

520 NEW MEMBERS REPORTED IN RED CROSS CAMPAIGN

Will Continue Soliciting After Christmas Because of Bad Weather

MANY FAMILIES ARE 100

Every Employee in Several Business Houses Is Member of Organization

The solicitors in the Red Cross membership campaign have about completed the canvass and up to last night reported to Mrs. J. C. Dimm, manager, a total enrollment of new members for 1918 for Springfield of 520.

It had been planned to close the campaign Christmas eve but on account of the heavy rainfall of the past week making it difficult for the lady solicitors to cover their territory, the canvass will be continued after Christmas. Any person who has not been seen by the canvassers or who has not had an opportunity to join may do so by leaving their dollar at the News office or at Eggmann's Candy Kitchen.

Every member in the family of many homes and every employee of several business houses of Springfield have joined the Red Cross making 100 per cent efficiency.

The following is a partial list of new members:

High School, Vera Williams, Solicitor Walter Moore, Gladys Edwards, Verdon May, Vera Senseney, Audrey Perkins, Candace Dillard, Elbe Signor Fern Travis, Jerry Van Valzah, Gladys Lepley, Vernita Moore, Elsie Weddle, Ann Gorrie Hazel Brattain, Vera Williams (renewal), John C. Dimm, Booth-Kelly Mill

Thos Allen, W. L. Arnold, W. C. Bailey, H. C. Bird, Mrs. H. C. Bird, Lewis Barr, A. W. Brown, M. Bouchard, J. A. Bamfield, H. Brathwalte, Delbert Bucknum, R. A. Bates, S. E. Corey, W. F. Cofer, A. C. Clark, Ed. Crausby, A. J. Cowart, Mrs. A. J. Cowart, E. C. Colcord, John Carney, Walter Chandler, Iley Casteel, Virgil Casteel, H. J. Cox, Mrs. H. J. Cox, William Clark, Mrs. Edith R. Cox, H. Cunningham, Jules Demick, William Devine, G. Dyer, James Evans, W. E. Fritts, Fred Fritts, Geo. Feltwell, A. N. Fisher, E. O. Fandrem, Mrs. S. M. Goddard, Roy Gott, G. Gerring, L. F. Hoover, W. G. Hill, J. F. Hill, M. Harpole, William Ham, E. C. Handacker, E. Hetterbrand, Lloyd Johnson, Erick Johnson, O. W. Johnson, R. L. Jones, A. L. Johnson, Fred Knox, G. King, L. W. Langdon, W. J. Lloyd, Mrs. W. J. Lloyd, James Laxton, Earl Leple, Ed. Lavert, Carl A. Lohman, W. E. Macklin, Chas Myers, A. D. Moore, (donation) L. S. McPherson, (donation) Albert McBea, F. M. Muligan, D. W. McKinnon, H. D. McPherson, Earl Moore, Frank Maybell, Louis Maybell, James Morelock, Lester Nye, C. M. Neet, B. H. Neet, Harry R. R. Neet, (donation) Avery Oliver, Raymond Osborne, U. H. Parks, (donation) J. R. Parks, (donation) A. Phillips, H. T. Ransdell, William Starks, C. B. Shontz, Ernest Skinner, W. Sargeant, Elmer Smith, Benj. Skinner, S. Snooks, Geo. P. Smith, (donation), R. H. Shultz, Frank Sidwell Chas Starks, W. R. Smith, (donation)

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RIVER RAISES RAPIDLY

Water Stands 2½ Feet Deep in Basement of M. E. Church

The excessive rains during the past few days and especially Saturday night caused the Willamette river to raise rapidly within a very short time. This is the heaviest rain experienced in this section in a number of years. Owing the faulty sewerage the water stood in many places clear across the streets.

In the basement of the Methodist church the water was nearly two and one-half feet deep Sunday morning. Men have been at work all day today with a pump pumping the water out of the basement in order that a fire can be built in the furnace to heat the building for the community entertainment this evening. During the services yesterday the church could only be heated by use of two fire places.

Mills Will Have Short Shut Down

Work Is Proceeding Satisfactorily on New Planer at Wendling

In accordance with the request of the federal government that logging camps take a very short Christmas holiday the Booth-Kelly Lumber company is having only a three day lay-off in all of its camps. At the Springfield mill all of the men except those in the planer will have a three day holiday. Those in the planer will only take Christmas day off.

At the Wendling mill there will be a shut down of a couple of weeks for the annual overhauling of the machinery. All men in the crew will be given employment on the repairs during the shut down.

Mr. Dixon also states that work on the new planing mill at Wendling is proceeding satisfactorily. The foundations are practically all in and much of the lumber is on the ground and the framing done, so that the work will soon begin to make a showing.

Book-Keeper Hands in Resignation
Creed Brattain who has been filling position as book-keeper and collection clerk at the First National bank has handed in his resignation to take effect January 1st. He is giving up his position in order that he may enlist. This he expects to do early in the new year. His position at the bank is being filled by Miss Elsie Weddle, a student in the commercial department in the Springfield High school.

Former Residents Are Here
Mr. and Mrs. M. J. McKlin of Weed, California, and Mrs. McKlin's son, Howard Cotton, of Marshfield, are spending Christmas at the Roy Edminston home at Thurston. The family were formerly residents of Springfield.

Arrives to Spend Christmas
Floyd D. Thompson, of Grand Junction, Colorado, arrived last night to spend two weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Thompson. Mr. Thompson, is at present employed in the United States Reclamation Service.

Dr. Kester Goes to Presidio
First Lieutenant Dr. Eugene Kester, of this city, has been transferred from Fort D. A. Russell, Wyoming to the Presidio at San Francisco.

Charles Butler Is Married
Charles N. Butler, of Springfield, and Myrtle Leith, of Eugene, were married at the home of Reverend A. L. Crim in Eugene Saturday.



MAIL SCHEDULE IS ANNOUNCED

Christmas Mail Is One of Heaviest in History of Post Office

Postmaster Harry M. Stewart has announced the following schedule for the arrival and departure of trains carrying mail to and from Springfield. Train No. 18 from the south reaches Springfield Junction at 10:30 A. M. Mail for this train is closed at 10 A. M. No. 15 going south passes through Springfield Junction at 2 P. M., the mail being closed at 1:30 P. M. No. 98 going to Albany leaves Springfield at 8:10 A. M. and arrives in Springfield going south as No. 97 at 4:10 P. M.

No. 91 going east at 7:45 A. M., returns as No. 92 at 9:45. In the afternoon No. 93 goes east at 2:45 returning as No. 94 at 5 P. M. Mail is not made up for trains No. 12, 17, or 13 anymore.

The amount of Christmas mail passing through this office was one of the heaviest in the history of the Springfield post office is the report of the post office clerks.

Boys Spend Christmas at Home
Springfield boys from Fort Stevens who are spending Christmas at home are Arnold Tomseth, Allen Stewart, Paul Myers, and Corporal Roy Cairns. Russell Dimm is expected to arrive tomorrow morning.

TAXPAYERS HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

Much Opposition Is Raised to Report of County Road Committee

At a meeting of the Lane county taxpayers at the court house Saturday afternoon it was decided to build an addition to the county court house next year if the contract can be let for a reasonable sum. Thirty thousand dollars was set aside for this purpose. The item, which was recommended by the court house committee passed unanimously.

The miscellaneous committee reported a cut in the estimated expenses of the county court, of \$10,000. The decrease in these cases was largely where there was a considerable amount of money unexpended from last year.

Much opposition was raised over the report of the road committee, some of the taxpayers urging that since the country is in war estimates should be cut in every way possible.

Basket Social Is Big Success
The people of Donna and Yarnell held a program and basket social at Donna Saturday evening. The total proceeds, amounting to \$31, were used to help pay for the piano which has been bought by the church at Donna. An excellent program was rendered a feature of which was music by an Italian band.

LAVONE RUSSELL BURIED

Deceased Was Member of Springfield Methodist Church.

The funeral of Lavone Russell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Russell, who died at the home of her parents in Eugene Friday was held yesterday afternoon from the Gordon and Veatch undertaking parlors. The services were conducted by Reverend James T. Moore, of Springfield.

She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Russell, two sisters, Olive and Vetra, and three brothers, Albert, Wesley and Floyd.

The family lived in Springfield for a number of years, moving from here to Eugene. Deceased was a member of the Methodist church in this city. She was a student at the Eugene junior high school.

Mrs. Grace Hill Is Dead

O. B. Kessey, of the Commercial State bank, on Saturday received word of the death of Mrs. Grace E. Hill, wife of the late Harry Hill, of Springfield, at Seattle, Washington, December 2.

Students Send Supplies to Aid Society

The students of the Lincoln school on Friday sent two sacks of potatoes, 40 pounds of soup beans, two boxes of apples, onions, and a small amount of cash to the Boys' and Girls' aid society in Portland.

Six Weeks Report Cards Handed Out

The six weeks report cards were handed out to the pupils in the Springfield schools Friday afternoon. The reports are all satisfactory from every department.

BANKERS OF STATE INAUGURATE WAR SAVINGS CAMPAIGN

Movement Is to Be Carried on Through Public Schools of State

\$50.00 IS PRIZE OFFERED

Idea Is to Get Sort of Coalition Organization With Manager in Each County

County schools of the state are going to take part in a Thrift campaign for a prize of \$50, donated by the State Bankers' Association, and details of the contest will be considered by the Oregon State Teachers' Association convention in Portland Dec. 26-29.

The prize was put up by the bankers at their Marshfield meeting last June, but the idea of the campaign is directly in line with the government's new War-Savings Thrift campaign, which is also to be given a share of attention by the state teachers.

Points in the contest will be awarded on a score-card as follows, the ratio of activities to the number of pupils in each county, to be determined and the awards made on this basis:

Total School Enrollment of the county

1. How many pupils in the schools of your county have saved and deposited in a bank, an average of ten cents a week during the school year?

2. How many pupils have devoted an average of three hours a week to home industry, including food production or preparation, such as gardening poultry raising, pig raising, fruit packing, cooking, canning, sewing or carpentry?

3. How many pupils have prepared, during the school year, written work on Thrift and submitted same to their teachers, county superintendent, or to some newspaper for publication?

4. How many persons have participated in Thrift programs, including readings, recitations, debates or addresses, conducted by the schools of your county during the school year?

C. N. Wonacott, associate director of the War Savings campaign for Oregon, is subordinating all other work of the campaign to that of perfecting and organizing and for the past week he has been in almost continual conference with associate officials in the organization and with those who have represented war movements like the Red Cross, Liberty Bond and Y. M. C. A. war drives with a view of perfecting an organization that will reach into the remotest parts of the State.

The plan generally is to district the state into three parts corresponding with the Congressional districts. Each district to have a campaign manager and each county within the district to be canvassed under the direction of a local chairman with an associate committeeman. At the head of the entire organization will be a state chairman.

The prevalent idea is to get a sort of coalition organization made up of effective organizers and workers who have shown their capacity for doing things in the war campaigns heretofore carried out. It is hoped that the organization will be entirely completed by the first of the year and the long drive that is to extend throughout all of 1918 will begin in earnest immediately after January 1.

