

FINAL EFFORT ON BRIDGE OUTLINED

R. A. Booth Gathering Data For Submission To State Highway Commission February 25; Springfield and Eugene Men To Urge Early Construction.

The supreme effort to bring about the early construction of the highway bridge across the Willamette river at Springfield will be made February 25, next Thursday, when a delegation of Springfield and Eugene business men will put the matter before the state highway commission in session at Portland.

R. A. Booth, former member of the commission member of the Eugene bridge committee, has consented to be one of the delegates to the commission meeting. He is now doing preliminary work, gathering facts and interviewing engineers, with the purpose of putting definite proposals before the state board.

Plans Offered Free.
The railroad company has offered the use of the old street car bridge piers across the river free for the construction of a highway span. The highway bridge, it is pointed out in the offer, would eliminate a dangerous railroad crossing, and would allow the railroad to lower its trestle at the overhead crossing on Mill street. This would be possible to provide a paved outlet to the Pacific highway from Springfield.

A suggestion is made that the old bridge structure be shortened and removed to the Hayden bridge site on the McKenzie river after the new bridge is built. It is also pointed out that if the new bridge is built right away, re-fencing and other repairs on the old structure will not have to be made.

Delegates Named.
Those who are likely to attend the state commission meeting as representatives of various bridge committees are:

Springfield Chamber of Commerce committee: E. E. Morrison, H. F. Clarke. Sub-committee, A. J. Perkins, G. G. Bushman, Welby Stevens.

Lions club committee: H. J. Cox, G. G. Bushman, W. F. Walker.

Eugene committee: R. A. Booth, Carl Washburne.

The Lions club committee, named above, was today appointed by President H. E. Maxey to cooperate with the other committees.

NEW PLANER INSTALLED AT SPRINGFIELD PLANT

The Springfield Lumber company's expansion program continued this week as a new planer arrived and was installed and preparations were made for constructing a new dock. The company received a new resaw.

The new machine is to be used for finish work. It is equipped with profile heads, and will be used for producing ceiling, moulding, shiplap, and various kinds of special work, adding much to the equipment of the local plant for diversified production.

The planer was unloaded at the plant Monday. At the time, Manager R. H. Parsons stated that plans were being made for going ahead with the construction of a dock, 150 feet long, to be built on new property adjacent to the mill. The dock work was held up until vacation of streets in the district had been authorized by the city council and the county court.

MILL CLOSES DOWN FOR PERIOD OF TWO WEEKS

The local Booth-Kelly Lumber mill closed down last night to remain silent until March 1. The shut-down followed a shut-down of the Wendling plant, and it is understood that the plan is to alternate shutting down the two plants for 2-weeks period.

Lumber shipments from the local plant will continue, however, and it is probable that the planers will run for at least a part of the time.

Odd Fellows Entertained.
The Rebekah lodge entertained the Odd Fellows at an enjoyable affair in the Odd Fellows hall here last night. Refreshments were served at the end of the social evening.

To Entertain Club.
Fred Clingan and E. G. Sutton will entertain the Five Hundred club tomorrow night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank DePue. A jolly time is planned by the members of the club.

Springfield Bus Line is Planned

Autos To Carry Passengers To Eugene When Bridge Work Starts On April 1.

Buses will replace cars for passenger transportation between Springfield and Eugene, when the construction of the Southern Pacific bridge across the Willamette river here starts April 1. Street car service will not be resumed following the completion of the bridge.

The use of the bridge by main line trains, following the opening of the Natron cut-off division early in the summer, would make street car service on the span very unsatisfactory. At the present time, cars are held up continually while the bridge section of the tracks is being used for steam trains.

It is believed that better service will be given by the buses than has been given recently by the street car line. It is expected that the automobiles will run on regular schedule and at short intervals, operating on East Eleventh avenue in Eugene, out to the Pacific highway and the McKenzie highway to Springfield.

Superintendent E. L. King of the Southern Pacific Portland division announced April 1 as the date for starting bridge construction, while in Eugene yesterday.



SOCIAL PROGRAM AT HIGH SCHOOL MONDAY EVENING

Under the auspices of the Parent-Teachers association, a community social will be held at the Springfield high school Monday evening. An interesting program has been arranged by Mrs. W. P. Tyson, chairman of the social committee, as follows:

Song—Junior high school glee club.

Pre-School Child Welfare, by Dr. W. H. Pollard.

Song—High School Glee club.

Patriotic address—by County School Superintendent E. J. Moore.

Community singing of patriotic airs.

Mrs. McLagan Entertains.

Mrs. W. C. McLagan entertained at a valentine party for her uncle, L. W. Smith, of Hathaway, Oregon, Sunday.

Tasteful decorations consisted in hearts of red crepe, red streamers, and red candles on the table. Place cards were of tiny cupid and elves.

The delicious two-course dinner was enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Burnett, and son, Billy, Earl Smith, William Bamber, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Benis and daughter, Peggy, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Smith and children, Louise and Jimmy, Oneta Smith, Mr. and Mrs. McLagan and sons, Russell and Ralph.

Aeneas Meeting.

The Aeneas club met with Mrs. C. E. Swarts this week. Those present were Mrs. M. J. McKlin, Mrs. E. Browning, Mrs. N. W. Emery, Mrs. S. Wright, Mrs. F. Moore, Mrs. J. Parker, Mrs. J. Williams, Mrs. Ella Lombard.

Miss Edna Swarts assisted the hostess in serving a two-course luncheon. The table was tastefully decorated in carnations.

Hold Bridge Party.

Mrs. A. J. Perkins entertained the Kill Kare club at a 1 o'clock luncheon at the home of Mrs. Clark Wheaton last Thursday. Following the luncheon, the guests enjoyed an afternoon of bridge.

Present from Eugene were: Mrs. Wilfred Beck, Mrs. Bert Vincent, Mrs. Frank Poindexter and Mrs. Fred Chess. Local women attending were Mrs. Eugene Kester, Mrs. M. M. Peery, Mrs. W. H. Adrian, Mrs. Wheaton and the hostess.

To Give Social.

A social will be given by the young married people's class of the Methodist church Friday night at 7:30 o'clock. A free program will be given, and a luncheon will be served afterward, for which a small charge will be made.

Entertain at Anohorage.

Mrs. Fred Walker and Mrs. F. B. Flanery will entertain the Needlecraft club at the Anohorage in Eugene today.

Jazz Dances or Minuet?



HOW TO CATCH THE WILY CURS COUNCIL CONSIDERS

Methods of enforcing the dog ordinance was the chief topic of discussion of the special meeting of the city council held Monday evening. The meeting was called to take up the bond issue but the city attorney could not be present so this matter was postponed.

A dog catcher has been employed and all dogs without collars are being impounded and will be destroyed unless redeemed by their owners. However, it is "catching before killing" and some dogs are hard to catch. The councilmen gave the dog catcher some advice as to how to catch the wily curs.

The council heard the first reading of the ordinance to pave the alley from Third to Fifth streets between Main and A streets.

The recorder was ordered to notify the gravel works that no more sand or gravel should be taken from the city grounds on the bank of the river as it was endangering the dump grounds.

DR. KUYKENDALL IS BROTHERHOOD SPEAKER

"Although millions of dollars are spent on institutions for bettering the stocks of our hogs and our cattle, there is not a single institution in the world used for the bettering of the human race," said Dr. William Kuykendall of Eugene in his address Monday night before the Methodist church brotherhood.

Problems of racial advancement were discussed at length by the Eugene medical man. To often, he said, "we stop with individual development and betterment. But as for actual development of the race, we are far too inactive."

President Sam Bartholemew presided at the brotherhood banquet, which was well attended.

Local Team Loses.

Superior shooting ability gave the Willamette University freshman team a victory over the Springfield high school basketball quintet at the Salem floor Saturday night, 23 to 18. The game was fast and close, the score at the end of the first half being 12 to 11 for Willamette. The university fresh beat the Springfield team 12 to 11 on the local floor some time ago.

High School Assembly.

A Junior high school assembly was held on Lincoln's day, and Rev. E. L. Moore of the Methodist church addressed the students. The minister eulogized the life and work of Lincoln in his talk.

The streets were decorated with flags in observance of the birthday of the war president.

Confectionery to Open.

The Drop In, local confectionery shop, has been purchased by Tony Gravois, former confectionery man of Eugene. An up-to-date shop is to be maintained by Mr. Gravois.

Pole Shipment Made.—The Carbolignum Wood Preserving company shipped a carload of treated poles for the Southern Pacific company yesterday.

Railroads to Help Locate Industries

S. P. and Oregon Electric Interested in Springfield's Free Industrial Sites;

Assistance of both the Southern Pacific and Oregon Electric railroad and state chamber of commerce has been offered the Industrial and Park committee in locating industries on the 250-acre site east of Springfield. The committee has mailed out much literature on the free industrial sites during the last two weeks. The first request for further information about the tract has come from New Jersey where a man is interested in locating a ready cut house factory here.

The Southern Pacific railroad has gotten the second lot of literature and have written the district freight and passenger agent that they desire to "keep the Springfield tract in the foreground."

President W. F. Turner of the Oregon Electric writes that the literature and matter of locating industries in Springfield has been turned over to the traffic department of the road with instructions to help bring industries here.

The State Chamber of Commerce now has the Springfield literature on its tables and will refer seekers for free industrial sites to Springfield, according to its secretary.

BOY SCOUTS CLEAN UP ALLEYS, VACANT LOTS

The town received a thorough scouring Saturday when the boy scouts of the Lions troop did their annual "good turn to the community" by cleaning up alleys and vacant lots.

The scouts met at the city hall and began activities. Armed with forks and shovels, they divided into groups and went over the town thoroughly. Scoutmaster Percy Tyson and Assistant Clayton Barber supervised the work at times.

Friday night the local scouts entered contests at a boy scout meet held in the mens gymnasium at the University of Oregon. Entering the hat race were Verne Griffith, Evan Hughes, Tommy Yost, Lloyd Mattison, Billie Wheeler, Earl Wheeler, Theron McMurray and Ralph Hughes.

The same group entered the knot-tying contest, with the addition of Franklin Drury.

Entering the boat race were Evan Hughes, Alonzo Manwarring, Theron McMurray, Verne Griffith and Gerald Morrison.

The locals lost in all events.

TEN CIVIL WAR VETS HEAR LINCOLN PROGRAM

Ten Civil war veterans, six from Eugene and four from Springfield, were among the many who heard the Lincoln day program given at the Woodmen of the World hall last Friday under the auspices of the local circle, Ladies' of the Grand Army of the Republic.

A varied program in memory of the Civil war president was given. Among the numbers which received much applause was whistling solo by C. F. Eggmann, accompanied by Miss Winnifred Tyson. The program was presented as printed in last week's News.

J. E. NELSON DIES AT HOME OF HIS SON HERE

Joseph Emery Nelson, 76 years of age, passed away at the home of his son, Robert Nelson, prominent Springfield poultryman, yesterday. Death followed influenza.

Mr. Nelson was a resident of Lebanon and had been visiting at the home of his son since July. He was born in Pennsylvania in 1849. He is survived by his son here and another son, Frank of Spokane, Washington. The funeral and burial will be at Lebanon.

First Aid Practice.

First aid practice was held at the local plant of the Mountain States Power company Tuesday, under the direction of Walter Smith, district superintendent and supervisor of safety, and E. A. Taylor, superintendent at Corvallis.

Practices are to be held monthly at the plant, and within six months the Mountain States company hopes to have all its employes proficient in first aid work.

Home After Operation.—Dorothy Gibson is home following an operation for appendicitis at Mercy hospital, Eugene.

DEALS ARE CLOSED IN W. SPRINGFIELD

Roadside Stage Terminal Is To Be Established On Property of S. D. Cairns; Blossom's Land Is Sold To Eugene Man For Subdivision Purposes.

Two important West Springfield property deals, closed this week, are believed to give promise of new development in this fast-growing district. Establishment of a roadside division point and stopping place for automobile stages, and subdivision of two acres of West Springfield property into residence building lots, are the expected results of the two transactions.

S. D. Cairns, of West Springfield, stated today that he had sold an option on a roadside strip of his property, located on the inside curve of the Pacific highway, 100 yards from the street car crossing and directly opposite the greenhouse. The property, Cairns understands, is to be the site of the construction of a roadside terminal for stages traveling the Pacific and McKenzie highways.

An attractive stucco building is to be built by the purchasers of the option, who, it is understood by Cairns, have arrangements with stage interests to use the place as a division point. Lunch stops for through stages will be made at West Springfield, and it is probable the point will be used for the change of stage drivers on north and south divisions of the stage routes. West Springfield, it seems, is exactly the right distance from the next division point on the route, and thus is the logical stopping point and lunching place for stages carrying through passengers. Such roadside divisions are being established all the way from Canada to the Mexican border.

A. G. Ratliff, of Portland, handled the deal for the option with Cairns, but did not state who he was representing. Day and Knight, who are operating similar places in the Salem district, were the first to look over the property and discuss the deal with the West Springfield man.

The property is so located on the inside of the highway turn that it may be crossed by a cut-off road, which will pass behind the proposed building, thus eliminating congestion in the terminal yards. Should the new highway bridge be built across the river on the old street car span piers, the terminal would be located at the junction of the McKenzie and Pacific highways.

Blossom Sells Property.

Directly across from the proposed terminal site, are two acres of land which have been sold by Ed Blossom to W. F. Read, of Eugene.

Read, it is understood, plans to cut the property up into building lots and sell it for home sites. Blossom already is tearing down his house on the property and will remove it to make way for the development project. The property lies directly along the highway, and consists of an attractive orchard tract as well as meadow land.

DEPARTMENT OFFICER VISITS LOCAL CLUB

American Legion auxiliary work throughout Oregon was the subject of a talk by Mrs. Mabel McInturff, department secretary, when she was entertained by the local auxiliary last Saturday night. Mrs. McInturff's visit is expected to result in renewed interest in the work of the local organization.

Auxiliary members held the entertainment in the Woodmen of the World hall. Alec Shippe, Magda Gross and Walter Lee of Eugene gave several instrumental musical selections. Shirley Hemenway sang, accompanied by Winnifred Tyson.

The department secretary had much to say in praise of the efforts of Mrs. M. B. Huntly, local president. She urged the members to give Mrs. Huntly strong support in carrying on the legion auxiliary work here. Talks also were made by W. P. Tyson and Walter Gossler, president and adjutant, respectively, of the legion post here.

Potter Here.—George Potter is here for a few days to be near his mother, Mrs. C. E. Potter, of Walthersville, who is confined to her bed with serious illness.

Adrian at Wendling.—W. H. Adrian spent three days of this week at Wendling on business.