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CONGRESS VOTES \$76,000 FOR COQUILLE RIVER WORK

In a Telegram to the Recorder, Congressman W. C. Hawley Announces the Passage by the Lower House of Congress of the Rivers and Harbors Bill

According to a telegram received by the Recorder Wednesday from Congressman Hawley, the Coquille river is one step nearer to a realization of the \$76,000 recommended by the engineers in the River and Harbor bill. This bill passed the house Tuesday carrying the above amount for this river, and now all there is to do yet is for the senate to pass it also. While the senate cut the house bill to pieces badly last fall it is not thought there will be many alterations in this bill, and there is especially no fear that the Coquille river appropriation will be cut down as the amount has been recommended by the engineers, and this is practically certain to carry it through.

We announced in Tuesday's Recorder that Army Engineer C. R. Wright had arrived in Bandon to take charge of the government works here, and now, following immediately upon this announcement, we are informed of the bill passing the house. This will assure uninterrupted work on the jetty and inner harbor until all the money is spent. By that time there will probably be a considerable sum raised by the Port Commission and the Government will duplicate this, so that there is sure to be plenty of harbor work for some time to come.

MUCH BASKET BALL FOR BANDON PEOPLE

Bandon is to have basket ball games this winter and from the indications there will be some high class games pulled off before the season closes. Bandon Maroons is the name of the independent team now in the process of organization and is a collection of the fastest material ever turned out in this part of the state. The new organization of which Victor Breuer is the manager, is putting in two nights a week in practice on the Dreamland floor and the men are fast beginning to show their old form. Games have been planned and are being arranged for with Marshfield, Myrtle Point, Norway and the other towns of the county that support independent teams.

Among the men who have turned out are Harold Quigley, formerly of the Multnomah team of Portland, Ernest Boak, an All-star of past years, Harry McNair, Carl Bowman, Tom Laird, Lentner Gallier, Fred Harvey, Victor Breuer, Ray Watkins and Leslie Sparks, all of whom played from one to four years with the Bandon High School.

Wednesday evening the Bandon High School basket ball quintette won its fifth consecutive victory by defeating the All-Stars, 25 to 12. While it was only a practice game for both teams it showed material strengthening in both of them since their last meeting early in December, especially on the part of the All-Stars. During the first half of the game Coach Quigley played the line-up that he will put up against Coquille Saturday evening in the up-river city, it being the last heavy workout they will have before that game. Windsor is berthed for the center position, Leslie Pullen and George Stoltz will play the forward positions and Schumate and Webb will be the guards. The loss of Ivan Pullen who is the fifth man man Quigley has on the sick list, will be keenly felt but in his place Stoltz is expected to put up a scrappy game. In the game Wednesday evening this combination showed considerable class and while they were in the game one might say that they had the All-Stars over a barrel.

With their advantage in weight and size, the All-Stars would have given the school boys a lively scrap had they been able to shoot the baskets. Breuer at center made the big share of the points for the independents. A light workout on Friday will finish the preparation of the High

School team for the game with Coquille. Both the first and the second teams will play up the river and Coach Quigley has laid his plans to capture both contests. From the way the tickets are selling it is estimated that there will be 150 students and townspeople to accompany the team on the excursion Saturday.

In order to accommodate the crowd the steamer Dispatch has been chartered and will leave Bandon Saturday afternoon at 3:15, sharp and will leave Coquille on the return trip immediately after the game, arriving in Bandon shortly after midnight. The round round trip will be fifty cents.

BRILLIANT SOCIAL DANCE AT DREAMLAND PAVILLION

One of the most brilliant social events that has occurred in Bandon in many years was the invitation ball given last evening at Dreamland Pavilion by Messrs and Mesdame J. Howard Johnston, Thos. M. Nielson and Wm. E. Best.

Invitations were sent out to about 400 guests including a number from North Bend, Marshfield, Coquille, Langlois, and San Francisco. Of this number perhaps 300 were present to enjoy the affair.

The pavilion was beautifully decorated with Oregon greenery, festoons of greenery and flowers being everywhere visible. The guests arrived at nine thirty and dancing commenced at once. The music was furnished by Kausrud's orchestra which is always a sure recommendation that it is first class.

Another feature of the evening was the many beautiful gowns worn by the ladies and many of the men were in full dress, adding beauty and splendor to the occasion.

The Hosts and Hostesses of the evening lost no opportunity to see that everyone present was taken care of and shown a good time. Delightful punch was served throughout the evening.

Owing to the large number of guests invited it would be impossible to give the entire list, but below is a list of the out of town guests:—North Bend: Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Don Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Painter, Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Byler, Mr. and Mrs. Denny Hull, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Mullen, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Wernich.

Marshfield: Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Gettins, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Russell, Mrs. and Mrs. F. V. Catterlin, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sturgis, Miss Evelyn Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bultman, Archie Johnston, Mr. Montgomery.

Coquille: Mr. and Mrs. Ben Curry, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Hanley and family, Langlois: Dr. and Mrs. Pemberton, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Langlois, Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Wetherbie, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Loney, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gallings, San Francisco: Joseph Fyfe, Jr.

SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT AT THE GRAND THEATER

A school entertainment is to be given at the Grand Theater, Monday evening, January 25th. Children from all grades of the High School building will take part. Admission is 15 cts. for children and 25 cts. for adults. The proceeds are to be used to buy equipment for the school. Every one is urged to be present.

The following program will be given: Music—High School Girls Glee Club, Drills—Sunbonnet Babies and Over-all Boys, Trials of Mother Goose—Child's Caprice—Hanging Picture—Dramatized Reading Lesson by Fifth Grade, Drill—Scars, Crow's, Pandora's Box, Duets—As Johnson, Joe Gibson, Music—Orchestra, Dialogue—How Annie Saved Her Skin, Violin Solo—Melford Wealester, Dialogue—The Best Plan

TEACHERS GRANTED ONE YEAR STATE CERTIFICATES

Six of those from Bandon who took the teacher's examination in Coquille during December are to be issued one year certificates, according to the list given out this week by State Superintendent of Public Instruction Churchill, of those who were successful in passing the examination. Marshfield and North Bend each had three successful contestants in the examinations.

Those from Bandon who received certificates are Hattie Teegarden, Edith M. Lowry, Ruth Burkhardt, Lucille L. Marson, Elsie Kinley and J. Frank Burdett. Miss Lera Belloni of Prosper was also successful in the examination.

Besides these there were several who although not receiving certificates, were given exemptions in one or more subjects.

CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERS MATTERS OF INTEREST

More Sewers to be Put In. Usual Grist of Business At Wednesday Night Meet

Bandon is to have more sewer work done at once as the ordinance providing for Sewer District No. 3 was unanimously passed at the council meeting Wednesday. Owing to the urgent need of the sewer being constructed a once the emergency clause was attached to the ordinance so that it is now in full force and effect.

Sewer District No. 3 embraces—Wall street, Baltimore avenue, First street, and others in that immediate vicinity.

Abid from W. H. Webb for \$290 to pair the slide on Baltimore Ave. was received and the same was filed as no definite action was taken at this meeting, it being considered that the work could be done in a more satisfactory manner later on.

J. C. Kendall, assistant city attorney of Marshfield was present and called the council's attention to the claim of Atty. John D. Gos for \$500.00 which remains unpaid. This claim is for service rendered in the institution of suit against the Water Company to annul their franchise.

A petition from A. Haberly was presented asking that he be permitted to replace his old sidewalk on Oregon avenue when that street is graded. Mr. Haberly's walk is said to be in good condition. The matter was discussed, but it seems that under the state law the council has no power to act in a case of this kind but if Mr. Haberly can make arrangements with the contractor, he has that privilege.

A petition to establish a bulk head along the property belonging to John Nielson, Arthur Ellingson, and Mr. Cooper on Second street was presented and the matter was turned over to the city engineer. There will be no objections by the city to the establishing of this bulk head, provided that it is in accordance with the requirements of the city.

The city attorney was instructed to prepare a legal notice to be served on Chas. McCulloch to repair his sidewalk on Fourth street West.

The city attorney reported that the work of draining the city park would be complete in about two days.

C. F. Pape was appointed on the street committee to take the place of Dr. L. P. Sorenson, resigned. Mr. Pape was elected on the council to the place of Dr. Sorenson who resigned some time ago.

New water hydrants have been installed at the Ellingson corner and at Dreamland Pavilion and Councilman Pape reported that the cost was \$61.20 and that the entire amount, except \$1.30 had been collected in. About \$400 was loaned from the general fund to the improvement bond fund, to take care of some bills now due. After the usual grist of bills had been allowed the council adjourned.

WATER WORKS TURNED OVER

City Council Accepts Papers and Transfer of Utility is Duly Accomplished

Final action in taking over the Bandon Water Company's plant was completed at the meeting of the city council Wednesday night when resolutions were passed accepting all papers, chattels, books, etc., of the company. City Attorney Treadgold, after having gone over everything thoroughly.

In the report which was read before the council it was stated that the city had been operating the water system since January first and that the receipts to date were \$607.75 for rents collected and other receipts.

As is known, the purchase price as voted by the people at the June election was \$48,500 and the premium was a little over \$900.

The papers as they were turned over to the city were plastered with revenue stamps to the amount of \$48.50, or one dollar for every thousand dollars worth of stock.

In taking action on the final papers, the council felt that a heavy burden had been lifted from their shoulders as there has been constant worry on the minds of the councilmen since the June election to devise ways and means of taking over the system.

This disposition of bonds has been up-hill business on account of the European war and other causes which have made hard times, but a solution has finally been made, much to the credit of the entire council and the mayor.

With the passing of the water system into the hands of the city, we experience our first venture in municipal ownership and a general good feeling exists among the people of Bandon over the situation and it is felt that a proper solution of the water question has been made and that the system will be a source of revenue to the city, while at the same time, improvements can be made that will be of a lasting nature.

Another move that will be made is the dismissal of the suit which was brought by the city some time ago to annul the franchise of the company, as there is nothing further for litigation, now that the question is amicably settled.

THE DOLLAR INTERESTS BUY LOGGING ROAD

The Robert Dollar interests have purchased the Seeley-Anderson logging road from the J. E. Wheeler interests which purchased the property several weeks ago for \$32,750. The price paid by the Dollar people is not made public. At the time of the first sale the Seeley-Anderson company was heavily in debt.

The Wheeler interests held a first mortgage amounting to about the price they paid later, \$32,750. In addition to this the Robert Dollar company held a second mortgage on the property, amounting to approximately \$187,000.

The sale was held in Coquille and John Gos, appearing for J. E. Wheeler presented the check for the amount and the property passed into the hands of Mr. Wheeler, one of the owners of the Portland Telegram.

In the meantime the Dollar Company continued to operate the logging road, using this means of getting out ties. They were ordered to stop or pay a daily rental of \$50 on the road. The company stopped and E. A. Kelley, a young civil engineer, went there and operated the road for Wheeler's interests for about three weeks.

January 15 was the date the redemption expired and it was immediately after that the Dollar Company made the purchase. R. Stanley Dollar acted as trustee of the company and came here from San Francisco to conduct the sale several weeks ago.

Under the present state of affairs the attorneys declare the title to the Seeley-Anderson logging road has been cleared up to a great extent and the Dollar people will immediately commence again their operation of the road.

HITE CASE CONTINUED OVER TO APRIL TERM

The case of Wm. Hite vs. the city of Bandon has been continued till the April term of court. This case was brought by Mr. Hite to compel the city to take some action toward draining his property in West Bandon generally known as the Hite pond. Mr. Hite formerly had ditch draining this property eastward through Azalea Park, but the ditch has been filled up and Mr. Hite claims that the city is responsible for the closing up of the ditch and thus flooding his property every winter, and asks damages, or that the city shall take care of the water so that it will not stand on the property.

The pond is considerable of a nuisance and property owners in that section of the city are anxious that some action be taken to get rid of the water as it is a menace to the public health, and it is feared, may be the means of causing sickness.

ORGANIZE IN THE NAME OF CHARITY

Bandon Philanthropists Organize Under the Name of Associated City Charities

Bandon now has a regularly organized Association of Charities, the first meeting being held in the city hall Tuesday night and was called to order by Mayor Geo. P. Topping. Delegates from various religious, benevolent, charitable and social organizations of the city were present.

There is one fortunate fact about Bandon and that is there are very few objects of charity in or about the city, but the organization was completed so that those few might have attention and be prepared for possible needs as the city grows larger. Mrs. E. B. Kausrud was elected secretary of the meeting Tuesday and upon taking notation of those present it was found that delegates were in attendance as follows:

From the Brethren church—L. B. Overholser, K. P. Lodge—Ray McNair, Masonic Lodge—W. A. LaGore, Pythian Sisters—Mrs. Anna Barrows.

Presbyterian Church—A. McNair, Odd Fellows Lodge—O. A. Trowbridge, M. E. Church—W. B. Smith, Moose Lodge—D. M. Averill, Women of Woodcraft—Mrs. Anna Barrows.

Modern Woodmen—W. H. Webb, Woodmen of the World—Fred Colgrove, Church of Latter Day Saints—F. J. Chaburn, Sensitive Circle—Mrs. E. Lewin, City at Large—H. W. Coats, Mrs. E. B. Kausrud.

Baptist Church—Mrs. Elbert Dyer. Other delegates chosen were Mrs. Ella Nelson, Miss Kate Rosa, John Dickey and Mrs. Macey. On motion duly made and carried a resolution was unanimously adopted that the association be known as Associated Charities of Bandon, and that the organization be made permanent.

Geo. P. Topping was then elected president of the meeting and A. McNair was elected secretary and treasurer. On motion of F. J. Chaburn, it was unanimously voted that a committee of six be appointed by the chair, three from the East Side and three from the West Side, Oregon avenue being the dividing line, said committee to be known as the Executive Committee of the Associated Charities such committee to have power to solicit and disburse aid and assistance to the needy. Also to appoint sub-committees from the various organizations represented and who may become members. Such committee to have full power to do whatever they consider necessary and to be authorized to solicit the cooperation and interest of all organizations and societies, said committee to serve for at least three months the president of the association to be ex-officio a member of the committee. Members were appointed as follows:

East Side—Rev. C. Mayne Knight, Rev. F. J. Chaburn, Mrs. Anna Barrows, West Side—Rev. W. B. Smith, Mrs. Charles Langlois, H. W. Coats.

CURRY COUNTY ROAD, WINNER

Judge Coke Untangles Legal Web and Frees Money For Highway Work

Following the decision of Judge Coke, handed down Wednesday in the adjourned session of the circuit court the road leading from Bandon to Curry county will be improved.

Two years ago the road district voted a ten mill tax levy for the improvement of the road down the coast but did not specify definitely where the money was to be spent. At that time it was the general impression that the money was to be spent on the main road, but the property owners along the Two Mile road, a branch of the main road, contended that the entire sum was to be spent on the branch, or what might be called the new road down the coast. To settle this controversy it was necessary to call a special election, at which the voters decided to expend two of the ten mills on the Two Mile road. Feeling over the matter was running high at the time and immediately after the second election R. H. Rosa instituted proceedings questioning the validity of the second vote and secured an injunction against the procedure of the work.

Coming close on the action of Mr. Rosa, and in a way, a counter action, Fred N. Perkins started proceedings to annul the second election and secure all the money for the construction of the Two Mile road. This brought three separate parties into the suit, the supporters of the main road, those of the Two Mile road and the road district. Sheriff W. W. Gage was made the defendant, representing the road district, being the collector of taxes.

The injunction secured by Mr. Rosa on the contention that the tax was illegal, was dissolved. Still, unable to get action on the proposition, several attempts were made to secure a compromise settlement out of court, all of which failed.

In giving his decision on the action Judge Coke held that the first election, levying the tax, was entirely legal, and he also held that the people were within their rights in holding the second election to determine where the money should be spent, declaring that the people had created the fund they certainly had the right to say where it should be spent.

As the matter now stands the Two Mile road will receive two mills for its improvement and the remaining eight mills will be expended on the new or Township Line road. The Township Line road is a straightening of the old county road between Bandon and Curry county now in use, which was laid out on the "cow path" style and is known as one of the worst roads in this part of the county although it is the main artery of travel to the south. The new road will cut off about three miles of the distance between here and Langlois.

Now that the matter has been settled in the courts, no time will be lost in getting action on the money. Bids will be called for a tonce and it is expected that the contract will be let by March 1 and that work will commence as soon as thereafter possible. The amount available is a little over \$8,000 and while that will not build any permanent road to the Curry county line, yet it will materially help in putting the road in better condition than it ever has been before.

On motion of W. B. Smith it was voted that a request be made to the public to report all needy cases and all persons seeking aid should apply to the association, and that all persons wishing to contribute food or clothing be requested to notify the secretary or executive committee.

The president then called a meeting of the executive committee at his office at 4 o'clock P. M., Thursday, January 21.

After interesting talks from various delegates present and suggestions for plan of work and general discussion the meeting adjourned.