular session. Miss Shaw substituted for Mrs. J. H. Stadden, who was unable to be present, and won prizes for high score at cards. At the close of the pleasant affair, the hostess served an appetizing luncheon to her guests. The members out this week were: Mrs. Le Mieux, Mrs. W. Schroeder, Mrs. T. S. Harvey, Mrs. C. B. Wells, Mrs. H. A. Wells, Mrs. J. G. Jinney, Mrs. H. E. Bultmann, Mrs. Henry O'Mara, Mrs. Frank Denning, Mrs. Jensen and Mrs. Hildenbrand. In two weeks, the club will meet again with Mrs. Kinney.

## HOME MADE HAPPY

Announcement was received here this week of a daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Roger Kemp at their home in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Mrs. Kemp was formerly Miss Maud Painter, who at one time made her home in Marshfield. This is their first child.

## SURPRISE BIRTHDAY PARTY

Last Saturday evening, the local members of the Sigma Chi fraternity tendered Claude Nasburg a delightful surprise party in honor of his birthday. The evening was spent informally in a social way, chat, dancing and a general good time occupying the hours. Delicious refreshments were served. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kendall, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Flanagan, Misses Florence Aiken, Minnie and Grace Sheridan, Mrs. Edna Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. George Stephenson, Mr. and Mrs. Nasburg and Messrs: John Meehan, Ned Hickey, Tom Bennett, J. E. Montgomery, Roy Brown and Charles McDonald, the last two of Eugene.

## INFORMAL CHAT

Miss Nora Hage is expected to arrive in North Bend next week from San Francisco to spend the Xmas holidays.

Mrs. J. C. Clarke and children of North Bend left for San Francisco on the Speedwell this week to visit the exposition, and later they expect to go further south to spend the winter.

Thursday afternoon, Mrs. A. S. Hammond, Mrs. A. K. Arkley and Mrs. C. R. Broughton spent a pleas-

## PINE STREET CASE

## OLD STREET CONTROVERSY BEFORE REFEREE

Plaintiffs Would Enjoin City From Making Improvement Along New Lines on Street

The taking of testimony by stipulation in the Pine street case began yesterday in the office of J. W. Bennett. J. F. Polley was under examination the greater part of the day. The testimony of witnesses will be later placed before Judge Skipworth for his decision in the case brought to enjoin the city from going ahead with the improvement of Pine or First street, according to the lines of the so called Clement plat, which itself is in dispute. City Attorney Goss, assisted by the J. W. Bennett office, is representing the city and C. R. Peck, the plaintiffs. A. B. Loud is taking the testimony. The suit to enjoin was filed in the circuit court several months ago. The lines of the Clement plat are in dispute. The plaintiffs contend that the Clement plat was meant to follow the lines of the S. B. Cathcart survey, and further that the Clement plat was made and put on paper without any survey until in 1904, some 21 years later, J. F. Polley conducted a survey.

The testimony shows that then Mr. Polley instructed the council the street was running one degree east of north and was by them instructed to change it to due north and south. The defendants, the city, therefore claim then that the north and south line is the one adopted. This line does not follow the present street, but cuts into yards, behind fences and directly through four or five houses, including the residences of Max Timmerman, Judge Coke and Dr. Tower.

However, the plaintiffs further contend, that after giving these instructions to Mr. Polley, the council called for bids and accepted improvements along the present lines, the ones used for the last 20 years.

Two Witnesses Up Today  
Claude Nasburg and City Engineer A. B. Gidley were called as witnesses this morning. The former had taken pictures, which were admitted in evidence, of conditions prevailing on First or Pine street, and Mr. Gidley testified regarding street lines. This closed the evidence taking for the present, it was announced.

## STRAIGHTEN ROAD

## BUNKER HILL WOULD ELIMINATE KINKS IN HIGHWAY

Court Orders New Survey Made of Road Leading Into Bunker Hill From the South

Asking that the county road, approaching Bunker Hill from Coquille be straightened so as to cross the railroad via an overhead roadway leading straight into Bunker Hill, turning at the Bunker Hill store toward Marshfield, a petition has been liberally signed and the county court has signified its willingness to instruct the county surveyor to map out the change.

Notices were posted 30 days in Bunker Hill after the signing of the petition and the railroad has filed an objection to the overhead crossing, which will be heard by the court at the final hearing in this matter.

Autoists have often complained that the sharp turn, made in the county road as it nears Bunker Hill and just north of the school, is not only dangerous, but is a grade that stalls machines for they have to slow down to make the turn at right angles.

It is contended that the plat of Bunker Hill shows the road continuing straight into Bunker Hill and this is the only safe way for the road to run.

ant afternoon at sewing, at the home of Mrs. L. F. Falkenstein in North Bend.

Mrs. L. F. Falkenstein and Mrs. C. R. Broughton of North Bend were guests of Mrs. C. W. Cumbers at the Myrtle Arms Monday afternoon.

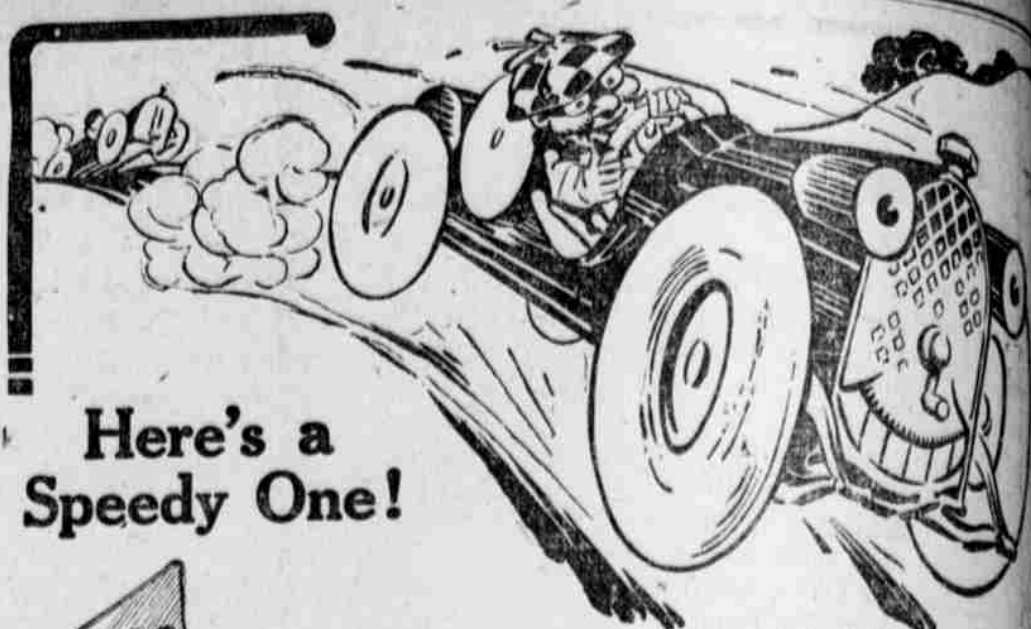
Mr. and Mrs. Stonecypher, Sr., Mrs. John Tellefsen, Mrs. S. F. Bock, Mrs. Lloyd Prescott, Mrs. W. Robertson, Mrs. Harry Johnson, Mrs. I. Hadlock and Miss Hilda West. The place and date of the next meeting are as yet undecided.

Mrs. G. W. Langford left for her home in Stockton, California, Thursday, after a few days spent at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. M. Byler, in North Bend.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. McKeown have returned from a pleasant trip to the exposition.

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Chandler and baby returned this week from a trip to the exposition and with Mrs. Chandler's people in Portland.

Mrs. R. A. Annin and baby, of Myrtle Point, were guests for a few days this week of Mrs. Charles Stauff and other friends in Marshfield.

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## Practical Gifts

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THE COMING OF CHRISTMAS, gift giving and making are all close at hand, and it would be prudent to preclude any chance for mistakes in making selections for Christmas giving by adopting the practice of an early purchase. Of all practical, pleasing and lasting gifts, furniture stands most prominent. Then, again, the fascinating feature is, it costs so little and lasts so long, besides it fits the purse of everyone. The enjoyable evenings that are spent around a fireside can be made doubly so.

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this week bought a new Buick seven-passenger car from George Goodrum and has practically mastered the intricacies of driving a car. It is the first of the large new Buick cars received here and is a beauty.

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