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## SPRINGFIELD RED CROSS AUXILIARY MAKING SUPPLIES

Many Hospital Supplies and Surgical Dressings Have Already Been Made

### MEETINGS HELD TUESDAYS

The Call for Volunteer Workers to Assist is Now Very Urgent

Twenty five ladies were present at the meeting of the Springfield auxiliary of the Red Cross surgical dressings sewing and knitting classes, Tuesday afternoon at the domestic art room of the Lincoln school building.

The ladies very busily engage in making surgeon's operating caps, to be worn by the Red Cross surgeons while on duty at the Red Cross hospital operating rooms, surgical dressings made of gauze used by the surgeons in dressing wounds, hospital shirts to be worn by the wounded soldiers in the hospital and knitting socks for the soldiers.

The ladies wear the regulation costumes of white with white head coverings for sanitary reasons and work on tables covered with oil cloth where the gauze surgical dressings are folded and made.

The ladies making the hospital supplies wear white or light wash dresses while in the work room and those knitting wear light wash dresses or aprons. All articles must be made at the work room except knitted socks which may be made at the homes.

The domestic art room where the work is carried on is very large with plenty of windows for light and ventilation and makes an ideal work room. The Springfield auxiliary has made the following articles to date:

- Surgical Dressings
- 4 dozen compresses.
- 2 dozen 12x12 laparotomy pads.
- 3 dozen 6x6 laparotomy pads.
- 8 dozen 4x4 sponges or wipes.
- 2 dozen T bandages.
- 1 1/2 dozen abdominal binders.
- 1 1/2 dozen slings.

These articles are all made of anti-septic gauze.

- Hospital Supplies
- 5 dozen towels.
- 1 dozen operating gowns.
- 1/2 dozen hospital bed shirts.
- 9 dozen wash cloths.
- 14 pairs socks.
- 4 pairs bed socks.

All materials for the articles are furnished and cut at the headquarters in Eugene and sent out to the different auxiliaries to be made up. When finished they are returned to headquarters, where they are all put up in packages of one dozen each, labeled and packed in specially made boxes of uniform size. The boxes are lined with water proof paper. A number of these boxes are packed with surgical dressings including bandages, compresses, drains, laparotomy pads, sponges and rolls. Hospital supplies finished ready for shipment include bed shirts, flannel kimono coats and shoulder wraps, pajamas, towels, tray cloths, napkins, wash cloths, hot water bottle covers and bed socks. Surgeons operating gowns, leggings and caps. Knitted socks, sweaters, wristlets and head coverings. These articles are all packed and awaiting orders for shipment.

The Eugene chapter, headquarters of the Lane county Red Cross occupies the large room in the Elk's building on West Seventh street, Eugene. This is certainly a busy place. Every day of the week, except Sunday, the tables are filled by volunteer workers, the auxiliaries from the different churches and clubs, making the Red Cross supplies, with specially appointed instructors to oversee the work and to instruct classes consisting of represen-

## OFFICIALS MUCH PLEASED

County Road Work Progressing at Rate of 96 Yards Daily

Judge Malone and commissioners Jolly and Herron, of the Benton county court came to Springfield Monday and together with the members of the Lane county court inspected the work which is being done on the county road between Springfield and Hayden bridge. The party witnessed the working of the new caterpillar engine and the trucks which the county recently purchased.

When everything is in good running order 96 yards of rock are hauled every day. The work which was started at the railroad track near the Margaret Morris ranch has been completed as far as the Robert Vitus farm. Crushed rock for the work is being furnished by the Springfield Sand and Gravel company.

The party also visited the work in progress on the Pacific highway near Divide. The county court and the state are improving a two and a quarter mile stretch of road at that place. The Benton county officials are thinking of purchasing a caterpillar engine such as Lane county recently purchased.

## Soldiers Will Now Patrol the Forests

Men of Third Oregon Are Being Stationed Adjacent to Springfield

Members of a detachment from the 3d Oregon infantry are doing duty in the forests "somewhere in Lane county," having arrived from the north on Sunday and established headquarters at the armory in Eugene. The men are members of the machine gun company, but the machine guns were not brought along, the men using the rifles instead. They are traveling on motorcycles, each attached to a side car, two soldiers riding on each machine. As soon as they established their headquarters at the armory the different men were assigned to their stations in the timber adjacent to Springfield and are now doing patrol work. One small detachment pitched camp at Hayden bridge on the McKenzie river, a few miles northeast of Springfield, Sunday night and operated from there as a base, presumably sending men to the timber on the upper Mohawk river.

The members of the detachment maintain strict silence as to their orders, but one stated that between 600 or 700 men of the 3d Oregon have been assigned to this part of the state and many of them have passed through Springfield to the upper Willamette valley.

## FIRE FIGHTING IS COSTLY

Judd Skinner, of Booth-Kelly Co., Says Situation is About Same

Judd Skinner, fire warden of the Booth-Kelly Lumber company, said Tuesday that the fire situation in the timber of his company is about the same as it has been for some time past. The fires in the company timber have all been kept under control and the company has lost no green timber in this way this summer.

"It takes a wind to spread these fires to any extent," said Mr. Skinner "and as long as there is only a slight breeze, there is practically no danger. But it takes a lot of expense to maintain the crews that we have watching the fires. The men all demand the highest wages and it is necessary to maintain a crew at each fire in order to prevent their spread."

## Farmers Take Advantage of Loan

Lane county farmers have taken out \$3700 in state farm loans under the recent law enacted by the legislature. Each of the 36 counties of the state were allotted \$6000, with the exception of Marion and Yamhill, both of which received larger amounts. A number of the counties have received no requests for loans from the amount allotted the county.

## DOCTOR RECEIVES ORDERS TO REPORT

Local Physician Will Enter Service With Rank of First Lieutenant

Dr. Eugene Kester, of this city will leave Sunday for Fort Russell, near Cheyenne, Wyoming where he has been ordered to report for service with the United States Medical Reserve Corps. Dr. Kester will enter the service with the rank of First Lieutenant. He is a graduate of the College of Physicians and Surgeons in San Francisco and in addition to this he has taken a post graduate course in the medical colleges of Berlin, Germany and London, England.

Dr. and Mrs. Kester came to Springfield about four years ago and since that time Dr. Kester has practiced medicine in this city. Before coming to Springfield he was a practicing physician in Portland. Dr. Kester is a son of Mr. and Mrs. N. Kester, of this city. He returned from Portland last night where he had been to make arrangements for getting his uniform.

They will ship their household goods to Wyoming and Mrs. Kester will accompany the doctor, making her home in that state for the present. As yet it has not been definitely decided who will take up Dr. Kester's practice here but it will be announced later.

## WEDDING IS KEPT SECRET

Springfield Girl Married Portland Man Over One Month Ago

Word was received today of the marriage of Miss Marion Harper to Orville Hamlin, of Portland, on July 12, 1917. The news came as a surprise to the bride's many friends because Mrs. Hamlin left Springfield last week and had informed no one of the ceremony of last month.

Mrs. Hamlin was for several years a teacher in the Springfield schools but for the past four years she had taught at the Geary school in Eugene. She has many friends in both Springfield and Eugene.

Mrs. Hamlin left Springfield last week for Portland with her mother Mrs. J. H. Harper, who will spend the winter with another daughter, Mrs. Whitbeck. The friends of Mrs. Hamlin say they think she will continue teaching in the Eugene schools this term as she had intended to do so.

## Aged Lady Passes Away Sunday

Mrs. Mary Evans, 93 years of Age Dies at Home of Daughter, Mrs. Henry Wagner

Mrs. Mary Evans, 93 years of age, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry Wagner, near Hayden Bridge last Sunday. Mrs. Evans was born in New York state in 1824. In New York she married Isaac Lynn and by this marriage she had nine children, five of whom survive her. Later, after her husband's death Mrs. Evans came to Iowa, where she married William Evans. Fifteen years ago they came to Oakdale, Washington where Mr. Evans died. Upon his death, she came to Oregon and has since lived with her children here.

Mrs. Evans is survived by her two daughters, Mrs. Ida McBee, and Mrs. Henry Wagner, and three sons, Jesse, Frank, and Henry Lynn. She has fourteen grandchildren and about the same number of great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held from the Branstetter and McLaughlin chapel in Eugene, after which the body was taken to Oakdale, Washington where interment was made. Mr. Wagner accompanied the body of his mother-in-law to Washington.

## COMMERCIAL INSTRUCTOR MARRIES

Couple Will Be at Home to Many Friends at New Home in Eugene

The wedding of Nora J. Sorenson, of this city, and Willard S. Plank, of Eugene, in the study of the Baptist church in Eugene Saturday evening, came as a surprise to the many friends of the couple.

Mrs. Plank has lived in Springfield for a number of years having taught in the commercial department of Springfield high school the past year. She also taught in the high school for three years several years ago. She will continue to teach in the local high school this winter.

After September 10, Mr. and Mrs. Plank will be at home to their friends at 511 Eighth Ave. East, in Eugene. Mrs. Plank's mother, Mrs. Christine Sorenson will live with them. Their home in this city has been rented to N. A. Baker and family of Monmouth. Mr. Baker will be principal at the Lincoln school building this winter.

## ENGAGE IN MEAT BUSINESS

J. E. Stewart and Art Sumers Will Operate Eugene Shop

J. E. Stewart of this city, and Art Sumers, of Eugene, have rented the Washington street market in Eugene and will open the shop for business on September 1. Mr. Stewart is well known in Springfield having lived here all of his life. He has been connected with the meat and cattle business for the past 20 years, having owned butcher shops in Springfield at different times during that period.

The market which is now known as the Safley and Nickum meat market was owned and operated by Mr. Stewart for a year and one-half, until about seven months ago when he sold to the present owners. During the time that Mr. Stewart owned the shop Mr. Sumers had charge of the shop and Mr. Stewart looked after the outside work.

In the new shop Mr. Sumers will have charge of the market while Mr. Stewart will buy cattle and do the butchering.

## Go on Fishing Trip

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. McBee and daughter, Alice, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McBee and daughter, Myrtle, Mrs. W. C. Campbell, and Mrs. E. W. Collins left this morning for a few days fishing trip up the Willamette.

## Conservation of Seed Is Plan

County Agent Robb Will Cooperate With U. S. Department of Agriculture

The seed marketing section of the bureau of markets of the United States department of agriculture is working in cooperation with the county agents throughout the country to handle the seed marketing proposition, according to N. S. Robb, Lane county agricultural agent.

The bureau has requested the county agents to obtain the names and addresses of all farmers who regularly grow any kind of crop adapted to seed purposes.

Particular attention is given to those who make a specialty of growing pure varieties of cereals, legumes and grasses, says Mr. Robb. It is desired to have a list at an early date so that an active campaign for seed conservation may be under way by the time the crops are harvested.

Mr. Robb says that already inquiry for seed has been made at his office. The farmers seem to particularly desire quantities of gray winter oats and winter rye, but so far the agent has been unable to locate anyone who has these for sale.

## PRINCIPAL MOVES HERE

Former Marcola Teacher Will Teach in Springfield Schools

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Baker and family, of Monmouth, have moved their household goods to Springfield and have rented the house owned by Mrs. Christine Sorenson on C street between Fourth and Fifth streets.

Mr. Baker has been elected as principal of the Lincoln school for this year. He will teach the Seventh and Eighth grade classes in arithmetic. Mr. Baker has just concluded his course at the normal school at Monmouth. For three years he was principal of the Marcola school. The family have been visiting for the summer with Mrs. Baker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Hale, at Noti.

## Are Moving to Cottage Grove

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Goddard, of this city, are moving their household goods to Cottage Grove where Mrs. Goddard will teach the Second grade in the public school this term. Mr. Goddard has been in charge of the Manual Training department in the Springfield schools for the past three years. They have made their home in Springfield for the past two years.

## Governor Closes the Deer Season

Action Is Taken to Prevent Danger to Patrolmen and of Forest Fires

That Governor Withycombe has closed the deer shooting season indefinitely beginning September 1, on account of the danger from forest fires and to prevent soldiers being mistaken for deer is the word received by the officers of this county.

People who have been in the mountains this season say that the deer are exceedingly numerous this year as evidenced by the large number of tracks seen in all roads and paths. However very few have been seen as the hunter's cause much disturbance and noise in walking through the woods. Hunters say that it is practically impossible to get close to deer on account of the dry season and that this is the reason for the lack of success among the hunters this year. The number of hunting parties from this section is greatly diminished this year so this order will not affect many of the local hunters.

"The woods are full of soldiers, wearing olive-drab uniforms, about the same shade as a deer," explained Governor Withycombe, "and a hunter might make a mistake and shoot. Then, again, hunters may cause fires, and the woods are now dry as tinder. The proclamation will close the deer season until it is opened by proclamation, and it will not be opened until the first heavy rains, which will make the forests safe from fires."

There is another feature in closing the deer season. Some of the forest fires are of incendiary origin and a firebug, caught by a patrolling soldier, might kill the guard and if apprehended later explain that he mistook the soldier for a deer.

## THURSTON WHEAT IS GOOD

Crop Yield 40 Bushels to the Acre When Threshed

The wheat yield throughout the entire Thurston Valley is far in excess of expectations this year. The wheat grown on the George Platt tract yielding 40 bushels to the acre when threshed. The land on which the crop was grown has been in clover for the past three years and its value as a soil restorer is proven by the fine wheat yield. The fact that the crop was spring wheat makes the yield all the more remarkable.

## To Springfield Ladies

All the ladies of Springfield who are interested in the comfort and welfare of the boys who have gone to the front, those in the training camps and those who will leave in the near future, are requested to be at the city library room Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

## ARTILLERYMEN PLAN FOR TRACK MEET AT FORT STEVENS

Hospital Corps Only Part of Regiment Not Kept Busy With Drills

### PAY DAY SEPTEMBER 4TH.

Smallpox Vaccinations and Typhoid Prophylaxis Injections Are Beginning to Take Effect

Fort Stevens, Ore., Aug. 28.—An inter-company track meet is to be the feature of the week in the camp of the Oregon coast artillery. Preliminaries will be held Thursday afternoon and the finals of the events are slated for Friday. Last night saw a number of the men in a variety of nondescript uniforms and provisional track shoes attempting to unlimber their muscles and awake again the slumbering form that made them winners in the ante-bellum days. Out of the whole regiment it is impossible to pick the winners because of the number of entrants, and the widely scattered reputations they bear. The Second company however, looks good to the dopsters through the presence of several old University of Oregon men on their team.

Plans are also under way for a regimental football team that can compete with the regulars stationed here and with nearby high schools. Old reputations indicate that such an aggregation would be no mean machine.

The smallpox vaccination and the second typhoid prophylaxis injections are beginning to take effect and the men march with a stiffness of carriage which, while unnatural, surpasses even that of the regulars. A noticeable fact is the severity with which the injections of serum and vaccine affect the large men in contrast to the lighter effects on the slighter soldiers. The hospital holds several men from almost every company, all of them strapping big men who have succumbed to the effects of the preventives.

Thus far the only department of the regiment which has not done active work along its special line is the hospital company. The members have been principally employed about the hospital in the kitchen and assisting with the administration of toxins. This week, however, active work will begin for them—first aid school, stretcher bearing and the drill regulations of their department composing their course of study.

Present indications point to the first pay-day coming September 4. Colonel Hammond and the chaplain, Captain Elkins, recently held a conference in Astoria with the chief of police and the sheriff with respect to safe-guarding the welfare of the men during the period following pay-day that time which is the hardest test of a soldier's courage.

A dance was given last Saturday night by the officers of the Oregon regiment complimentary to the officers of the regular army coast artillery corps stationed here. A large party of young women from Astoria came over to attend the ball, which was held in the post gymnasium.

Rumors and reports, invariably false are a common thing and the men have almost gotten over being stampeded by any of the almost daily tales. Last Friday night, however, some lieutenant, still unidentified, circulated the information that advices had been received by the local headquarters late in the afternoon that companies 1, 2, 3, and 11 would be sent September 15 to North Carolina to be divided with the 3d Oregon in the 41st division.

So plausible did the story sound that the whole camp accepted it. Inquiry at headquarters, however disclosed the fact that absolutely no communication of such nature had been received.