

DOINGS OF CITY COUNCIL

STAND ON CENTRAL CUT DOWN STREET NOT TO PLAY POOL

COUNCIL BOUND TO IMPROVE "MAIN HUB OF CITY."

City Councilmen Debate Long and Vigorously On New Grade—May Also Open Anderson Ave.

Unitedly and working with clock-like team-work, the city councilmen have decided that Central avenue shall be improved, from Fourth to 14th street this year, and last night rebuffed all efforts to throw them off the track of their intentions. They did not definitely accept the grade last evening, but possibly will at their next meeting.

"It's a big job," declared one property owner, glancing over the city engineer's profile map that covered the entire table. "Put it off for a year."

Bingo. The remark was the lighted match in the powder barrel. "Absolutely nothing doing," Harry J. Kimball voiced, good and loud. Aply was he supported by the other councilmen and it became quite clear in a moment that the city fathers have taken a firm stand.

May Open Anderson.
And before they were finished with Central avenue, City Attorney Brand had been instructed to look up the facts as to whether or not Anderson avenue has even been vacated between 12th and 15th streets, all of which foretells that the improvement, when it comes, will spread afar.

The reason Anderson would probably have to be opened in this district is that Central avenue, above 11th, under the new project, will not be divided, as it now is, but will all be on one grade. This then will shut off the entrance to several properties that officially are situated on Anderson avenue.

"If necessary," Mayor Copple said, "we would condemn a street for Anderson avenue."

Minutes Lengthen to Hours.
It was exactly ten minutes to nine when the city fathers opened their eyes for business, the previous 50 minutes having been taken up with the reading of minutes from the last meeting.

Milo Sumner, Jack Swanton and E. L. Hobson, all residents of Central avenue and affected by the new grade, appeared before the council. "I thought that we had had the last grade for Central avenue—there have about four of them been submitted and the last time the city engineer then told us there would absolutely be no more of them," said Milo Sumner. "Of course, I never like to buck an improvement, and am willing to stand for my share now, but anyhow we would like an explanation."

Central Avenue the Hub.
Mayor Copple explained. He said, "the point is, we want to make at least one street in Marshfield as it should be. We expect to bring this street up to a proper grade and make the cross streets conform to it. It is going to be the hub of the city, from present indications."

"Yes," put in Harry Kimball, "and you are going to leave it as it is, the main stem of the burg, all full of humps and holes. I should say not." All of which meant that they were "hooked."

Mapped Out With Care.
City Engineer Gidley did not feel kindly disposed toward altering the grade as it had been mapped out. "This is my recommendation, gentlemen," he declared, "you can do exactly as you see fit to, but I stand for this." He explained that he had spent two or three months looking over the project and had spent a great deal of time in working out a gradual grade for the street, one of about six and a quarter percent.

Make Eight-Foot Cut.
Mr. Gidley said, however, that the fill at 14th street could be made for two feet instead of four feet and not affect the grade to any extent and would appease the property owners. The grade from 8th to 10th will be uniform and the highest cut will be eight feet, at 13th street, and possibly this dirt will be thrown into the gulch near the E. L. Hobson place that is to be filled to grade.

COUNCIL CONSIDERS PROFILE WITH DEEP EXCAVATION

J. W. Hildenbrand Would Have 28 Foot Drop in Front of His Home—To Open Front Street

To put 12th street through, from Elrod avenue on South, will mean a cut of 27 1/2 feet in front of the J. W. Hildenbrand home, according to the profile introduced last evening in the council meeting by A. B. Gidley, city engineer. The grade was not adopted and at the next meeting property owners will be given a chance to discuss the matter with the city fathers.

Two weeks ago, Harry G. Hoy, resident on that street, appeared and asked that the street be opened. He had a petition from other owners. The grade as prepared by Mr. Gidley is one of 10 per cent. Someone suggested tunneling.

Open Front Street
"And now that we are on streets," said Councilman Duncan Ferguson, "now is the time to think of opening front street through from Elrod avenue on south. It is needed."

It was suggested that the Southern Pacific might move its depot further up toward the heart of the city, a fact that has been rumored about more than once.

"If they are figuring on doing this," said Mr. Ferguson, "this will give them a chance to come in and tell us so."

Plans Are Ordered

The city engineer was ordered to prepare the plans and specifications for opening the street through to Hall avenue. It was said that if this paving is done the Southern Pacific will be "stuck" for about \$7,000 worth of it.

D. L. Road said that Bruce Evans, evangelist, wants to string a banner across Central avenue at the intersection of Broadway. The permission was given.

Protests Insurance

Harry Kimball protested against carrying \$3,000 fire insurance on the city hall. He would, instead, give the engineer, fire proof filing cabinets for his maps and records. He said the city recorder already had a large safe which is fireproof, and ample for his papers. "There is a fire department down stairs and a man on watch the whole time," he said. He figured the filing cabinets would cost about \$500. The matter was referred to the finance committee.

MINORS HEREAFTER MUST KEEP FROM BILLIARD HALLS

List of Names Given Police and Proprietors—Council Awaits City Park Action

Minors hereafter are to be kept out of pool and billiard halls. The city ordinance in this respect is to be vigorously enforced. Every proprietor of a local pool room and every policeman has been given a list of minors of the city, thus acquainting them with the ages of the boys who frequent these places. The city council sanctioned the move by paying a bill last evening for stenographer's services in transcribing the lists from the school records.

Heretofore, so the officers say, they have gone into places and have found young fellows playing, but invariably they would protest they were over 21 years of age and the police has been "stumped." Now, when such a protest is made, all they need to do is to refer to their list.

Wants Map of Park

C. I. Reigard, representing a park committee of the Chamber of Commerce, came before the council, asking that he be furnished with a contour map of the city park, showing the grades, and also that permission be given to cut out certain trees and also the underbrush.

Mr. Gidley said that the contour map was wanted for the purpose of some time building a little pond in the gulch of the park, making it a rustic spot and the like. Someone sprung the bugaboo, "Mosquitos," and there was general alarm.

"I've been here 35 years," put in D. L. Road, "and the city has never spent one penny on a park. I think it is high time that they did."

It was found that the contour map would cost in the neighborhood of \$100 to prepare.

Should Pay Debts

"I think that we had better pay up some of our debts first," was the suggestion of the mayor. "We have \$16,000 in city warrants outstanding now on which we are paying interest." Enthusiasm for the park lagged. The final argument was that the contour map would be furnished the Chamber of Commerce as soon as it was expressed, "there is some action in sight and a certainty that they expect to go ahead and spend some money, instead of later shouldering the burden on the city."

NEWS OF OREGON

THE DALLES—Paul Lemke when found by a warden with fish of not the proper size made his escape, emptied the small fish into a stream of water and when tried for violation of the law, was found not guilty.

EUGENE—Tuberculosis is being fought in Eugene by the health committee of the federated clubs.

EUGENE—The people of Lane county are making plans for a good roads day when everyone will turn out and work on the roads.

ROESBURG—There is a plan for the consolidation of four school districts along the Umpqua river through which arrangement the pupils will be transported by boat.

KLAMATH FALLS—Business men of the city are starting a plan to put to a vote of the people the building of a municipal highway to connect with the suburbs of Shipplington and Pelican City.

COVE—Representatives of organizations met to decide how to make a more beautiful city.

PENDLETON—W. O. Marren was indicted for second degree murder in connection with the killing of Wendell Phillips of Spokane in a scuffle over a gun.

KELLOGG—The big Englewood ranch containing about 80 acres, formerly owned by J. M. Engle, deceased, has been sold to W. L. Archambeau of Portland.

WOODBURN—The members of the G. A. R. held a celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the organization.

PENDLETON—The people of the city will hold a baby and eugenic contest, April 21.

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News of Near-by Towns

COUNTY SEAT NEWS.

Notes of Coquille People Told in the Sentinel.

J. W. Leneve received from the post office department at Washington his appointment as postmaster and a copy of the bond he will have to fill out and get approved before taking over the office.

Nearly \$300,000 of tax money has been collected at the office of the sheriff. The total due is \$756,722.

Mrs. M. McDonald and her daughter Charlotte, started for Modesto, California, for a visit with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Hugh Porter Walls, of that place. Mrs. McDonald also took with her baby Jean who has been here with her grandparents for some time. Miss Elma McDonald accompanied the party to the Bay. Miss Charlotte plans to remain in California for some time.

CURRY COUNTY NOTES

News of Gold Beach Told in the Globe.

Frank Daniels is reported as being just alive, with no chances of improving.

Miss Nellie Voorhies of Roseburg, was in town last evening en route to the Mountain School District to commence the summer term there.

T. L. Carey, Supt. of the Macleay interests at Wedderburn, is now the proud owner of a new Chevrolet automobile. Owing to bad roads, however, Mr. Carey has not yet got his car home from Handon, but expects it down now most any day.

PROBATE MATTERS.

The following probate matters were up in court recently:

H. T. Hansen, of Marshfield, was appointed administrator of the estate of Arthur T. Hansen, of North Bend, deceased.

Emma Rhodes was appointed guardian for Pauline Reiniger, a minor.

EMPLOYERS WILL BE STRENGTHENED BY WAR

That is Belief of German Editor Who Says They Are Already Much Stronger.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
BERLIN, April 11.—One of the most inevitable industrial consequences of the war will be, in the opinion of Professor Francke, editor of the Soziale Praxis, the strengthening of the position of employers, individually and associate in federations. In the course of the war, the professor says, the power of the employers has already enormously increased, and although their numbers have diminished, their strength does not rest so much on the number of their establishments.

"As a rule," Professor Francke continues, "these establishments have improved and strengthened the position, and have increased in concentration. There are now fewer independent groups of industrialists. Unity among them is practically complete, and there can be no longer doubt that German industrialists after the war will go hand in hand with the agricultural alliances and with the middle class leagues.

"The leading men of the most important industries are already standing through the press that their principles remain unchanged, and

Notes of Coquille People Told in the Sentinel.

Attorney G. T. Treagold presented a petition for the appointment of John C. Logan and Ella M. Logan, of Bandon, who died together in a hotel in Los Angeles, October 22, 1915. They were suffocated by the gas which had not been turned off.—Coquille Sentinel.

SCHOOL HAS CLOSED

Pupils at Wedderburn Have Done Good Work.

The schools at Wedderburn, in Curry county, have had a good year. The Gold Beach Globe tells of the closing exercises as follows: Wedderburn school closed Wednesday with appropriate exercises. A number of visitors were present who expressed themselves as well pleased with both the program rendered and with the progress made by the pupils in their grade work. Attendance and deportment were especially good this term. Each pupil who was not late during the six months school session, received a prize. The pupils receiving such prizes were: Eddie Johns, Theodore Wakeman, Irving McCall, Carl Johns, Edith Wakeman, Evelyn Carey, Florence Wilhites and Velma Nichols. Mrs. Nichols, the teacher, gave a short address and reading at the close of the program.

COMES BACK AGAIN

The Port Orford Tribune says: Henry Splekles registered at the Knapp hotel Monday, with the intention of staying a month on an outing. Mr. Splekles first visited Port Orford 42 years ago as purser of the steamer Eastland. His vessel often laid here to get shelter from northwest gales, and during these times, Mr. Splekles discovered the good fishing here, and it is this lure of the finny tribe that has brought him back this time.

NOTICE OF REDEMPTION OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the provisions of Chapter V of Title XXVI, L. O. L. and in accordance with the terms and conditions of said bonds, the City of Marshfield will take up, redeem and cancel the special improvement bonds of said City of Marshfield, Coos County, Oregon, issued on the first day of November, 1910, and numbered 162 to 168 inclusive, of said bonds being for the sum of \$500.00, and all of said bonds bearing interest at 6 per cent per annum, and will on the next semi-annual coupon period of said bonds, to-wit: On the first day of May, 1916, pay to the proper owners and holders of said bonds, face value of each thereof, with accrued interest to said date and the owners and holders of said above described bonds are hereby notified to present the same for payment and cancellation to the undersigned, the Treasurer of said City at his office in said City of Marshfield, Coos County, Oregon, on said day of payment, cancellation and redemption, and are further notified that interest thereon will cease at said interest payment period, to-wit: On May first, 1916.

NUMBER REGISTERED

Republicans Far In Lead of Other Political Parties.

The total registration of voters in Coos county up to and including Saturday, April 1, was 4,980, of whom 699 were registered last week, says the Coquille Sentinel. Politically the registration now stand as follows:

Republicans, 3,089; Democrats, 1,271; Socialists, 347; Independents, 153; Prohibitionists, 63; Progressive Republicans, 5; Non-partisan, 7; Progressives, 23; refused to state, 22.

It is said that a large number of people who had registered as "progressive republicans," recently changed to straight "republicans" so as not to be political outcasts when primary day arrives.

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SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE

Niagara Fire Insurance Co.

of New York, in the state of New York, as of the 31st day of December, 1915, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the state of Oregon, pursuant to law:

Capital	\$1,000,000.00
Amount of capital paid up	\$1,000,000.00
Net premiums received during the year	\$2,484,847.87
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	238,270.88
Income from other sources received during the year	51,991.88
Total income	\$2,775,110.63
Disbursements	
Net losses paid during the year	\$1,927,359.74
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year, commissions and salaries of insurance agents	604,522.58
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	248,378.28
Amount of all other expenditures	570,445.45
Total expenditures	\$3,350,706.05
Assets	
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)	\$6,015,010.00
Loans on mortgages and collateral	551,000.00
Cash in banks and on hand	467,524.24
Premiums in course of collection	16,208.11
Interest and rents due and accrued	58,062.17
Total assets	\$7,117,814.12
Less special deposits in any state (if any there be)	61,872.00
Total assets admitted in Oregon	\$7,055,942.12
Liabilities	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	\$ 504,700.00
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding policies	3,481,250.50
Due for commission and brokerage	27,000.00
All other liabilities, including capital and surplus	2,830,454.24
Total	\$7,063,404.74
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock of \$1,000,000.00	\$6,063,404.74
Total premiums in force December 31, 1915	\$3,977,300.00
Year	
Business in Oregon during the year	\$2,502,989.00
Gross premiums received during the year	100,188.81
Premiums returned during the year	16,208.11
Losses incurred during the year	14,920.00
Total amount of insurance outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1915	\$2,672,889.70

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Dated this 4th day of April, 1916.

G. W. KAUFMAN,
Treasurer of the City of Marshfield, Coos County, Oregon.

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DISTRICT IS WEALTHY

Over Seven Million in the Port of Umpqua.

The Umpqua Courier prints the following interesting facts: Upon inquiries made at the offices of the assessor and sheriff, it has been estimated that the assessed valuation of property in the Port of Umpqua district this year will be \$7,981,185. As compared with the last assessment roll, this will show an increase of \$3,372,845 over the assessment of last year, should this estimate prove correct.

SHINGLE MILL WORKING

Acme Plant Is Shipping Out Its Product.

The M. & R. Shingle Co., at Acme, are busy manufacturing and shipping shingles to outside points. Last week they shipped their first carload and have more orders than they can keep up with. The firm is composed of O. E. and C. F. Murray and L. C. Reynolds.

WILL RECEIVE BIDS.

The Port of Umpqua will receive bids for the \$200,000 bond issue on May 1.

SELLS BOAT ROUTE.

The Umpqua Courier says: Sherman Lyster, who has been carrying the mail, cream, passengers and freight between Redport, Gardiner and Sulphur Springs for the past year, has sold the boat "Pilot" and the good will of the business to W. T. Dewar, who will continue the business in the future.

CATTLE ARE SHIPPED.

A band of about 50 head of stock cattle was brought to Florence from Heeta and taken to Mapleton on a scow. From Mapleton they were shipped to Portland in cars, and later will be taken to Redmond, Oregon, and turned on the range.—Florence Wist.

WILL CARRY MAIL.

W. D. Cooley has taken a contract to carry the mail between Redport and Winchester Bay, a newly established postoffice at the mouth of the Umpqua. The mail leaves Winchester Bay in the morning and Redport about noon.—Umpqua Courier.

MILL WILL OPERATE

Point Terrace Plant On Siuslaw Prepares For Work.

The Siuslaw Pilot says: Paul Schilstrom, president and general manager of the Point Terrace Mill Co., while in Florence Tuesday announced that the mill was getting ready to make a steady run all summer. He also stated that the company had chartered the schooner Coquille, under command of Capt. Herman Wetzel, and the boat would be used for taking lumber to California markets. Arrangements are also being made to ship lumber by rail or the Patsy, or both ways to Portland, where they have a demand for their products.

NOTES ABOUT EUGENE.

Because there has not been sufficient signatures to the petitions, the proposition for \$70,000 road bonds will not come up at the May primaries.

The Eugene Chamber of Commerce has sent to the Portland Chamber congratulations on the successful completion of the first year of the organization.

The Southern Pacific will expend \$100,000 making improvements in Eugene and the freight terminals will probably be moved to the city.

The boys of the Eugene Y. M. C. A. will hold their annual encampment near Lebanon this year.