

# THE SPRINGFIELD NEWS

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## COUNTY-WIDE COOPERATION

The plan for county-wide cooperation for the general development and good of all concerned as outlined by President J. E. Shelton of the Eugene Chamber of Commerce before the meeting of the Springfield Chamber last Friday has merit. He would unite all Lane county chambers of commerce, granges, farm unions and other organizations to work toward one end.

All our problems are alike and the desire for progress is mutual. It stands to reason that Lane county can be better developed with everyone working together instead of separately and some times at cross purposes. Delegates should be appointed from all civic and farm organizations to work out a feasible plan to go by.

Springfield and Eugene have had "agreements" for mutual benefit before but they have been all talk and no action and even some of the talk was not sincere. The Eugene Chamber of Commerce is now in different hands. The new president has a vision and is a man who is sincere. He is surrounding himself with men of the same type. We should go into an alliance with Eugene, Cottage Grove and Junction City and the farmers with confidence. The major activities are to be better farm markets, more state highway aid and the building of an east and west railroad connection through Oregon. Let's all get behind this program and other projects that may be added to it from time to time. That is the way to put Lane county on the map as the best developed section of Oregon.

## FOREHANDED—SHOP NOW FOR CHRISTMAS

There is a timely hint to Christmas shoppers in the statement by Colonel Leonard P. Ayres, noted economist, that shortages in stocks of goods are developing in a number of leading industries.

Already the volume of holiday purchases is large. But not yet so large that buyers are discomfited or restricted in their range of choice.

The buyer, however, always has the easier time and the better chance to make careful selections.

The outlook for a generous Christmas is fine. Throughout the country members of Christmas clubs will get millions of dollars from thousands of banks which do this service as a lesson in thrift.

Most planners of Christmas cheer can as well do their gift buying now as later, when the rush will be inconvenient.

Why not be forehanded?

## COMPANIONATE MARRIAGE—NOT NEW—KANSAS TRIAL

Mr. Haldeman-Julius, a Kansas publisher of books, approves his young daughter's experiment in "companionate marriage." The girl, eighteen, will marry a twenty-year-old boy, the two "will continue living their lives after marriage as they lived previously, until they determine whether

they are entirely suited to each other." Until then they won't live together, at least in the same house.

Exactly what the plan is seems uncertain. But other things are certain, including these. Until they live together, they cannot possibly know whether they are suited to each other or not. Companionate marriage is as old as the human race and as old as the monkey race. All the monkeys live in companionate marriage, free to quit at any time, and they like it.

It took human beings thousands of centuries to establish marriage—a device by which Providence and women, co-operating, are gradually teaching men to be decent. It's a slow process, but that is no reason for getting discouraged and going back to monkey days and ways.

## NEW MIRACLES USEFUL

The Rev. Dr. Straton of New York says we might now have miracles as wonderful as those of the olden times. He has seen a woman "virtually dead already" brought back to life by prayer.

Modern miracles of the scientific kind are more wonderful than old miracles.

Men go in submarines under the water and in flying machines above it, instead of walking on it.

They prevent disease by common sense and cure it with inoculation, saving millions of lives instead of resurrecting a few. They talk and send music through the air without wires.

The new miracles are at least as spectacular as the old and much more useful. Vaccination is worth more than all the miraculous cures of all the religions.

Placing the tax ahead of flood relief by Congress is an indication that same high hopes for effective Mississippi protection are going to be punctured.

The author, Rupert Hughes, is still "digging up the dirt" on George Washington—which no doubt is exactly what he would actually be doing if George were alive.

All reports to the contrary there are mighty few fathers who give their daughters away at the wedding ceremony. They let the grooms find out for themselves later.

We are not particularly anxious that any of our good aviators attempt a round trip flight to Europe—but we do wish some of the many loans would try a return flight.

Now that the football season is ended and several million husky young men will not be so busy—why, we'll start a basketball season.

Both Republican and Democratic Drys threaten bolts next year if their respective conventions do not behave. What is this—the iron age?

What! Only "ten commandments" in the new marriage agreements demands of brides these days. How lucky these young fellows are.

"In the words of Lincoln," said a local coal dealer during the recent warm fall weeks, "you can't fuel all the people all the time."

The inventor of the new mile-a-minute speed boat, which has a fish tail propeller, seemingly has wiggled his way to fame.

Prize fairy story of the year, "Women's skirts are to be longer."

## VETS AGAIN WARNED AS TO DEAD LINE ON BONUS

Warning was again issued to Springfield war veterans this week that they stand to lose all rights to the Federal Adjusted Compensation "bonus" unless they act before January 1.

Local veterans or relatives of deceased soldiers are informed that an information bureau has been established at 209 Kraemer build. Portland, and that there all possible assistance will be given in filing applications for the bonus.

Any honorably discharged veteran who served in the army, navy or marine corps for more than 60 days between April 5, 1917, and July 1, 1919, provided he began his service before the armistice, is entitled to the compensation benefits.

## DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM BEING RECONSTRUCTED

Completion of the reconstruction

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program on the entire Springfield power distribution system is the object of new activities started here this week by the Mountain States power company. Crews of the company have been working in the eastern end of the city this week, removing old wires and old poles and installing new equipment.

Reconstruction of the Springfield system was started some time ago, but was not finished at that time. Some work was done this week along the alley between Main and A streets.

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