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SLOT MACHINES ARE ORDERED REMOVED

Council Reduces Truck License Fee and Changes Time for Collaring Dogs to January 1 Instead of May 1. Dog Catcher to be Employed.

Slot machines were ordered removed from pool halls and restaurants in Springfield at a meeting of the city council Monday evening. Action came by the council after a petition had been presented to it, signed by citizens and calling attention that the state law was being violated. The petition had been circulated Sunday at the churches.

In a discussion of the slot machines it was said that when they were first installed they were placed in the pool room where only adults played them but that now they had been brought out front and were being manipulated by boys. State law it was said prohibited any gambling device being used even though something of merchandise was given with each chance.

The petition to vacate that part of north Third street inside the city limits was called to the attention of the city council and will be acted upon at the next meeting. Meanwhile the fire and water committee will make plans for removing the fire hydrant out of the closed section.

Repeal License on Trucks.
The \$100 license fee charged for operating a truck in Springfield to haul rubbish was changed by motion of the council to \$1. It was believed that this would cause more people to operate trucks to clean up the city.

Change Dog License Law.
The licensing of dogs in the city will begin each year on the first of January instead of May 1 according to a change made in the license law. Dog owners will have all the dogs of January to secure license and after that the councilmen said they would employ a dog catcher to take up all dogs without a collar. It was pointed out that this law had never been enforced and scores of dogs were roaming the town without collars. The dozen dog owners who now have licenses will be taken care of until May 1.

Entertain at Cards.
The Five Hundred club was entertained Friday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Roberts. After an enjoyable evening of cards, delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Seavy, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Peery, Mr. and Mrs. Frank DePue, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Adrian, Mrs. Grace Roberts, Welby Stevens, Eliza Sutton, Fred Clingan, Ike Lorimer, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Roberts, who were special guests.

Mrs. Stewart Entertains.
In compliment to Mrs. Gless Ward and Mrs. Arthur E. y, her two nieces, and Miss Johanna Johnson, her house guest, Mrs. Harry Stewart entertained at two tables of bridge last Friday afternoon at her home here.

Those present were Mrs. Crandall, Mrs. V. Smith, Mrs. C. E. Fisher, Mrs. M. M. Peery and Miss Anna Hill. Miss Johnson, whose home is in Los Angeles, was a college acquaintance of Miss Hill, Mrs. Ely and Mrs. Ward at the University of Oregon.

Brotherhood Meets Monday.
A program and dinner will be features of a meeting of the Methodist church Brotherhood, to be held in the church basement next Monday evening. It was announced this week. Plans for the meeting are in the hands of a special committee.

Masons Hold Meeting.
First degree work was the feature of a meeting held by the local Masonic lodge Tuesday night. Five visitors from Wendling were present.

Here from Eugene—Mrs. Howard Merrill of Eugene spent yesterday visiting friends in Springfield.

Attends Meeting—Miss Clara Wyso, nurse in a local physician's office, attended a meeting of the Mercy hospital alumni in Eugene Tuesday evening.

Frank Crawford Here—Frank Crawford, of the Booth-Kelly office at Wendling, was in town Tuesday evening.

Skin is Grafted—J. E. Sworden, Portland man whose leg was badly wounded when a rifle was accidentally discharged during a cougar hunt, recently, underwent a skin graft at the Pacific Christian hospital Tuesday.

Society

LEGION TO PRESENT VAUDEVILLE TUESDAY

For the benefit of the Springfield post of the American Legion, a first-class program of vaudeville and pictures is being arranged for showing at the Bell theatre Tuesday night, January 19. If the show proves a success, it is the plan of legion officials to make it a monthly event and offer to Springfield people attractive vaudeville sits along with good pictures at that time.

The Nadvornik trio, consisting of Charles Nadvornik, violinist; Oliver Wilder, trombonist; and Winifred Tyson, pianist, will give two selections as their part of Tuesday nights program. The Charleston Vaudettes will be seen in a snappy act of singing and dancing.

The feature picture to be shown is "North of 36" a spectacular picture with its scenes laid in the old cattle days of Texas. Jack Holt and Lois Wilson are starred in the production.

LADIES' OF G. A. R. WILL CELEBRATE LINCOLN DAY

Iuka circle, Ladies' of the Grand Army of the Republic, has extended an invitation to Rich Mountain circle, at Eugene, to join the local unit in the celebration of Lincoln's birthday, February 12, with a memorial meeting held here.

This announcement was made this week by Mrs. C. F. Eggmann, president of the Iuka circle, who stated that elaborate plans for the meeting are being made by the local women. The Woodmen of the World hall will be used for the occasion. Old soldiers of Eugene and Springfield will be special guests at the occasion, and it is hoped to have a lot of them who are able to be out present at the meeting.

Mrs. Pearl Metcalf, newly named musician of the local circle, has charge of plans for an attractive musical program. Mrs. Alice Doane is chairman of the refreshments committee.

MISS MITCHELL HEARD AT CHRISTIAN MEETING

A vivid picture of her work among native Africans in the Congo region was presented by Miss Hattie Mitchell, foreign missionary, in a talk at the missionary meeting at the Christian church Sunday evening. Miss Mitchell is home in Springfield on a leave of absence.

Mrs. Read of Corvallis, state missionary leader for the denomination, gave a report on the National Missionary convention.

WILLAMETTE CLUB WILL HOLD BANQUET TONIGHT

The Upper Willamette Valley Willamette club, an organization of Willamette university alumni recently formed at Springfield, will hold a get-together banquet at the Osburn hotel in Eugene tonight at 6 o'clock.

A large number of Springfield people belong to the club, which was organized at the home of Dr. W. H. Pollard. All former Willamette students are invited to the meeting, according to Secretary Lya! Bolton, of Eugene. The secretary asks that all reservations be mailed to him as early as possible. A speaker from the university faculty and a program of music are being arranged for.

Church Holds Social.

The regular monthly social meeting of the Christian church was held Friday evening in the social hall of the church. The program was conducted by the Live Wire class, and consisted of a playette, readings and a number of solos, music was furnished by the orchestra after which games and a general good time was enjoyed by all. Light refreshments were served.

Entertains Genefield Club.

Mrs. Carl Bastford entertained the Genefield club at bridge at her home last Thursday.

Special guests of the occasion were Mrs. Clifford Bastford of Marshfield and Mrs. D. Scott of Eugene. The club will meet with Mrs. W. C. Rebhan at its next meeting.

Kill Kare Meeting Planned.

The Kill Kare club will meet tomorrow afternoon at the home of Mrs. George Blair, in Eugene. A number of Springfield members of the club are planning to attend.

Our White House family



The latest and most intimate picture of our White House family taken New Year's Day when son John was home from school. Rob Roy and Miss Prim, white collies, are now very much a part of the family.

Bank Keeps Pace With City's Growth

Closely identified with the steady growth of Springfield and local business has been the advancement of the First National bank of this city. The removal of the banking house to its handsome new building at Fifth and Main streets recently might therefore be considered as a definite indication that Springfield business is not lagging, and that the prosperity of this community is on the upward trend.

Few citizens of the size of Springfield in western Oregon can boast of a finer banking building than that occupied by this pioneer Springfield institution. Situated on one of the main corners of the business district, it provides a distinct improvement to the general appearance of the downtown section, at the same offering a more convenient location for service to patrons than did the former building.

Early in 1905, Henry W. Stewart, of Eugene, and E. E. Kepner, of Springfield organized what was then known as "The First National Bank of Springfield." Mr. Stewart was named president and Mr. Kepner cashier of the bank. Business opened that spring in a tiny wooden building on the south side of Main street, owned by Mr. Kepner.

In the following year, Mr. Stewart resigned because of ill health, disposing of his interests to Mr. Kepner.

Organization of the bank as a "First National bank" took place the next year, and John Bell, now of Eugene, was named cashier of the growing banking institution. The bank was still doing business in the wooden building.

But a few years later the advancement of local business and the associated growth of the bank made it necessary to seek larger and more convenient quarters. So the brick building at Second and Main streets was planned and erected, and was occupied until December 20, 1925.

Feeling that again their institution had outgrown its quarters, and that the progress of civic development made it desirable that a handsome new bank building be erected, the directors of the First National a year or so ago acquired the building site at the corner of Fifth and Main streets.

Last summer they accepted plans for the building, drawn by J. R. Ford, of Eugene, and construction work was started. The building was completed early in December.

The structure is of reinforced concrete, pleasing in exterior design and convenient in interior arrangement. It is two stories high, and provides attractive and well-lighted office rooms on the second floor. These have been occupied by Dr. W. C. Rebhan and Dr. S. Ralph Dippel. On the lower floor is a first-class store room, which has been loaned by D. W. Roof,

Springfield's pioneer jeweler. The lower floor, occupied by the bank, is spacious and attractive. It is entered by a metropolitan doorway of glass. The lobby is large, fitted with comfortable furniture, writing desks and booths.

First-class banking fixtures of the most modern kind have been installed. Three windows are used for service to patrons. A consultation room is provided in the front of the building, and immediately behind this is another division to be used for interviews with bank officials. Large plate-glass windows on the street sides give excellent light to the room. A strong vault, equipped with the most modern locking devices, gives certain security against robbery.

The present officers of the First National bank of Springfield are William G. Hughes, president; L. K. Page, vice-president; S. M. McPherson, vice-president; Lloyd C. Martin, cashier, E. F. McBee, director.

So it has been from a tiny wooden store building to a large, two-story concrete structure with the First National bank—and Springfield, in the meantime, has advanced from the tiny village stages into a coming, thriving, industrial community.

SCOUT COUNCIL INVITES LOCAL REPRESENTATION

Springfield was asked to name a representative on the Lane County Boy Scout council, when that organization met at the monthly business meeting and luncheon in Eugene Friday. The action was taken as a result of the recent organization of an active boy scout troop in Springfield under the auspices of the Lions club.

Clayton Barber, assistant scoutmaster of the local troop, was present at the meeting and reported on the advancement being made in the work here. The fact that the interest has been so great that a second troop is being contemplated was of special interest to the county council members.

WILLIAM HALSEY IS ON O. A. C. RIFLE TEAM

Oregon Agricultural College, Jan. 6.—William Halsey of Springfield has been chosen by Lieutenant A. R. C. Sander, assistant professor of military tactics, as a member of the second rifle team. The official rifle season begins with a match against the University of California, for the week beginning Monday, January 11.

Halsey is registered a sophomore and is taking forestry.

Stroud Here—E. Stroud Southern Pacific trainmaster, was a visitor in Springfield yesterday.

HEALTH NEEDS ARE CITED BY POLLARD

Budget for Work Too Small, Is Opinion of City Physician; Sewage Disposal Problem.

Calling attention to the relatively small amount budgeted for city health work in view of the probable needs of the near future, Dr. W. H. Pollard, city physician, in his annual report declares that Springfield must face an early necessity of extending its sewers to keep pace with city growth, and a probable necessity of bringing to an end the disposal of sewage in the Willamette river.

The city health officer says in the report, filed with the city council this week, that he is of the opinion that at an early date cities will be forced to find other places than the waters of the river in which to dispose of sewage. Springfield, he says, must face this problem as a matter of sanitation.

Inspections Authorized.

The health officer recommends also that he, with the chief of police, be authorized to make inspection of barns, alleys, and other places where refuse is likely to gather, with a view to eliminating breeding places for flies. This recommendation, with another that all stores, restaurants and other places handling fruit likely to rot be forced to have tight lid garbage cans for disposal of refuse, was adopted by the council.

Dr. Pollard suggested that the city hold two clean-up days annually. The first, he said, should be held in the spring for the purpose of eliminating fly breeding places and beautifying the city in preparation for the summer tourist traffic. The second should be held at the beginning of the rainy season to eliminate typhoid carriers.

Danger Cited.

The danger of the spread of contagious disease as a result of laxity in reporting illness to the health service was cited by the physician. He said that there were contagious diseases in about 40 different families during last year in Springfield. The disease table for the year follows:

Chicken pox, 12; mumps, 23; scarlet fever, 8; smallpox, 6; specific diseases, 4. One death resulted from the above cases.

Forty different water tests were made during the year. City water in each case was found to be pure.

SECOND SCOUT PATROL TO BE FORMED MONDAY

Two full patrols of Springfield Boy Scouts are expected to report at a meeting to be held next Monday night. Plans for organizing the second patrol of six scouts were made at a scout meeting Tuesday evening, and the final formation of the group will be completed Monday. It is planned, eventually, to have four patrols of six youths each in Springfield Troop No. 1, now in the formative stage.

Scoutmaster W. P. Tyson and Assistant Scoutmaster Clayton Barber had charge of the Tuesday evening affair, which proved a success. Games were played, scout activities discussed, and the boys took the scout oath and the allegiance to the flag.

A score or more of applications for membership in the troop are now in.

The second patrol to meet Monday night with the Bob White patrol is composed of Verne Griffiths, Lloyd Mattison, Thomas Yost, Norval Foss, Peyton Odekirk and Earl Wheeler.

Prepare for Exams.

Registration for the second semester at the Springfield high school will start at 1 o'clock on January 29, Principal V. D. Bain announced today.

Preparations are being made by the students for the semester final examinations, which start January 28. No social functions will be held until after the examinations are over.

Woman is Burned.

Painful burns were sustained by Mrs. C. F. Bowman, of Crow, Sunday night when a teakettle of hot water was brushed from a stove into her lap. Mrs. Bowman's right leg was most severely burned. The accident occurred late at night, and the teakettle was tipped from the stove when a blanket caught on it.

Tollefson is Fined.

Louis Tollefson, who was convicted in Justice R. W. Smith's court of parking too near a fire hydrant on a local street, Monday paid a fine of \$2.

Here from Wendling—John Pureell of Wendling was in Springfield Tuesday evening.

CHAMBER STARTS CAMPAIGN TODAY

Membership Drive Is To Be Conducted by Four Teams; List of 78 Prospects Made Up At Committee Meeting; Reports To Be In By Friday Night.

With four teams of three men each in action, the Chamber of Commerce annual membership drive gets under way in Springfield today. Seventy-eight prospective members have been listed by the teams, and all will be visited today or tomorrow. Reports of the drive will be made at a meeting to be held tomorrow night.

Final plans for the drive were made at a meeting held at the city hall last night, at which President Herbert Cox appointed the following committees to carry out the short but vigorous campaign:

Team No. 1—O. F. Anderson, G. G. Bushman, H. J. Cox.

Team No. 2—J. Fulop, John Ketas, Jr., Dallas Murphy.

Team No. 3—H. F. Clarke, H. E. Maxey, S. C. Wright.

Team No. 4—C. F. Eggmann, Harry Stewart, W. A. Taylor.

The committee in session last night outlined a new plan for fee collection. The reports of the success of the drive will be heard at tomorrow night's meeting, which starts at 7:30 o'clock in the city hall, according to President Cox.

The chamber's support in a proposition to paint all store fronts in Springfield is sought by A. C. Truax, who appeared before the committee meeting last night. Mr. Truax offers to paint all store fronts in the city at a straight price, and after the work is done a drawing will be held and one business house out of each 10 will be given the paint job free.

He stated that not only would the plan improve the appearance of the city, but the Acme Paint company will give Springfield publicity as a result of the work.

LOCAL BASKETEERS WIN FROM COBURG QUINTET

By a score of 19 to 14, the Springfield high school basketball team walloped the Coburg high team on the Coburg floor last Friday night. The superior passing of the local squad and the excellent shooting of Cowart were responsible for the victory.

The Springfield line-up, with scores follows: forwards, Cox (2) and Cowart (8); center, Beeson (4); guards, McPherson, (1) and Hastings, (4).

FIRE LOSS HERE IN 1925 WAS \$1555, SAYS REPORT

Springfield's fire loss for 1925 was only \$1555, according to the annual report of Fire Chief Jesse Smtson, filed with the city recorder Monday. Eleven fire alarms were turned in during the 12 months period.

Property involved in connection with fires was valued at \$21,775. Insurance at risk was \$9,200. Eleven hundred fifty feet of hose were laid during the year, and 192½ gallons of chemicals used. One hundred fifty one blocks were travelled by the fire apparatus.

LIBRARY BOARD NAMES OFFICERS FOR NEW YEAR

All officers were reelected when the board of the Springfield Public library met last Thursday evening. They are Mrs. N. W. Emery, president; Mrs. J. Davis, vice-president; Mrs. L. K. Page, secretary; Mrs. Lee Clark and Mrs. Fred Hinson, book committee. Miss Roberts was reelected librarian.

Following the meeting, Miss Roberts entertained the members with lunch.

Infant Dies.

Charles Francis Clark, the 3-months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Clark of Marcola died on January 12. Funeral services were held at Marcola yesterday, with Rev. Workman in charge. Interment was in Laurel Hill cemetery.

Installation Held.

Installation of officers of Iuka circle, Ladies of the G. A. R., was held at Eggmann hall Friday, with officers of the Eugene circle installing. Twenty-one visitors were present from Eugene.

On the following day, Mrs. C. F. Eggmann, past president of the local unit, installed officers for the Eugene circle.