

TESTS SHOW LOCAL WATER TO BE PURE

Supply in Raw Analyzed and Found to be Equal to McKenzie Water so Far as Freedom From Contamination is Concerned; New Wells Tested.

Tests taken over a period of one year by the Oregon Agricultural college show Springfield city water, in the raw, to be as pure as the McKenzie river water which soon will be in use in Eugene, it was revealed in reports shown by W. C. McLagan, engineer of the Mountain States Power company, today.

At various times during the past year Mr. McLagan has obtained samples of the McKenzie water and sent them to Corvallis with the weekly samples of Springfield water, obtained from the intake in the mill race just above the Booth-Kelly pond.

In general, the Springfield water has shown bacteria content reports as favorable as the raw McKenzie water, and at times the local water has proved even better. At one time in January, Springfield's raw water showed a satisfactory report with a small bacteria content and safety so far as gas content was concerned, while McKenzie water showed bacteria too numerous to count.

Water in both cases is chlorinated, making it entirely safe for drinking purposes. Mr. McLagan declared that there is a public ignorance of the real meaning of bacteria contents as regards safety for human consumption.

He said that only when water has been contaminated by a typhoid patient is it actually unsafe for consumption, while animal contamination is not usually responsible for any disease.

The McKenzie water, he said, will prove cooler than Springfield water, and when tested after chlorination of course will be entirely safe for drinking.

New Wells Tested
Two of the new wells of the Mountain States company have been tested recently, and the reports announced today. Both show bad contamination, the bacteria being too numerous to count. Chlorination, of course, would change this, he said, and the report does not mean that the wells supply is unfit for use.

The headworks and city park wells were tested. These wells have been driven by the Mountain States company for the purpose of learning of the possibilities of uncovering a new supply of water for Springfield.

MRS. HUNTLY DELEGATE TO AUXILIARY MEETING
Mrs. M. B. Huntly was chosen delegate to the convention of the American Legion auxiliary at yesterday's meeting at the Huntly home. Mrs. John Will was named alternate. The convention dates are July 21 to 23, at LaGrande.

It was decided that the auxiliary will meet in the homes through the summer.

More canned goods is sought by the auxiliary for the various veterans hospitals.

GIRL SCOUTS TO HAVE LIBRARY OF THEIR OWN
The establishment of a girl scout library was decided upon at a meeting of the local organization Tuesday night. Adaline Perkins was selected librarian.

It was decided to have a picnic at the Springfield-Eugene auto camp on Friday, July 8. A report from a girl scout in Iowa, Miss Velma Crawford, was read at the meeting. Fourteen girls were present, including five new members.

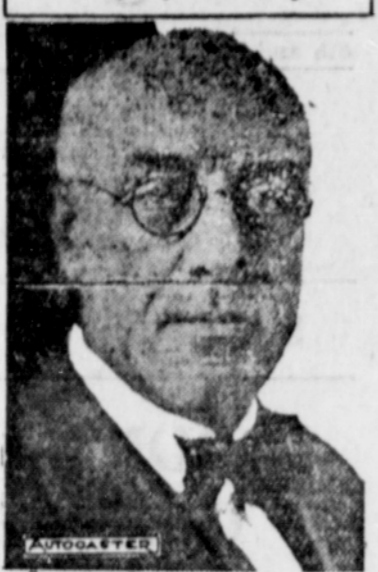
Camp Fire Permits Needed
Camp fire permits in the Cascade National forest will be required after July 9 according to the announcement of the forest supervisor's office. Permits are issued at the office or at the ranger stations at McKenzie bridge, Oakridge, and Reserve. No permits are required in the Siuslaw national forest.

In From Mable—H. H. Ritter of Mable was a Springfield visitor Tuesday.

Goes to Lake—N. C. Christenson and wife visited at Devil's Lake and Neskowin over the Fourth holiday.

Lusby Is Injured—Charles M. Lusby received bad bruises to one leg when he fell through a hole in the dock of the Booth-Kelly mill June 30.

Chief of the Drys



Seymour Lowman of New York who has just taken over Gen. Andrew's job of national prohibition enforcement.

500 MILE LOOP OVER EXCELLENT HIGHWAYS

Motorists who wish to take a long scenic drive and still avoid the summer dust will enjoy the Mount Hood loop, via Portland, Mt. Hood, Hood River, The Dalles, Redmond and Springfield. Pavement or oiled highways are found practically all the way with the exception of the McKenzie highway to Walseville according to Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Maxey, who made the trip during the Fourth of July vacation.

Thousands of cars went around the Mt. Hood loop during the Fourth. The road is oiled all the way and easy grades carry one over the Barlow and Bennett passes, both over 4200 feet elevation. It is down hill through the orchards over excellent oiled road to Hood River. From Hood River to The Dalles the Columbia River highway is followed and the The Dalles-California to the junction of the McKenzie highway at Redmond. The McKenzie highway is in good condition but one notices the dust after traveling on pavement or oiled highways.

The wheat and other grain crops in Central Oregon along the highway appears to be a fine yield. Heavy rains have supplied sufficient moisture to the hill lands making a bumper crop. Harvesting is about ready to start.

MISS LINDSEY AND MR. GIRARD MARRIED HERE

Kenneth Girard and Marjorie Lindsey, well known Springfield couple, were united in marriage by Rev. Gabriel Sykes at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Girard, on Friday evening July 1, at 7:30 o'clock.

The home was decorated with many beautiful flowers of the season. After the ceremony light refreshments were served.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lindsey and sons, Paul and Jack, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Jarrett and daughters, Margaret and Betty Jean, Mr. and Mrs. Rae Flaherty of Eugene, Daryl Calloway of Roseburg, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Girard and daughters, Dorothy and Doris and the Rev. and Mrs. Gabriel Sykes.

The young couple left immediately for a few days trip to the coast. Upon their return they will be at home to friends in the Vitus building.

POSTAL RECEIPTS FOR HALF YEAR INCREASE

Postal receipts for the first six months of 1927 have gained 4 per cent over those for the half year of 1926, according to Postmaster F. B. Hamlin's figures. The reports: 1927, January to July, \$3793.85; 1926, \$3651.49. Despite this good showing, the receipts for June, and for the second quarter, dropped behind last year's figures. June was the first month this year in which this was the case. The receipts for the quarter: 1927, \$1806.91; 1926, \$1813.39.

Return from Newport—Mrs. Fred Frese, Paul Frese, Dorothea Frese, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Weber of Santa Clara returned Tuesday after a holiday trip to Newport.

Here from Nebraska—Mr. and Mrs. Will Perkins of Ohano, Nebraska, was here this week to visit his cousins, A. J. and George Perkins. The visitors were enroute to Long Beach, California, where they will make their home.

Visiting Hamlin Home—Mrs. Virgil Hamlin and daughter, Virginia, are visiting at the home of Postmaster and Mrs. F. B. Hamlin. They are from Portland.

ALL IS SET FOR BIG CYCLE HILL CLIMB TO BE HELD HERE JULY-17

All is in readiness for the big north-west sectional hill climb to be held at Emerald Heights, Springfield, July 17, according to Traffic Officer Smith, who is interested in the big event in Coast cycledom. Motorcycle drivers from all parts of the coast are lining up for competition in the drive, which promises a host of thrills for spectators.

There will be four events. Novice, amateur, expert and professional drivers will compete in these. For the professional events, cash prizes will be given. Merchandise prizes go to the winning amateurs.

The city council has given permission for the climb and for closing a street to allow auto parking. The event starts at 1 o'clock sharp in the afternoon. The rain date is July 24.

The Eugene Motorcycle Association is sponsoring the hill climb. In previous years, Mt. David, at Cottage Grove, has been the scene of the climb, but the local hill is said to lend itself even better for the purpose.

LORANE COMPANY PLANT IS VIRTUALLY FINISHED

The new plant of the Lorane Timber and Milling company at Gillespie corners is virtually complete, according to H. J. Cox, president. Only a few finishing touches here and there over the plant are needed. A well built and highly modern plant has been constructed. When in operation it will be one of the best mills of its size in the country.

Sawing has not yet started. The company is waiting for better market conditions.

Half a million feet of timber, or approximately a month's sawing, has been logged on the company's holdings.

This concern was organized six months ago by Springfield men.

EXPLOSION GIVES MAN CLOSE LOOK AT DEATH

A dynamite explosion ear Marcola Tuesday gave L. D. Ream a close look at death.

Ream and other men with him were preparing to blow the end out of a pipe. He had his hand over the end of the pipe, but happened to turn his head away.

At that moment, the blast prematurely was set off. The end blew out of the pipe, shooting a splinter through his little finger. He was rushed to a local physician's office.

Had Ream not turned his head, it is believed that the blast would have caught him full in the face, probably killing him.

CHAMBER MEETINGS OFF REMAINDER OF SUMMER

No meetings of the Springfield chamber of commerce will be conducted in July and August, according to President H. J. Cox. Many of the members are away on their vacations and little business is to be transacted, he said.

In case special business comes up which demands the attention of the organization as a whole, special meetings will be called, said Mr. Cox.

Kill Kare Entertained

The Kill Kare Klub was entertained at the home of Mrs. J. F. Ketels last Thursday. Bridge furnished the chief diversion of the afternoon.

Members present were Mrs. George Blair, Mrs. Frank Polndexter, Mrs. Bert Vincent, Mrs. J. Dumphyreys, Mrs. Winifred Black, Mrs. C. E. Wheaton, Mrs. Mark Peery, Mrs. Eugene Kester, Mrs. C. E. Kenyon, Mrs. Grace Roberts and Mrs. W. H. Adrian.

Guests were Mrs. S. R. Dippel, Mrs. Mary Gallhler, Mrs. C. O. Wilson, Mrs. Clifford Wilson and Mrs. Witworth of Boise, Idaho.

Quarterly Meeting Tonight

The quarterly meeting of the Baptist church will be conducted tonight at the church. Financial reports of the church officials will be heard, and other business transacted.

Return from Bend—J. C. McMurray and daughter, Nadine, returned from a trip to Bend Sunday. Mrs. McMurray will remain, visiting her parents in Bend, for a time.

Returns to Wisconsin—Mrs. Elizabeth Scalefe, who has been visiting for some time at the home of Paul Scalefe, local garage operator, has returned to her home at Waterloo, Wisconsin.

Go to Oakridge—Dr. S. R. Dippel was on an outing above Oakridge during the holiday.

Mad Bull Attacks Boy, Rams Horse

George Baker, 17, Has Narrow Escape in Episode at Trent

How an enraged bull turned on a youth on horseback who was trying to herd him, and rammed his horns into the side of the horse, was the story being told in the Pleasant Hill neighborhood today.

The bull, it seems, was loose for some time in the Trent district, and its owner was unknown to residents there. When the animal made its way to the old Hyde ranch, on which the Baker family is living, George Baker, 17, mounted a horse with the intention of driving the bull off the place.

Enraged at the youth's efforts, the bull suddenly turned on the boy, and rushed at him.

Baker was unable to get his horse out of the way in time, and the horns of the animal were rammed into the horse's side, missing the leg of the boy by less than two inches.

The horse withstood the shock, and the boy was able to get loose and ride away before the animal could attack again, however it is reported that the horse died since from the injury.

QUIET FOURTH PASSES UNEVENTFULLY HERE

Seldom in Springfield's history has the Fourth of July been more quiet than that which passed last Monday.

A large proportion of the population was out of the city, most of them going to the mountains or the seashore. A few went to Portland.

Fire crackers were heard occasionally, but less than in other years. No accidents due to fire crackers were reported.

There were no patriotic services. On the day previous, patriotic subjects were mentioned in sermons of local pastors, but that was all.

ROBERT PIRRIE GETS FINE, JAIL SENTENCE

Convicted of driving while intoxicated on the Pacific Highway near Goshen, Robert Pirrie of Springfield was fined \$100 and sentenced to 60 days in jail when he was given a hearing in justice court Tuesday.

State Traffic Officer Houston arrested Pirrie, when the latter was going at an excessive speed, it was asserted at the trial. When the local man was stopped it was found that he was drunk.

MRS. VAN VALZAH WILL ATTEND RED CROSS MEET

Reports on the veterans insurance reinstatement will be an important feature of the next meeting of the Lane county chapter, American Red Cross, to be held next Monday night at the offices in Eugene, according to Mrs. Bernice Van Valzah, who will attend from here.

Other Springfield people were urged to attend by Mrs. Van Valzah. She said that the Red Cross secretary now has charge of the county poor, and that the reports on activities in this connection will be of interest to those who know nothing of this work.

Lots Are Sold

Three more buyers for Sunnyside addition lots have been listed by Police Chief Jess Smitson, who is selling the city real estate. Max Green purchased two lots, Ed Stewart one, and W. E. Fritts two.

Visitors from Los Angeles—Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Waltz and daughter, Mary, and Mrs. M. H. Driver, of Los Angeles, left today for the north after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Male. Mrs. Waltz and Mrs. Driver are cousins of Mrs. Male.

Visit on Creek—Dr. and Mrs. N. W. Emery were holiday visitors at the John Rossman place on Camp Creek and at the William Lightfoot residence in Eugene.

Sees Rodeo—George Hurd spend the Fourth of July at Crawfordsville where he witnessed the annual round-up.

Mrs. England Here—Mrs. David England of Timber was a visitor here this week at the home of her mother, Mrs. C. I. Gorrie, Sr.

Down from Portland—Dr. Gerald Van Valzah of Portland visited his mother, Mrs. Bernice Van Valzah, here over the week-end.

Oklahoma's Bad Man



"Matt" Kimes, 22 year old bank robber who stirred 'em up by his boldness. He stole an automobile in which a baby was sleeping—but returned it when discovered. Then he took the Chief of Police of Jennings, Okla., at point of a gun on a wild night ride, tied him to a tree and escaped.

SIX ARE ARRESTED IN RAID ON LOCAL PLACE BY CITY, COUNTY COPS

City and county police selected a house at Mill and A streets as a place for a vice raid last Sunday morning, early, with the result that six persons, three men and three women were arrested and lodged in the county jail.

In justice court this week, Mrs. Cora Rogers, charged with conducting an immoral house, pleaded not guilty. She will be tried later. Mrs. Nellie Fisher and Mrs. Bertha Shifflet, her daughters, accused of vagrancy in connection with the local raid, pleaded guilty and were fined \$50 each.

Verne Cruzan and William Mountney, arrested with the women, each pleaded guilty and was fined \$50 each. Fred Krueger, taken also in the raid, pleaded not guilty and will be tried.

According to Police Chief Jess Smitson, the alleged unlawful activities of the women had been known to local officers for some time, and the police were merely waiting for the right moment to arrest them. With the aid of Deputy Sheriffs Turnbull and Daniels, the officers went to the house early Sunday morning.

It was necessary for Turnbull to kick the door in to gain access to the place. The police allege that Mrs. Rogers, who was on the lower floor, pressed a button which gave warning to the other members of the party on the second floor. Nevertheless, all were garnered in by the officers.

HOLIDAY TRAFFIC HERE SETS ALL-TIME RECORD

Most Springfield residents are agreed that the traffic through here on the McKenzie highway during the holiday period of the last week-end established an all-time record.

Traffic Officer Smith is definitely certain that it was a record in one particular. Not one motorist violated the law sufficiently to warrant arrest, he declared. This is unusual in view of the heavy traffic, he said.

The fishing lakes and streams of the McKenzie country, the resorts, the open parks, and other attractions were responsible for the heavy traffic. Most of Springfield was out of the city on the Fourth, and it was a quiet day here.

BOY SCOUTS TO TAKE LONG HIKE SHORTLY

Plans for a mountain hike for Springfield Boy Scouts are being developed by Scoutmaster Clayton Barber of the Lions club troop. It is probable that the boys will be taken by truck or automobile to some place in the hills which will be the starting point for the jaunt back into the hills.

The date for the hike has not been definitely set, although it probably will be this month. H. E. Maxey is in charge of transportation plans, according to Mr. Barber.

Mills Resume
After the Fourth of July shutdown the Booth-Kelly sawmills at Springfield and Wendling are operating today. Operations in the logging camps are scheduled to start next Monday.

Breaks Finger—William Gerald broke a finger while working at the Booth-Kelly mill July 1. He attempted to break a lumber jam.

Return from Bandon—Mr. and Mrs. Merle Casteel of Springfield have returned from a visit at Bandon.

SCHOOL DISTRICT DEBT DOWN \$8,000

Warrant Obligations are Reduced to \$34,023.89 During Year; School Board to Hear Clerk's Report at Friday Night Session.

Financial conditions of the Springfield school district are satisfactory so far as progress made during the fiscal year just closed is concerned, and the warrant indebtedness of the district has been reduced by approximately \$8000, according to the figures being compiled for submission to the school board in session tomorrow night.

About one-half of the \$12,500 which the special tax for the Brattain school was to provide has been received, aiding materially in reducing the warrant indebtedness. Not including the returns from this source, the reduction of the first half year of 1927 is about \$1500, keeping up to the schedule planned for decreasing the warrant debt by \$3000 for the whole year.

The present warrant indebtedness of the local school district is \$34,023.89. When the report of Clerk R. W. Smith was made last year, the debt was \$41,598.07.

The Brattain school tax was 8.5 mills. This was to pay for construction of the new building.

The bonded debt not including Bancroft bonds of the district is approximately \$70,000 having been reduced \$1000 this year. The board has adopted a policy of reducing the warrant instead of bonded debt, because the former draws larger interest. The total debt of district is now \$105,402.79.

The report of Clerk Smith for submission to the board tomorrow night is not yet complete. He and Superintendent Vern Bain have been rushing in the compilation of figures steadily during the past week. This report will be the chief feature of tomorrow night's meeting, although other matters of interest are to come up.

NEW SLAUGHTER-HOUSE OF MARKET IS READY

The new slaughter-house of the Independent Mean market is complete and in use. The house has been built by the market on five acres of land recently purchased of Mrs. O. B. Kessey, and is located about a mile and a half east of town.

All modern equipment has been installed in the slaughter-house. The floors are of concrete, and a conventional arrangement has been accomplished. The cooling room is absolutely fire-proof, and every means of preserving sanitation has been cared for, it is said.

FLOOD-DAMAGED PAVING BEING REPAIRED TODAY

As a reminder of the floor time of last Spring, repairs are being made this morning on the portion of the Pacific highway pavement in West Springfield underneath the Southern Pacific trestle, torn out when the Willamette river went on a rampage late in February.

The undermined pavement at that point dropped several feet and broke to pieces. Repairs were made by the state highway commission then, but they were of a temporary nature only.

The damage portion has now been cleared away entirely. Traffic was much hindered at that point this morning, it being necessary for cars to drop into the hole and pull out again. A truck loaded with slab wood lost a goodly portion of its trailer load while crossing this place this morning.

Oil People to Meet

A meeting of stockholders and others in this community interested in the drilling of the Guarantee Oil company, well at Eugene will be held in the Springfield Chamber of Commerce rooms Wednesday evening, July 13, President Willard Elkins will give figures and tell of prospects for striking oil in the well which is now beyond 3000 feet in depth.

In From Wendling—A. D. Wise of Wendling was a visitor in Springfield Friday.

In From Rainbow—Mrs. George Williams of Rainbow spent a part of Friday visiting here.

Enters Hospital—Mrs. E. A. Gleich entered the Pacific Christian hospital last Saturday and was dismissed Monday.