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CHILDREN'S DAY IS OBSERVED SUNDAY

Many Children Take Part in Exercises at Christian and Methodist Churches; Large Attendance Enjoys Program.

Children's Day services were held at both the Methodist and Christian churches last Sunday. Many children of the town participated in the programs and the churches were filled to the doors. Under the direction of Mrs. R. E. Moshier the Christian church program of songs, music and readings given by the children were much enjoyed.

The elaborate program at the Methodist church was well given and appreciated. The Methodist program follows:

- Music Orchestra
- Song Congregation
- Prayer Rev. F. L. Moore
- Song "Children's Day," School
- Exercises "The Gem of Days,"
- Fifth grade girls
- Song "I Love Little Pussy" June Bert
- Motion Song, "God is Love"
- Primary Pupils
- Recitation Edna June Yarnell
- Piano Solo Margaret Jarrett
- Song, "Give the Little Boys a Chance"
- Primary Boys
- Recitation Virgil Cyr
- Song, "Jesus Little Ones" Primary
- Recitation "My Kitty" Jean Lloyd
- Exercises, "Flowers in Life's Garden"
- Primary Girls
- Recitation, "The Two Commandments"
- Francis Walker
- Exercises, "And So Will We," Primary
- "The Stars and Stripes"
- Girls of Intermediate Class
- "America the Beautiful" Boys
- "Lovely June" Girls
- Song "They Didn't Think"
- Dorothy Mae Potter and Eva Louk
- Song, "Mother" Evelyn Lloyd
- Recitation, "Childish Memories"
- Dorothy Fisher
- Song, "Children's Day"
- Hattie and Emma Trinka
- Song, "Suffer the Little Children"
- Girls of Intermediate Class
- Remarks by Pastor.
- Music Orchestra

I. O. O. F. HOLD MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR DEPARTED

Memorial services for those members of the Oddfellows lodge of Springfield who have passed away during the past year were held by the local members at the I. O. O. F. hall Wednesday evening. Only two members of the lodge, Charles Scott and J. W. Coffin, have died this year.

The principal speaker of the evening was W. F. Walker, past grand master of the lodge, who spoke in appreciation of the deceased lodgemen. His talk was preceded by Oswald Olson, explaining the origin of the custom of these services. The Springfield band, under the direction of J. C. Parker, played several selections.

Members of the Juanita Rebekah lodge met with the Oddfellows at this meeting. Ice cream and cake were served late in the evening.

NEIGHBORS AND WOODMEN HAVE MUSICAL PROGRAM

Royal Neighbors of America, Modern Woodmen, and their families were entertained with a musical program at the Woodman hall Wednesday evening. The program included a vocal solo by Miss Margaret Skavlan, a duet by Mrs. D. W. Murphy and Mrs. Ray Moshier, followed by another vocal solo by Mrs. Kathryn Duncan. A quartette of Mrs. D. W. McKinnon, Mrs. Arthur Pengra, Wilbur Cook and Norton Pengra, accompanied by Mrs. Norton Pengra was encored. Miss Zelma Litherland gave a vocal solo, accompanied by Miss Eunice Parker. A piano duet was played by the Misses Naomi and Iowa Carlton. Accompanying himself on the mandolin, D. W. McKinnon sang several darkey songs. Charles Nadornik, accompanied by Miss Winifred Tyson, played a violin solo. Several members of Mrs. Yarnell's elocution classes, assisted by Mrs. Yarnell, gave readings and pantomimes during the program.

The committee in charge of the affair was Mrs. Wm. Stearmer, Mrs. D. W. McKinnon and Mrs. Fred Cline.

Has Tonsils Removed—Esther Lee of Glenwood had her tonsils removed Wednesday.

HUGHES ELECTED SCHOOL DIRECTOR; SMITH CLERK

W. G. Hughes was unanimously elected to the position of member of the school board at the election Monday evening. Mr. Hughes succeeds George Ditto, whose term expired this year. R. W. Smith was re-elected clerk, with only one vote for W. F. Walker, cast against him. Fifty-eight votes were counted for Mr. Hughes, and fifty-two for Mr. Smith.

SHASTA CLIPS AUTO TAIL LIGHT AT HALSEY

While returning from Brownsville Tuesday evening, Frank and Dick Sharman, of Springfield, with S. E. Brownfield of North Dakota, narrowly escaped death when the car in which they were riding was nearly run down by the Shasta limited, according to the report they bring back to this city.

Neither of the men saw the approaching train at the Halsey crossing until it was too late to stop. Frank Sharman, the driver, put on his brakes, but realizing that the car would only stop on the track, he opened it up. The tail light was snapped off by the passing train. Dick Sharman, who was riding in the back seat, jumped out, receiving a wrenched wrist and several bruises. None of the men saw the train until it emerged from behind the depot at Halsey, almost upon them.

LEGION AUXILIARY WILL ELECT DELEGATE FRIDAY

Delegates from the Springfield American Legion Auxiliary to the state convention at Prineville June 25, 26 and 27 will be elected at a meeting Friday evening, at the home Mrs. C. A. Swarts.

All members of the Auxiliary are urged by Mrs. M. B. Huntley, president of the organization, to attend, since this is the last chance for the Auxiliary to choose a representative.

C. A. Swarts, commander of the Legion will take up other important business before the meeting.

By order of the state department all members should be present to pass muster on this date.

DAYLIGHT WILL BE SEEN IN NATRON TUNNEL SOON

Crews working on each end of the big tunnel under the Cascades on the Natron cutoff expect to meet each other Friday. Work on the big tunnel has been going on for over a year and when daylight is cut through there will be a celebration at each end. Six pumps are being run to keep the water out of the bore and timbers are being put in place.

Two and one half million feet of Douglas Fir and 16,000 cords of hemlock cut from the Deschutes and Cascades national forests were used in the big tunnel.

CUPID INVADERS STAFF OF SPRINGFIELD NEWS

Helen Renolds of Eugene, who since the first of the year has been news reporter on this paper, and Kenneth Wadleigh of Eugene, were quietly married at Albany June 10, at the Methodist parsonage. They intended to keep the marriage a secret but someone told and this week they have been receiving the best wishes of many friends both in Eugene and Springfield. Mr. and Mrs. Wadleigh are juniors in the University of Oregon and will continue their work there this fall.

Legion May Have Picnic

Legion members will meet Friday evening at the home of the commander C. A. Swarts to discuss having a Legion picnic July 4. The auxiliary will meet with the post at the same time to elect a delegate to the state convention.

In case a picnic is decided upon, it is probable that the post will hold their annual muster day at that time. A social meeting will be held after the business is settled.

Grand Jury Called

Judge G. F. Skipworth has called the Lane County Grand jury to meet June 18. There are a half dozen criminal cases to be taken up.

Band Plays Friday

With the advent of good weather, the weekly band concerts will be resumed, beginning Friday evening at 7:00. The bandstand is at the corner of 2nd and Main streets, and the concert is free.

Are They Guilty of Lying and Deceit?

(Editorial)

To soft soap his own people and justify the personal interest he has taken in borrowing the option money the editor of the Morning Register rises to remark editorially that there is nothing "underhanded," "small," or "contemptible" in the scheme of these Eugene men in attempting to induce that city to vote bonds to buy a site to trade to the Southern Pacific company for its shop site in Springfield. The editorial is an excuse instead of a reason for the Eugene men's activity in deceiving their own people as to the benefits of the proposed site over the one held at Springfield.

We quote from the editor's own paper and leave it to the fair minded readers whether there has been deception, underhandedness or unfair methods used. To us it looks like a deliberate plan to "stab Springfield in the back," but we only submit the facts and let the readers draw conclusions for themselves.

On October 7, 1924, Frank L. Chambers, president of the Eugene Chamber of Commerce and the representative of these Eugene men in securing the options on the Eugene proposed site, had an interview printed in the Morning Register (full text appears in other columns of this issue) in which he said "We're licked and we might as well admit it." He also is quoted as saying that "Springfield may confidentially expect the shops."

The interview of a column length ends with this direct quotation from Chambers: "Eugene's portion will now be to HELP SPRINGFIELD win the shops. They would mean much to Lane County and we MUST ASSIST OUR NEIGHBORS in their effort."

Immediately following this interview (and before it was given out for that matter) Chambers set out in the friendly pursuit to HELP SPRINGFIELD and ASSIST Eugene's neighbors by taking options on land west of that city. Now these shop site promoters want citizens of Eugene to bond themselves and pay for the land under option that it may be offered to the railroad in an effort to get the location of the shops moved from Springfield.

We ask you, fair minded citizens, is this an honorable method for one city to use in moving an industry (in which there is \$100,000 already invested) away from another? We ask you, too, if the Eugene citizens who vote for this \$175,000 bond issue to buy the proposed shop site will not be condoning this method and becoming a party to a deceitful undertaking? Further more we ask you if Frank Chambers wasn't lying (if he was correctly quoted and he hasn't used the Register's columns to deny it) and deliberately setting out to deceive the people of Springfield to further his own ends in this matter? Before we accuse anyone too harshly we ask that the people be the judge and answer these questions. We dare the editor of the Register to make a satisfactory answer to these questions to the people of this community.

The editor of the Register says that the Eugene men are doing this in the spirit of competition. This we can believe—the same spirit of competition that prompts an opposing football player to jump with both feet on a man after he has been tackled while carrying the ball.

As a further excuse the Register says Springfield has opposed Eugene's plan for consolidation of the two cities and made this spirit of competition necessary. We ask when Eugene has ever placed any practical constructive plan before Springfield people for consolidation? We have been told by certain Eugene individuals who admitted they were only speaking their own opinions, that Eugene would work for Springfield in establishing industries here. We submit to the world if any city, in the light of Eugene's attitude toward Springfield and record on this matter in controversy since 1913, would place their destinies in the hands of Eugene while it was controlled by these "shop site promoters?"

Springfield, we will admit, is but a suburb of Eugene and will eventually grow to become a part of that city if this growth is not interfered with. After the public statements of the president of the Eugene Chamber of Commerce in the Register's interview last October, there was strong talk here (on the part of people who were suspicious, saying that it looked like the president of consolidation of these two towns. Cooperation they believed would hasten bringing about consolidation. There were others who were suspicious saying that it looked like the president of the Eugene Chamber of Commerce "had something up his sleeve."

Now "Eugene looks with misgivings upon the building of a rival municipality across the river," says the editor of the Register. In other words he condones the tearing down of Springfield to build up Eugene!

State Press Condemns Action of Eugene Men

The press and individuals all over the Pacific coast have condemned Eugene and protested the action in attempting to move the Southern Pacific car shops from Springfield to that city. Many letters and telegrams have been received by the people here in regard to the action. We quote below editorial comment during the last few days of the Salem Capital Journal, Albany Democrat-Herald, Salem Statesman and Harrisburg Bulletin:

SAND-BAGGING SPRINGFIELD

The Eugene Chamber of Commerce is engaged in the neighboring occupation of sand-bagging the little sister city of Springfield, by endeavoring to steal the railroad shops which the Southern Pacific years ago agreed with the people of Springfield to locate there upon completion of the Natron Cut-off, and for which it secured an extensive tract of land.

Eugene has a boom and the boomers have conceived the idea that it would be a great stimulus towards inflation and enable them to unload at a profit, if the prospective and promised railroad shops were switched at taxpayers expense from Springfield to Eugene—hence the proposal to vote municipal bonds for \$175,000 to purchase a 200 acre tract of land for a site and present the

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MANY CHILDREN FOUND DEFECTIVE AT CLINIC

Nineteen Out of Forty Girls had Goiters, Seventeen had Tonsils and Eighteen Adenoids

Nineteen out of forty girls examined at the free clinic held here Friday had goiters of various stages of development. Seventeen of the girls had diseased tonsils, eighteen had adenoids and thirteen were underweight. Several of them had eye irritations caused by the above mentioned conditions.

Of the sixty boys examined, only three were normal, the greater percentage of their troubles being nose and throat troubles and underweight. "In examining so many children, we had not much time to spend on each one," Dr. W. C. Rebhan, one of the examining physicians explained, "and as a result, we probably overlooked some defects, but every one of the conditions stated on the cards given to the children are actually present and need immediate attention."

The clinic was sponsored by the Mercy hospital staff, Dr. G. S. Beardsley of Eugene and Dr. Rebhan examined the girls at Dr. Rebhan's office. The boys were taken care of by Dr. R. P. Mortensen and several nurses at Dr. Mortensen's office.

KILL KARE CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. KESTER

Kill Kare Klub members were entertained at the home of Mrs. Eugene Kester Thursday afternoon. Mrs. W. H. Adrian was high score winner, with Mrs. George Blair placing second. Mrs. Elmer Dross of Eugene was a special guest for the afternoon.

Attending the meeting were Mrs. Frank Poindexter, Mrs. Jim Dumphreys, Mrs. Wilford Beck, Mrs. George Blair, Mrs. Fred Chess and Mrs. Bert Vincent of Eugene, and Mrs. C. E. Wheaton, Mrs. Maude Bryan, Mrs. M. M. Peery, Mrs. W. H. Adrian and Mrs. Eugene Kester.

The next meeting of the club will be with Mrs. Poindexter next Thursday.

NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY PUPILS' RECORD

Four children in the Springfield public schools in the term just ended were neither absent or tardy. They are Jack Burton, Ruth Stratton, Marjorie Johnson and Johnny Montgomery. The children are in the second grade and Mrs. Roberts was their teacher. Little Gerald Burton was absent but not tardy during the term. The record of these children is to be commended.

BROWNSVILLE DEFEATS SPRINGFIELD AT PICNIC

In a game which seemed practically won, Springfield was defeated by the Brownsville team Wednesday afternoon, at the Pioneer picnic there, by a score of 6-5.

Ross Ray of Scio pitched for the local team, and until the middle of the seventh inning, Springfield held Brownsville 5-0. At that time Ray blew up, and Brownsville was able to score all six runs in the last half of that inning although the Springfield infielders made but two errors throughout the whole game.

The rest of Springfield's lineup was: Black, Catcher; H. Cowart, second base; Thompson, first base; C. Mulligan, short; "Ding" Mulligan, third base; Delps, left field; Sharman, right field; Peterson, center field.

In Recital

James Montgomery, Mary Elizabeth Whitney, Mrs. R. E. Moshier and Mrs. D. B. Murphy were among the members of Mrs. Arab Hoyt Rae's voice pupils who participated in a recital Tuesday evening. The presentation was made at the home of Mrs. Rae's sister, Mrs. C. P. Devereaux, in Eugene.

Buy Five Room House

Dick Miller has purchased a five room house, with a half-acre plot in the Stewart addition from J. E. Johnson. The house is near 16th street. The sale was made through the N. A. Rowe realty company. Mr. Miller expects to move from its present location at 8th and A streets to his new home immediately.

Junior Brattain Arrives

Word has been received from Lakeview of the birth this morning of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Paul J. Brattain, Jr., The newcomer will be named Paul Edward, after his two grandfathers.

FIVE FIGHTERS TO WAGE SHOP BATTLE

Springfield's Campaign Against Eugene "Steal" Will be Conducted by Five Men Elected at Chamber Meeting Friday.

The campaign to prevent Eugene from "stealing the car shops" will be conducted by an executive committee of five men elected at a mass meeting at the Springfield Chamber of Commerce last Friday evening. The committee was given absolute charge of conducting the fight and promised the support of the entire community.

The men chosen were Welby Stevens, W. G. Hughes, Herbert Cox, E. E. Kepner and H. E. Maxey. The committee has organized with Mr. Stevens chairman, Mr. Maxey, vice-chairman, and W. G. Hughes, treasurer. Mark Peery has been engaged as secretary to devote practically his entire time to the work of the committee.

A publicity campaign against the move of the Eugene men to bond that city to purchase a site west of Blair street to trade for the Springfield site has been started. The committee will seek to prevent the passage of the bond issue whereby the weight of opinion in Eugene will be thrown on the Southern Pacific to compel a removal of the shops.

Financing of the campaign will be done by local subscriptions. More than half enough money has been raised to conduct the fight through those who have come forward with donations. Five hundred dollars more is likely the sum the committee will need to conduct the campaign mapped out. Those property owners and business men who have not contributed may leave their money with Secretary Peery or Treasurer Hughes.

LOCALS WIN FROM VENETA 10 TO 4 IN GOOD GAME

Veneta played an exceptionally good game in a last-minute tussle arranged with the Springfield nine Sunday, in which the locals were victorious by a score of 10-4. A game for that day had been scheduled with Albany, but since that team had entered the interstate league, it was canceled.

Neither team scored in the first inning, Springfield beginning the counts in the second, making five runs. Veneta made their four counters in the third inning when Carter, who was pitching, slowed down because of an injured thumb. He was replaced by Delps, and Veneta made no more scores.

Springfield's lineup was: Delps and Carter, pitchers; Black, catcher; Thompson, first; H. Cowart, second; C. Mulligan, short; O. Mulligan, third; Carter and Delps, left field; Sharman, right field; Meats, center field; Sankey, substitute.

The local team has scheduled a game with Oakridge, to be played there at their big celebration July 4.

EXPECT DANCE HALL TO BE READY SOON

American Legion members are planning to have the new dance pavilion at 2nd and Main street completed in time for a dance Wednesday evening. Bad weather has held up the building which was started some time ago.

The dances will be given twice a week, on Wednesday and Saturday evenings, with Roach's orchestra, which played at the Legion dances last summer. A refreshment stand and a cloakroom will be provided and will be taken care of by the Legion men in relay.

The floor is being built entirely by members of the Legion and will be used for the summer months only.

Civic Club to Meet

Civic club members are asked to meet at the Chamber of Commerce rooms Tuesday, June 23, for their regular meeting. At that time there will be a discussion of plans for a community picnic. The club will serve ice cream and strawberries at the band concert tomorrow night.

Doctor Will Visit—Dr. C. G. Van Valzah of Union will arrive Saturday to visit his mother, Mrs. A. B. Van Valzah.

Visit at Kessey's—Professor and Mrs. E. C. Richard of Willamette University spent Tuesday evening at the O. B. Kessey home. Mr. and Mrs. Richards are on their way to Berkeley where they will attend summer