

CITY SELLS \$13,000 BANCROFT BONDS

Atkinson, Jones and Company of Portland Make Best Bid at Meeting of Local Council; Will Take Up Warrants for Improvement Work.

The \$13,000 in Bancroft improvement bonds offered by the City of Springfield were bid in by the Atkinson, Jones & Co., Portland, at \$104.28 per each \$100 bond at the meeting of the council Tuesday evening.

Other bidders were Freeman Smith & Camp Co., \$101.31; Lumberman's Trust Co., Portland, \$102.27; Pierce, Fair Co., \$103.41; George H. Burr, Conrad & Broom, \$102.05; Duff B. Niles & Company, Toledo, Ohio, Par and \$66.

The bonds are for sidewalk and street improvement during 1927 and will take up warrants now outstanding to the amount of \$13,000. The annual audit shows the city has about \$32,000 in outstanding warrants.

The completion of this building program makes Springfield one of the "best sidewalked" towns of its size in the state, city officials believe. For three years, a progressive sidewalk building program has been pushed here, and it is not expected that such a large program will be necessary the coming summer.

The council talked generally of the park proposals, although no definite action was planned at the Tuesday night session. General business was transacted, and bills totaling in the neighborhood of \$1300 were granted following considerable discussion.

CHURCH CAMPAIGN IS PUSHED BY CHRISTIANS

An effort to fill the entire center section of the church is being made Christian church, this being the goal of the Loyal Men's class. The Sunday school of the church is growing rapidly, last Sunday's attendance being 206, according to S. G. Moshier, the superintendent.

Claude Neeley will preach at the regular church hour Sunday morning, and Rev. W. A. Elkins of Eugene will speak in the evening.

CHARLES POOLE MADE DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR

Charles R. Poole, local undertaker, has been appointed department inspector general for Oregon of the Patriarchs Militant, Odd Fellows organization, it was announced today. Mr. Poole received his commission yesterday from General W. E. Wadsworth of the Oregon department.

Mr. Poole's jurisdiction extends over the entire state. The commission will continue for three years, and during that time he will make inspections throughout the state.

BASEBALL GAME WITH VETS IS SCHEDULED

Superiority in baseball of the indoor variety is to be decided between the Eugene Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Springfield American Legion in a tilt on the armory floor at Eugene tonight.

Jack Larson, commander of the local Legion and erstwhile manager of the Springfield baseball club, is in charge of the Springfield baseball artists, and expects to show the Eugene vets a real fight. He has asked all Legionnaires to be at the armory tonight.

Mill Business Good

Business of the Springfield Mill and Grain company is continuing in good shape, according to G. G. Bushman. Recently, the company purchased a new Federal truck which is making runs south of Roseburg on regular schedule carrying products of the busy Springfield plant.

Registration Is Slow

Registration for the primary election is progressing very slowly, according to I. M. Peterson, who has charge of the books for the four precincts here. He warned local people that they must be registered if they vote at the May Polls, as the new law does not allow swearing in as was previously done for those who wished to vote but were not registered.

PUMPING CONTINUES AT POWER COMPANY WELLS TO DETERMINE SUPPLY

Experiments being conducted by the Mountain States Power company on its tract above the local plant are expected to determine this year whether the company can look forward to the possibilities of developing a water supply from wells. It is not expected that any other steps, other than experimenting, will be taken in the immediate future by the company.

At present, the company is pumping from wells, which have recently been driven, in an effort to determine whether the supply will increase or hold its own.

It is as yet too soon to determine the increase of the supply, but it appears to be sustained on the face of results so far obtained.

TWO SPRINGFIELD MEN ON DIRECTORS BOARD

Two Springfield men, A. J. Perkins and Welby Stevens, are members of the board of directors of the Guaranty Trust company, according to announcement of the results of an election February 9 from the Portland headquarters of the company. Other members of the board are J. S. Maglady, John P. Winter and Jay S. Moltner.

Mr. Perkins was elected president of the company, and Mr. Maglady, a Eugene man, was named vice-president. George R. Parks and his wife have retired from connections with the company.

Management of the company's affairs now in the hands of Mr. Perkins, Springfield bank director, and H. M. Maloney, who has been elected secretary-treasurer. The company has an authorized capital of \$1,500,000 and a paid-up capital of \$150,000, which is being readjusted and will be expanded. It has outstanding in two series about \$700,000 of bonds secured by real estate mortgages.

Control of the trust company is now fully in the hands of Mr. Perkins, who is president, and his associates, many of whom are well known about Eugene. Included in the group which has acquired full control with him are Mr. Stevens, president of the Commercial State bank of Springfield; Mr. Maglady, lumberman, Eugene; W. H. Hodes, Eugene business man; Joseph M. Healy, Portland manufacturer; John P. Winter and J. S. Moltner, Portland attorneys, and Mr. Maloney.

LEGION DANCE PLANNED FOR SATURDAY NIGHT

With a full-blooded Indian orchestra dispensing music, the American Legion will give a dance at the Midway Pavilion West Springfield Saturday night. The dancing will be from 9 to 12 o'clock, and the orchestra will be that which is with a show to be shown at the Bell theatre that night.

Jack Larson, commander of the Legion post, is arranging the affair as a benefit for the post fund.

VALLIERS GO SOUTH TO VISIT RELATIVES

Street Commissioner and Mrs. George Vallier, and son-in-law, Will Davis, leave this morning on an automobile trip to San Francisco, where they will remain for a few days.

The object of the trip is to be present when Mr. Vallier's mother celebrates her 86th birthday, February 22. A family reunion is planned, and Mr. Vallier expects to see relatives with whom he has not visited for years.

STREETS CLEANED BY DEPARTMENT THIS WEEK

The city street department spent this week in a general clean-up of the local streets. The water wagon was employed in scouring the pavements, and the gutters were cleaned out.

General patchwork is being carried on throughout the city, according to Commissioner George Vallier. Street work, in general, will be at a standstill for a few days during Commissioner Vallier's absence in California.

Attend Harrisburg Meeting

Charles Lusby and Charles Poole attended a homecoming of the Harrisburg Masons Tuesday night. Among those present at the meeting were Rex Davis, grand senior warden, Burt Bailey, Eugene, D. P. Mason, oldest past grand master in Oregon, Hon. J. K. Weatherford, Albany, Dr. W. H. Dales and A. Dickson, Eugene.

Here from Waltherville—R. R. Orem of Waltherville was a visitor here yesterday.

DEBT REDUCED \$13,000 IN 1927

Auditors' Report Shows Healthy Condition in City Finances; 1927 Receipts, \$49,131.09

Springfield reduced its net debt by \$13,689, in 1927, showing a healthy condition in city finances, according to the annual report of Tyson and Horton, auditors, filed this week. The net debt is now \$94,049.61, instead of \$107,738.79, as at the beginning of the year.

The auditors remarked that this "proves that the city government is handled in an efficient manner under the direction of city authorities." They also point out that no deficits were shown in the various departments of the town government.

Total cash receipts for the year ran to \$49,131.09, and disbursements totaled \$49,972.31, indicating that the city is operating virtually on a cash basis.

Bancroft bond sales totaled \$9,183.60, the largest single item in the receipts column.

Street improvements cost the city \$4458.67 during the year, the report indicates.

ANTI-CIGARETTE TALK TO BE TOPIC AT MEET OF PARENTS, TEACHERS

Members of the Springfield Parent-Teachers association will hear a talk against cigarettes Friday afternoon at the Lincoln school when they meet to hear G. Atchey, field representative of the Anti-Cigarette League of Oregon. The meeting is called for 3 o'clock.

Mrs. L. K. Page, and Mrs. Opal Roberts, teachers at the Lincoln school, will present their pupils in the following program:

"The Dandelion," Rosalie Looney and Roberta Putnam. "Story of Lincoln," First and Second grade boys. Song—"George Washington," Second grade.

Valentine song—First and Second grade girls. "The Postman," Billie Stratton and LaVerne McPherson.

Play—"Two Runaways," June Berg, Edna June Yarnell and Bobby Rodenbough.

Mrs. Ora Read Hemenway and Mrs. Ivan Male will have charge of refreshments.

CHANGES ARE MADE BY POWER COMPANY

Jack Henderer, local electrician, has been changed from his position as operator at the Mountain States power company plant and is local salesman for the company, it was announced this week. Russell Stewart was formerly salesman.

Earl Smith, who moved here from Casper, Wyoming, has been added to the operating staff at the plant, and Harris Ebbe has been advanced to take Mr. Henderer's place.

These changes go into effect today.

Mrs. Buchanan Feted

Mrs. Mary Buchanan was the guest of honor at a party held at the Methodist church Saturday afternoon on the occasion of her 80th birthday.

About thirty friends came to extend greetings and felicitations to "Aunt Mary" as she is lovingly called. After a short program, a letter of greeting and appreciation was read from Rev. and Mrs. Sykes, who are in Portland. She was presented with a potted plant from the church. A cake decorated with her name and age, from the women's Bible class. She also received a shower of silver coins and numerous gifts. Refreshments were served to the following: Mrs. Mary Buchanan, Mrs. Letha Ryehard, Mrs. Vera Neal, Mrs. Mary Platt, Mrs. Ivy Davidson, Mrs. G. P. Collingwood, Mrs. J. H. Harris, Mrs. Jane L. Cruzan, Mrs. J. P. Vaughn, Mrs. J. N. Lusby, Mrs. Carrie Parshall, Mrs. M. M. Male, Mrs. U. G. McElhany, Mrs. Mary Lansberry, Mrs. Abbie Lyon, Mrs. Edgar Kester, Mrs. Nettie Metcalf, Mrs. Nice Donaldson, Mrs. Sue Gile, Mrs. I. Cline, Mrs. Mollie B. Scott, Mrs. Emma Williams, Mrs. Ina Cline, Bernice Cline, Mrs. P. A. Woolley, Mrs. L. May, Mrs. C. H. Myers, Mrs. J. Ketels, Mrs. Roy Cupp and daughter, Dorine.

Mrs. Mee Here—Mrs. Andrew Mee, of Applegate, has arrived to visit at the W. W. Walker home during the illness of her sister, Mrs. A. W. Skipworth.

Benefactor



Amadeo P. Giannini, son of an Italian vegetable grower and founder of the Bank of Italy and its associate corporations, who never did have ambitions to be a millionaire, will give away his personal fortune to aid farmers, dairy, and livestock men.

SMELTER PLAN GOES FORWARD; ORE SENT TO TACOMA FOR TEST

Establishment of a smelter in Springfield for the purpose of smelting ore taken from the Lucky Boy mine, and further development of that property, came a step nearer realization this week when 1600 pounds of ore from the mine was taken to Seattle and Tacoma for analysis.

A. C. Miller, who is promoting the development, will take a trip east after the results of the Seattle analysis are known, and will make an effort to interest eastern capital in the proposed mining development.

According to Mayor G. G. Bushman, who has talked with Mr. Miller, the latter is showing great enthusiasm over the prospects of getting sound financial help in putting over the mine program. If the mine is operated, it is expected that Springfield will be the site of a smelting plant.

Word has not yet been received by city officials from the U. S. Bureau of Mines regarding the effects of smelters on the health of residents of the vicinity.

TWO ARE FINED FOR FIGHTING ON STREET

Fines of \$5 each were levied by Recorder I. M. Peterson on M. L. Terwelton and Lee Putnam, who were arrested following a fight in front of the Bell theatre last Saturday night.

According to police officers, one of the men owed the other money, and the creditor decided to take drastic action instead of waiting longer for a refund on the debt. The fight and the fine resulted.

AUTOMOBILES CRASH AT FOURTH AND MAIN

Two automobiles and an ornamental light post were more or less damaged in an accident at Fourth and Main streets last night.

Harvey Eaton was driving west on Main, and was turning when struck by a car operated by Frank Osburn, Eugene, who was approaching from behind Eaton.

The two machines careened across the intersection and one of them smashed into the light pole. No one was injured.

LINCOLN SCHOOL WINS, LOSES IN COBURG TILTS

Coburg grammar school defeated the Lincoln junior high school, 33 to 4, in a ragged game last night. As the score indicates, it was Coburg's game from start to finish, the Springfield team being unable to acclimatize itself to the strange gymnasium and one star player being off the team at the time.

In a game earlier in the week, Springfield defeated the same team, 18 to 13, at the local gymnasium.

Tonight, the junior high team will encounter the University junior high school at Eugene.

BROTHERHOOD MEETS ON MONDAY EVENING

A speaker from the university extension bureau will be heard at a meeting of the Springfield Methodist church Brotherhood scheduled for next Monday evening. Dinner will be served at 6:30 o'clock, followed by the program and speaker.

This is the first meeting since the Brotherhood discontinued its dinners during the infantile paralysis scare.

PROGRAMS TO BE ON FEB. 22

Both Lincoln and Washington to be Honored at Schools by Children

Washington's birthday is to be observed by special programs in Springfield public schools.

No Lincoln's birthday programs were held, and as a result features dealing with the Civil War president's career will have a part in the Washington's birthday program as well as those dealing with the first president.

Programs at the Lincoln and Brattain schools will be held in the morning. Parents have been invited.

The Brattain program was made public yesterday by Mrs. Ora Read Hemenway, principal of the school. It follows:

- Song—America School
Flag Salute School
Song—America the Beautiful School
Recitation—The New George Washington Robert Moon
Song—George Washington Second Grade
Exercise—Little Historian, Eugene Phillips, Elmer Chase, Jean Daniels, George Nadvornik, Emerson Ables.
Song—Washington's Birthday Third Grade
Recitation—If Washington Were Here Disque Smith
Exercise—The Making of the Flag—Elmer Rogers, Vlema Peddicord
Song—Washington's Praise Primary Grade
Poem—Important Dates in Washington's Life Allen Sneed, Doris Walker, James Hemenway, Ruth Pollard, Harland Duncan.
Song—The New Soldier Fourth B Grade
Dialogue—Keeping the Birthday Vivian Runte, Virlyn Pasey
Song—Selected School

QUARTER BLOCK HERE EXCHANGED; OWNER TO BUILD ON PROPERTY

A quarter of a block of Springfield property is involved in a real estate deal announced here today which anticipates the construction of new houses here. The deal was announced by William Vasby.

The Springfield property, located at Sixth and A streets, changes from the ownership of Mrs. A. P. Cannon to W. F. Taylor. In exchange, Mrs. Cannon receives a two-story house in Eugene, and in turn is exchanging this property for property at Portland, where she now lives.

Mr. Taylor acquires three houses in the deal. He expects to build more houses on the Sixth and A street property.

Announcement was also made today that Sherm Conrad is buying a new house on Sixth and C streets, from William Vasby, through a soldier's bonus loan arrangement.

GROVE WHIPPED BY SPRINGFIELD QUINTET

Springfield high school basketball team showed a flash of superiority not displayed previously this season last night, and finished a game with Cottage Grove with a victory, 26 to 8. It was the sort of basketball Coach Leonard Mayfield has been trying to coax out of the local team all season.

A scoring orgy in the last half was responsible for Springfield's victory. At the end of the first canto the score was knotted 6 to 6.

Then Springfield broke loose, shooting baskets from all angles and at the same time checking the Groves to such an extent that they marked up but two points during the period.

Redding, with seven points, was high point man for Springfield, but the scoring was evenly divided. Deeds made five points, McMurray six, Goff, Grove center, made five points.

Springfield's second team lost a preliminary game to Walker, 19 to 10.

JOINT MEET PLANNED BY SCOUTS ON MONDAY

The two Springfield Boy Scout troops will meet in joint session Monday night to hear A. H. Tyson of Eugene, in a talk on early days in scouting.

Mr. Tyson, who is a brother of W. P. Tyson of this city, was a scout in England when the movement was in its pioneer stages, and he has many interesting stories to tell of those days. The meeting will be held at the chamber.

The local Boy Scouts are planning a "good turn" for the city which will be carried out shortly.

URGES OPPOSITION TO DELAY ON SPAN

Delegation Should Demand that Keep Promise, says Judge; \$3 License Proposal Should be no Excuse for Holding Back Construction.

A strong delegation of Springfield and Lane county citizens should support the Lane county court in its efforts to bring about immediate construction of the Springfield bridge, under an agreement made by the state highway commission more than a year ago, is the opinion of County Judge C. P. Barnard, expressed this morning.

Commenting on the report that the proposed \$3 license fee bill may be used as a reason for delaying construction of the span for another year, Judge Barnard said that he could see no way in which the license fee bill affects a project which has been authorized for over a year, and for which the state should have made appropriations long ago.

"Whether there is a \$3 license fee or not is not involved in this case," declared the judge. "Lane county voted its half of the cost of the bridge over a year ago and we bought the right-of-way in order that the state might go ahead with the construction. The small automobile license fee is a thing of the future, if it comes at all, and in no way should affect the bridge plan."

The judge urged that the people of Lane county take an active interest in the bridge construction, and insist that the highway commission keep its promise and build the span this spring. He said that the county court persistently insists that the work go ahead, but that the support of a delegation of the taxpayers would be most effective in pushing the matter through.

The county court will attend a meeting of the state highway commission next week, and will continue to agitate the bridge proposition. It will seek to learn reasons for delays on the part of the public service commission in rendering a decision on the closing of Second street, which is involved in the bridge tangle.

MERCURY DROPS BELOW FREEZING POINT HERE

Temperature dropped to 28 degrees here last night as clear weather continued to prevail in this district.

Wednesday night, the mercury hit 26 degrees, one of the coldest nights in some time. There was frost both nights.

CHURCH DEPARTMENTS HAVE VALENTINE PARTY

The Junior and Intermediate departments of the Baptist Sunday school held a valentine party in the basement of the church Wednesday evening. Harvey Pitkin and Mrs. Fred Freese were in charge of the entertainment, and W. H. Cook and Stella Pengra formed the refreshment committee.

Virginia Chase, Hazel Wilson, Juanita Wilson, Esther Frost and Dorothy Oaks assisted in the serving. Games relay races, stunts and other diversions to make a pleasant evening for the 40 present.

COMMITTEES NAMED AT MEETING OF AUXILIARY

Committees to handle the organization's 1928 program were named at a meeting of the American Legion auxiliary, at the chamber of commerce last night. A good attendance was reported.

The next meeting of the group will be on March 7, it was announced.

Wedding Is Held

Miss Isabelle Hugh and Frank Tibbett were married Tuesday, culminating a romance which began in the Eugene-Springfield bus. Miss Hugh was telephone operator at Springfield, and Mr. Tibbett bus driver. They became acquainted as she traveled on the bus to and from work, and the wedding Tuesday resulted.

Man is Injured

Roy Baker, 45, of motor route C, received severe injuries to his head when he was struck by a limb of a tree while hauling logs yesterday morning. He was treated by a local physician, who believes the skull may be fractured.

L. M. Bengel, Davis mill, fell and threw his thumb out of joint Tuesday.