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SPRINGFIELD IS ORGANIZING FOR RED CROSS WEEK

General Chairman Has Been Selected; Committees Announced Later.

EVERYBODY CAN HELP

It is a Patriotic Duty for Every Man, Woman, and Child to Do His Bit in This Crisis.

At a meeting of the Red Cross held in the public library Monday evening steps were taken for an organization for raising Springfield's quota of \$4,000 of the \$100,000,000 fund, which is to be raised next week. The operations of the Red Cross and purposes for which this huge sum will be used was explained by Earl Kilpatrick and F. L. Chambers of Eugene.

At this meeting a committee composed of Rev. C. H. Jensen, J. C. Holbrook, and C. E. Swartz, was appointed to secure a general chairman for the campaign. At a later hour this committee reported that they had secured the consent of Professor R. L. Kirk to head the organization. Mr. Kirk left on Tuesday for Seattle and on his return Friday, the other members of the organization will be announced.

Next week is Red Cross week. It will begin Monday, June 18th, and continue for six days, through June the 25th. You know what the Red Cross week is. It was especially proclaimed by the President of the United States as a period in which the nation will devote itself to raising \$100,000,000 for the comfort and relief of the country's fighting men, the sick and wounded, as well as dependent families of enlisted men and destitute non-combatants.

Of this total, Lane county has been pledged to give \$19,000. Springfield is assigned \$4,000. It is a country-wide opportunity to serve. Some members of this community can give much; all members of the community can give something. President Wilson has called upon a generous and prosperous nation. Lane county is responsible for the share of \$19,000 apportioned to it. Will Lane county fail in its responsibility?

The Red Cross is not simply a women's organization, or a nurses' or a doctors'. It is the third branch of the service. It is the official agency of relief and the only official agency. What help and what succor you offer must be offered through the Red Cross. You can offer it in no other way. It is through the Red Cross that President Wilson has asked that \$100,000,000 be given by the people of the United States next week.

Units of the American Red Cross are rapidly multiplying among the 1,600 towns and communities of Oregon. You do a patriotic service by simply joining. But whether you are a member or not, you are not curtailed in your privilege of contributing towards your community's share of the war fund. In this community there is a committee of men. They are men whom you know and respect. Some day next week one of these men will call on you and further explain the tremendous significance of this week especially proclaimed by the President of the United States for a service that we all can do. By the time your committee calls you will know what amount you can give. It is not necessary that all be given at once.

The War Council in a letter to H. W. Davis, chairman of the Lane county Red Cross, says in part:

"Patriotism on the part of those who are permitted to remain at home is just as essential to the ultimate success of our army and navy as the courage and valor we expect from our boys on foreign soil three thousand miles away. They have the same right to demand sacrifice and service at home as we have to expect it from them at the front."

George H. Kelly, of Portland, who has offered his services to see that the work is thoroughly organized and carried forward to completion in Lane county, arrived in Eugene yesterday and is now visiting the several auxiliaries in the county. It is expected that Mr. Kelly will come to Spring-

field tomorrow morning to confer with the committee here and help perfect the organization at this place.

VERDICT FOR DEFENDANTS

E. S. Smith Is Not Entitled to Recover Commission

A verdict was rendered in favor of the defendants in the case of E. S. Smith vs. Cherry, Walnut, and Asparagus company. This was an action to recover alleged commission due the plaintiff. Smith had been asked by the company to obtain a loan of \$10,000. He was unable to secure \$10,000 but offered \$5,000 which the defendants refused to accept because it was not the required amount. They secured the \$10,000 of other parties. Smith immediately brought suit for commission on the \$5,000 and expenses paid out. The verdict of the jury was that Smith was not entitled to recover commission on the \$5,000 because the company wanted \$10,000, and the company could get the full amount elsewhere.

Geo. A. Dorris of near this city is a member of the Cherry, Walnut and Asparagus company.

Boys And Girls Will Get Prizes

Pig and Chicken Clubs Will Be Featured At the Lane County Fair This Fall.

Boys and girls will have a prominent part in the Lane county fair this fall. There will be a number of special prizes offered to them. The Radiums Drum corps will furnish music each day and the Boy Scouts of America will assist as ushers in the grand stand, errand boys and otherwise as may be needed. If proper arrangements can be made.

At a meeting of the executive committee, Tuesday evening it was decided to increase the number of prizes offered for the products of boys and girls. The members of the Lane county Boys' and Girls' Pig clubs will be given special prizes of \$4 for the best and \$3 for the second best sow and litter of pigs; for the best weaned pig not over six months old, \$3 second best, \$2 only Berkshire, Poland China, O. I. C., Duroc-Jersey and Hampshire pigs will be considered. This is open to any boy or girl in Lane county who may join one of the clubs.

Six prizes will be given to boys and girls who raise chickens under the chamber of commerce plan. The prizes will be \$1.75, \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1.00, 75c and 50c. Four prizes of \$1.75, \$1.50, \$1.25 and \$1.00, will be given to members of the Lane County Girls' Chicken clubs.

TEACHERS ARE ELECTED

School Board Meets and Awards Contract for Wood.

At the regular monthly meeting of the school board Monday evening teachers were hired and bids were accepted for next year's wood supply. The contracts were let to James Laxton for 75 cords of slab wood, at \$2.75 a cord and to W. C. Myers for 40 cord of maple at \$4.00 cord. Three teachers were hired to fill vacancies. Miss Jane Lindsey of Hebron, Nebraska was elected as head of the English department of the high school which position Miss Effie Rhodes has held for the past three years. Miss Ariene Bennett of Klamath Falls will have the second grade and Mrs. Nellie Loughlin of Monmouth will fill the place made vacant by Mrs. Gladys Smith.

Springfield People Buy Bonds.

People are showing their patriotism in Springfield as in every other town by buying the Liberty bonds. What the nation needs is a strong financial army as well as a strong fighting army. At the Commercial state bank bonds have been sold to the amount of \$4000, \$2000 being the largest individual subscription. At the First National bank the total amount to date is \$8,500, the largest being the one of \$7,000 pledged by the bank itself. Outside of this the largest individual pledge was \$200.

Barbers Consolidate.

John Innis and C. E. Wheaton, local barbers have formed a partnership and are now doing business in the Peery Winzenreid building. Mr. Innis has at different times for the last six years been in business in the building just west of Cliff's cafe. Mr. Wheaton has also been in business in Springfield for several years and is well known here.

SONS OF GOVERNORS TRAIN IN SOUTH



Left to right are: Charles M. Brown, son of former governor of Georgia; Hugh M. Comer, son of former governor of Alabama; S. J. Catts, son of the governor of Florida, and Dan Fowle, son of former governor of North Carolina. They are all training at the officers' camp at Fort McPherson, Ga.

PLANS ARE MADE FOR CLEAN-UP DAYS

Ordinance Prohibiting Cows On Streets Is to Be Enforced in Future.

At the regular monthly business meeting of the city council Monday evening all members including Mayor Morrison were present.

Street Commissioner Edwards reported that Mill street and Second street had been fixed.

R. L. Shultz of Stewart Addition and H. C. Bird both applied for permits to keep swine. The former was granted but the latter was refused on account of the nearness to dwellings.

June 19th and 20th were set aside as city cleanup days, and the matter was placed in the hands of M. M. Peery to perfect arrangements.

Night marshal James was granted two weeks leave of absence. It was also voted to place a light in the alley at the rear of the Post office.

Altho for some time there has been an ordinance prohibiting people to tie cows so that they can in any way get to the street or side walk, it has not been rigidly enforced. The marshal has been instructed to enforce the ordinance strictly hereafter.

DIES AT LOCAL HOSPITAL

Mrs. Nettie Johnson Passes Away After Three Years Suffering.

Mrs. Nettie Johnson, wife of John Johnson of Coburg Bridge, passed away at the local hospital this morning at 2 a. m. Mrs. Johnson has been ill for about three years with general rheumatic affection. About a month ago she was brought to the local hospital. Deceased was 53 years of age.

Services will be held at the Branstetter and McLaughlin chapel in Eugene at two o'clock Friday afternoon. Interment will be made in Gillespie Cemetery.

Dr. Parkinson of the Methodist church of Eugene will have charge of the services.

Thurston to Get New Bridge.

Owing to the fact that there is such a great quantity of hay being cut in the vicinity of Thurston, which they will be unable to haul out, a delegation of people from that place petitioned the county court Tuesday to construct a bridge over the second branch of the McKenzie river on the running north from Thurston. The county court told them unless there is some unexpected outlay for bridges now in use they would be able to build the bridge wanted for this fall.

TREASURER AGREED UPON

O. B. Kessey for the City and D. S. Beals for the School Board.

A meeting was called Tuesday evening for the purpose of filling the vacancy in the office of City Treasurer and of Treasurer of the School Board made vacant by the resignation by A. P. McKinzie. At which time O. B. Kessey of the Commercial State bank was appointed Treasurer for the city and D. S. Beals for the School board.

A committee from the school board and a committee from the council met with the members of the banks and effected an agreement whereby the banks agreed to act for the city and that a similar change be made each year.

This agreement cannot be carried out unless it is the desire of the people, as each treasurer is elected by popular vote, but as the banks are open every day it will be an accommodation to the people. There should be no reason why the voters would not be willing to ratify this arrangement at the polls.

Contract Let For Dormitory

Portland Firm Will Build Structures for Women at the University of Oregon.

C. Van Patton & Son, of Salem, were awarded the general contract for construction of the new Women's dormitory for the University of Oregon at a meeting of the board of regents yesterday afternoon. Theodore Barr, of Salem, was given the contract for the heating and Sturgis & Sturgis of Portland the contract for the plumbing, including the large bath equipment. The contracts were authorized by the board yesterday and will be signed very soon.

The total cost of the new dormitory including the building proper and all plumbing, heating and similar finishings, will be \$47,533.48, or slightly less than the \$50,000, appropriated by the last legislature for the structure. The architects fee will be \$2,376.65, or five per cent. The building is expected to be ready for use by the first of next year.

In the plan for the new dormitory, a combination of the unit and corridor type has been involved, which is a novelty in structures of this kind and is expected to make one of the most convenient and attractive dormitories of any university in the country. The building will be of brick exterior, with frame interior, but its arrangement is such that it may be regarded as practically free from fire risk, whatsoever.

MORRISON WINS IN COURT

Potato Dealer Cleared of Charges Made Against Him By Latham.

In the case of Latham vs. Morrison which has been on trial for about four days in the circuit court in Eugene, E. E. Morrison was cleared of the charges made against him. Latham who lives on a farm near Coburg sued Morrison for damages amounting to \$1990 because of alleged inferior quality of seed potatoes sold him by Morrison. Latham states that there were not enough potatoes to dig on account of the inferior seed. The court asked three questions, "whether or not the seed was fit to plant when Morrison sold and delivered it; did the seed spoil in Latham's possession, and did Latham and Morrison have a settlement," all of which were decided in Morrison's favor. The verdict was rendered Tuesday evening.

Two More Boys Enlist.

Mrs. R. H. Reed of Stewart's addition received word Saturday morning that her son, Forest Reed, who left here for Pendleton about two weeks ago, had enlisted in the navy in Potland.

Word received by Herbert Walker states that Jules V. Woolley, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Woolley of east Main street has enlisted in the regular army and is now in training at Fort McDowell, San Francisco.

Children's Day at M. E. Church

Children's Day will be celebrated at the M. E. church Sunday evening with a Children's Day program. The ladies in charge of the program have been spending much time in training the children and a good program is assured every one who comes.

ARMY NEEDS MEN OF MANY TRADES FOR SPECIAL WORK

Chauffeurs, Cooks, Blacksmiths Are in Great Demand for Military Service.

NAVY ALSO NEEDS MEN

Machinists, Firemen, Plumbers, Electricians and Many Other Positions Open to Patriots.

Men of practically every trade will find abundant opportunity to pursue their favorite callings in the military and naval forces of the country at present existing as well as in those yet to be organized. Striving after the efficiency which must be attained in as short a time as possible, army, navy and marine officers are assigning recruits to those branches of the service where any special knowledge they possess will be valuable.

In the army as well as in the navy practically every vocation from engineering and medicine to baking and tailoring will be represented. When the army draft is in force the need for men of all trades will be unlimited. At the present time the different branches of the service have the necessary quota of certain tradesmen, and no more are being taken. Other tradesmen, however, are still in demand, even for the forces already organized.

Because the duties of the engineering corps are more varied than those of other branches of the service there is a greater demand there for skilled workmen. The volunteer engineering recruits which are soon to get away for the front are almost recruited up to their full strength, but there is yet a chance for cooks, chauffeurs, automobile mechanics, longshoremen and plain pick and shovel men.

What Men Are Most Needed.

The engineering corps of the regular army is also in need of skilled workers. The adjutant general's office has sent orders to recruiting stations to enlist as many of the following workers as possible: Blacksmiths, blasters and powder men, cabinetmakers, wooden boat makers, bridge, house and ship carpenters, clerks, cooks, divers, drafts men, drillers, teamsters, electricians, engine men, chauffeurs, farmers, firemen, masons, mine foremen, concrete foremen, painters, railroad construction men, glaziers, horseshoers, lithographers, machinists, oarsmen, skilled boatmen, mule packers, photographers, pipefitters, plumbers, riggers, riveters, harness makers, shoemakers, store-room keepers, surveyors, transit men, tinmiths and students of engineering.

The quartermaster's corps is in need of chauffeurs, bakers, bookkeepers, stenographers and typewriters. The need of bakers is especially great. A committee of motor truck owners and experts is striving to enlist 1,500 skilled motor truck drivers for the quartermaster enlisted reserve corps. They will be used to man forty truck trains. Applicants are recruited, given a technical examination, a physical examination by the army surgeon and finally enlisted. Those who have driven pleasure cars as well as motor trucks for at least a year and who understand the mechanism of motor and transmission have little difficulty in passing the examination.

General Call For Cooks.

In every branch of the service there is a crying demand for cooks. All fighting forces must have good cooks, but the men of this trade are not responding in as great numbers as the recruiting officers would like. The navy and marine corps are as anxious to get good cooks as the army. Cooks will have no trouble in finding work to do in the country's military service.

Men skilled as mechanics, electricians, wiremen, cablemen and telegraph, telephone and wireless operators, photographers, chauffeurs and aeronautical experts are needed in the signal corps. A part of the function of the signal corps is the installation and operation of wireless stations, telephone systems and telegraph and cable lines at all points where the army is operating. The aviation section is also a part of the signal corps.

The Navy's Requirements.

At the navy publicity bureau it was said that the principal need of the navy is for electricians, machinists, firemen and cooks. Bakers, musicians, yeoman, carpenters, coopersmiths, pattern makers, plumbers and fitters can also find employment in the navy. The marine corps is enlisting electricians, machinists, aviation mechanics, chauffeurs, civil engineers and searchlight operators.

Both the army and the navy offer an excellent opportunity for barbers and

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