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CAR LINE WORK GOING FORWARD

The Cut into the Bluff and the Fill Along the Railroad Advancing Rapidly

Observations made on the ground show that the work on the new street car line is being pushed very rapidly. A large force of men is being employed. The steam shovel crew has cut its way into the bluff, below the road running west from the cemetery gate, for a distance of two or three hundred feet, alongside the Southern Pacific railroad track.

It will be borne in mind that the new roadbed of the street car line is a widening north of the roadbed of the railroad track. Also, that for a short distance just ahead of the point reached by the cutting work at that time, the railroad track is to be moved a few feet south, upon the ground uncovered by the cut. It looks as though the dirt and rock taken from the cut would be sufficient for all the filling that would be required. The rock is mostly soft. Trial cuts were made in the face of the bluff, before the work was commenced, to test the character of the formation, and to determine the method of handling it.

The dirt from the cut has been carried on flat cars along the railroad track as far as the junction, except one little skip where a hump was left from the original railroad building, and dumped over the embankment on the north side as far as it could be thrown from the cars. It has also been carried back towards the point of the divergence, at the Kincaid station, about half of the way. As the work goes on, temporary tracks are laid on this new bank, and the cars are run over these new tracks and the dirt dumped over the new bank, as before over the old one.

As the cut has been pushed forward since the above was written, it has become wider and deeper, the rock has become harder and heavier, and the work has progressed more slowly. Dynamite is being used to break up the face of the bluff, and make the work of the steam shovel easier. Something like fifty men are employed on the work altogether.

AS OUR NEIGHBORS SEE THE COMING CHANGES

Yesterday's Eugene Register, in its local news columns, makes this contribution to the showing of indications of railroad plans in matters in Springfield is so vitally interested. At the close of an article dealing with the changes in the street car line, it says:

This work is said in railroad circles to be the first step to improve the car service between Eugene and Springfield, made necessary in future when the big shops are erected in the latter city. Railway officials have stated that a five-minute car service will be given between the two cities when the shops are finally built there. This will enable the several hundred workers in the shops to reside in Eugene and ride to and from their employment on the cars.

The Loud Manufacturing Corporation is the title of the business to be carried on in the old planing mill building. The machinery is not all in yet. The placing and lining up of the machines that have been brought in is not yet complete. A considerable stock of lumber for manufacturing purposes is being unloaded and stacked in the building. It will not be long until the machinery will be humming.

Word comes from Albany of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Davis. Mrs. Davis was formerly Miss Elsie Holmerson of Springfield.

H. B. CORSAW PLANS TO CLOSE OUT STORE

H. B. Corsaw, who has been in the furniture business for the past two years, and the inventor of the Corsaw gas gauge, for which an association has been organized to manufacture and market, announces that he expects to close out his store soon as his time is required in the development of the gas gauge. He has partly made arrangements with a Portland firm to close out his stock, although the deal has not been closed and the date set for closing out.

Mr. Corsaw states that he has enjoyed a good business and feels confident of the future, but is unable to devote the proper attention to both the furniture and gas gauge business.

WORK ON HIGH SCHOOL DRAWING TO A CLOSE

The work on the high school building has reached a point where a report must deal not so much with the things that are being done as with the scattering items that are yet to be done.

There has been some hindrance from failure to get finishing lumber ordered from Eugene.

The work on the auditorium has, from the nature of the case been behind that on the other rooms. It will soon be finished.

Most of the work remaining to be done is in the lower part of the building. There is a great deal to be done in the basement yet.

The finishing surface on the outside of the walls is going on rapidly. The front will soon be finished. As that is done, the scaffolding can be taken down.

We will soon have a complete new high school building.

WORK BEGUN ON THE CEMETERY ROAD

The fence has been set back from the strip of land conveyed by Ed Judkins for highway purposes to allow the county road to be pushed south on the hillside west of the cemetery gate, to compensate the highway for a like concession to the railway along the bluff above its old track. Considerable work was done on the upper part of the slope of the hill, during the latter half of last week. Monday, the men and teams had been shifted west, to the neighborhood of Kincaid station. From the beginning already made, it appears that there will be a considerably easier grade, and, if it is properly surfaced, altogether a better road on that hillside than ever before.

Now if somebody will start something that will make it necessary to smooth down the humps and fill up the little hollows and otherwise ease the grade on the west side of that hill, it will be a great boon to the community, especially to those who shall have occasion to visit the cemetery in vehicles on burial occasions in the next few years.

Not many people have to pull up the west side of the hill; but there are very few people in all the country round who do not have to go up the east side frequently, and it is "a tright".

Having the entrance at the highest point on the hill has made a great deal of difficulty. It makes it hard to cut down the top of the hill.

4-L DELEGATES EXPRESS CONFIDENCE IN MARKETS

Confidence in the steady continuance of lumber market revival of which signs were declared to be already here, no diminution but rather increase of the heavy Japanese demand, earnest appeals for strengthening of the get-together spirit now present in the lumber industry of the north west as the ultimate solution of its problems, were the dominant notes of the big convention of the combined sixth, seventh and eighth districts of the 4-L's held in Tacoma on Saturday last, according to reports from the president, Norman F. Coleman.

Strong speeches affirming conference principle of industrial relations to the delegates present, who were from the whole Puget Sound region and represented 6000 saw mill and logging camp workers were made by Major Everett Griggs, president of the St. Paul & Tacoma Lumber company and W. C. Wheeler, president of the Wheeler Osgood company, large Tacoma lumber manufacturing oper-

A TIE PLANT IS NEW PROSPECT

To be Located East of Town On the Railroad Tract—Ground to be Filled

Another probability in railroad movements which seems to be looming up just ahead, is the establishment here of a tie plant—a plant for the treatment, storing and curing of ties. The Southern Pacific has a large body of land east of town, the tract on which it is expected that their great shops will be erected, and probably at no distant day. It has not ground enough anywhere else in this region to accommodate a plant where all the various processes of preparing, handling and distribution of its ties can be concentrated. A great saving could be made by such a concentration.

Some familiar with this line of railroad work think such a project is on the point of being carried out. They think that a large amount of filling would be a necessary feature of the plan—to raise the level of the tract of ground to be covered by this plant several feet. The presence of the company's heaviest and best steam shovel, brought here from a great distance, is pointed to as a convenient factor in such an enterprise. The gravel pit near Natron could be drawn upon, and this shovel kept here for this work. No one authorized to speak for the railroad company has announced such an undertaking; but it seems to be one of the probabilities and one which we will not have to wait long to see tested.

ations; also by Frank Wilson, board of directors employee member and W. B. Mills, district board employee member.

Firm belief that the volume of employment can be maintained throughout the winter was expressed by employer delegates, and the necessity for efficiency in cooperation with employers in the emergency was emphasized by the employee delegates.

In addition to the routine business of the convention, resolutions were passed favoring married men and American taxpayers, in distributing available employment.

KEPT BUBBLE FROM BURSTING

Too little credit has been given banks for helping this country readjust. They have been censured for curtailing credit but the fact remains that in coming down from the dizzy heights of peak prices, few failures of consequence have been recorded in this country and the banking system stood the process without a tremble.

Considering the change from a war to a peace basis with its drastic turnover in character and methods of production, the safe return to a near normal basis has been remarkable should put to shame the calamity howlers.

Back of it all stands a banking system which was able to stem the tide of inflation and let the wind out of the bubble without bursting it.

Carl Raymond Lowry, of the McKenzie stock farm and Miss Donna Edmondson of Goshen were united in marriage at the Methodist parsonage last Saturday evening. Rev. T. D. Yarnes officiating. The young couple will make their home at the stock farm.

REFUND BONDS CARRY 54 TO 16

Little Interest Manifested—One-Sided Affair—Light Vote

The people of Springfield did not seem to show very much interest in the bond election Tuesday. Probably most people took it as a matter of course. There was no well defined opposition to put the voters on their mettle. It probably seemed to most of them, as indeed it was, a mere matter of putting the outstanding indebtedness of the town in decent shape. Not many persons saw any two sides to it. They did not see much to debate or hesitate about. Still, those who have to administer public affairs would feel better if the voters would more generally register their convictions and preferences on important matters of public policy.

Probably not many voters, in considering the refunding proposition, gave much thought to the fact that it involved an amendment to the city charter, as a means.

The vote dribbled in through the day, and amounted to only 70 in all. It stood:

For refunding bonds	54
Against bonds	16

Majority for

ROBERT KIZER SUSTAINS ANOTHER OPERATION

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Kizer have received late word from their son, who is in the marine service, at Mare Island. He was injured at drill, several weeks ago, and was about to undergo an operation when he wrote before. Some time after that another operation became necessary for appendicitis and for an internal injury. To deal with the two troubles at once it was necessary to make an incision entirely across his abdomen. He wrote six days after this operation. He thought he was in a fair way to recovery; but as he would not be fit for duty for a good while, he hoped to be permitted to come home on sick leave when he was able to travel.

Levi Neet and Miss Dora Nelson were married in the Methodist parsonage in Eugene, by Rev. D. H. Leech, last Saturday afternoon. Mr. Neet has made his home most of his life in West Springfield. The bride's parents live in Cottage Grove. She has been well known here for the past year or two. We are prepared now to redeem our promise, made last week, to tell who is to occupy Theodore McCracken's new house.

Call Springfield Taxi, day or night, our phone is number 2.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Rev. S. Earl Childers, pastor. Bible school at 9:45. Preaching at 11:00 a. m. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. Preaching 7:30 p. m. Special music and a fine message for you at the preaching hour.

Look on page two for our Sunday school announcements. Thursday afternoon the Willing Marchers meet at the church for their regular meeting. All members urged to be present. Note that our Endeavor and preaching services commence one half hour earlier beginning next Sunday. Remember 6:30 and 7:30. All are welcome.

FORMER SPRINGFIELD MAN DIES IN WASHINGTON

John T. Tillman, who lived here for a time in his youth, died at his home on a farm near Sunnyside, Washington, September 14, of heart apoplexy, aged 47. He was buried at Portland September 17. His sister, Mrs. F. J. Weaver, of this city, went down to Portland, to attend the burial, and returned on Thursday, the 22nd.

The Tillman family lived in Springfield for a time, along about the year 1893. The father, T. M. Tillman, carried on a meat market here, and John assisted him in it. The family moved from here to Coburg and lived there about 12 years. The elder Tillman died there. John T. removed from Coburg to the Puget sound country, and finally settled near Sunnyside.

Besides Mrs. Weaver he is survived by his mother, his wife, two married sons and one married daughter.

SPRINGFIELD STUDENTS IN THE UNIVERSITY

The following young persons belonging in or about Springfield are enrolled as students in the regular courses in the University of Oregon for this year. The list may not be quite complete, and the students may not in all cases be properly rated:

Miss Florence Fureset, residing near Springfield Junction, senior. Edward Keeler and David Bidwell and Misses Audrey Perkins, Edna Duryea and Dorris Sikes, of Springfield, and Miss Maud Gorrie, residing east of Springfield, juniors.

Miss Anna Bidwell, sophomore. Roscoe Perkins, Ray Weber and Alden Klotz, freshmen. Ray Weber now lives in Eugene, but he graduated from the Springfield high school. The home of Alden Klotz' parents is at Weiser, Idaho; but he will make his home with Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Page for the present, and perhaps through the course. His father is a brother of Mrs. Page.

Besides these, two members of the high school faculty, J. E. Torbet and J. W. McFadden, will take special courses.

WEST SPRINGFIELD HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE

The little home of a family named Newberg, situated west of Mr. Davenport's and northeast of R. E. Davidson's, in West Springfield, was completely destroyed by fire about the middle of the afternoon last Thursday. It is supposed that the fire caught from a pipe passing through the roof. Considerable of the household effects of the family were destroyed. They stored what was saved in two little out buildings on the premises until the next day, and then found a home in Eugene.

Mr. Newberg bought the tract several months ago. The house then was a mere shack. He had put considerable improvement on it and on the place generally. He had some insurance.

FAMILY REUNION

A reunion of the Purvance and Ellison families took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Ellison, near the new viaduct, Sunday, the 18th. There were gathered together Mr. and Mrs. Ellison; Mrs. Sarah Purvance, Mrs. Ellison's mother; Grover Purvance and family of Provo Utah; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wilson and family and Mrs. Maud McCumber and two sons, of Portland; Curran Purvance, of Corvallis; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ellison and little daughter, of West Springfield. Grover Purvance is the proprietor of Vivian park, a tourist's resort near Provo. He is a brother of Mrs. Ellison. They had not met for twelve years. The two ladies from Portland are her sisters. Curran Purvance is a nephew. Of Mrs. Ellison's brothers and sisters, only one brother, now in Alaska, was absent. The family party went up to Blue Mountain, up Row river, and spent the day picnicking about the site of the old home or cluster of homes of the Purvance family.

The Thurston union high school, composed of three school districts, will transfer its high school to the Springfield high school. One of the districts failed to ratify the contract to furnish transportation, so the pupils or their parents will have to look out for their own transportation, individually. It is probable that several eighth grade pupils, belonging to the same families as high school students, will come with them.

GLENWOOD SCHOOL OPENS

The Glenwood school (west side) opened Monday, the 19th. The teachers are: Miss Gertrude Eason, principal, grades five, six, seven and eight; and Miss R. D. Baucus, lower grades. A year or two back the number of pupils had run so low that the school had to be closed. But in the latter part of last year and since the number has so greatly increased that the people of the district are beginning to discuss the need of another teacher.

ORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL WORK

Teaching Force, Assignments and Arrangements for Coming Year

The opening of the Springfield schools for the work of the year 1921-2 has been delayed by the necessity of erecting a new high school building. The school authorities have not been willing to postpone the opening one day more than absolutely necessary, because that would push the closing date too far into the summer. Today, Thursday, September 29 has been publicly announced as the opening day, for both schools. That plan, however, is subject to some modifications, by necessity. Prof. F. M. Roth, the new superintendent, has taken pains to have all the preliminary work that could be done before the actual opening out of the way before that time.

LINCOLN SCHOOL

The grade pupils have been instructed to be in their places at the Lincoln building today. Today and tomorrow will be devoted to organization work. There will be no classes this week, but it is hoped that everything will be ready to carry forward class work effectively from Monday on. All grade work will be carried on in the Lincoln building. To make room for the two grades heretofore served in the high school building, the domestic science and manual training work will be transferred from the Lincoln building to the high school building, where it properly belongs. The room in the northwest corner of the upper story has been divided to provide one more class room.

The teachers and their assignments in the Lincoln building, are as follows:

Mrs. Elizabeth Page, first grade; Miss Opal Holmerson, second; Miss Grace McCann, second and third; Mrs. Anna Frady, third; Miss Crystal Templeton, fourth; Miss Edna Platt, fourth and fifth; Mrs. Charlotte Stein, fifth; Mrs. Eula Montgomery, sixth; Mrs. Clara Torbet, Mrs. E. A. Lombard, Miss Elizabeth James and Miss Jeannine Nelson, junior high (seventh and eighth grades). C. E. Lambert, principal.

Owing to the unfinished state of some of the lower rooms, and to avoid interfering with the workmen still engaged in the lower part of the building, no school work will be attempted in the high school building this week. The registration and preliminary work of organization has already been done outside, as far as possible. Students have been instructed not to report at the building at all this week. Some one will probably be posted there to turn away those who may chance to come. Those who wish to consult the superintendent will find him elsewhere, as he may announce. School work will begin Monday, in the rooms then available. Some makeshifts may have to be resorted to during next week or most of it. But everybody will be so happy to get into the new building that they can put up with a little inconvenience for a few days.

The teachers in the High school, with their work are as follows:

Mrs. Lillian Carpenter, mathematics; Mrs. Ethel B. Myers, English and girl's athletics; Mrs. Jean McKenzie, Latin and history; Miss Martha Williamson, domestic science and art; J. E. Torbet, commercial subjects; T. W. McFadden, science and boy's athletics; A. J. McFadden, manual training; F. M. Roth, superintendent.

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Hops from the following growers have been brought into the pea plant warehouse: James Clark, C. C. Hammett, Welby Stevens, John Seavoy and Palmer Bros. None of these have brought in all their hops yet. Mr. Bartlett says the question now is to find space for the hops for which storage has been asked. They insist on having the bales placed in single rows on end. The old pea house begins to have a decidedly "berry" smell.

