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## STREET OILING IS TALKED BY COUNCIL

### Complete Oiling Would Cut Maintenance Cost and Enable City to Live Inside Budget Councilmen Believe; Stewart Sworn in as Councilman.

Complete oiling of the main macadam streets in the city would enable the street department to keep within its budget inside of the next three years and also provide thoroughfares more agreeable to live beside and travel over. This was the opinion expressed by councilmen at the meeting of the council Monday night.

Light oiling of streets is not expensive councilmen pointed out. Besides the labor cost the oil expense of the light oil known as "dust palliative" averages about \$9 a block. Six blocks were oiled by the state crews in the city this year in one day. If oiling of all the streets were to be done the city would want to turn the job over to the state next year. Three years of light oil would make a permanent job, it is said.

The oiling this year, outside of the Second and Main street permanent oil, cost the property holders as follows:

3 blocks on D between 4th and 7th, 450 gals used, at 6c, .....	\$27.00
Mill between race and South B, 175 gals .....	\$10.50
South 4th between South D and South E, 175 gals, .....	\$10.50
Total amount for 6 blocks, ....	\$48.00

### New Councilman Seated

Harry M. Stewart, newly appointed councilman by the mayor, was sworn in at Monday night's meeting. He will take the place of George Stewart, retired, on committees. He is chairman of the health committee. One of the first assignments given him was to inspect his own company's stables in answer to a complaint filed with the council.

The U. S. Weather bureau was given permission to put a stag gauge to measure the rise and fall of the river, on the old street railway piers which the city now owns.

The ordinance for the vacating of the Basford property at the northeast end of town, was read for the first time. When this ordinance is finally passed the city limits will be changed and this part of the town will be in the country.

## PASTOR TO SPEAK FOR LAST TIME HERE SUNDAY

Rev. Gabriel Sykes, pastor of the Springfield Methodist church, will preach his last sermon in the local church for at least a year on Sunday morning. It was announced at a meeting of the official board Tuesday evening. The pastor will have a year's leave of absence, if the conference permits, and a successor will be named for the Springfield pastorate. The church board Tuesday discussed the salary for the new preacher. Name of the man being recommended for the position here is being withheld pending action of the conference. Dr. W. H. Pollard will be the lay delegate to the conference and Rev. Mr. Sykes will be the clergy delegate. Other unofficial lay representatives are expected to attend the Hood River meeting.

## MRS. O. I. CLEMENTS IS BADLY HURT IN ACCIDENT

Suffering from a fracture of the skull, several broken ribs and cuts on the head and face, Mrs. O. I. Clements, who lives three miles east of Thurston on the McKenzie highway, is in the Pacific Christian hospital in a serious condition. The accident in which she was hurt occurred yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Clements, who is well known here, was backing her car out of her garage when it was struck by another machine. Her daughter, who was in the car at the time, was not injured, although the car was quite badly wrecked.

Dr. C. H. Phetteplace, who is attending her, reported that the patient rested easily last night.

### H. H. Parker Hurt

H. H. Parker, who resides here and who is employed in the A. M. Matlock mill at Veneta, received an injury to his right foot yesterday when a log rolled upon it. He was rolling the log with a peavey, when the tool slipped and allowed the timber to crush his great toe on the right foot. He was treated by a local physician who found it was not necessary to amputate the toe.

## FINANCIAL REPORT OF CITY SCHOOLS IS ISSUED BY OFFICIAL

Annual report for the Springfield public school system has just been issued by William G. Hughes, clerk of the school board. The report covers the financial status of the school district for the year ending June 30, this year.

Actual expenditures totaled \$51,955.77 as against the estimated expenditures of \$54,539.59. This item includes expenditures for general control, for instruction, operation of plant, maintenance of plant, interest on warrants and interest on bonds. The largest single amount under this head was \$32,524.31 for teachers' salaries for the year.

The revenue column balances with the expenditures, the sources listed being: state school fund, \$1,307.28; county school fund, \$7,175.40; high school fund, \$5,549.20; elementary school fund, \$4,928.00; tuition, \$75.00; special school district taxes, \$32,694.63. Estimated revenue was \$54,539.59.

Will all disbursements made a balance of \$10,523.08 is shown on the treasurer's books at the close of the school year. The net warrant debt when the books were balanced stood at \$17,797.39.

## VETERANS NOMINATE OFFICERS FOR POST; OLD LEADERS NAMED

Almost the entire staff of officers of the Springfield post of the American Legion was nominated to succeed themselves in office at a meeting of the veteranse last Friday night.

J. M. Larson was unopposed for commander. Election to the office would be for the second time. M. B. Huntly, who has served as first vice-commander for the past term, was nominated to that office and William Vasyb was nominated to again become adjutant. The only new name on the list was that of Tom Swarts, who was nominated as finance officer. Election will be held Friday, September 21.

Beginning with the last meeting, the regular schedule of meetings will be resumed, it was announced. The post meets on the first and third Friday evenings of each month in the chamber of commerce rooms.

## STANDARD OIL COMPANY MAY OPEN STATION HERE

Rumors that the Standard Oil company will construct a service station at the southwest corner of Second and Main streets here were heard on the streets here this week. No authenticity could be obtained for the report because of the absence of F. E. Sullivan, manager of the Eugene branch of the company.

Reports here indicate that the lot on the corner has been leased for some time by the company in anticipation of putting up a new station. Attaches at the Eugene office declined to give any information on the matter and Mr. Sullivan could not be reached.

## READ! Great Mystery Story Starting This Week



### THE HUMAN SPHINX

By Ellis Parker Cutler

ILLUSTRATIONS BY F. E. WATSON

First Installment

CAST of Principal Characters in this Amazing Mystery Story

John Drane	..... The Human Sphinx
Amy	..... The Girl
Robert Carter	..... Her Sweetheart
William Dart	..... The Undertaker
Simon Judd	..... Friend of Drane
Dr. Blessington	..... The Family Doctor
Dick Brennan	..... A Detective
Servants	..... in the Drane Household

The day was splendid, as brilliant as a day on Long Island can be, and that is brilliant indeed. The great square house with its mansard roof and many wings and additions and the great pillars of the veranda that gave it a certain nobility was glistening white, for it had just been painted. The painters, as a matter of fact, were still at work on the rear of the house. They were working overtime this Saturday afternoon, hurrying to finish the job. John Drane had complained of the paint odor, saying it gave him

## Wilson Still By Himself in Race

### Petitions of W. A. Taylor and Ira Peterson Filed This Week; Stewart Is Nominated

If the local political status remains unchanged, C. O. Wilson will have no opponent in the race for mayor. No other candidate had filed a petition of nomination for this office up until noon today and there was no mention of another petition going the rounds.

The petition nominating W. A. Taylor for councilman was filed September 8. This makes two candidates for the two regular council vacancies which will occur by the expiration of the terms of M. J. McKlin and L. L. May. The other candidate is H. J. Cox.

Harry Stewart, now serving the unexpired term of George Stewart, is nominated for a two-year term in a petition filed on the same day. W. P. Tyson, present member of the council, has yet two years to serve.

### Must Elect Recorder

Contrary to previous announcements a city recorder and a city treasurer must be elected this year.

Ira Peterson, incumbent, last Saturday filed his petition of nomination. The recorder's term is for two years and Mr. Peterson will end his first term at the end of the year.

William G. Hughes, present city treasurer, has not yet filed a petition, but it is understood that he will accept re-election to the position.

Many Springfield voters have yet to register for the election, Mr. Peterson said this morning. He again issued a warning that there will be no swearing in at the polls this year.

### SWARTS ELECTED TO HEAD KANSAS ORDER

C. E. Swarts, Springfield butcher, was elected president of the Kansas association formed at a picnic at the Eugene municipal park last Sunday. More than 100 former Kansans attended the picnic. Jane Ford was elected secretary.

Hoover is the choice of former Kansans for president, a straw ballot taken under the direction of Mr. Swarts showed. The republican nominee received 77 as against nine votes for Smith.

The club picnic will be made an annual event, according to the new president.

### Home on Furlough—Robert Foster

arrived here Saturday from San Pedro, California, where the ship on which he has been stationed is docked. He will spend his 30-day furlough visiting friends and relatives in this city.

## Airplane Contest Opens for Scouts

### Local Boys to Vie for Prizes in Model Plane Building; Later Contests Are Planned

Boy Scouts, here's your chance to become a follower of Lindbergh.

This morning C. R. Aldrich, scoutmaster of Troop No. 11, announced the opening of an airplane building contest.

And here's all the dope on the contest:

Boy Scouts of Springfield only are eligible.

The contest, which is now open, will be for the building of model planes. The planes are not to be built to fly, but only to look like airplanes.

You can use your own design and planes, make any type of plane you like and submit it in the contest. There are no rules to follow.

### Prizes Are Valuable

And prizes, yes, three dandies. John Ketels, proprietor of the Ketels drug store, has offered the following prizes: First prize, \$5 vest pocket kodak; second prize, \$3 fountain pen; third prize, \$1.50 pocket knife.

As soon as the planes are made they are to be placed on display at the drug store where they will later be judged. A judge for the contest is yet to be selected. An effort will be made to get some ex-service man, preferably one who served in the aviation service, to act as judge.

The contest ends Saturday, November 10, and prizes will be awarded shortly after that.

Several similar contests will be conducted this winter. The next will probably be for sustained flying planes.

For further information on the present contest scouts are advised to see Mr. Ketels, Kenneth Dillard or Mr. Aldrich.

## BAN ON DEER SEASON LIFTED WEDNESDAY; HUNTERS SEEK GAME

With the double ban of the national forest offices and that placed by Governor Patterson lifted at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning the hills and valleys of the McKenzie country and almost all other parts of Lane county saw hunters flock in to try their luck at bagging a deer.

When the rain fell Tuesday, it was announced immediately by forest officials that if the precipitation was general the ban would be lifted. Governor Patterson was notified yesterday that the fire menace was at a minimum status and his action was annulled promptly.

Many parties of hunters from Portland and other cities throughout the state selected the McKenzie river country for the scene of their activities.

Local hunters added their names to the list of nimrods, donned their red hats and trekked into the woods.

## TEACHERS-GRADES IN SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL SYSTEM ARE LISTED

A list of teachers and the grades in which they will teach was issued this morning by William G. Hughes, clerk of the board of education.

By schools the teachers follow:

### High School

A. J. Morgan, supervising principal; Frances M. Hodge, girls' glee club; Mrs. Georgina B. Peterson; Oscar E. Gladdish; Glenn R. Cole, boys' glee club and orchestra; May Hewes, Maurine Lombard, Lucille Holman, Leonard Mayfield, athletics; Clara B. Wagner.

Subjects which each of these teachers will instruct in are not listed here pending further arrangements to be made by the principal.

### Lincoln School

Laurence Moffitt, principal; Miss Elizabeth James, junior high; Jessamine Nelson, junior high; Mrs. Mary E. Walker, junior high; Mrs. Ella Lombard, junior high; Mrs. Crystal Male, junior high and music; Edna K. Platt, Fourth B; Crystal M. Bryan, Fourth A; Allene Basford, Sixth A, one-half year; Marjorie Laselle, first grade; Opal Roberts, second grade.

### Brattain School

Mrs. Ora Read Hemenway, principal, Third A; Miss Mary E. Voris, Third B; Miss Alta Manning, beginners; Miss Anne I. Gorrie, Fifth B; Miss Dorothy Girard, Sixth B; Miss Pearl McMullin, Fifth A; Miss Hazel I. Murphy, Second grade and music.

This year there will be no mid-year first grade if it can be avoided, members of the school board reported. Students who begin their work in the middle of a school year are always at a disadvantage, officials pointed out.

## CLAUD NEELEY ACCEPTS MUSIC JOB IN EUGENE

Upon accepting leadership of the chorus of the First Christian church of Eugene and director of congregational music there, Claud Neely, who has been acting in that capacity here for the past year, will leave the local church work this week, it was announced Sunday by Rev. S. E. Childers, pastor.

Dr. C. H. Hohgatt, who has been in charge of music at the Eugene church for several years, is leaving soon for Southern California where he expects to reside permanently. Invitation to the large Eugene church is considered a tribute to the local man's ability.

No mention has been made of a successor in the work here.

### Dillard is Officer

Kenneth Dillard was this week Springfield's guardian of the law so far as traffic was concerned. W. R. Davis, regular traffic officer, is in the woods on a combined fishing and hunting trip. He is expected to return some time during the week.

## SCHOOL BELLS TO RING ON MONDAY

### Summer Liberty of 700 to 800 Children of This City to End This Week; 27 Teachers in Three Local Schools Attending Institute at Eugene.

Monday morning school bells will ring.

For between 700 and 800 Springfield children the summer vacation will be over and they will file back to the class rooms of the three local schools to resume their studies.

This week saw the return of members of the teaching staffs who live in other cities. The 27 teachers and principals of this city's schools will be ready Monday to tutor children from six to 20, from the first grade to seniors in high school.

Starting today the teachers are attending the county institute being held in Eugene at the University of Oregon.

From the hop yards where they have been busy for the past two or three weeks will come many pupils. They were given one extra week to work in the hop fields when the school board recently postponed the opening of school from September 10 to 17.

### School Board Meets

With the least possible time for enrollment and learning lists of books to be purchased, classes will be started in the Brattain, Lincoln and senior high schools.

At a meeting of the board of education Monday night, A. J. Morgan, supervising principal of the high school, reported that all is in readiness for the opening of the fall term.

Before Monday an additional room will be provided in the Lincoln school to make room for another grade. At the Brattain school a door will be cut between the library and the principal's room in order that the principal may attend to the office without going through the corridor to reach it.

### New Equipment Ordered

Examination of fire equipment at the high school revealed that there was need for a few more supplies. These the board ordered placed this week. The Lincoln school will also get a few new pieces of fire equipment.

When the football boys of the high school begin their fall practice they will probably find a new coat of sawdust on the athletic field. The board favored this move at the meeting Monday and carrying it out depends on the expense, members stated.

Teachers who wish to keep the good will of the school board should reside in Springfield during the nine months they teach here, it was indicated by members of the board following the meeting. Although no official action was taken in this regard, it is understood that all members were of the opinion that teachers should not live in other cities while teaching here.

## FORMS FOR FLOOR OF NEW BRIDGE PLACED; PAINT COAT VIVID

Forms for the main floor of the new McKenzie highway bridge here are being put in this week by crews working under the supervision of O. Lindstrom, contractor.

Cement flooring for as much of the approach on each side of the river as has already been built is already poured and in the process of drying, Mr. Lindstrom said.

When the forms for the main floor are ready, reinforcing steel will be put in and the cement poured. This will be one of the last major steps in construction of the bridge.

A bright orange coat of paint now covers the steel on the bridge. This will not be the final cover, but was put on as is customary to protect the steel from weathering agencies while the rest of the work is being done. Then the final coat will be sprayed on.

Contractors are anxiously awaiting action of the state highway commission at its meeting this month in regard to the approaches on each side of the river. The prospect of this matter being delayed until the first of next year does not appeal to the contractors, since the bridge proper will be ready for use long before that time.

### Springfield Man Weds

Miss Beatrice Edmunson of Eugene and Roland Kercher of Springfield were married at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Helen Edmunson yesterday morning. Only immediate relatives of the couple were present. Dr. J. Franklin Haas, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church of Eugene performed the ceremony.