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### ELECTRIC THEATERS HAVE CONSOLIDATED

Late last week John Durham sold the Dreamland Theater to N. H. Martin who then proposed a consolidation with Chas. Hall, of the Arcade Theater and a deal was soon consummated, the Arcade equipment being moved into the brick occupied by the Dreamland theater, which gives Messrs Hall & Martin the best equipped moving picture show in the state south of Portland. This was a very wise move on the part of Messrs Hall & Martin as it has been demonstrated that the town will support one good moving picture theater. The consolidated theater will be known as the Arcade. The Leader bespeaks a liberal patronage for the new Arcade and wishes Messrs Hall & Martin success.

Will Move Barber Shop.

Corney Coffman and Bert Willard will move their barber shop from the Schleef building into the building now occupied by Scholl's jewelry store as soon as Mr. Scholl moves into his new quarters in the new Woodward brick. In Mr. Coffman's absence on a hunting trip, Roy Ostrander is wielding the razor and scissors in his place. The many new bricks being provided in this city are bringing about many changes in business locations.

Circuit Court in Session.

Judge Harris opened circuit court yesterday for the transaction of equity business, and a number of pleadings in various cases were taken up and argued.

## BOOZE STOLEN AT SAGINAW

A Correspondent Exposes  
Some Cottage Grove  
Boot Leggers

Saginaw, Ore., Oct. 4, 1909.  
Editors Leader:—One day last week the afternoon passenger train pulled into this station and dropped from the express car two large barrels of bottled whiskey consigned to "D. T., Cottage Grove, Owners Risk." Right here we want to say this is no new innovation on the part of the Grove bootleggers, but is an imposition forced upon defenseless little Saginaw, some of whose citizens are evidently growing weary of this kind of thing from the fact that when the two barrels of booze were left standing on our depot platform for 24 hours and were finally called for the following evening by two well-known Cottage Grove booze fighters in a carriage, just imagine their chagrin when they discovered that the head of one barrel had been knocked in and that all but seven of the seventy-two bottles of "delirium producer" contained therein had been appropriated. Whether the theft was perpetrated by local talent or by hoboes dependent sayeth not, but since no drunks have been reported in our city, the latter are under the strongest suspicion. Now, the question is, what was "D. T." going to do with so much bottled bug juice? Certainly not carry it around in his boot leg or peddle it at the rear of some Grove resort for we are assured that nothing of the sort is permitted up there, so we must conclude that "D. T." was only providing for his own thirst or his regular weekly bath. However, we will state in conclusion that if the Cottage Grove law and order crowd would glean some valuable information concerning the "ways that are evil and schemes that are shady" on the part of some Grove citizens, they should just keep tab on the Saginaw express and freight traffic.

Respectfully, LUMBER JACK.

Shorts \$1.40 a sack at the Flour Mill.

## IMPORTANT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCILMEN

Special Election to Vote More Water Bonds---Occupation License Ordinance Killed---Concrete Sidewalks Ordered---Paving Ordinance.

The city council met in regular monthly session Monday evening and transacted considerable important business. Committees representing the Commercial Club and the Merchant's Protective Association appeared before the council and were recorded a most courteous and respectful hearing, those anticipating a stormy or sensational proceeding being sorely disappointed. The merchants committee headed by H. O. Thompson addressed the council and vigorously protested against the proposed business occupation license, Mr. Thompson giving many reasons why it should not pass. Chas. Burkholder spoke on the same subject and said he could not see why a merchant's goods should be subjected to a special tax and the building in which the goods were stored remain immune to this license system. Councilman Bartels, the father of this ordinance, stated that the council was continually urged to make city improvements, but could not do so without more revenue, and that he had drafted this ordinance, similar to those in effect in many Oregon towns, solely with a view of providing more revenue for street and other improvements. Councilman Dr. Kime stated that had the merchants took the pains to canvas the councilmen they might have ascertained the fact that this ordinance did not stand the slightest chance of being passed, whereupon Councilman Lawson stated that he was also opposed to this license and could see but one thing in its favor while there was many well founded objections to it. Mayor Job said it had been his personal intention to veto this ordinance should it have by accident been passed by the council.

Regarding the complaint on the part of Councilman Bartels that the local newspapers and people were inclined to criticize the council too freely, Mr. Burkholder

stated that as public officials the councilmen were subject to criticism, a privilege the people were inclined to abuse, but on the other hand the councilmen should not be thin-skinned, but resigned to their unenviable position. Without criticism, the routine would become monotonous. Mr. Burkholder said "Cottage Grove is alright, its people are alright and the City Council is alright."

One amusing incident was when Councilman Bartels arose to speak and the Mayor remarked, "John, sit down, you are out of order!" Mr. Bartels very gravely reprimanded the mayor later and insisted that he conform to the aldermanic rules and hereafter address him as "Councilman Bartels," insisting that he would not submit to such familiarity and undignified treatment.

Referring to the paving of Main street it was stated by J. F. Spray that with our present tax levy the city would be free of indebtedness in a few years.

Mayor Job and the councilmen expressed themselves favorable to street paving, providing a good legal ordinance could be drawn and passed. The recorder was then instructed to secure a Portland paving ordinance the copy to conform to Cottage Grove's charter, and present for passage at the next regular meeting. The purchase of a rock crusher and steam roller was freely discussed by the councilmen and citizens present. This investment would incur an expenditure of \$5,000, but will probably be put to a vote of the people for final disposition.

There was a commendable disposition manifested on the part of the merchants, Commercial Club committee and council to cooperate in the upbuilding of the town and the relations manifested were pleasant and business-like. Pull together, seemed to be the slogan.

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## LOOKS GOOD FOR THIS CITY

Change in Freight Runs  
May Make This a  
Division Town

There is a report among railroad men that owing to the new 16-hour law the freight divisions in Western Oregon must be shortened and that there will be three divisions between Portland and Roseburg, instead of two, as at present. The report has it that the first division will be between Portland and Salem, the second between Salem and Eugene, and the third between Eugene and Roseburg, going away with Junction City as a division point.

Under the new law the railroad company is prohibited from working its employees longer than 16 consecutive hours, and it is because of this that the freight trains are very irregular and to place them on the same operating basis as before the rearrangement of divisions will be made.

From the above it will be plainly seen that Cottage Grove stands an excellent chance of becoming a regular Southern Pacific freight division at least since it is already the terminus or division for the Cottage Grove-Portland local passenger train. The company maintains a good modern turntable and large water tank here and has a very large side-track area, great enough to accommodate the longest trains, while there is still plenty of right of way land at hand to accommodate a round house, machine shops and additional side-trackage for the company. Another thing, this being the junction of the O. & S. E. with the S. P. railroad, the round house and repair shops of the former railroad being located here makes Cottage Grove quite an important railroad town and a very desirable junction, located as it is at the extreme southern end of the Willamette valley, only four miles from the mountain divide between this and the Umpqua valley, making this a most convenient station to hold helper engines for the Pass creek canyon hauls. Taking it all together the Leader cannot see, how the Southern Pacific railroad company can overlook Cottage Grove as the proper location for one of its new divisions, in the event it is found necessary to bring about the change announced above.

### CRESWELL'S NEW WEEKLY PAPER

A copy of the Chronicle, Creswell's new paper, came to the Leader's table Friday. It is a newsy, well edited and typographically neat local paper and starts out with a good advertising patronage, nearly as much as is carried by either of Cottage Grove's newspapers. It is a four page, seven column weekly, edited and published by Geo. H. Baxter, late of Coquille City, Oregon. The Chronicle would be a credit to a city much larger than Creswell and the Leader welcomes Editor Baxter to Lane county and wishes the Chronicle success. It is a valuable acquisition to the pretty and flourishing little town of Creswell.

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