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CITY BONDS SOLD TO PORTLAND BANK

Council Receives Bids for \$13,481 in Improvement Bonds and Awards Issue to Lumberman Trust Co.; War on Dogs to Start in City.

The \$13,481 in city sidewalk and street improvement bonds were ordered sold to the Lumberman Trust company of Portland for \$1007.30 for each \$1000 at the meeting of the council Monday evening. The only other bidder bid par on the issue. The bonds bear interest at the rate of six per cent.

Due to the fact that it was a small issue and the bonds may be redeemed in two years the bid accepted was regarded as a fair offer. The bonds cover all the improvements made this summer under which property owners took the Boncroft act.

Dog Catcher to Work.

A dog catcher was ordered employed after February 1 to pick up all dogs not wearing a collar and license tag. Councilmen estimated that there were over 100 dogs in the city that should be licensed. Only one license had been taken out at the time of the council meeting. Dogs will be caught, impounded and destroyed according to the ordinance. Notice has been published of the going into effect of the dog ordinance and councilmen said no leniency should be shown.

Dogs are Nuisance.

Many people are complaining about dogs bothering their premises. Tuesday evening J. O. Smith, living at 9th and F street, reports that some dog killed and partly devoured a pure-bred Rhode Island Red hen of his. He also says dogs have been taking the eggs from his chicken coops. He warns dog owners that he expects to destroy any dog found molesting his chickens in future.

SPRINGFIELD TO PLAY U. HIGH HERE FEB. 3

Heartened by their strong showing against the Willamette university quintet last Friday evening, the Springfield high school basketball team is preparing for a hard game with the University high team here February 3. The Eugene team beat the locals by two points in an overtime period in the first argument between the two aggregations.

Superior floor play by Springfield, and a sturdy defense by Willamette, furnished plenty of thrills for the onlookers at the game Friday, which ended 11 to 10 for the university yearlings. Neither team showed up good at basket shooting.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WILL GIVE PLAY SOON

"All-of-a-sudden Peggy" is the name of the play to be presented by students of the Springfield high school on an evening during the last week in February. It is likely the play will be held on Friday evening, if changes in the basketball schedule can be arranged.

The cast of the play has been chosen, and is working under the direction of Miss Francis Hodge. The characters follow:

Peggy, Naomi Carlton.
Millicent, Elizabeth Hughes.
Lady Crackenthorpe, Lucille Stewart.

Mrs. O'Mara, De Etta Duryee.
Mrs. Colquhoun, Dorene Larimer.
Jimmy, Albert Harper.
Jack Menzies, John Howard.
Anthony, William Pollard.
Archie, Ward Collier.
Palsee, Lule Hastings.
Lucas, Roy Nice.

PITTS PLANING MILL BOUGHT BY SCHIEWE

Purchase of the Pitts Planing mill at Fourth and C street has been consummated by P. T. Schiewe, and already the new owner is operating the plant.

Mr. Schiewe moved his family here yesterday from Molalla, Oregon, where he has been living. Temporarily they will live in the Walker house directly across from the mill. Schiewe is an experienced mill man.

Another Work Train On.

The Southern Pacific company started operation of a work train at night on the Natron cutoff work between Springfield and Oakridge, this week. A quartet of trains are working in the day time now in rushing preparations for heavy work over the line when the cutoff is opened.

Society

Five Hundred Club Meets.

Mrs. Grace Roberts entertained the Five Hundred club at her home last Friday night.

Following an evening of cards, dainty refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Herbert Moore, Mrs. Monte Gay and Mrs. Helen Hicknell.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Seavey, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Peery, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Dawson, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Adrian, Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Larimer, Mr. and Mrs. Frank DePue, Mrs. Maude Bryan, Welby Stevens, Fred Clingan, Elza Sutton, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Roberts. Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Monte Gay, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Moore, Mrs. Crystal Brown, Earl Roberts, and Mrs. Helen Bicknell.

Mrs. Mortensen Entertains.

The Progressive Twenty-Two's, degree team of the local Rebekah lodge, were delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. R. P. Mortensen Friday evening. Games, radio music, and delicious refreshments combined to make the evening an enjoyable one.

Present were Mrs. Fred Louk, Mrs. Mildred Anthony, Mrs. Grace Landbury, Mrs. Blanche Daniels, Mrs. Cora Hensley, Mrs. Helen Donaldson, Mrs. C. Putnam, Mrs. Ada Bench, Mrs. Sam Richmond, Mrs. Jesse Lorch, Mrs. Carl Gerard, Mrs. Cal Barnes, Mrs. Alice Deane, Mrs. Leda Freeland and Mrs. Mortensen.

Visit in Woodburn.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Doty drove to Portland last week and returned visiting Mrs. Doty's mother and two cousins in Woodburn enroute. They reported a good trip both ways.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Bruggs and Mrs. Charles Doty motored up the McKenzie as far as Firm rock Sunday, and enjoyed a picnic lunch out doors. The weather there was wonderful and as warm as it usually is much later in the season.

Musical Program Given.

A special music program was given at the Christian church last Sunday evening. Numbers were given by a violin sextette composed of students of Buford Roach, of Eugene; Walter Lee, on the guitar; Christian church quartette; a trio, consisting of Mrs. Moshier, Mrs. Murphy, and Miss Hattie Mitchell, and so on by Miss Mitchell.

George Signor of Eugene will sing next Sunday evening.

War Vets Go South.

Local men belonging to the United Spanish War Veterans are planning to attend a dinner of George Starmers post, No. 19, to be held at the Hotel Rose, Roseburg, Saturday evening. A turkey dinner will be enjoyed. H. B. Hamlin, S. Richmond, M. B. Hurty and C. F. Eggmann are local veterans of the Spanish war.

Civic Club to Meet.

The next meeting of the Civic club will be held Tuesday, February 9, in the new quarters above the Commercial State bank building.

A paper bag lunch is planned, all bringing what they wish to eat. Club officials announced this week that dues are now payable.

Church Supper Held.

The Loyal Womens class entertained the Loyal Men's class at the Christian church last Friday evening with a chicken dinner. The affair closed a Bible school contest in which the men proved the victors.

To Hold Dance.

The Civic club holds and means committee will hold an old-fashioned dance at an early date. The committee is working under the direction of Mrs. Carl Olson. The place and date will be announced soon.

Rebekahs Initiate.

Initiation of new members featured a meeting of the Rebekahs, held at the I. O. O. F. hall Monday evening. Refreshments were served.

Woodcraft Meets.

Neighbors of Woodcraft met for work last evening. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

Visits Sister—Captain T. L. Stitt of the Coast Guard service visited his sister, Mrs. F. E. Lenhart, and family, Monday night. The captain was enroute to Florence, having been transferred from Point Reyes, California, to the station near Florence.

Helen in Paris



Miss Helen Wills, America's tennis queen, is now in Europe to study art but friends say she will battle Mlle. Lengien for the world's net crown before returning to her native shores.

NEW TAGS FOR FIDO; DOG CATCHER NEEDED

Fifty bright new tags for Springfield's canine population arrived at the city recorder's office last Friday, and are being distributed this week as dog-owners call at the office for their 1926 licenses.

Last year, the city bought 50 tags but only 20 were issued, in spite of the fact that authorities declare the canines of the city to number near 100. A license fee of \$2 is being charged this year, and an effort is to be made to make the tagging more general.

"What we need is a dog-catcher to work for about two days and clean the town of unlicensed curs," said Recorder R. W. Smith. "There are too many dogs running loose, unclaimed and unwanted."

The licenses are now good for the year from January 1 to January 1, 1927.

The first of the new tags was issued to Mrs. Sarah Howell, and her dog will wear tag No. 1 for this year.

NEW OPERATOR FOR S. P. OFFICE HERE

An additional telegrapher has been added to the force at the Southern Pacific depot here as the result of increased work brought on by preparations for the operation of main line trains over the road through here, to start with the opening of the Natron cutoff about July 1.

Several work trains are now being operated over the line, and other duties make it impossible for Agent Carl Olson to handle telegraph work. The telegraph wire will be open at 4 A. M. until the situation is back to normal.

LEGION LAUNCHES PLAN FOR PROMOTING SPORTS

A bowling team already has been organized and a basketball team is being formed as a result of a decision of the local post of the American Legion to promote a sports program with in the organization.

President Percy Tyson has appointed as a sports committee: Jess Meats, T. Henderson and Charles Scott.

Thanks to Springfield people for their support given to the American Legion night at the Bell theatre was expressed this week by President Tyson. It is now possible, he said, to hold the vaudeville monthly, and first class programs are to be presented.

REV. LAUGHLIN TO OPEN REVIVALS HERE SUNDAY

Rev. G. G. Laughlin, D. D. will open evangelistic services at the Springfield Baptist church Sunday morning, and will continue the meetings until February 21.

At the Sunday morning service, Rev. Laughlin will speak on "Creating an Atmosphere for a Revival." "The Lost Art in Religion," is his topic for Sunday evening's preaching.

Bulletin Board Here.

An attractive, electrically lighted bulletin board has arrived and has been installed at the J. H. Ebbert Memorial Methodist church. The board is the gift of the Young Men's People's class of the Church Bible school.

Banker Traps Bad Local Check Artist at Los Angeles

Within two hours after a warning from W. G. Hughes of the First National bank of Springfield had been received by the secretary of the Los Angeles lodge, Loyal Order of Moose, Lon Wakefield, who "bought" a ranch in Springfield with a worthless check and left for California leaving a trail of fictitious papers, behind him, walked into the Los Angeles man's office. Wakefield was immediately arrested and a complaint charging him with passing fictitious checks was filed.

With word of Wakefield's arrest, it became known that he had cashed checks on the First National bank of Springfield throughout his journey south, despite the fact that bank officials declare he had no account here. The checks, according to Mr. Hughes, were usually made out for \$10 or less, and were passed in various points ranging from Grants Pass, Oregon, to Modesto, California.

After noting that Wakefield had been visiting Moose lodge secretaries at various points for the purpose of getting checks cashed, Mr. Hughes sent a letter to the Los Angeles lodge secretary warning him. Wakefield, a short time later, walked into the man's office, only to meet the hands of the law instead of the customary check endorsement or cash.

Word from the secretary of the lodge, and from authorities of the southern city informing him of the arrest, has been received by Mr. Hughes. The local bank official, in warning the lodge secretary, mailed him a clipping from the Springfield News, which recently gave an exclusive account of Wakefield's dealings here.

Wakefield came to Springfield late in December. Stating that he was from Danville, Illinois, he sought through a local real estate dealer to purchase the A. M. McPherson farm of 173 acres. He gave a check for \$500 to bind the deal, and left for the south. The check, when sent to the Illinois bank on which it was written, was returned unhonored.

Wakefield also wrote a check on the First National bank of Springfield to a Eugene dental firm for \$50.

NEW PRESS IS BOUGHT BY SPRINGFIELD PRINT SHOP

In order to handle with rapid service an increased business in Springfield and Eugene, the Willamette Press has purchased a new Chandler and Price job press, equipped with the Miller automatic feeder. The new press will be installed in the local plant this week.

By use of the automatic feeder, one of the most modern devices for speeding up printing production, one man will be able to operate the two job presses in the plant. The new press will work at the rate of 2400 impressions an hour. The Miller unit doubles production over hand feeding, and handles all grades of paper.

The Willamette Press recently purchased a Miller saw trimmer, and considerable new type, keeping up its standards of service and quality.

ELITE APARTMENTS ARE LEASED BY A. T. BREWER

The Elite apartments, at Third and Main streets, have been leased by A. T. Brewer of Camp Creek, who has taken possession and is now making numerous improvements of the building. The interior is being redecorated, and a new roof is being installed.

Brewer bought the lease from A. T. Flowers, local real estate man. The building is the property of W. J. Lichty.

VITUS TRADES TRACT FOR CITY PROPERTY

Among local real estate transactions of the week was the trade of a 27-acre tract on the McKenzie river belonging to August Vitus for a large lot and buildings in Eugene, belonging to M. Murphy.

The Eugene lot which Mr. Vitus takes over is 66x160 feet in size, located at Second and Lawrence streets. On it are two houses and an automobile repair shop. The McKenzie river land traded for the Eugene land is a first class piece of property.

Arrives from Weed—Sylvester Snooks, who has been at Weed, California, more than a year, arrived at his home here Sunday evening.

Youngest Aviator



Photo shows Farnam Parker, thirteen year old pilot of planes and the youngest qualified flier in the world, addressing his radio audience thru the microphone. Don't you envy him, boys?

SPRINGFIELD BOWLERS BEAT EUGENE OUTFIT

Rolling 2625 pins, the highest score ever made in a match meet by the Springfield bowling team, the local aggregation defeated the Eugene city team by 418 pins on the Springfield alley Tuesday night. A return meet will be staged at Eugene some night next week.

Scores follow:

Springfield: Stevens, 179, 167, 169; L. Lepley, 145, 193, 164; Henderson, 159, 247, 188; Endicott, 179, 165, 137; W. Lepley, 158, 181, 184. Total, 2625.

Eugene: Knight, 148, 135, 136; Ashworth 152, 146, 142; Shipman, 109, 148, 133; Simpson 118, 102, 165; Hensler, 102, 195, 227. Total, 2207.

Local League Formed.

Four local bowling teams have been formed, and will participate in matches soon. They are the Danner Motor company team, town team, American Legion team, and business men's team.

The legion squad will meet for try-outs Monday night. Those who will try are Larson, J. Meats, Henderson, O. M. Olson, Scott, Swarts, Wills and W. Vasby.

FARM HOME COMMITTEE TO MEET FRIDAY NIGHT

The Springfield committee for the Lane county building at the Women's Christian Temperance Union Farm home of which Mrs. W. F. Walker is chairman, will hold its first meeting at the Springfield library Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock, it was announced today.

Below is a list of the Springfield organizations and representatives who have been asked to be present at the session:

Lions club, H. E. Maxey; Masonic, John F. Ketels; Eastern Star, Mrs. Paul Basford; Rebekahs, Mrs. R. E. Moshier; American Legion, C. A. Swarts; American Legion auxiliary, Mrs. M. B. Huntly; Methodist Aid, Mrs. R. E. Davidson; Baptist Aid, Mrs. Blom; Christian Aid, Mrs. Jas. Davis; Civic club, Mrs. Walter Scott; I. O. O. F., W. F. Walker; W. O. W., Sam Richmond; M. W. A., Geo. Ditto; Neighbors Woodcraft, Mrs. Nina McPherson; Royal Neighbors, Mrs. W. H. Stearmer; Chamber of Commerce, Herbert Cox; Needlecraft club, Mrs. C. O. Wilson; Friscl'a club, Mrs. Ida Swarts; Kensington club, Mrs. Anna Knox; Aneax club, Mrs. N. W. Emery; Chrysanthemum club, Mrs. M. M. Eggmann; P. T. A., Mrs. W. P. Tyson, Artisans, Mrs. Potter.

BULLETIN PRICE RAISE FAVORED BY 4L UNIT

The Springfield post of the Loyal Legion of Loggers went on record in favor of the raise in the price of the 4L Bulletin from 10 to 15 cents a copy, at the meeting held Monday night. A majority of the locals in the state have favored the change, and it will be made soon.

B. F. Gilkinson of the University of Oregon teaching staff, spoke to the members, urging that a public speaking class be organized in Springfield. The matter will be given further consideration.

It was decided to buy two sets of horseshoes for the new Springfield Horseshoe club.

COMMISSION WILL HEAR BRIDGE PLAN

Springfield and Eugene to Send Representatives to Session of State Highway Body February 25; Situation Discussed At Meet of Springfield Chamber.

The next four weeks will see a concentration of the efforts of Springfield and Eugene interests to bring about the early construction of the proposed new highway bridge across the Willamette river at Springfield. Attendance of representatives of the communities at a session of the state highway commission February 25 will mark a final effort to urge the state to appropriate its share of the cost of the span.

Members of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, meeting last Friday evening, discussed the bridge situation thoroughly, and decidedly definitely to send representatives to the commission meeting and make efforts in other directions to bring attention to the need of a new bridge. Arrangements for the appearance of representatives at the Salem session already are being made by committees appointed by President Herbert J. Cox of the chamber.

A joint meeting will be held at an early date by bridge committees of the Eugene and Springfield Chambers of Commerce to make further plans for the agitation of the matter. As it is planned that the county will pay half the cost of the span, the issue is to be placed on the ballot at the May primaries.

It was pointed out at the chamber gathering Friday night that the need of a new bridge grows more urgent daily. The structure now in use is the longest single span bridge west of the Mississippi river, and is too light for the heavy traffic which travels it continually. The growth of Springfield, and the increasing popularity of the McKenzie river highway as a scenic route and its growing importance as a traffic thoroughfare, are factors which make attention to the bridge problem more imperative.

J. W. Shumway of Milton, Oregon, candidate for nomination on the republican ticket as United States senator, spoke to the chamber members at Friday's meeting. Mr. Shumway was endorsed by the Lane County Farmers' union here Friday.

Announcement of the success of the chamber membership drive was made. There are now 85 members. Members names not listed in The News last week are C. W. Doty, P. G. Woods, W. C. McLagan, Dallas Murphy, R. Vasby, W. O. Vasby, E. C. Stuart, Carl O. Son, E. L. King, J. H. Mulchay and J. M. Scott. The last four are Southern Pacific officials.

Forty-five were present at the meeting.

NEW FRESHMAN CLASS AT HIGH SCHOOL PLANNED

An increase in enrollment is expected when the Springfield high school second semester starts Monday morning. Principal V. D. Bain said today, in anticipation of the increase, a freshman class is to be started, composed of those who graduate from the eighth grade in the Springfield Junior high school, and also for beginning high school who will come in from surrounding districts.

Examinations covering the work of the semester closing are being held at the high school today and tomorrow. All students exempt from the tests are not in school during the period.

All expecting to attend during the second semester should register either today or tomorrow, Principal Bain said. It is hoped to complete the registration by Monday.

GOVERNOR PIERCE WILL SPEAK AT WENDLING MEET

Governor Walter Pierce will be the principal speaker at the second annual Thrift supper, to be held at the 4L hall at Wendling February 3, it was announced today.

The supper is sponsored by the Benjamin Franklin club of Wendling. Club committee members anticipate a large attendance at the supper, in view of the visit of the state executive.

Here from Salem—Harry Jones was in town from Salem Sunday.