

CLEARING WAY FOR SPRINGFIELD SPAN

County Court Buys Kingwell Property For \$15,000; State Surveyors Busy In District; Highway Commission Meets April 19.

No time is being lost in preparations for construction of the Springfield bridge over the Willamette, and this week surveyors of the state engineer's department are busy running lines and otherwise obtaining data to be considered in the bridge building.

The county court, in accordance with its agreement to purchase the right-of-way, announced this week that the property of Charles Kingwell, in West Springfield, had been purchased at a cost of \$15,000. The Kingwell property is in direct line with the bridge approach.

The purchase included the three acres of land, the house and the greenhouse. The court expects to salvage a part of the purchase price. A part of the three acres will be used as a "borrow pit" from which to obtain dirt for fills and other construction in connection with the bridge work.

Another meeting of the highway commission will be held on April 19, but it is unlikely much will be done regarding the bridge at that time due to the fact that all plans are not quite complete. It is expected that at this or the following meeting, however, the commission will make an order for a contract for the \$200,000 span.

Surveyors were running lines down Main street this week, and also are working in West Springfield. There probably will be no cessation of work, either on preparations for the span or actual construction.

LEE CALAHAN HAS "FIT" WHEN WORKING OUT FINE

Working out a fine he was unable to pay after being drunk, Lee Calahan Tuesday had what Police Chief Jess Smitson termed a "fit" and was unable to proceed with his work.

Smitson took Calhan to the city limits and told him to avoid Springfield henceforth. The man was arrested by Smitson earlier in the week.

GARCIA AUTO WRECKED IN HIGHWAY COLLISION

An automobile operated by Edward Garcia crashed into a truck in West Springfield Tuesday. Garcia received but slight face lacerations, but his car was demolished.

Garcia asserted that the crash was caused by another driver, who pulled out onto the pavement from a parking just as Garcia drove by, forcing the latter into the truck.

LEGION TO MEET AT COMMERCE CHAMBER

The executive committee of the American Legion met last night and changed the meeting place of the Legion from the Woodmen of the World hall to the chamber of commerce for the sake of economy.

The next meeting will be on April 15. Those present at last night's meeting were Commander John H. Will, F. B. Hamlin, H. E. Maxey and M. D. Huntly.

Injuries Sustained

Among lumber workers injured during the past week were R. S. Newhouse, Monroe, treated here for a fractured thumb; Oscar Crites, employe of the Fischer Lumber company, Marcola, bruised when hit by a skyline, and Alton Mathews, Marcola, who fractured a finger while loading lumber. George Godfrey, of the same place, was treated for an injured arm Tuesday.

Woman Detained

Ida Lipen was arrested yesterday by Police Chief Jess Smitson. Taken into police court, she was lectured for allowing her chickens to run loose. No fine was imposed.

G. A. R. To Meet

The Springfield post of the G. A. R. will meet Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at Eggmann's. Light refreshments will be served. All members are urged to be present.

To Move to Falls—Richard King and family will move soon to Klamath Falls.

Tyson Given New Job in Scout Work

Made Commissioner, While Barber Gets Scoutmastership; Finances Good

Changes in Boy Scout leadership and discussion of finances were features of a busy session of the local council and committee of Troop 11 Friday night.

W. P. Tyson, who resigned recently as scoutmaster of Troop 11 was made boy scout commissioner here, and will serve in that capacity with Dr. W. C. Rebhan, who has held the position for some time.

Succeeding Mr. Tyson as Scoutmaster is Clayton Barber, who has served as assistant scoutmaster since the organization of the troop. Mr. Barber will take over his duties immediately and announced today that the meeting date of Troop 11 will be on Monday nights instead of Tuesdays.

A jamboree, planned by Mr. Tyson as a farewell to the troop, was to have been held early this week but was postponed because of inclement weather. A mulligan feed will be a feature of the jamboree.

Plans Court of Honor

It was decided at the meeting to hold a court of honor each month henceforth, and the first will be held on the fourth Tuesday of April. Both troops will join in putting on the court of honor.

That the local council has gone over the top in its drive for finances for the Lane county organization was reported at the meeting. Then \$250 had been raised, and contributions of the Odd Fellows and Masons, as well as other smaller amounts, were not yet in.

WALTERVILLE TO BE CONVENTION CITY

Walterville was selected as the place for the next district convention of Rebekahs at the closing sessions of the conclave held here in the I. O. O. F. hall Monday. Nearly 400 members of lodges in all communities of this district attended the Springfield convention.

Mrs. Almira Smith, a member of the Walterville lodge will act as chairman of the next convention. She will be assisted in this duty by Mrs. Ida B. Caldwell, Cottage Grove, vice-chairman, and Mrs. Walter Price, Marcola, secretary-treasurer.

Appointment of other convention officers was announced at the close of the session here as follows: Mrs. Esther McClinton, Eugene, left supporter to the chairman; Mrs. Minnie Willis, Cottage Grove, chairman; Mrs. Mildred Johnson, Marcola, chaplain; Mrs. Maude T. Bryan, Springfield, conductor; Mrs. Ellen Wilson, Junction City, inside guardian; Mrs. Cook, Oakridge, outside guardian; Mrs. Emma Wilson, Cottage Grove, right supporter to the vice-chairman; Mrs. Clara Stevens, Cottage Grove, left supporter to the vice-chairman.

The delegates were welcomed to Springfield by Mrs. Fred Walker, past state president. Mrs. Albert McMurry, Eugene, responded. Among prominent visitors were Miss Dora Sexton, The Dalles, president of the Rebekah Assembly of Oregon.

Miss Margaret Hurd and Miss Doris Girard, Springfield, had places on the entertainment program.

Mrs. M. E. Edwards and Miss Edith Bennett, Marcola, were initiated during the convention. Among papers read at the afternoon session was one by Mrs. Bert Doane, Springfield, on "How Officers Can Make a Meeting More Successful." Mrs. Bell Hurd, Coburg, and Mrs. J. Wright, Oakridge, also gave reports.

Church Entertains

The Christian church entertainment for new members last Friday night proved a success. More than 100 attended. Members gained in the recent evangelistic campaign and since the beginning of the year were feted.

Play Nets \$40

Plays given by the junior high schools Friday night netted \$40, to be added to the student body fund. A play and an operetta were presented.

Mr. and Mrs. Moshier Back—Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Moshier have returned from an extended journey into the middle west. On their return they declared that Oregon looked better than ever to them.

Bushman Away—Art Bushman, left yesterday for the Silettes country, on business for the Springfield Mill and Grain company.

Haven't Missed a Day

Entries From Far and Near in Our School Contest



Emma Hill, 15, of Hastings, Pa., (center), now leads in the most perfect five-day a week school attendance contest with 8 years, 6 months to her credit, never having missed a day or being tardy. At the left are Mildred Hutson, 14, of Bristol, W. Va., and her sister, Marguerite, 10, the former with a record of 6 years, 6 months, 15 days, and the latter, 4 years, 6 months and 15 days. At the right is Cornell Pierce, 10, of St. Clair, Mo., with a record of 4 years, 7 months. Is there a boy or girl in this county with a better record than Emma Hill? Tell this newspaper. Send us your picture and let us enter you in this contest.

REMARKABLE RECORD IN ATTENDANCE HELD BY LOCAL STUDENTS

Lawrence Roof and Edna Lansberry, Springfield high school students, hold records for attendance in school seldom equalled, according to Superintendent V. D. Bain who furnished The News with information on the students this week in connection with the Autocaster contest now under way.

Roof, if he finishes this year without breaking his record, will have attended six years without an absent or a tardy. This is said to be one of the best records of its kind in the county, and Roof came very near to having his picture published in the Autocaster service, to which The News subscribes. Before his photograph could be sent in, however, that of a girl who had an 8 year record was published.

Miss Lansberry, who is a freshman in high school, has attended for more than five years without a tardy or an absent.

GIRL SCOUTS PLAN FOR PICNIC SHORTLY

Girl Scouts plan to hold a picnic on the first fair Saturday of the Spring. Good weather is all that is awaited by the scouts before their outing, and they are anxiously watching the skies each week-end.

Each girl is to bring sufficient food for herself, including a steak, a couple of slices of bacon, an onion, buns, fruit, cake and cookies.

Hayden bridge will be the scene of the picnic. The girls are anxious to find persons who will take them out in their cars. The trip will be made from the Chamber of Commerce, starting at 1 o'clock.

The girls will do outdoor scouting, cooking their own "kabobs," and will hike back.

More Lots Sold

Ralph Sweeney this week bought four lots in Sunnyside addition. Lots 1 and 2 in Block 16, and lots 1 and 2 in Block 17. Robert Odell of Fall Creek purchased lots 13 and 14 in Block 13, and Ward Lansbury bought lot 6 in Block 7. All purchases were made from the city.

Phillips At Denver—H. K. Phillips, for some time an employe in Gray's Cash and Carry store, left Tuesday for Denver, Colorado, with his wife. He expects to remain in Denver for at least a year.

Larson Moves From Theatre—Jack Larson has moved to a residence on Seventh street from his former home above the Bell Theatre.

In Town From Pleasant Hill—Rollie Moon, Pleasant Hill, spent a part of Wednesday shopping in Springfield.

Going to Hospital—Harry Brumette will go to the Pacific Christian hospital today, and tomorrow will undergo a major operation.

ART EXHIBIT PLANNED FOR APRIL 19 AND 22 AT LINCOLN BUILDING

An art exhibit showing 150 of the world's best painted pictures in colors will be conducted at the Lincoln school building April 19 and 22 and is to be one of the most pretentious efforts of this kind in local history.

Public programs will be given in conjunction with the exhibit. On Thursday children of the Lincoln school will give the program, while on Friday the Brattain pupils will present numbers.

The Colonial Art company is handling the picture exhibit. Receipts from attendance will go toward the purchase of pictures for the school rooms of the city.

CHIEF ASSUMES NEW ROLE, CATCHES BOYS

When Jess Smitson isn't police chief, he's fire chief. And when he's not fire chief, he's truant officer.

It was the latter role that he assumed yesterday when, upon call of Superintendent V. D. Bain, he set forth to bring in some eight youths who chose pleasure to work and failed to turn up at school.

In the bowling alley Chief Smitson picked up three of the boys, and returned them to their studies.

Proceeding farther down the street he came upon the other five, busily engaged in enjoying the weather at the public market. These, also, submitted to the man in the uniform and were duly returned to the irksome class room.

Here is a list of the boys who "played hooky."

Geo. Logan, Coy Leathers, Coy Lansberry, Gilbert Fish, Percy Griggs, Sam Bettis, Ed Tomseth, Bert Tomseth.

MARIONETTE SHOW TO BE BUILDING BENEFIT

For the benefit of the University of Oregon fine arts building fund, Jean Gros' Marionettes, the world's most famous puppet show, it to be presented at the Hellig theatre in Eugene on April 11.

The affair is sponsored by the students of the University, and a campaign for attendance is being put on. The show, it is claimed, is unequalled in the world. The company will make but one stop between showings at Portland and San Francisco, and that will be at Eugene.

Students committees are working on the preparations. Recently, a fine arts building benefit show was given at the Bell theatre here.

Man is Arrested

Lee Calhan was arrested on Fifth street Monday afternoon and lodged in the city jail on a charge of drunkenness. Police Chief Smitson was the arresting officer.

Returns From Portland—James Bonner returned from Portland yesterday after a short visit.

Spring Walk Building Up to Next Council

Board Walks In City To Be Replaced By Cement In Summer Months

Another sidewalk building program for the spring and summer months will be outlined at Monday night's meeting of the Springfield city council, according to Ira M. Peterson, city recorder. While plans are not yet definitely shaped, it is possible that the program will equal those of the past two years, when unprecedented cement sidewalk construction was carried out here.

Places where sidewalk improvement is needed are scattered over the city, although most of them are said to be in the north end of town, where board sidewalks are reported to be in bad shape. The new walks will all be cement, installed under the Bancroft plan.

City Engineer Simon Klozvald has been busy surveying for new sidewalks and in other ways making preparations for the summer's work. Sidewalk construction here last year totaled more than \$6000 and almost that sum the year previous.

The engineer has completed surveys for the new road to be built into the industrial tract in the eastern end of Springfield. As soon as weather clears up, work of grading this road will get under way, he said.

The street committee is expected to begin a survey soon to determine just where the sidewalks are needed here.

LOVE'S FULFILLMENT MORE SERIOUS THAN EVER FOR TEACHERS

Springfield's feminine teachers are given an open warning against the meshes of matrimony by the local school board, which at this week's meeting went firmly on record against the marriage of teachers after signing their contracts.

While matrimony is a serious thing under any circumstances, the school board has made it more serious than ever for the dozen or so young women employed in schools here.

The board's resolution, adopted unanimously, reads in effect that any teacher who, after signing her contract, assumes the responsibilities of a husband, lays herself liable to an annulment of her contract by the board. It is optional, according to the clause which goes into the contract, with the board if it keeps her on the pay list or calls for resignation.

For a long time the Springfield board has been sparing in awarding contracts to married women, although it is not absolutely unwilling to employ one if her qualifications are such as to over-balance the disadvantages of a husband.

The board made it plain that this action was not aimed at any certain individual, but that it was merely a means of shaping a policy.

SCHOOL BOARD WILL ELECT FRIDAY NIGHT

All but two of the present teachers of the Springfield schools probably will be re-elected to their posts when the board holds an adjourned session tomorrow night.

At a meeting Monday, the entire position situation was gone over by the board, and all preliminaries gotten out of the way in order that the election may be rushed through on Friday night.

While Monday's session as a long one, little in the way of actual business was done.

Applicants for the position of principal of the junior high school were considered. A. J. Morgan, principal of the high school, has not yet announced what he intends to do regarding acceptance of the contract awarded him by the school board.

It is not likely that the pay roll will be increased materially this year. Tomorrow night's session will be started at 7:30 o'clock.

NAME NEW ADJUTANT FOR AMERICAN LEGION

Clarence Fendren has been named new adjutant of the Springfield post, American Legion, by commander John H. Will. Mr. Fendren succeeds J. O. Burchum, who resigned because he is leaving the city.

Fendren already has taken over the duties of the new office. No meeting of the American Legion was held last Friday night, as was previously announced.

CANNERY PROJECT GIVEN APPROVAL

Eighty-Two Farmers Answer Questionnaire Sent Out By Springfield Chamber; Much Land Available For Vegetable Planting.

Demonstrating widespread and hearty approval in the proposed establishment for a large cannery in this district, 82 farmers answered questionnaires sent out by the Springfield chamber of commerce seeking information as to attitude toward the project and acreage devoted to vegetables and fruit.

Almost unlimited possibilities for the growing of vegetables were shown in the answers of the farmers. While the total acreage shown in actual figures on the cards was 1149, many of the answers were indefinite and one farmer wrote that he had no end of acreage that could be devoted to vegetables if the market developed.

The questionnaires were sent to all farmers on this side of the river. It explained that the only purpose was to learn the attitude of the growers toward the proposition, and that if established, the cannery would ask for no acreage contracts and would pay cash for all products bought.

Replies, which began coming in immediately, were sent by growers at Waltherville, Springfield, West Springfield, Creswell, and all points in the district.

Here are the actual figures, as totaled and tabulated by The News from the returned questionnaires.

	Acres
Fruit in bearing	213
Amount in cherries	55
Fruit coming bearing	83
Vegetables this year	175
Vegetables possible to produce on place	1149

In the case of the fruit, many farmers listed trees instead of acreage.

MAY POSTPONE CLUB'S ANNIVERSARY MEETING

The committee in charge of plans for the anniversary meeting of the Springfield Civic club, to have been held next Tuesday will meet this afternoon at the home of Mrs. Carl Olson to discuss the meeting.

It is possible that the club will decide to postpone the celebration until some later date, due to sickness and inclement weather.

It has been two years since the club affiliated with the state organization of women's clubs.

Members of the committee are Mrs. Carl Olson, Mrs. W. J. Scott and Mrs. Parker.

LIGHTS ON ARCH WILL BLAZE AGAIN

Lights on the Springfield arch at the West Springfield intersection of the Pacific and McKenzie river highways will blaze again shortly, according to Mayor G. G. Bushman.

Learning this morning that the lights had not burned since the flood, Mayor Bushman got in touch with the Mountain States Power company and learned that a part of the apparatus was out of order. The repairs will be made immediately, and the arch once more will blaze forth a welcome to the McKenzie river country.

Visit Stewart Home—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boutin, Portland, were visitors at the Harry Stewart residence recently. They were on a return trip from Mexico, where Mr. Boutin is interested in mines. Their trip also included a month spent in Southern California.

Mulligan Takes New Job—C. C. Mulligan, formerly employed in the Farmers Union store here, has accepted a job with the Gray Cash and Carry store, and will take over his new duties shortly.

Return From Portland Trip—Mrs. A. T. Gravas and daughters, Winifred and Mildred, have returned after a week's visit at Portland.

Goes to Wisconsin—J. P. Jacobson on Monday purchased a Southern Pacific ticket for Ladysmith, Wisconsin, where he is thinking of settling.

Drive to Grove—Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McLagan drove to Cottage Grove Sunday evening, spending a few hours visiting relatives there.

Here From Wendling—Mrs. D. E. Deadman of Wendling was a Springfield visitor Wednesday.