

BRIDGE CONTRACT TO BE LET TUESDAY

Construction of 150 Feet of Approach to Structure Expected to Start Soon; Judge Barnard Estimates Completion in 60 Days.

With the contract for the construction of 150 additional feet of concrete open approach to the west end of the new Springfield bridge to be let Tuesday morning at the Multnomah county court house at Portland, an immediate resumption of work on the structure is in prospect after four months of delay, controversy, and court action. It is not known definitely how long it will be before the bridge can be opened to traffic, but in the estimate of C. P. Barnard, judge of the Lane county court, it will be about 60 days.

The offer of the Lane county court to pay for 50 of the 150 feet of approach for the sake of settling the controversy and keeping the dispute out of the supreme court was accepted last Thursday at the regular meeting of the state highway commission, and at that time a call for bids on the addition was issued by the commission. Following the letting of the contract Tuesday, it is probable that the work will be begun at once.

A. C. Matthews, Eugene contractor, who was given the contract for the construction of the fills, will move the dirt placed at the west end of the bridge as soon as he receives instructions to that effect from the state highway department. Mr. Matthews started the construction of a fill approach at the west end last April, but was stopped by an injunction filed by the citizens of West Springfield. It will be necessary for the dirt to be removed before the new contractor can begin the construction of the concrete forms.

With the completion of the new section of the approach, there will be 300 feet of concrete beyond the west bank of the river. Judge G. F. Skipworth, in upholding the injunction of the Westside people, ordered that 250 additional feet be constructed, making a total of 400, but the West Springfield committee and the state highway commission, through the aid of the Lane county court, were finally able to compromise on the 150 feet.

Robert W. Sawyers of Bend, publisher of the Bend Bulletin and a member of the state highway commission, is now in Lane county inspecting a number of the road projects here. He inspected the new bridge yesterday.

GRAY'S STORE OPENS IN CORNER LOCATION

The moving of Gray's Cash and Carry to its new location was completed the first of this week, and the grocery opened for business at the corner of Main and Fifth streets on Tuesday morning. The remodeled building which Gray's have occupied is said to be one of the most attractive and best arranged in Lane county. The interior is very well lighted by a large 25 foot window across the front of Main street and by a smaller one on Fifth street. The window serves as an excellent medium for the display of merchandise. The interior of the store also has space for large displays of goods, at the same time being roomy and uncrowded. The outside of the building was repainted in cream and light brown, while the inside was kalsomined light green, with the woodwork painted cream.

Legion to Elect Officers

The Springfield American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary will hold their regular meetings Friday night in the Chamber of Commerce hall. The principal matter to be taken up by the legion will be the election of officers for the coming year. Plans for the state convention at Salem next week will also be discussed at that time. The Auxiliary elected officers at a meeting two weeks ago.

At Ketels Home—Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Crowell of San Diego, California, are spending a few days visiting at the home of Mrs. Crowell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ketels.

Back From Summer Camp—Louie Tuhey, local youth, returned this week from Todd Lake where he attended the annual summer camp of the Lane county Y. M. C. A.

4L TO AID COLLECTION OF PIONEER RELICS FOR ENGINE MUSEUM

The Springfield 4L has pledged its active support to the Eugene proposal for the creation of a museum of relics of the pioneer days in Oregon. It was announced Wednesday afternoon by W. P. Tyson, president of the organization. Mr. Tyson expects to communicate with Cal Young, who was appointed to direct the collection of relics, and promise him the co-operation of the 4L.

The pioneer parade which was held in Eugene last Thursday showed that there is a wealth of authentic pioneer relics yet remaining in Oregon, but many of these will soon disappear if steps are not taken to preserve them. It was with this in mind that the plans for the museum were launched at a meeting in Eugene Thursday and Cal Young was appointed director of the new enterprise. It is planned to house the relics in some temporary but fire-proof building at first, and later to build a permanent museum building, probably on the University of Oregon campus.

Mr. Tyson stated that the 4L will endeavor to collect for the museum as much as possible of the pioneer material in the Springfield vicinity. He believes that this work will be carried out more efficiently if the county is divided into districts and some group is made responsible for each district. Old articles which were brought across the plains or shipped around Cape Horn, or which were used in the pioneer days are desired for the museum to form a permanent record of early days in Oregon.

MANY GATHER TO HONOR THREE OF CHASE FAMILY AT BIRTHDAY PICNIC

More than 80 persons gathered Sunday at a picnic at Chase Gardens in honor of three members of the Chase family, whose birthdays fell on or near that day. Those who were honored were Mrs. Merle Chase, Miss Gladys Chase and Miss Maude Chase.

Those who were present included Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Smith and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Wylie, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Crawford and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Kingsley, Donald Kingsley, Virgil Kingsley, Dale Kingsley, Miss Lois Kingsley, Mr. and Mrs. Will Dodd, Mr. and Mrs. U. G. McElhane, Miss Lucille Wylie.

Clayton Kirkland, Bernald Holton, Joel Holton, Howard Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Cline, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cline and family, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Chase and family, Mrs. Iris of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Chase and family, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Chase and family, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Chase and family, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Chase and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Myers.

Leo Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chase and family, J. W. Chase, Miss Maude Chase, Miss Gladys Chase, F. B. Chase, Harry Wastell, Miss Sylvia Struben, and Mr. and Mrs. Merle Chase.

Camp Commission Meets

The Methodist Camp Meeting commission, of which several Springfield people are members, held its final meeting of the year Wednesday night at 6 o'clock at Cottage Grove. Business matters relating to the present Methodist meeting at the Grove were taken care of, and tentative plans for the session next year were discussed. Springfield people who are members of the commission are Dr. W. H. Pollard, Dr. N. W. Emery, R. W. Smith, Mrs. A. B. Van Valzah, U. G. McElhane, and Rev. C. J. Pike.

To Collect Magazines

The Springfield W. C. T. U. is planning an old newspaper and magazine drive which will be launched within a few weeks. The exact date has not as yet been set, but local people are urged to save all of their old papers and magazines for the organization. A part of the money derived from the sale of old papers will be given to the W. T. C. U. Children's Farm Home near Corvallis and the remainder will be devoted to local uses.

Navy Man Here

Irvin Schnetsky of Hot Springs, South Dakota, is visiting in Springfield with relatives during his furlough from the United States Navy in which he is serving. Mr. Schnetsky is a member of the U. S. S. Maryland which carried President Herbert Hoover on his trip to Central and South America last fall. He is visiting here with his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Schnetsky, and with his uncle and aunt, Dr. and Mrs. R. P. Mortensen.

Eckerson to Get 2nd Plane Soon

Sport Model Arrow Ordered; Students to Build Planes in School Here

With his Arrow sport plane for use in student instruction ordered and awaiting him in Seattle, Major G. H. Eckerson will be ready to open the school of aviation at the local municipal airport early in September, soon after the completion of the National air races, which he is expecting to enter.

Major Eckerson will not bring his new plane to Springfield until after the races. He made final arrangements this week to fly in the cross-country races from Portland, Oregon to Cleveland, Ohio. He will use his sport model Waco, in which he has been touring this part of the country since its purchase last May. The races will start at Portland on August 24, and the major will be gone from Springfield for about two weeks. While he does not definitely say that he expects to win the race, he does state that he expects to obtain a considerable amount of publicity for his school here, and when the major sets out to obtain publicity he gets it, as was shown at the air circus at Eugene last week.

An interesting feature of the school of aviation will be the actual building of airplanes by the students. The major expects to have each class of his students build one plane at the local airport. This will be about one plane every three months. This will be in addition to the instruction necessary for the obtaining of licenses, which will be given at the school.

Major Eckerson believes that the building of the planes will give the students a knowledge of the principles of aviation which they would not otherwise be able to obtain, and that it will also increase their interest. The first plane to be built here will be a light weight speed plane, weighing only about 600 pounds, but capable of a speed of 200 miles per hour. The students will make the entire plane from raw material, with the exception of the motor. The second plane will be a passenger plane. The planes will be the property of the aviation school when completed.

Major Eckerson was never so impressed by the excellence of the Springfield airport as he was following the flying circus in which he participated at Eugene last week, he said. The tail of his Waco, he said, was somewhat damaged by the coarse gravel on the field at Eugene. A turf field such as there is here is much superior, he said.

CLIMB UP MOUNTAIN WITH LOCAL SCOUTS TO BE HELD SUNDAY

The annual hike to the top of the Middle Sister sponsored by the Springfield Lions' club primarily for the boy scouts of the town will be held Sunday. All persons who wish to make the trip will meet at the Springfield News office Saturday afternoon, at 2 o'clock. The party, which will include most of the scouts of Troop 11, will go to Frog Camp, near the summit of the Cascades, that evening and will camp there Saturday night. Sunday they will hike to the top of the Middle Sister. On the return Sunday night the scouts will be left at Camp Lucky Boy on Blue River, where the August camp of the Lane county boy scouts will be held.

The party will be guided in the climb of the Sister by H. E. Maxey. A number of the men of the town will go, including Chester Aldrich, scout master of Troop 11, Walter Nealon, assistant scout master, and Bill Cox, assistant scout master of Troop 12. The scouts who thus far have signed up for camp and who will be taken on the trip are Don Montgomery, Ford Danner, Robert McLagan, Winston Bascus, Don Nelson, Joel Cowden, Ray Smith, Robert Hays, Gordon Wright, Dick Wright, and Arthur Pengra. The Lions' Club will furnish transportation for the boys.

Catches Big Fish

A 16 pound ling cod was the bag of Mrs. N. L. Pollard, who went deep-sea fishing with Mr. Pollard and his mother at Newport Sunday. They went out with a large party in a fishing boat from the dock at Newport, going about five miles off the shore. Mrs. Pollard found the sport very exciting, although the rocking of the boat by the sea, which was rather rough, had a bad effect on many members of the party. Mrs. Pollard's was the largest fish caught.

Marble Champion



Charles "Sonny" Albany, 13, won the marble championship of the United States in the national tournament at Ocean City, N. J.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE OF FREE METHODISTS MEETING HERE TONIGHT

The district quarterly meeting of the Free Methodist church convenes at the Free Methodist church in West Springfield tonight for a four day session. Ministers and laymen from all over this part of Oregon are expected to attend, according to Rev. L. E. Fenton, pastor of the West Springfield church.

Rev. A. C. Archer of Medford, district superintendent of the church for Southern Oregon will preside at the meetings, which will be held Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights and all day Sunday. Among the principal speakers at the conference will be Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Archer, brother and sister-in-law of the Medford superintendent, both of whom are instructors in Los Angeles college, a Free Methodist institution.

Rev. and Mrs. Archer will be in charge of the services Sunday. Rev. Archer will preach in the morning and evening. In the afternoon Mrs. Archer will speak on the Free Methodist missionary work. Mrs. Archer is the daughter of Mrs. Bishop MacGeavey, the founder of the Free Methodist missionary society. Mrs. Archer will also give a number of vocal solos, accompanying herself on the harp. A basket dinner will be held at noon Saturday night. Rev. E. A. Archer will deliver a lecture entitled "The Tabernacle," which has been well received wherever presented by him.

Rev. L. E. Fenton extends to the public an invitation to attend the sessions of the conference.

BAPTISTS TO HEAR REV. WALTER BAILEY AT SUNDAY SERVICE

Rev. Walter Bailey, pastor of the Park Memorial Baptist church at Springfield, Massachusetts, and a former resident of Springfield, Oregon, will deliver the sermon at the local Baptist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. His topic will be "Power to Become."

Rev. Bailey was brought up and educated in the Springfield vicinity. He graduated from the Springfield high school in 1915, and later from the University of Oregon and the Rochester Theological Seminary at Rochester, New York. He was ordained as a minister at the local Baptist church in 1919. He was pastor at the Baptist church at Norkenzie for a time, and was for three years pastor of the local church.

SMITSON BURNS GRASS ON VACANT GROUND

Dry grass on a number of vacant lots of the town was burned this week by Jess Smitson, local fire chief. Mr. Smitson burned the grass on three lots at Eighth and G streets, on five lots at Eighth and E streets, on four lots at Eighth and Main streets, and one lot between Second and Mill streets. He also burned the parkings on Sixth, F, and E streets. This reduces the fire hazards materially during the dry season. Mr. Smitson expects to burn the grass on a number of other vacant lots as soon as it becomes dry enough.

FORMER RESIDENT DEAD AT BEND HOME

Bert Mitchell, 45, a former Springfield resident, died at his home in Bend Tuesday night at 10 o'clock. Mr. Mitchell had lived in Bend for a number of years where he was employed by the Brocks-Skandling lumber company. He was the son of Mrs. Mitchell of Springfield and the brother of Mrs. Arthur Pengra. Mrs. Harry Chase, and Mrs. John Avitt, all of this city. He was a member of the Christian church. His funeral will be held at Bend this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

ORCHESTRA ORGANIZED BY SPRINGFIELD MEN; FIRST CONCERT TUESDAY

Organization of the Springfield Symphony orchestra was announced Monday night, and the new body will present its first concert free to the public at the intersection of Main and Fourth streets Tuesday night, August 6, at 8 o'clock.

Fred Louk is the manager of the orchestra, and Ted Lenhart has been selected as the director. Mr. Lenhart is an accomplished musician and is at present the director of Teddy's, an eight piece orchestra, which has been playing for dances in the Springfield vicinity for some time. He expects to use the members of his orchestra as the nucleus for the new Springfield body. Anyone who plays any form of musical instrument will be welcome to join the orchestra.

The local band suspended for the summer, but it was felt by many people that the town should not be without some form of musical body even during the summer months. It was this that prompted the organization of the Symphony orchestra. Mr. Lenhart and Mr. Louk expect to have the orchestra present a public open air concert each Tuesday night, and they hope before the close of the summer to have a high class musical body. The first practice of the new orchestra was held Wednesday night. Persons wishing to join should notify either Mr. Lenhart or Mr. Louk as soon as possible.

SILAS PETERSON, 74, DIES SUNDAY MORNING

Silas Peterson, 74, resident of Springfield for many years, died suddenly Sunday morning at his home on B street. Mr. Peterson was a retired farmer and was born at Waterloo, Iowa. He and Mrs. Peterson had been married for 52 years. He was a member of the I. O. O. F. lodge at Waterville.

Mr. Peterson is survived by his widow, Mrs. Nancy Peterson, five sons, Don, Joe, Albert, Arthur and Clarence, and one daughter, Mrs. Mary Hathaway, all of Kansas City, Missouri. His funeral was held Monday afternoon at the Walker-Poole chapel at Springfield, with Rev. C. J. Pike in charge of the services. Interment followed at the Mt. Vernon cemetery near here.

GEORGE W. SPAUN DEAD; FUNERAL HELD TODAY

George W. Spaun, a resident of Springfield for the past 10 years, died at his home on E street Tuesday morning at the age of 79 years. He was born December 26, 1849, and in 1872 was married to Miss Viola Lockwood at Belleville, Michigan. They came to Oregon from North Dakota in 1911 and to Springfield in 1919.

Mr. Spaun is survived by his widow and by two daughters, Mrs. Ella Conway and Mrs. Guy Williams, both of Springfield. He is also survived by three grand-children and six great-grand-children.

Mr. Spaun's funeral was held at the Walker-Poole chapel this morning at 10 o'clock with Rev. C. J. Pike of the Methodist Episcopal church in charge of the services. He was buried at the Laurel Hill cemetery.

MANY LOCAL PEOPLE ATTEND CAMP MEETING

The annual camp meeting of the Oregon conference Methodists, which is now being held at Cottage Grove this week, will come to a close Sunday evening. The sessions are being attended by a great many Methodists of the Springfield vicinity. On account of the meetings no preaching was held at the local church last Sunday morning, and none will be held this Sunday, although Bible school will be held the same as usual.

Springfield people who went to Cottage Grove for the meeting last Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gillette and family; Rev. and Mrs. C. J. Pike, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Hughes, Mrs. Robert Drury, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Potter and family, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Wooley, Reuben Smith, Miss Faye Parsons, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bartholomew and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence May.

Cars Crash at Intersection

A Star touring car driven by Oliver Sankey of Madras and a Chevrolet coupe driven by Josh Cane of Lowell collided Saturday morning at the intersection of Ninth and Main streets. No one was injured, although the Star was almost a total wreck and the Chevrolet was quite badly damaged. The Madras motorist purchased another car here to proceed on his way.

COAST HILL CLIMB ON HEIGHTS SUNDAY

Western Motorcycle Riders to Vie Here for Championship; Local Man Among Leaders; Many Coming From California, Washington, Oregon

Emerald Heights, as yet unclimbed by any motorcycle rider, may finally be conquered Sunday when more than 25 of the leading riders of the Pacific Coast will gather here for the West Coast divisional hill climb of the American Motorcycle association. The climb is being sponsored by the Eugene Motorcycle association, of which Ernest Nelson, Springfield man, is secretary.

The climb up the hill will be divided into three events, two for professionals and one for amateurs. The professional riders will use 45 and 61 cubic inch machines, while the amateurs will use motorcycles with 80 cubic inch engines. Three hundred dollars in prizes will be awarded to the professional climbers, while the amateurs will receive merchandise awards.

In addition to the prizes and the distinction of climbing a hill as yet unclimbed, the winning riders will be given the privilege of competing in the finals of the national hill climb at Muskegon, Michigan, later in the year. The winners of the national will receive large cash awards and will also be given employment by various cycle companies if they desire it.

The roster of entries in the contest here Sunday is not yet complete, but it includes a number of riders who have won fame in other Pacific Coast contests. One of the most noted of these will be Bill Davis, of Springfield. Davis is the Northwest sectional hill climb champion, having won the title recently in a meet at Corvallis. He also was the winner of the hill climb held at Cottage Grove in May.

Other famous riders who will be seen in action here will be Gene Ryne of Sacramento, California, rated as one of the best on the coast; Ben Fox of Aberdeen, Washington, a comedian rider who always wears a straw hat while engaged in contest; Suede Mattson of Oakland, California, holder of the Northwest championship for two years; and Windy Lindstrom of Los Angeles, champion in a number of California contests.

Tommy Sifton, San Francisco, California; Dud Perkins, San Francisco, California; Bill Crane, Oakland, California; A. K. VanDeMark, Oakland, California; Al Forsburg, Seattle, Washington; Al St. Clair, Seattle, Washington; Bill Cameron, Seattle, Washington; Glenn Rice, Salem; and Clyde Johnson, Salem.

This will be the third year that a hill climb has been held at Emerald Heights, but never yet has a rider succeeded in reaching the top. This year, however, Ernest Nelson believes that Bill Davis, and possibly some of the other riders, will succeed in reaching the summit.

MR. AND MRS. N. A. POHL HONORED AT DINNER

A dinner in honor of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Pohl and family, who left Monday for their home at Anacortes, Washington, after visiting in Springfield with relatives for a month was given Sunday at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Mortensen.

Those who attended the farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Pohl were Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Huntly, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Schnetsky, Mrs. Josephine Johns of Chase Gardens, Irvin Schnetsky of Hot Springs, South Dakota, Miss Margaret Mortensen, Miss Irene Johns, Mr. and Mrs. Pohl, and Dr. and Mrs. Mortensen.

FIRE SIREN CONNECTED DIRECT TO CITY HALL

A wire from the city hall to the fire siren at the Mountain States power company plant was installed this week by the employees of the company. The new arrangement will enable the whistle to be sounded directly from the fire department when a fire is reported. Previously when a fire was reported, the men on duty at the city hall telephoned the power plant, where the alarm was sounded. It is believed that the new system will help increase efficiency in time of fires.