

Council Action Gives Final OK to South A Construction

Bypass Work to Start Late This Summer

Approval of a municipal budget of \$26,000 Thursday night paved the way for the big South A bypass program through the city of Springfield. The sum was last bit of necessary preparation for the city's share of the highway expense.

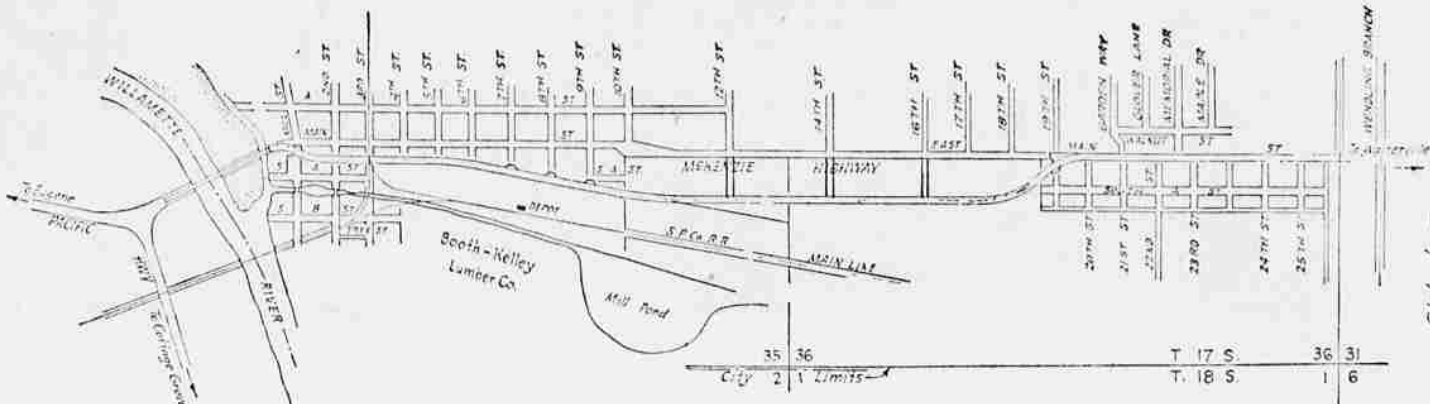
Designed to take the heavy load of traffic off Main St. and provide an easier route through the city, the project will consist of 28 blocks of modern construction at a cost of \$372,000. Included in this is \$340,000 for street construction and \$32,000 for traffic signals.

THE ROUTE will begin at the northern end of the Willamette River, go along what would be South A St., and come back to Main St. at 19th St. From 19th St. to the city limits, two blocks of the Wendling branch line of Southern Pacific, Main St. will be resurfaced.

There will be access to the improved street from all existing streets. Tentative plans, subject to revision, call for "stop and go" lights on Main St. at Mill, 5th, 7th, 9th and 14th Sts., and on South A St. at 2nd, 5th, 7th, 10th and 14th Sts.

THE RAILROAD grade crossing of South A St. at 3rd St. will be protected by automatic flash-light grade crossing signals. There will be traffic separator islands and light traffic control at the two junctions of South A and Main St. at 2nd St. and 19th St.

Once the new bypass is in operation, a two-way traffic plan will be inaugurated—traffic east on Main St. and west on the new South A St.



CONSTRUCTION of a modern highway through the city of Springfield will start late this summer, according to latest reports from the State Highway Department. With modern widths, drainage, light control and surfacing, the bypass will take eastbound traffic off Main St., thereby

allowing easier passage through town and better maneuverability within the business district. Total cost of the project will be less than \$372,000. Bids will be called in July.

(Willamette Engraving)

Width of South A St. will be 40 ft. with a 10 foot strip on each side from Mill St. to 19th. Main St. from Mill to 19th will remain the same as now, but will be widened to 42 feet after South A joins it at 19th.

AN ASPHALTIC concrete surface will be placed on the new road sections, with concrete curb and gutter on South A to 19th. On Main St. from 19th to the city limits, drainage will be provided by a small ditch.

The State Highway Department will call for bids during June and open them at the July meet-

ing of the commission. Construction will start immediately after that with completion possible early next summer.

FOR BETTER SPELLING

HARTFORD, Conn.—(U.P.)—Trinity College has a special course to teach students how to spell. Acting President Arthur B. Hughes reported that elementary schools aren't teaching spelling adequately because pupils learn to read words as a whole, instead of by syllables. He said, "It makes fast readers but horrible spellers."

Say Chlorophyll Pastes Aid Care of Teeth

NEW YORK—(U.P.)—Dental Manufacturers claim that the new and different types of toothpaste make it easier for people to keep their teeth in good shape.

One of the latest steps in the field of dentifrices was taken this year with the marketing of chlorophyll toothpaste. One manufacturer went even farther. He took an ammoniated toothpaste, added chlorophyll and not only came up with action against odors and decay but developed the formula so that it wouldn't stain clothing, towels or brushes.

Dentists recommend four distinct steps in brushing teeth. The toothpaste should cover the full length of the bristles; the teeth should be brushed in up-and-down strokes; rinsing should be thorough; and the brush should be washed off in warm water. Hot water loosens the bristles.

LAWN CANNON HIJACKED

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—(U.P.)—Police were called into an unusual case. Someone had stolen an ornamental cannon from the lawn of an irate resident.

Grade School Effort Beats High School

NOWATA, Okla.—(U.P.)—A poster by a fourth grader, Harold Smart, on conservation was good enough to win first place in high school competition but it didn't fare so well when it got back in the bracket where it belonged.

The embarrassed judges explained Harold's poster was placed among high school entries by mistake and won first prize before the error was discovered. When judged against lower grade competition, it came in second.

Timber Access Roads Proposed

House Approves Highway Aid Bill

WASHINGTON—(Special)—Congress began clearing a legislative right-of-way this week for government-built timber access roads during the years ahead.

The House passed a federal highway aid bill Wednesday containing authorization for 1954 and 1955 of:

- \$12 million for timber and mineral access roads on public lands, of which approximately \$8 million is for timber roads.
- \$19,250,000 for forest development roads and trails, some of which would be access roads.

The Senate Public Works Committee at the same time approved a similar bill which authorizes \$22,500,000 for forest roads and trails, of which at least \$5 million is to be earmarked for timber access roads.

Both measures are separate versions of the same legislation which Congress enacts bi-annually to aid the states in highway construction. A compromise of the differences will be worked out after the Senate acts on its version. Amounts listed in the bills are the maximum amounts for which appropriations can be made by Congress to implement the road program.

Inclusion of strictly access road authorization in the highway aid bill is an innovation which Rep. Russell V. Mack (R-Wash.) and Harris Ellsworth (R-Ore.) heralded upon House approval. Mack is a member of the House committee that drafted the bill.

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CORRECTION

In an account of last Wednesday night's Eugene Municipal Court session the Register-Guard made an error in fact. Jerry Reed McVay, 10 McDonald Lane, pleaded guilty to driving while his license was revoked. A \$100 fine was levied, and when McVay said he could not pay it immediately, Judge John L. Barber Jr. indicated McVay would have to go to jail. However, after the session, arrangements were made for payments in installments and the young man was freed, contrary to the earlier account.

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