

FLU EPIDEMIC IS FELT IN THIS CITY

More Than 100 Cases Reported Here; Situation Started in Southern California; Doctor Warns People Against Spread of Disease.

Springfield is being affected by a rising epidemic of the influenza, it is evident according to local doctors who have been kept busy throughout the past week in an attempt to care for as many cases as possible in order to prevent further spreading of the ailment.

A rough estimate of more than 100 cases of the "flu" are reported in Springfield with more arising daily. The epidemic has spread to such an extent in this city that several members of the high school football team well be unable to play in today's game with Junction City at Junction City.

The epidemic is said to have started in California where the situation is such that several school and colleges have been closed down. Many deaths have resulted from the epidemic in Los Angeles and nearby towns in that district.

The ailment was brought north presumably by travelers who have come into contact with various persons up in this district. The situation down south is spreading so much that when Dr. Arnold Bennett Hall, president of the University of Oregon, arrived in Los Angeles on his return trip from Washington, D. C., he became ill with the influenza, and was ordered to bed for at least a week.

"Foggy weather also is very conducive to the spread of influenza," it was stated Wednesday evening by Dr. W. C. Rehban, Springfield physician, who himself has handled more than thirty cases the past week alone. "Another reason why the disease is becoming so prominent," the doctor went on, "is that people are not careful enough."

"The difficulty arises when a person who becomes afflicted with the ailment joins in public gatherings and thereby passes the flu on to other. The influenza is one of the most contagious diseases there are, a fact which so many people are not convinced of as yet."

"When anyone gets influenza, he should go right to bed and remain there until fully relieved, or else his condition will become worse. Everyone must take care of himself, and in this manner, the disease can be put to a stop."

The epidemic is becoming coast-wide in character, and Dr. Rehban believes that it will not be long before Portland and Seattle will be afflicted by a similar trouble.

With a large exodus of students going home from the university in Eugene, it is expected that the epidemic will become state-wide. It started on the campus when some football players returned from California on a recent trip.

Some doctors avert that some of the cases are nothing more than a mere cold, but precautions are urged against taking to much of a chance of developing the cold into a case of influenza.

MINISTER ANNOUNCES SUNDAY SERVICE TOPICS

"Christ's Method of Evangelism," has been announced by Rev. S. E. Childers as his topic for the morning service to be held at the Christian church Sunday. Services will begin at 11 a. m. and Lawrence Sunkler, director of music at the church, will sing "I Come to Thee," by Carol Roma. Sunday school will be held at 9:45 in the morning.

At the evening worship, Rev. Childers will preach on "A Study of Christian Union." The Christian Endeavor society will meet at 6:30 p. m. The choir will sing at the evening service a hymn entitled, "Oh, Come Let Us Sing," by Stults. Evening services begin at 7:30.

Leaburg Steel in Town

Two carloads of reinforcing steel came into Springfield this week and were sent out by truck to A. Gutherly and company, which holds the contract for the construction of the Leaburg dam project.

Many Poles Sent Out

More than 300 carloads of cedar poles were sent out this year by the Carholineum Wood Preserving company, it was announced by C. O. Wilson of the wood firm. Telephone companies as well as power firms have received shipments from the Springfield company.

Heaviest Family



The "largest family"—in pounds—has come to Los Angeles from Topeka, Kan. It is the West family, and its 6 members constitute "1,322 pounds of family." Shown in the picture are Bernard, Jessie and Leonard.

W. P. TYSON INSTALLED AS CHAIRMAN OF FOUR L

W. P. Tyson was installed as chairman of the Four L organization at a meeting of the Springfield group held Monday evening at the W. O. W. hall. Other officers who will serve for the coming year are: Thorwald Nystren, vice-chairman; Levi Neet, third member of the conference committee; J. P. King, secretary; and Ed Kester, treasurer.

W. D. Smith, field man of the lumbermen's group, spoke to members of the local Four-L as part of the program. Others participating in the program for the evening were: Winifrid Tyson, who rendered some selections on the piano; Mrs. John Ketels, who gave a reading as did Charles Paddock; Margaret Jarrett, who played the piano; and Mrs. W. M. Barnett, who entertained the audience with a vocal solo.

Several numbers were played by the Springfield band, which appeared at the meeting as a special feature.

About 120 people were in attendance at Monday's affair. The next meeting of the Springfield Four L is scheduled for Monday evening, December 24.

SPRINGFIELD JURORS SIT ON MURDER CASE

Four Springfield people, two women and two men, were chosen Monday in the jury to try Joseph L. McDaniel, charged with the murder of E. A. McGrew, Southern Pacific brakeman near Westfir. Nellie Hildebrandt, John Ketels, Sr., T. C. Barker, and Ida Gantz were the Springfield people selected.

Other members of the jury were E. F. Roberts, E. L. Clark, C. E. Jordan, all of Creswell; Roy Foster, Lorane, Mrs. J. K. Larwood, and Frank Rabitaille, both of Motor Route A.

S. M. Calkins has been appointed by the court to defend McDaniel. District Attorney Medley and United States District Attorney George Neuner are conducting the prosecution.

REBEKAH LODGE ELECTS OFFICERS FOR NEW TERM

Officers for the ensuing term were elected by the Juanita Rebekah lodge at its meeting Monday evening. Those who were elected are:

Noble Grand—Mrs. Carrie Jarrett. Vice Grand—Miss Dorothy Girard. Secretary—Mrs. Genevieve Louk. Treasurer—Mrs. Cora Hinson. The new officers will be installed the first part of January.

School Board Meets

The Springfield school board will meet in regular session at the First National bank Monday evening, December 3, according to William G. Hughes, school clerk. Routine matters will be brought up as part of the regular monthly meeting.

Service Station Going Up

O. C. Thurman has poured the concrete foundation for his new service on Mill street. The station will be opened when traffic across the new bridge is commenced.

Milnes Guests Here—Dr. and Mrs. Ralph F. Milne of Powers, Oregon, were guests over the week-end of Dr. and Mrs. Carl Phetteplace. The Milnes had come to Eugene for the homecoming week-end at the University of Oregon.

FIREMAN DEAD IN S. P. TRAIN CRASH

Fire Chief and Another Fireman Injured as Train Collides with Chemical Truck; Springfield Football Coach Avoids Being in Mishap.

Rex Reed, Eugene fireman, died last night at the Eugene hospital, and Fire Chief William Nusbaum and another fireman, Henry Weber are injured, as a result of a head-on collision between the chemical wagon of the fire department and the fast Southern Pacific train, the Shasta Limited, about 7:15 last night at the eleventh street intersection in front of Villard hall in Eugene.

Sirens, whistles, and bells were ringing all over as the fire truck with Reed at the wheel hastened up eleventh street in answer to a call of a fire of a little house at 1987 Franklin boulevard, and the firemen did not hear or see the train. The house was burned completely.

As the truck hit the train, the fire wagon was hurled into the air scattered all about the intersection. The demolished truck was spread out for about 60 yards and nothing but scraps here and there could be seen by the curious onlookers after the accident. The brakes were near the tracks, the hoses were near the Anchorage, the greater part of the body of the wagon was up the road about 40 yards and the ground was covered with wooden spikes, scrap iron and wood pieces.

Leonard Mayfield, coach of the Springfield high school football team, was favored by luck when he was avoided being a member of the demolished truck. When the truck left the engine house, Mayfield, who works in the Eugene fire department, alighted the wagon, but Chief Nusbaum told him to remain back in case a driver might be needed for the other truck in answer to another call. He jumped off, and the Springfield high school players were assured of having their regular coach on hand for today's game.

The train which was northbound from California was delayed an hour. The act of two fast-going vehicles resulted in the most unexpected collision that many believed could have happened.

Traffic was blocked for two hours both on Franklin boulevard and on Eleventh avenue, the territory in which the fire occurred.

OHIO LAYMAN SPEAKS TO LOCAL METHODISTS

About 140 people turned out to hear an address given by E. Dow Bancroft, layman from Ohio, at a dinner held at the Methodist church basement Monday evening. The dinner was sponsored under the direction of the Men's Brotherhood, which held its regular meeting at that time.

The Ohio man spoke to the Springfield folks as part of his annual tour of the continent when he speaks to more than 100,000 Methodist laymen. Dr. W. H. Pollard was in charge of the dinner and lecture.

Springfield Team Hit By Sick List

Six Local Players Afflicted by Flu After Victory Over Lebanon, 32-0

Prospects of the Springfield high school football eleven to win an easy gameworth with the Junction City squad in Junction City today appear very dim as a result of six members of the local team being taken down with the "flu" last week-end, following their triumph over Lebanon on Brattain field by the score of 32-0.

Just whether all these men would be able to join their fellow teammates on the field of the turkey day battle could not be determined last night, according to Coach Leonard Mayfield. However, Mayfield's other proteges have been working doubly hard because of the loss, and are expected to provide the spectators today with a fast game on the part of the locals.

Whether Springfield will be able to end the season without being defeated by a member of the high school conference is wholly dependent upon the manner in which the local lads play today.

Because of the large Thanksgiving day crowd expected out today, the Junction City players are all pitched up to show the fans their real strength against the leading team in the conference. Springfield has practically clinched the league title al-

Scout and Lions Give Needy Food

Three Baskets Heaped With Thanksgiving Goodies are Delivered by Scouts

Three widows of Springfield who are in need were made happy today by the boy scouts and the Lions club. Each of the three patrols took a big basket of food for Thanksgiving dinner and more too to the three women.

The giving of the Thanksgiving baskets was a good turn both for the scouts of Troop No. 11 and their sponsors, the Lions. The boys made up the baskets and delivered them. The food was supplied by the club members from donations of different items and money.

Both scouts and Lions will set down to their Thanksgiving today with a kindlier feeling in their hearts and a satisfaction that they have brought happiness into lives marked with hardship and despair. Both the scouts and Lions are service clubs and what better service can be given on Thanksgiving day than to help those in need.

REV. C. J. PIKE TO PREACH SUNDAY AT YONCALLA; CHEHALIS PASTOR HERE

Rev. C. J. Pike, pastor of the Springfield Methodist church, will fill the pulpit of the Yoncalla M. E. church on Sunday morning, December 2, at 11 o'clock. A large crowd is expected to turn out to hear the Springfield pastor in the Southern Oregon town.

While Rev. Pike is away, his pulpit will be filled by his father, Rev. R. G. Pike of Chehalis, Washington, who has been visiting here. The Chehalis minister will appear at both the morning and evening services.

Sunday school services will begin at 9:45 at the Methodist church with Superintendent Harry Gillette in charge. Junior church services will be at 11 o'clock in the morning in the basement of the church. Rev. Pike of Chehalis will deliver the morning sermon. The morning hour will be featured by a solo by Mrs. W. K. Barnell.

A contest for members of the Epworth league of the Methodist church will be conducted over the five Sundays in December on the basis of membership and attendance. All announcements pertaining to the coming drive will be out this coming Sunday.

Epworth league will meet at the church at 6:30 p. m. The annual league communion service will be conducted by the pastor.

Evening service will be held at 7:30 with the sermon to be delivered by Rev. R. G. Pike. Special music will be rendered by a mixed quartet.

A Thanksgiving prayer meeting will be held in the church tonight at 7:30. The church announces that all members and friends are invited to attend.

Pikes Have Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Pike and daughter, of Chalis, Washington, are spending the Thanksgiving vacation in Springfield as guests of Rev. and Mrs. C. J. Pike. They will be here till Sunday.

ready with six wins and no defeats.

Again playing stellar ball, the Springfield aggregation easily defeated the boys from Lebanon on Brattain field last Friday afternoon in what was the last home game of the season. The score was 32-0.

Four touchdowns were pushed over by the local in the first half due to some superb offensive plays. However, the fighting Lebanon team came back in the last half and held the players to one lone touchdown, although they were not able to score themselves. Despite the new strength of the visitors, the ball was kept in their territory nearly all the game.

Lebanon's attempt to smash through the Springfield defense proved futile as they made only three first downs the entire four cantos, while the locals made several long gains with end runs and criss-cross plays. Coach Mayfield has trained his men to the extent that they are working difficult criss-cross plays with ease.

With the Lebanon game safely tucked away, the Springfield team now has a total of 214 points to their credit against 24 for their opponents. This standing includes the game with Cottage which the local lads lost by the score of 18-0. Their total standing for all games played gives the Springfield men a total of six games won and one lost.

With several men weakened by a touch of flu, the problem for Coach Mayfield today is to see whether his reserves can function despite the loss. Springfield's record hangs on the Thanksgiving day game at Junction City today.

A House Divided



The owner of this slice of a house at East Milton, Mass., which was cut in half for the purpose of widening the street on which it stands, is fighting for damages against the town. The owner refused the offer for the property, but the town cut through anyway.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NOMINATES OFFICERS

Officers were nominated and the bridge committee instructed to urge the highway department to hasten completion of the new bridge at the regular meeting of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce Friday evening. The chamber also appointed a committee and planned to help the Loyal Legion in its wood promotion campaign.

F. B. Hamlin, was re-nominated as president; W. A. Taylor and H. E. Maxey, vice-president; C. E. Kenyon, treasurer. Directors nominated included Jess Seavey, W. C. Wright, W. A. Taylor, W. W. Walker.

The chamber voted to have a wood promotion and forestry committee and the president appointed H. J. Cox, Carl Olson and H. E. Maxey, to serve and cooperate with the loyal legion and state chamber of commerce.

The chamber members discussed the delay in the bridge completion and it was voted to have the standing bridge committee if necessary appear before the highway commission again to urge immediate completion of the approaches so that the new structure, now finished, could be used. Members believed that everything possible should be done to open the new bridge as neither the state nor Lane county are getting any return on the large investment with the bridge standing idle. Besides the new bridge is daily needed and the old is dangerous, it was pointed out.

Election of officers will be held on Friday evening, December 21.

NEW OFFICERS CHOSEN BY LOCAL ODDFELLOWS

Elmer Pyne was elected noble grand of the Springfield lodge No. 70 of the I. O. O. F. at a meeting of the group Wednesday evening in the Odd Fellows' hall. He will succeed William G. Hughes, present noble grand, who is serving his second term.

Other officers elected at the meeting last night are: Glenn Riddle, vice grand; Oswald M. Olson, secretary; and Karl Girard, treasurer. The latter two officers re-elected.

Civic Club Cup for Outstanding Girl

Springfield Civic Club Decides To Donate Trophy for High School Group

The outstanding Springfield high school girl will be awarded each year from now on a cup donated by the Springfield Civic club for the girls' league of the school.

The trophy will be given each year to the Springfield high school girl who proves to be the best example of what a high school girl should be; who comes nearest to the judges' ideal of girlhood; who expresses in her everyday life the highest qualities of character and service to her school and community, the liveliest disposition, and the finest courtesy.

Decision to award the symbol of honor annually was decided upon by the civic club at its meeting Tuesday night. Means of determining the outstanding girl have not been announced as yet, but it is definitely decided that she will have to possess all the qualities outlined above.

Mrs. D. B. Saltsman was named chairman at the meeting Tuesday for the potluck dinner meeting to be held December 11. At the next session, Mrs. Ira Peterson will instruct the members on brush wool flowers. A study of Oregon winter birds was let at Tuesday night's meeting by Mrs. W. C. McLagan, who showed some colored plates to accompany the study. Mrs. Paul Brattain reported on the street sign project, but it appeared that more data was necessary before rendering any final decision on the matter.

SPRINGFIELD QUIET ON THANKSGIVING

Banks, Postoffice, Stores Close Today to Celebrate Annual Harvest Festival; Many Reunion Dinners Scheduled; M. E. Church to Hold Service.

Big platters filled with tempting turkeys, cranberry sauce and all the trimmings with friends and loved ones assembled at home together is the way in which many Springfield folks are looking at Thanksgiving today.

Today has been declared by Governor I. L. Patterson in his proclamation as a state holiday with all state offices closed today, as are banks, postoffices, and nearly all stores. Springfield is joining in observing the annual harvest festival by keeping stores closed and enabling families to enjoy reunions that usually occur at Thanksgiving.

Nothing extra special has been arranged for Springfield folks for today. The Methodist church will sponsor their annual Thanksgiving prayer service at the church tonight at 7:30. Announcement has been made that all members and friends are cordially invited to attend the special Thanksgiving service.

Private reunions will be featured in Springfield today by many large dinners. A large number of out-of-town guests have come into Springfield to spend the holidays here.

Seventeen people have been invited to a dinner party to be given by Dr. and Mrs. N. W. Emery commemorating the reunion of their family. The affair will be held today.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gossler are dinner hosts today to Mr. Gossler's father, P. M. Gossler, Mrs. Margaret Harms, Harry Gossler, of Eugene, and Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Moffitt.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Diblee has as their guests for the holidays Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fellows of Portland.

Rev. and Mrs. C. J. Pike have as their holiday guests Rev. Pike's parents, Rev. and Mrs. R. G. Pike, and daughter, Jessie, of Chehalis, Washington.

W. E. Wilmot, former resident of Springfield, is here to spend the holidays.

Thanksgiving guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Bushman are: Mr. and Mrs. A. Phil of Florence; Theodore Shell of Wallowa; Mr. and Mrs. R. Bushman, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Smith, and Mr. and Mrs. John Bushman, all of Eugene.

Miss Elizabeth Hughes has as her house guest, Miss Wilma Buttel, a student at the Willamette university. Miss Buttel lives in Wenatchee, Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Jarvis and daughter, Betty, of Portland were scheduled to come here today to be the guests over the holidays at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Kester.

MAYOR ELECT HAS NO PLANS TO ANNOUNCE

No administrative plans for the year 1929 have been mapped out as yet, it was announced by C. O. Wilson, mayor-elect of Springfield, who this week returned from a business trip to San Francisco.

"I have promised no man any jobs that come under the jurisdiction of the city government," the next head of Springfield stated. "I will not be able to make any plans known until I get in the office and find out in just what shape conditions are."

Mayor-elect Wilson will assume his new office on January 1 along with the other new city officers. Mr. Wilson is very enthusiastic about finding ways and means of developing the mill city to the extent that local folks will be able to live in a progressive town.

CHURCH NIGHT MARKED BY LARGE ATTENDANCE

A large number of people attended open church night at the Christian church last Friday night given under the auspices of the Bible study class. The program which was enjoyed by all was as follows:

Two selections by orchestra; Reading; vocal duet by Lawrence Sunkler and Juanita Smith; reading; vocal solo, Mrs. Dallas Murphy; musical reading, Mrs. Ida Adams; solo, Lawrence Sunkler; Stunt by the Bible study class; and two more selections by the orchestra.

Refreshments were served after the program. Both Christians and non-Christians attended the affair.

Miss Braat Visits—Miss Doris Braat a former teacher in the grade schools here visited with Miss Dorothy Girard a short time Wednesday evening.