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COUNCIL PROVIDES WIRING INSPECTION

Emergency is Declared as Means of Assuring Safety in Electrical Installations and Inspector is to be Named; Improvements Planned.

Declaring that an emergency exists in connection with the necessity of safe electrical wiring in this city, the Springfield city council at Monday night's meeting adopted an ordinance providing for an electrical wiring inspector and for permits for wiring.

The ordinance corresponds with the state electrical code. The council at its next meeting will name an electrical inspector to carry out the provisions of the ordinance. It was pointed out that this city has gone for years without these provisions which have been adopted in virtually all modern communities.

Hereafter, permits shall be required for electrical wiring jobs, and will be granted by the city Recorder on the payment of a \$1 fee. A fine of not less than \$10 or more than \$50 for violation of the ordinance is provided.

Street Improvement Approved

The council received and acted favorably on a petition asking the improvement of Park street between Fourth and Fifth streets, in the Willamette Heights section. Another petition, seeking for a number of sidewalk jobs scattered over the city, also was approved and the work authorized.

An Ordinance Providing for Assessments to pay for the grading of F street between Ninth and Tenth streets and Ninth between G and F streets, was adopted. Abutting property is assessed in the action.

Sewer Contract Let

Simon Klodahl was granted the contract for installation of a sewer through block No. 86, between E, F, Ninth and Tenth streets. His bid was \$350.

The city has not received a petition supposedly circulated among southsiders opposing the closing of Second street crossing, and as city officials have advised the southsiders that that such action is useless before the council, it is presumed that the matter is to be taken up with the state highway commission directly. The council, it was pointed out, already has acted on the matter.

CHANEY TO SPEAK AT UNION CHURCH MEET

Rev. S. J. Chaney, district superintendent of the Methodist Episcopal church, will speak at the union church services to be held at the Methodist church Sunday evening. Mr. Chaney is well known in Springfield and has appeared before many audiences here in connection with the superintendency work.

Last Sunday, Miss Douglass, of the northwest training schools for deaconesses, Seattle, addressed the Methodist congregation. A speaker from Harrisburg will speak this Sunday morning.

WEIGHT AND EXPERIENCE SADLY NEEDED TO HELP HIGH SCHOOL PROSPECTS

Weight and experience—two indispensable qualities of a good football team—are sadly lacking in the material out of which Coach Leonard Mayfield must mold a Springfield high school gridiron team this year.

"It looks as if we are going to have a real job to keep up to the high standard set last year," said Mayfield today as he looked over prospects for the coming year. He recalled that under Coach Walter Fenwick's tutelage, Springfield high school had an unusually successful football season last year.

"Graduation played havoc with the experienced men," said Mayfield. "However, we have some pretty good stuff that may be groomed into something that will prove a surprise to even the most optimistic. There are a few veterans left.

"Another trouble this year is the matter of weight. Most of our best men are small. There are some big boys in school, and we shall have to make real football men out of them.

"I'm not the least bit afraid we are going to have a failure as a football team. In fact, I am sure we'll have a team that will be well worth watching. And after all is said and done, we may chalk up a surprising string of victories before the season is over."

Coach Mayfield is attempting to arrange better facilities for the athletic rooms at the high school gymnasium.

IRA NICE AND OSSIE CHRISTIE WED HERE

Ossie Christie, of Long Beach, California, and Ira Nice, clerk of the Springfield postoffice, were married at a quiet ceremony at the home of Rev. J. T. Moore of this city August 7. Present at the ceremony were Mrs. J. T. Moore, John E. Nice of Springfield, and Ellis Miller of Salem, his nephew.

A wedding dinner was prepared at the home of John E. Nice. Sixteen were present, including Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Donaldson, Ellis Miller, Mrs. A. J. Miller of Salem, Mr. J. Freeman, John Nice and family, and the bride and groom.

Upon entering the dining room the wedding party found inscribed upon a blackboard the following: "We wish you health and happiness. We wish you wealth in store. We wish you heaven after death. How could we wish you much more?"

HEARING ON CLOSING OF SECOND STREET IS EXPECTED TO BE SOON

Word is anxiously awaited here as to the date for the hearing on the closing of Second street to be conducted by the state public service commission on the request of the state highway commission. It is felt here that the sooner the decision on the Second street matter is gotten out of the way, the sooner the new Springfield bridge will start.

County Judge Barnard expressed surprise this morning that no word as to the time of the hearing has been received. He said that he understood that the service commission planned to hold a public hearing immediately, and that it should have taken place before this.

Southsider residents this week prepared their petition to the council, with about 60 signatures affixed, and sent it to the public service commission. They were informed that inasmuch as the council already had acted on the matter the delayed submission of the petition would be of little value.

ELMER SMITH RESIGNS AS TRAFFIC OFFICER AFTER 4 MONTHS' DUTY

Elmer Smith, appointed Springfield traffic officer four months ago, resigned this morning.

Mr. Smith was reticent concerning his reasons for quitting his job here, but said that his ideas as to how the job should be handled made it imperative that he resign. He intimated that his leanings toward leniency with the motoring public was the chief trouble.

During the latter part of Mr. Smith's connection with the local police force, the number of arrests for traffic offenses has dropped steadily. There have been few in the last two months, particularly because the traffic officer has been handling other duties during the vacation schedule.

Mr. Smith is returning to Eugene. Police Chief Smitson is expected to appoint a new man for the job immediately. He said today that there is need for a traffic officer here, and that other duties connected with the job makes necessary that the city employ one.

STARS AND MASONS TO HAVE PICNIC FRIDAY

The Order of the Eastern Star will hold a picnic at Swimmer's Delight Friday night inviting all Stars and Masons and their families. This will be the second event of the kind planned by the Stars.

This will be a basket supper. Coffee will be served by the lodge on the grounds. Supper will be at 7 o'clock, followed by swimming. Members are invited whether members of the local order or not.

Seven Climb Peak of Middle Sister

Boy Scout Party of Eighteen Visit Glaciers in Three Sisters Area During Week End

Seven Springfield people added their names to those who had climbed the Middle Sister when they left the boy scout party on Collier Glacier and ascended to the top, 10,939 feet. In the party were W. C. McLagan, Harry Wright, and five boy scouts, Carroll Adams, Lloyd Mattison, George Mason, Gordon Wright and Hersey Tomseth.

Eighteen were in the boy scout party who visited the glaciers on the Sisters and other parts of the area during the week end. Thirteen boy scouts and five men left here Saturday afternoon and camped at Scott lake that night. Sunday a trip was made to the Glacier by the Skyline trail and White Branch creek. More snow than usual was found along the route and big glacier is still well covered with snow which fills up the smaller crevasses and hides the ice. The entire party climbed up near the head of Collier Glacier, about 8500 feet elevation.

The party was conducted to the Glaciers by H. E. Maxey, chairman of the Lions troop committee, who has made many trips into the Three Sisters area. Besides those named above others in the party included Franklin Drury, Dennison Andrews, Gordon Deeds, Ford Danner, Billy Knox, Reese Chase, Billie Wheeler, and Earl Wheeler of the Lions club troop, and Dr. E. R. Dippel and H. J. Cox.

The party had an enjoyable trip and came back carrying coats of sunburn from spending several hours on the snow. Franklin Drury and Earl Wheeler stopped at Camp Lucky Boy on the return trip to spend two weeks in training with other Lane county scouts.

WALKERS SURPRISED ON WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

On the occasion of their 17th wedding anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walker were given a pleasant surprise by a number of their friends last evening.

The visitors dropped in on the Walkers early in the evening and enjoyed a pleasant evening in conversation. A number of long-time members of Juanita lodge, No. 85, were among the visitors.

SACK-SEWER INJURES HAND IN CONVEYOR

Robert Kizer, sack-sewer for the McPherson-Kepner threshing outfit, received painful injuries to his hand in the grain conveyor on the harvester yesterday. Three fingers were contused, and a bone may be broken.

Mr. Kizer was cleaning out a plugged conveyor, when someone started the conveyor, his hand being caught in the chain.

Governor Fuller



Chief Executive of Massachusetts upon whose shoulders fell the task of rendering the final decision as to whether Sacco and Vanzetti were to die in the famed murder case which has been in the courts more than 8 years.

MRS. JOHN SCOTT IS KILLED IN ACCIDENT

Victim of an automobile accident at Creswell Monday noon, Mrs. John Scott of that place died Monday evening at the age of 61.

The automobile which was driven by her husband overturned on the sidewalk after an effort was made to avert a collision with a pedestrian. Mrs. Scott was pinned beneath the car, suffering a broken collar bone, several broken ribs, and injuries to her head. Hemorrhages from the last-named injuries brought on her death.

Loyal Scott, employe at the Kettel's drug store here, is a son of Mrs. Scott. She was a member of a well-known Lane family, among the survivors being: R. H. Parsons of Springfield and Will Parsons of Eugene, brothers; Mrs. Lula Shaub and Mrs. Ann Rogers of Creswell, sisters; Mrs. Laura Brown, Alturas, California, Mrs. Serena Phillips of North Bend and Mrs. Belle Thornton of Reedsport.

Mr. Scott was driving home from Reedsport when the accident occurred.

SEVERAL ARE INJURED IN ACCIDENTS HERE

Accidents of various kinds took the usual toll of victims here this week. Coy Leathers, a Springfield boy, was bitten by a dog when he stepped on a canine while running for the water while on a non-bathing suit swimming party with a number of boys. A woman approached and the boys took to the river, Leathers stepping on the dog. He was badly bitten.

William Denny of West Springfield suffered a broken leg when kicked by a horse. Paul Radtke, employed by Hills brothers of Jasper, sustained a cracked pelvis bone and other injuries when he fell from a dock.

TWO ACCIDENTS ON SPRINGFIELD STREETS

Fred Bosserman was slightly bruised when knocked down by a motorcycle driven by Paul Nice at Fifth and Main streets last Friday. Mr. Bosserman was not seriously hurt, and the operator of the motorcycle was not held responsible for the accident.

Automobiles driven by D. M. Morse of Springfield and George W. Murphy of Santa Rosa, California, came together at Sixth and Main streets Monday. But slight damage resulted.

LOCAL SCHOOLS TO OPEN ON SEPT. 12

Board at Tuesday Meeting Informed of Resignation of Miss Veatch of High School Faculty; Commercial Teacher is Named.

September 12—an even month away—is the date for opening Springfield public schools, both elementary and high schools, according to announcements made by Chairman W. G. Hughes following a meeting of the school board Tuesday night.

Final preparations of buildings and grounds are being rushed this month for the opening of school, and the board is making every effort to line up its teaching staff.

In this matter, two snags have been struck by the school board this summer, one, the difficulty in obtaining a commercial teacher and the other the resignation of Miss Sylvia Veatch as teacher of mathematics and physics.

Faced with the difficult situation of replacing Miss Veatch at a time so near the opening of school, the board at Tuesday night's meeting refused to accept her resignation. An effort will be made, however, to find a satisfactory successor for the mathematics instructor, and if this is accomplished no effort will be made to hold her to her contract. The board has announced that it is open to applications for the position.

Several have been elected to the commercial position this summer, but each time resignations have left the job open again. Tuesday night the board tried again, naming Miss S. Wagner of Corvallis. Her answer is awaited.

Vasby brothers are finishing painting the high school building, and the new roof is now installed on the Lincoln building. Fire Chief Jess Smitson has offered the local fire equipment to be used in burning the old shingles about the Lincoln building.

NEW CLEANER PUT IN AT SPRINGFIELD MILL

A new receiving separator for wheat has been installed at the Springfield Mill and Grain company plant and was given its first trial yesterday. The cleaner appeared to work satisfactorily, and will be a valuable addition to the equipment of the mill. It is said, "The wheat this year has been unusually dirty," said John Bushman of the mill company. "This new equipment will enable us to get clean grain as soon as it is brought into the plant. The machine has a capacity of 300 bushels."

Two are Honored

In honor of Miss Helen Hartley of Ashland and Miss Estelle Chaney, of Marshfield, a number of Springfield young people gave a swimming party and picnic at Swimmer's Delight Tuesday evening.

Just Dying of Curiosity

By Albert T. Reid



Highway Patching on

The state highway department was preparing this morning to continue with patching South Second and South D streets, recently improved with oiling.

Visit Murphy Home—Visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Murphy Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Osborne and son, David, of Berkeley, California, Miss O'Bryan of Oakland, and Delbert Mitchell, formerly of Springfield. They were en route north by automobile, and will return this evening for another visit at the Murphy home. Delbert Mitchell has sold his business at Oakland.

Drives up McKenzie—Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gossler, Mrs. Ella Lombard, Mr. and Mrs. Evan Lombard of Eugene, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Buchan of Deer Lodge, Mont., William Bean and son, Dredsel, of LaCrosse, Wis., and Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Bean made up a picnic party on the McKenzie river Sunday. They visited the fish racks.

Visitors from Wisconsin—William Bean and son, Dredsel, of LaCrosse Wis., are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gossler and other relatives here. Mr. Bean is Mrs. Gossler's father, the son of Mrs. F. E. Bean, and brother of Mrs. Ella Lombard.

Bains Leave Today—Mr. and Mrs. Verne Bain, who have been visiting for a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gossler, will return today to Woodburn, where Mr. Bain is principal of the high school.

Go to Iowa—Miss Lucille Ohlsen, who has been visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Hare McPherson, left Monday with her father for Iowa, where she will visit for some time. Miss Ohlsen's home is at Marshfield.

Here from Minneapolis—Miss Jessie Fawalt of Minneapolis, Minn., is visiting at the home of Mrs. Alfred Morgan.

McKay is Injured—Arthur McKay of Marcola, employed by the Fischer Lumber company, suffered contusions to his foot yesterday when he dropped a piece of lumber.

Go to Oregon City—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fross will drive to Oregon City Saturday to bring back their son, Lloyd, who has been there this summer.