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SCOUTS TAKE OATH AT PUBLIC SERVICE

Impressive Investiture Service
Held for Lions Troop With
County Officer in Charge;
Court of Honor is Planned;
McMurray is Commissioner

With impressive ceremonies the Boy Scouts of the Lions club troop of Springfield took the scout oath, at investiture services held at the Christian church Tuesday evening. Both scouts and scoutmasters were invested with the duties of scout work at the meeting, at which Delbert Oberbauer, Lane county scout commissioner, presided.

The meeting was well attended by townspeople and parents of the troop members. Lynn McCready, president of the Lane County Boy Scout council, spoke, welcoming the troop into the fold of scouting in the county. A first aid team from Eugene troop No. 1 put on a demonstration. C. R. Clark, county executive, awarded tenderfoot badges.

Mr. Oberbauer administered the oath to Scoutmaster W. P. Tyson and Assistant Scoutmaster C. F. Barber, who in turn gave it to the scouts. Twenty-four boys are members of Troop No. 1.

Honor Courts Planned.

Badges of merit and other awards for duty and service are to be awarded in the future to the Springfield scouts by a special court of honor, which will hold public meetings at various times for that purpose.

General chairman of the courts of honor will be G. G. Bushman. Other members of the committee are J. F. Ketsels, V. D. Bain, Alfred Morgan and Rev. F. L. Moore. These men will sit at the honor courts.

The honor courts are to be held for both Lions club and American Legion troops. Troop committees of the two organizations have made plans for the courts, and have chosen J. C. McMurray as deputy scout commissioner for this city, it was announced yesterday.

Another event of Tuesday evening's meeting was a first aid demonstration given by Troop No. 1 of Eugene.

PLAY TO BE BENEFIT FOR CORVALLIS HOME

"What Happened to Jones," is the title of a play to be presented at the Bell theatre as a W. C. T. U. farm home benefit, according to a decision of the farm home committee in meeting late last week. The play will be given April 22, and will be under the direction of Mrs. Floyd Thompson.

The cast of characters is to be chosen from among local people. Practice for the presentation is to start soon. The financial returns will be given as Springfield's share of the fund to be raised for putting up a Lane county building at the Corvallis W. C. T. U. home.

JASPER STORE BOUGHT BY MAN FROM ELKTON

Sale of the Jasper general merchandise store to C. R. Franklin was announced yesterday by F. S. Jackson, who has operated the store for several years. The deal was closed this week, and the Elkton man is now taking over the business, it was stated.

CHARLES WOOLLEN BUYS TRACT FROM THOMPSON

Construction of a house and other improvements are planned by Charles Woollen, recently arrived here from California, who late last week purchased the 3-acre tract on the Pacific highway near the Hensen camp ground. Woollen bought the place from L. E. Thompson, local blacksmith. The deal was handled by a local realty man.

G. A. R. Ladies in Meeting.

Three applications for membership were approved at Eggmann's hall last Friday afternoon. The new members are Mrs. Lottie Fisher, Mrs. Mary Watt, and Mrs. Philura Miller. Mrs. Carrie Humphrey was promoted to the senior vice-presidency of the circle, and Mrs. Jennie Rathbun was elected to the junior vice-presidency. Mrs. Ora Hartley was appointed secretary.

A committee, headed by Mrs. C. F. Eggmann, president, was named to consider decoration day plans with the American Legion patriotic day committee.

CLEAN-UP OF PARK IS BEING PLANNED

Clean-up of the spot of the city's industrial tract to be used for park purposes is being planned, and the local Lions club at its last meeting named a committee to cooperate with similar committees of other organizations for planning the work. With the brush cleared and a little other work done, it is believed that the park will make an ideal camping place and playground.

The Lions committee is composed of Dallas Murphy, Dr. W. C. Rebban, and H. J. Cox. The matter is to be taken up before the Chamber of Commerce, the Civic club, and other organizations. It is proposed to hire a man to clear away the brush, and later in the spring, probably about May 1 to have community clean-up day.

At that time all interested in the work will go to the park and spend an evening, probably, in cleaning it up. A picnic may be held at the close of the evening for the workers.

DECORATION DAY PLANS ARE BEING FORMULATED

Impressive ceremonies, essentially patriotic in character and paying honor to the dead veterans of all American wars, are to mark the observance of Decoration day in Springfield on May 31. Plans for what it is hoped will be the most impressive observance in the history of the city are being formed by an American Legion committee headed by M. B. Huntly, and will be carried out later by a larger general committee representing all the city's organizations.

Two services, one at the mill race in respect to the memory of sailors, and another at Laure Hill cemetery in honor of soldiers, are being planned in the tentative program. Prominent men are to speak at both services, the names of the speakers to be announced later. It is the plan of the committee to have the school children take a prominent part in the services, and special honors will be paid the few remaining civil war veterans in this district.

The water service is especially impressive. Roses are spread on the water in memory of the sailor dead of the wars in the midst of appropriate ritual.

Mr. Huntly has sent out letters to all organizations informing them of the tentative plans and asking that representatives be appointed by each to consider further arrangements for Decoration day observance.

MISSOURI MAN BUYS PLOT NEAR GARDENS

Ira Cline, recent arrival in Springfield from Missouri, has purchased the two-acre tract near Chase Gardens from Ira Collier, it was announced this week. Mr. Cline, who is an uncle of Fred Cline, local business man, plans to make Springfield his permanent home.

A new bungalow has been built on the property, which is in the center of considerable development. Five new houses have been built in that district recently.

P.-T. A. PROGRAM IS SUCCESS AS BENEFIT

The Parent-Teachers association entertainment given at the high school auditorium last Friday evening proved a success not only as a well-presented program but as a good financial benefit to the association's work among school children. Forty-four dollars were cleared as a result of the entertainment.

A comedy, "The Laughing Cure," directed by Mrs. O. R. Hemenway and played by a group of public school teachers, proved a great success. A farce, "My Aunt from California," was equally well received, as were other features of the program.

Lions in Meeting.

A committee composed of W. F. Walker, John Ketsels and R. H. Parsons was appointed by President H. E. Maxey of the Lions club at Friday's meeting to consider a local campaign for funds for the establishment of a juvenile hospital in Portland by the Pacific Protective society were present at the meeting and told of the plans for the hospital.

Music for the club meetings, was furnished by Miss Fry Spaulding and Miss Francis Hodge, who gave vocal selections.

Society

Aenias Club Meets.
The Aenias club met this week at the home of Mrs. J. C. Parker in a delightful St. Patrick's day affair. Present at the meeting were Mrs. W. N. Williams, Mrs. B. La Lombard, Mrs. J. C. Wright, Mrs. C. E. Swartz, Mrs. N. W. Emery, and Mrs. M. J. McKinn. Guests were Mrs. L. L. May of Springfield and Miss Badallet of Eugene.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Ed. Browning of Goshen on the third Saturday in April.

Birthday Party.
A party in honor of the tenth birthday of Melba Harris was held at the Harris home March 13. Those present were Bernardine McFarland, Eva McKinn, Maude Hickman, Ralph Hickman, Lloyd Harris, Dorothy Palanuk, and Evelyn Harris.

Mrs. Steve Bowles was honor guest. Games were played by the young folks after which refreshments were served by Mrs. Harris.

The little hostess was presented with many pretty and useful gifts in memory of the occasion.

To Plan for Jubilee.

Plans for the annual Lane County Jersey club jubilee will be made at a meeting of the executive committee of the club called this week. H. L. Plank, of Junction City, is president of the club who has celebrated on some Jersey breeders farm for the last several years.

P.-T. A. To Meet.

A meeting of the Parent-Teachers association will be held at the Lincoln school tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. Brauer, representing the Louise home in Portland, will speak.

Club Meets.

The Progressive club of the Rebekah lodge met at the lodge rooms last Friday night for a social evening and drill work. Refreshments were served at the close of the evening.

Needlecraft To Meet.

A St. Patrick's day party will be held by the Needlecraft club today at the home of Mrs. Carl Olson. Mrs. Walter Scott will be joint hostess.

Kill Kare Meets.

Cards furnished the diversion at a meeting of the Kill Kare club held at the home of Mrs. M. M. Peery late last week. Present were Mrs. Clark Whitton, Mrs. W. H. Adrian, Mrs. Bert Vincent, Mrs. Frank Poindexter, Mrs. Fred Chess, Mrs. A. J. Perrier, Mrs. Wilfred Beck, and the following guests: Mrs. Walter Carroll, Mrs. Frank Deane, Mrs. Jess Seavey.

Pineneedle Meeting.

The Pineneedle club of Circle number 45, Neighbors of Woodcraft were entertained Wednesday, March 17, at the home of Mrs. M. B. Huntly, with Mrs. Huntly and Mrs. H. W. Hanson as joint hostesses.

Those enjoying the affair were Mrs. Elma Halsey, Mrs. Sadie Nelson, Mrs. O. F. Kizer, Mrs. Alice Doane, Mrs. Rosie Lloyd, Mrs. Myrtle Eggmann, Mrs. Lilly Lipio, Mrs. Nellie Hiltbrand, Mrs. Lily Stearns, Mrs. Skinner, Mrs. Mabel Mortensen, Mrs. Ivan Peddicord, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Ida Adams, Mrs. Minnie Girard, Mrs. May Magill, Mrs. Eyle Lambert, Mrs. Marie Richmond, Mrs. Louise Trotter, Mrs. Nina McPherson. Special guests were Mrs. J. W. Keeter of Los Angeles and Mrs. W. G. White of Eugene.

NEET NAMED ON LEGION POST EXECUTIVE BODY

Levi Neet was named a member of the executive committee of the American Legion at a meeting of the post last Thursday night. He takes the position formerly filled by Walter J. Scott, who recently left the city.

The patriotic day program committee reported to the members that a tentative schedule of events for the year has been drawn up, with plans for observance of various patriotic days during the period.

March 30 and 31 have been designated as Legion night at the Bell theatre.

Cars Shipped.

Two cars of Noxall feed were shipped by the Springfield Mill and Grain company to Coquille Saturday. A similar carload was shipped to Swiss Home.

Upton is to Speak Here Friday Night

Economy, Reduced Auto Taxes,
Promised; Would Abolish
Prison Parole Board

Jay H. Upton, candidate for republican nomination for governor, will address a Springfield audience on his platform and on various political issues, at a meeting to be held at the Chamber of Commerce rooms Friday night at 7:30 o'clock. Mr. Upton will arrive in the city tomorrow afternoon.

In economical, efficient and dignified administration is promised by Mr. Upton if he is elected to the governorship. In his announced plan, he states that expenses can be cut if there in authority have sense enough to cut them, and promises to put a stop to junket trips by those who hold office under him, and to eliminate slackness from the expense standpoint in other departments.



er which he has control.

Another plank in the eastern Oregon man's platform has to do with law observance. "Fewer laws and better enforcement is the need," says Mr. Upton. "We have too much legislation and inspection. New criminal laws should be passed with the greatest caution. Let us get acquainted with the penalties already provided before harassing the people with new ones."

Reduce Auto Tax.
Reduction of the automobile tax is urged by Mr. Upton, who declares that the auto owner is being strangled with high taxes and with burdensome regulations. He urges the repeal of the law making registration of auto titles with the secretary of state.

The method which is now used in attempts to equalize assessments by the so called ration system is termed "unintelligible" by the candidate, and he urges its abolishment and that the tax commission be given authority to supervise assessments and to harmonize assessments through out the state. This, he says, would reduce the tax millage one half a cent, and furnish necessary funds for the state institutions.

Mr. Upton is against federal game control, and says that he will exert every influence he has if elected to prevent the federal government from controlling the "Oregon birchright." He also suggests that women should be given fishing and hunting licenses without charge.

Abolishment of the parole board is advocated by Mr. Upton, who alleges that the state prison has been a failure. He says the management of prisoners should be put entirely up to the warden, and that there should be no division of control.

Favors Market Agent.
The establishment of the office of state market agent, who would devote the power of his office to the organization and assistance of co-operative marketing agencies, in each particular line of agriculture, is favored by Mr. Upton. Production, transportation, orderly marketing, standardizing and grading of farm products could be intelligently controlled by the adoption of this plan, he declares.

With regard to reclamation problems, Mr. Upton declares that he has been actively associated for years with an effort to reclaim great areas of potential farming lands in Oregon, first by inducing the federal government to return to this state the millions of dollars paid the reclamation fund from Oregon, and second to assist the farmers in development by efforts within the state. He favors the state's aiding projects that were developed under war conditions where the land cannot carry the load.

These and other points in the platform of the candidate will be discussed undoubtedly at tomorrow night's meeting, to which the public has been invited by those in charge.

GUARD POST DECISION IS EXPECTED SHORTLY

Final decision as to whether Springfield is to be the location of a new headquarters company of the Oregon National Guard will be made at a meeting of the headquarters staff in Salem within the next four weeks, it was learned here this week. Local men backing the movement feel certain that a Springfield company is assured.

While a headquarters company is not composed of as many men as a drill company, it is recognized as a valuable training to its members, it is pointed out. With such a company established here it is believed that the drill company will soon be organized. Progress on the guard company plan was made possible recently by the action of the Chamber of Commerce in furnishing a meeting place for the organization.

TORCH HONOR AWARDS MADE AT HIGH SCHOOL

Twenty Springfield high school students received the honor awards given through the Torch honor system which has recently been installed in the school. The badges were given out last Friday.

Winners of awards for this time are: seniors—Iowa Carlton, Emma Rogers, Elizabeth Hughes, Gertrude Mustoe; juniors—Margaret Oederkirk, Evan Hughes, William Pollard, Naomi Carlton, Agatha Beals, Juanita Hack; sophomores—Carl McKinnis, Willa Moyers, Pauline Lyons, Dale Griffith, Dorene Larimer, Hilda Wagner, Gertrude Haugan, Viola Penselin, Leroy Nice.

TWO ACCIDENTS CAUSE INJURIES ON SUNDAY

Heavy traffic on the highways Sunday resulted in numerous accidents, among them one in which Herbert Moore, state traffic officer and son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Moore of E street, was injured critically. Reports from his parents indicate that Mr. Moore's condition is less critical today.

The accident occurred on the Pacific highway between Springfield and Eugene. The officer was speeding behind an auto truck, which turned suddenly in the highway, and his motorcycle crashed into the rear of the truck. Severe head injuries were sustained by the officer and his machine was completely demolished. He was rushed to the Pacific Christian hospital. It was feared that the skull had been fractured, but later reports indicated that it had not.

Accident Near Thurston.

Another accident occurred Sunday on the highway near Thurston, resulting in the serious injury of Mrs. Earl Kelly of Springfield, Route No. 1. Bad body bruises, and a cut extending from her right ear to the eye, were sustained by Mrs. Kelly.

The accident resulted when the car which Mrs. Kelly was driving skidded in the grave, and, uncontrolled, crashed into telephone pole.

HEALTH WORK PLANNED AT MONDAY MEETING

A pre-school clinic to be held on May 1, at the Chamber of Commerce, was definitely planned at a meeting of the local unit of the Lane County Health association held Monday. Miss Beth Konke, secretary of the county organization, was present, and outlined the clinic plans. Parents of children of pre-school age are to be asked to bring their children to the clinic for medical examination.

A blue-ribbon club among the children is to be organized for the purpose of encouraging better health habits. Also, it is planned to establish a loan chest, from which money will be lent to needy members. The next meeting will be held on May 29, at which Mrs. Sadie Dunbar, president of the Women's Club federation, will be guest.

Games Are Scheduled.

First games of the high schools baseball season have been scheduled with Mohawk Union, high school, Coach V. D. Bain announced today. The games will be played on April 2 at Springfield and on April 12 at Mohawk. Two've games are to be scheduled for the season.

Scouts Have Meeting.

Springfield Lions Club Scouts held a meeting Monday evening, practicing signalling work under direction of Scoutmaster W. P. Tyson and Assistant Scoutmaster Clayton Barber. The meeting was well attended.

BAIN NAMED HEAD OF CITY SCHOOLS

Superintendency Plan Adopted
At Closed Session of Board;
Salary of \$2400 is Offered;
Burcham and Mrs. Hemenway
Are Offered Principalships

In a session closed to the public and the press, the Springfield school board on Tuesday night adopted the superintendency plan for administration of the local schools, and elected V. D. Bain, high school principal for the last two years, to the position of superintendent. Mr. Bain's salary was increased from \$2100 to \$2400.

Otto Burcham was reelected to the principalship of the Junior high school, with his salary remaining at \$1350. Mrs. Ora Read Hemenway was reelected principal of the Brattain elementary school, with a salary reduced from \$1400 to \$1200.

While none of those elected has formally accepted, Mr. Bain, it is understood, has tentatively agreed to accept the superintendency at the increased salary offered him. Whether or not he will serve as both superintendent and principal of the high school has not been decided, but it is understood he will be relieved of all athletic coaching and will be asked to teach but one subject in the high school. The board is also considering electing Alfred Morgan, manual training instructor at the high school, to the position of principal.

Mr. Burcham, under the new plan, will have full charge of all grades in the Lincoln school, his position being principal of the Lincoln school rather than the Junior high school.

Mrs. Hemenway, if she accepts the position as offered her by the board, will do considerable teaching as well as handling the principalship of the Brattain school. Mrs. Hemenway has been principal of all the city's elementary grades.

Athletic coaching is as yet unacted for by the board, which, it is understood, is considering putting it in the hands of a part-time instructor, perhaps a student at the university.

The school board considered the change until well after midnight Tuesday night before coming to a final decision. The action, it was said, "was done in the interests of economy and better administration." The former, it was said, is expected to be gained because principals of the various schools will also handle teaching thus making it unnecessary to employ more teachers. Administration, board members said, would be improved by putting the entire system under one head instead of dividing it among three.

A newspaper reporter present at the meeting when it was opened was asked to retire and the board considered the entire proposition in closed session.

Election of teachers for the schools of the city is expected to take place at the next regular meeting of the board.

STATE PRESIDENT WILL VISIT CIVIC CLUB SOON

Unanimous decision to remain in the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs was voted at a meeting of the Springfield Civic club held on Tuesday night. Fourteen members were present.

Mrs. Sadie Orr Dunbar, president of the state federation, is to be a guest of the club either March 29 or 30, and plans for meeting with her are being made by the women's club.

LANE COUNTY BREEDERS WILL MEET ON SATURDAY

A meeting of the Lane county breeders of pure-bred Holstein-Friesian cattle will be held at the Chamber of Commerce at Eugene at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. R. E. Everly, newly appointed northwest representative of the national association, will be present and will discuss matters of importance to breeders. Reorganization of the Lane County Holstein-Friesian association, is planned.

A good good attendance at the meeting is urged by Ralph Benter, who announced the plans today.