

THE SPRINGFIELD NEWS

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TOWN AND VICINITY

Springfield Taxi Service, P. O. Library

Mr. N. A. Rowe is having the road from his ranch to the main town graded.

Earl Walker, of Oakridge, was in town several days the first of the week to buy stock cattle.

Mr. Ronald R. Roberts left Friday for a few weeks visit with his brother and uncle in Olympia, Washington.

Several property owners along 5th street are putting in new cement walks.

An old fashion dance will be given in Springfield over the Commercial State bank, March 26, by Al Montgomery and Frank Skinner. Tickets 65 cents; war tax 7 cents.

For results use Springfield dairy feed manufactured by the Springfield Mill & Grain Co.

Begin the morning right with a good health-bringing porridge of Jasper's Breakfast Wheat.

Ask your dealer for Springfield poultry and dairy feeds manufactured by the Springfield Mill and Grain Co.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Rathbun, of Springfield, received a telegram from Hood River Tuesday morning stating that Elsie Pruette, three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Pruette, had passed away. Mrs.

VOLUNTEER FIREMEN TO MEET MONDAY EVENING

Monday night an effort will be made to complete an organized volunteer fire department for Springfield. The names listed below we feel are those that a force can be organized from; even those that will be worthy of the entire fire department of the city; even those that will be worthy of the entire fire department of the city; even those that will be worthy of the entire fire department of the city.

The boys will meet at The News office and any one that is willing to help will certainly be welcome.

Following is the list of names handed to us in the past two weeks: Jack DeVore, Ernest Skinner, Arthur Stelmets, Cal Burns, Earl Moore, Verduin May, Bernard Bean, L. R. Smith, E. E. Morrison, W. M. Hunter, C. E. Powers, A. M. Ellison and L. G. Buley.

Pruette was formerly Flossie Rathbun and was well known in Springfield. Mr. and Mrs. Rathbun left immediately to be with their daughter and to attend the funeral.

Dr. S. Ralph Dippel, dentist, Springfield, Oregon.

Mrs. Anna Walker and Mrs. Agnes Snyder, of Seattle, Washington, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Ellen Frost, of Springfield.

Welby Stevens has bought a Studebaker.

Demand Eggmann's bread from your grocer.

INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Marshfield.—Lumber industry generally on incline in district. East-side mill expected to begin work soon. Roseburg to have new modern steel Standard oil filling station.

Roseburg.—Union Oil Co. of California purchases 10 lots for construction of completely equipped oil station.

Portland.—\$1,315,000 contracts awarded by state highway commission for road construction, which will include hard surfacing on upper Columbia highway, Pacific highway south of Salem and two sections of Tualatin Valley highway.

Albany.—Puyallup & Sumner Fruit Growers Canning Co. report gain of \$2,237,363.49 in total assets for year and 125 per cent increase in years business.

Roseburg.—Work on Coos Bay road may commence at once. Drain. Reedsport highway construction planned.

Roseburg.—Broccoli industry for 1921 will show substantial increase over preceding years. Year's crop estimated will bring \$50,000.

Corvallis.—\$8000 subscribed for new \$15,000 Christian church to be erected here.

Hood River will have new theatre building, one of most modern in state. Roseburg to have new Methodist church.

Eugene Bible Standard mission plans erection of new church.

Hauser to Lakeside highway to be built for \$55,000.

Building trades at Bend reduce wages \$1 a day.

Portland.—Ships for Peru and Hawaii loading lumber this week.

Clark and Wilson buy new Dallas sawmill to operate with 270 men.

Corvallis.—Payroll of officers in the rehabilitation work at O. A. C. is \$40,000 a month.

Klamath Falls slipping 15 cars of lumber daily.

Bandon.—Many men mining black sands for gold and platinum.

Coos county feeding ponds growing 2,000,000 salmon fry.

Salem.—State treasury stripped of funds earlier than usual this year.

During February 33 ships loaded 29 million feet lumber at lower Columbia river points.

Salem.—One dehydration plant calls for 100 tons of string beans.

Portland to build \$15,000 branch library.

Public service commission denies raise in Astoria gas rates.

Silverton.—Silver Falls sawmill resumes with full crew.

Bandon issues \$100,000 bonds for city power plant.

Oregon City to have modern hardware and furniture block.

Product of Bend sawmills for three months past totalled \$248,344.

The 1921 primary special and general elections will cost \$500,000.

All business has just been paying another installment of taxes which brings home the necessity of economy in public affairs to lighten as much as possible our war time tax bill which must be paid out of a peace time income.

Director Davenport of the Illinois agricultural college, says: "I cannot see how we can live as a country and get ahead when a large share of our people are intent not upon seeing how much can be done in a given length of time but rather how much money can be gotten for a nominal service."

A REGULAR EATER

Edwardsville, Ill., March 8.—Joseph Kiss collected \$25 from John Koss here when he ate forty-eight doughnuts and twenty-three eggs in two hours.

Koss bet Kiss that he couldn't eat four dozen doughnuts in an hour and follow it up with two dozen raw eggs in the next hour. Kiss got away with the doughnuts in fine style. The eggs took longer.

With 23 down and three minutes to go, Kiss cracked the last shell. A tiny chicken's head appeared. Koss waived the necessity of consuming number 24. Kiss then drank a quart of milk to show his capacity had not been seriously taxed.—Eugene Guard.

M. E. BROTHERHOOD HAS INTERESTING MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Methodist Brotherhood was held at the church parlors last Monday evening.

The meeting as usual was preceded by a supper prepared by a committee from the ladies aid society. About forty members were present.

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 by the president, Dr. W. H. Pollard, and after the regular routine of business, Mr. Elliot of Salem, state director of vocational education in Oregon, was introduced and briefly outlined the plans of the government for carrying on courses in agriculture, industry, and home economics in the larger high schools of the state, through cooperation of the local district, state and government, each paying a share of the expense.

John C. Almack, of the extension division of U. of O. was then introduced as the speaker of the evening and gave a very interesting and instructive address upon the subject of "The new Psychology."

The next regular meeting of the Brotherhood will be held on the third Monday of April, and will be a "Father and Sons" meeting.

Every father who is so fortunate as to have sons is expected to bring them along; those who have not are permitted to invite some one else's son.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Rev. Earl Childers, pastor

Have you been to our Sunday school yet? If not, try us next Sunday and you will be glad you came—at 9:45. Come and be one of the 160—our goal.

Our Easter sermon will be in the morning with appropriate music. Endeavor at 6:30 and look for our Sunday night service at 7:30.

THE GARDEN OF JOSEPH

The tomb of Jesus was in the Garden of Joseph of Arimathea.

The gardener had been employed for a number of years so was very familiar with everything that took place in this garden. He tells dramatically of the death, burial and resurrection of our Savior, with all the connecting events and a large chorus brings out more fully and in an impressive manner the happenings of that great sacrifice which we today hold most sacred.

This Cantata will be given at the Christian church Easter evening at 7:30 and will be preceded by a short program from the children of our Sunday school. You are cordially invited to attend.

METHODIST CHURCH

Thos. D. Yarnes, pastor.

Next Sunday morning the children of the Sunday school will give a short Easter program at the regular Sunday school hour—9:45 to 11:00. There will be special Easter music at both morning and evening preaching services. The pastor will speak on the subject of "The Resurrection" in the morning. Come and worship with us. You will be made welcome and will find it helpful.

MRS. P. L. SPONG PASSES AWAY AT HOME MONDAY

Mrs. P. L. Spong, aged 70 years, died at her home on South Second street Monday, March 21. The funeral was held at the Walker chapel Wednesday morning at 10:30, and the remains laid to rest in the Brumbaugh cemetery at Cottage Grove.

Sarah Brumbaugh was born in Ephrata county, Indiana, April 11, 1851. She crossed the plains with her parents in 1866, locating in Oregon. She was married to P. L. Spong, November 27, 1873 at Salem Oregon. To this union eight children were born three of whom survive: Mrs. J. K. Miles of Marcola; Mrs. J. B. Mosby of Dorena; and Sherman Spong of Springfield. She also leaves her husband, two brothers and one sister. Her brothers are D. H. Brumbaugh of Cottage Grove, A. J. Brumbaugh of Marshfield. Her sister is Mrs. Ben Spong of Springfield.

THE TATTLER

Mr. E. E. Elliot, of Salem, the state director of Vocational education for Oregon, representing the Federal government in carrying out the provisions of the Smith-Hughes law, visited our school Monday afternoon and addressed the assembly, explaining the plans of the government for cooperating with the state and local school district in introducing and carrying on vocational courses in the high schools.

He calls attention to the fact that in the larger high schools of the country where there is a demand for vocational subjects, the government is willing under certain contracts to assist the local district by introducing and supervising such courses, paying one half of the cost of instruction.

Springfield is the third largest school in Lane county—Eugene and Cottage Grove, only, being larger, and both these schools are now receiving Federal aid and conducting courses in industry and Home Economics.

While here Mr. Elliot also spent some time during the afternoon in interviewing the members of the school board and citizens of the town to acquaint himself with our people and the needs of the community.

He also attended a meeting of the Methodist Brotherhood in the evening and again outlined these plans.

He expresses the opinion that the Springfield district will soon be in a position to establish and maintain vocational courses, at least in agriculture under the provisions of the Smith-Hughes act.

BASE BALL

Lowell Sikes has been elected as manager of the base ball team for the coming season. The boys have already done some practicing and are getting their uniforms and outfits together so as to be ready to take advantage of the first fair weather. They have rented the Fenwick field just across the street North of the school house, which is a convenient location. They expect to have a strong team this year.

Mr. C. M. Turner, representing the Curtis Publishing Co., met the student council Monday morning and outlined the plan of his company for extending their circulation and at the same time increasing the funds of the student body.

The proposition looked good to the council and so was submitted to the student body, who voted almost unanimously to accept it.

The plan specifically stated, is as follows: The S. H. S. is appointed agent of the Curtis Publishing Co. for one week and authorized to take subscriptions for the "Country Gentleman," a farm and home paper, with a circulation of over three quarters of a million, published weekly, at \$1 per year. Of this, 50 cents of every dollar goes to the school, the other 50 cents to the company. By this plan it is hoped to add a substantial amount to the high school funds, to assist in the publication of the school annual, athletics, etc.

This plan has proven very successful in many schools of the state.

To add zest to the enterprise, the senior and juniors have been pitted against the freshmen and sophomores in a friendly competition, the losing side to furnish entertainment and refreshments for both sides after the contest.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Geo. R. Varney, pastor.

The Easter program, consisting of music and recitation will be rendered next Sunday at 10 A. M. Preaching at 11 A. M. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. All are welcome.

Mayor Eggman received a telegram Tuesday from mayor Baker of Portland asking the cooperation of the city attorney with city attorney of Portland in obtaining a rehearing of the telephone rate case.

Mr. I. A. Welk and family of Portland will drive down to spend the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Bushman and family. Mr. Welk is interested in the Springfield Mill & Grain Co.

Classified advertising pays.

"Doings" of the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen

By the 4L Publicity Committee, H. J. Cox, Chairman

HANG ON TO THE BONE

An ancient fable tells about a dog crossing a bridge with a juicy bone in his mouth. Chancing to look over the edge, he saw the reflection of his own bone. But it looked like a much larger bone. So the fool dog dropped his own good bone in the water and plunged in after the larger bone that wasn't there at all.

Just so, some 4L members, both employer and employee, are being enticed to drop the 4L on the basis of a mere reflection of something that looks juicier and bigger; induced, perhaps, by someone's vain promises and empty claims. It takes a good dog to hold his head sometimes, but a wise dog always hangs on to his bone.

The existence of the Loyal Legion constitutes what is practically a working agreement between employers and employees in the lumber industry of the Northwest.

This agreement has a tremendous influence on the industry outside the membership of the 4L. Many non-4L operators watch the 4L scales and pay them, even when they can hire men for less. The reason is that they know the 4L represents the soundest thought in the industry. Thus the 4L sets the pace for the industry.

This agreement has at all times tended to secure the highest wages for the worker that the industry at any given time was capable of paying. The minimum during the entire war period was \$3.20. During 1919 and 1920 it was raised to \$3.60, then to \$4.00, and finally to \$4.40, with the going wage advancing proportionately. They stayed up for three months after they would have begun to drop if it had not been for the 4L agreement.

This agreement has so firmly entrenched the eight-hour day that the nine and ten hour move started 'way last summer has no chance to head up. Repeated attempts to re-establish the ten-hour day have just petered out.

Out in the industrial world at large is being staged a fight over the open shop. Mr. Gompers of the A. F. of L. says it is a fight to destroy (a) the workers' right to organize; (b) the right of collective bargaining; (c) recognition of the worker.

Under the 4L agreement all these rights for which the worker must fight elsewhere are guaranteed.

Do you want to see the ten-hour

day come back?

The best way to get it is to fight the 4L agreement as you see, and try to destroy it.

But if you want to hold the eight-hour day, get into the 4L and boost. Try to get a new member every day. The stronger the 4L is, the greater is the security of the eight-hour day.

The 4L is the only agency that is able to hold the eight-hour day in this industry. Practically all other lumber sections work nine or ten hours. Here are some interesting comparisons: Southern section work 10 hours with the common labor rate of pay 18 cents. California; Humboldt Co. mills, 8 hours at 26 cents. Mendocino county mills, 10 hours at 36 cents. White Pine mills, 10 hours at 36 cents. British Columbia; Vancouver mills, 10 hours at 35 cents. 4L minimum: Coast division, 8 hours at 45 cents; Inland Empire division 8 hours at 42½ cents.

Redwood mills in California have been working eight hours in Humboldt county mills and nine hours in camps. Few white pine mills are now operating. Pine manufacturers are meeting March 16 to consider wage schedules. The hour and wage basis in British Columbia is still in the air. Logging camps are opening on decreases varying to 20 per cent and on the eight-hour day.

Reflect that the South, with its very low wage rate is our chief competitor. Nothing can prevent our section going to ten hours except the united stand of all right thinking men under the 4L agreement.

In the old times it was "every fellow for himself and the devil take the hindmost."

The lumber industry is now in a situation made to order for the restoration of such conditions. Market has gone to smash. Here are some recent sales f. o. b. mills—the price actually gotten for the lumber: Number 1 boards, 1x12, \$16.00; a year ago we were getting \$40.50. Number 1 dimension, \$12.75; a year ago we were getting \$38.00. Number 2 dimension, \$5.00; a year ago we were getting \$32.00.

Demand for our lumber is at the lowest ebb in years. Glance at these figures. The first column shows normal average production for one week for one plant. The second shows average orders actually received. The third shows average shipments made: Week ending Jan. 22, normal production 710,246, orders 305,954.

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