

C. O. WILSON DIES, FUNERAL IS FRIDAY

Springfield Mayor Passes Away
Wednesday Morning Following
Operation. Councilmen
To Attend Funeral; Stores
Are to Close For Services.

Charles O. Wilson, Mayor of Springfield, died at the Pacific Christian hospital in Eugene Wednesday morning at about 4:00 o'clock following a major operation which he underwent early Monday morning. Mayor Wilson became ill Saturday evening and was taken to the hospital. He was very ill for two days following the operation, but rallied on Tuesday afternoon. Later in the evening he took a sudden turn for the worse and died the next morning.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow morning from the Veatch funeral home in Eugene at eleven o'clock. The body will be taken to Salem and interment will be made in Bellecrest Memorial Park at Salem that afternoon. Rev. A. H. Saunders, pastor of the Presbyterian church in Eugene, will officiate.

Mr. Wilson was born on his father's donation farm, which is now in the east suburb of Salem, on October 1, 1871. He reached his 58th birthday on Tuesday.

Mrs. Gertrude Riddell Wilson, his wife, to whom he was married in 1901, survives him. He also leaves four sons, a grandson and a granddaughter. The sons are Charles Kenneth Wilson, of Salem, sales manager for the Buick automobile agency in that city; Clifford Otto Wilson, of Springfield, who was in business with his father here; John Hobart Wilson, Springfield, a sophomore at the University of Oregon; and Donald Riddell Wilson, a student at the University high school.

The two grandchildren are Clifford McLean Wilson, small son of Clifford Otto Wilson of Springfield, and Patricia, the infant daughter of Charles Kenneth Wilson of Salem. Otto J. Wilson, a brother residing at Salem, also survives.

Mr. Wilson is a native Oregonian. His father, J. H. Wilson, crossed the plains to California with an ox team during the gold rush of 1849. He came to Oregon in 1851. His mother was Miss. Minerva Melson. She crossed the plains in 1857. They were married in Salem in 1866.

The call for volunteers during the Spanish American war was answered by Mr. Wilson, and he joined the second Oregon company K. He has been very prominent in the affairs of the Spanish American War Veterans and has attended many conventions of that organization.

The deceased mayor was a member of the Central Presbyterian church of Eugene, and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks at Salem.

Mr. Wilson moved to Eugene six years ago from Salem and came to this city the following year when the family took up their residence on Emerald Heights, and he established and became manager of the Carbolium Wood Preserving plant.

He was elected mayor of Springfield at the last election and took over his office in January. He had served only nine months of his term of four years when he died.

W. P. Tyson, chairman of the city council is acting mayor pending the appointment of one by the council. The regular meeting of the council is to be held on October 14, and it is not decided whether a special meeting will be held before that time.

A proclamation has been issued by Mr. Tyson asking all business houses in Springfield to close between the hours of eleven a. m. and twelve noon in respect to the late mayor. Several merchants have signified their intentions of closing.

The city council is expected to attend the funeral in a body.

METHODISTS WELCOME REV. PIKE THIS EVENING

Members of the Methodist church will gather at the church here this evening to welcome their pastor, Rev. C. J. Pike, who has been absent from the city for more than a week, while attending the conference of his church body at Portland.

The pastor was given this charge for another year and he is expected to meet the congregation and deliver a short sermon to them this evening. He will conduct the usual services Sunday morning and evening.

Huge Crowd at Airport Sunday

Three Planes Unable to Carry
Persons Desiring First
Flight.

A crowd estimated at more than 1000, and by far the largest that had ever gathered prior to that time, assembled at the local airport last Sunday afternoon to view the free air program which Major Gilbert Eckerson pulls off every Sunday, and to take advantage of the reduced rates for passenger hauling which he had announced for that day.

The major hauled 282 passengers during the day, besides doing a considerable amount of stunting alone. He made a total of 152 flights from the local port with passengers, and at dark it was necessary to turn away a long waiting line of people who were anxious to "take the air" with the local aviator and flying school instructor. Both of the planes stationed at the local airport were in use Sunday. Eckerson frequently alternated in flying his passengers in the taper wing Waco and the Arrow sport plane. He carried 12 passengers in the sport plane and made 140 flights with the Waco ship.

Low Rates Will Continue
He was so well pleased with the reception which the public accorded his new passenger rates that he has decided to continue the cent-a-pound price. He has also another rate which found favor with many, and that is charging his passengers sixty cents a minute while in the air.

The "City of Eugene," the plane built and owned by the Lion Aircraft company of Eugene was stationed on the field Sunday and assisted in hauling many of the passengers who could not have been accommodated otherwise.

Drury Lands Plane Here
The first visiting plane to stop overnight at the local aviation field was the small Davis monoplane, which was flown here by Omar C. Drury the latter part of the week. This was the same plane in which Drury met his death at Corvallis last Saturday.

There were three planes in the air over the local field Friday when Major Eckerson and one of his pupils had both their school ships in the air and Mr. Drury went aloft in his small plane. The presence of three airplanes over the local airport at one time caused a considerable amount of favorable comment.

LIONS CLUB MEMBERS VISIT JUNCTION CITY GROUP MONDAY NIGHT

Thirteen members of the Springfield Lions Club went to Junction City on Monday night to attend the weekly meeting of the Lions club there. The Junction City club, which holds its meetings in the evenings, also had as its guests the members of the football team of the high school.

The Springfield club is the sponsor of the Junction City club, which they helped to found early this year. They made the trip as a friendly visit gesture.

The thirteen local men who attended the dinner were Larson Wright, Dr. W. C. Rehban, W. K. Barnell, Harry Stewart, F. B. Hamlin, W. W. Walker, W. F. Walker, John Henderer, H. E. Maxey, Floyd Flanery, Dr. W. N. Dow, John Ketels, and C. F. Barber.

M. E. CHOIR WILL HAVE POTLUCK SUPPER FRIDAY

The first gathering of the choir of the Methodist church will take place tomorrow night at the church parlors, when the members and their friends will meet for a potluck supper and will discuss plans for their work during the season now starting.

Mrs. Arab Hoyt Rae, of Eugene, the director of the choir, who has just returned to Oregon after an extended absence, will be present to meet the singers and tell them something of the work planned for the new year.

Bakery Partnership Dissolved
C. J. McKee announced Monday that he had purchased the interest of his partner, H. A. Moore, in the New Home Bakery on Main street. These two men purchased the bakery formerly operated here by Virgil Moon and only recently removed to their new location. Mr. McKee will continue to serve the community with all kinds of bakery goods.

Bertsch Farm Is Sold Local Men

Cash Consideration and City
Property Are Involved
In Negotiations

One of the largest realty transactions to be completed in this vicinity was consummated here on Friday when the two families, L. L. May and Ed Reynolds, effected a trade and cash settlement whereby they become the owners of the Ernest Bertsch farm, located about four and one-half miles east of Springfield on the McKenzie highway.

A cash consideration of about \$20,000 was included in the transaction, which involved the trading of the May property at 546 D street and the Reynolds property at Seventh and B streets in on the Bertsch estate.

The Bertsch farm consists of 180 acres of land and is one of the larger farms located close to the city. Both the May and the Reynolds families are old residents of Springfield. They came here in 1905 and 1904 respectively. Mr. May is employed as head sawyer for the Booth-Kelly mill here. He has been with the company since coming to Springfield nearly 25 years ago.

The May and Reynolds families moved to their new home on Wednesday. Mr. Reynolds will operate the farm and Mr. May will continue at his position at the local mill.

Special Motor Bus Service to Airport

S. P. Will Run 15 Minute Cars
To Flying Field Dedication
Day, Starting at 10:30.

Special bus service to the aviation field hangars at the dedication on Sunday will be put on by the Southern Pacific Motor Transport company and the Oregon Stages. The fare to the airport will be seven cents each way.

On request of the airport committee of the Chamber of Commerce, American Legion and the Lions club a special bus will run from Fourth and Main streets, starting at 10:30 and running 15 minutes all day. Starting at noon the regular street car buses will operate also directly to the airport and not make the loop on Sixth and Fifth streets. The special bus, however, will make a loop up Sixth street, down A street to Fourth and then out to the Airport on East Main.

With this splendid co-operation of the Southern Pacific bus service the committee is enabled to insure everyone a way to go to the field. Local people who have automobiles are requested to leave them at home and ride the buses in order to allow more parking space for the visitors from other parts of the county and state.

SPRINGFIELD GRIDSTERS MEET LEBANON FRIDAY

The first game of the football schedule for the Springfield high school aggregation will be played tomorrow afternoon at Lebanon. Seventeen men, aside from the coach, faculty members, students and parents, will take the trip for the game.

Hard practice sessions, lasting from three o'clock until dusk every afternoon, have been the daily diet of the local boys who are trying for places on the team.

Coach Bill Baker is not very optimistic over the prospects for his players in their first game. Many of the best players were lost through graduation or failure to return to school, and it will take a few games before some of the youngest members of the team reach their best playing form.

The players who will take the trip in private cars are Joseph Crandall, Dalton Thurman, Gaylord Morse, Wayne Larson, Harold Geiger, Hersey Tomshet, John Lynch, Clinton Smith, Thayer McMurray, Everett Squires, Freeman Squires, Jess Sumner, Claire Thurman, Quentin Thurman, Ralph Cole, Gerald Morrison and Fred Buell.

The game will be called at Lebanon at 2:30.

Comics Delayed
Delayed shipments from St. Louis, the home of Slim Jim, has caused us to publish this week without the comic supplement. Slim Jim, the Kelly Kids, etc., did not arrive in time to go out with this issue. Sorry that we have to apologize again.

Proclamation

WHEREAS, The late C. O. Wilson, Mayor of Springfield is now deceased, and his funeral services are to be conducted from the Veatch Funeral Home in Eugene, Oregon, at the hour of eleven o'clock a. m. on Friday the 4th day of October, 1929,

Now, Therefore, I, W. P. Tyson, President of the Common Council and acting mayor of Springfield, do hereby proclaim, request and recommend that all places of business in Springfield be closed on Friday, the 4th day of October, from the hours of eleven a. m. to twelve noon, out of respect for our late Mayor and to afford our citizens an opportunity to attend his funeral services.

Witness my hand and seal of the Town of Springfield this 2nd day of October, 1929.

W. P. TYSON,
President of the Common Council and acting Mayor.

PLEASANT HILL REPORTS WINTER CROPS PLANTED IN DRY, DUSTY SOIL

H. C. Wheeler was in Springfield Monday morning, looking after some business interests. He stated that most of the winter crops had been planted in the dust in his neighborhood and that the farmers are anxiously awaiting a rain to start the crops growing.

Mr. Wheeler is one of the officers of the producers Public Market at Eugene. He has been very active in the development of that institution, and in the sale of the bonds which were authorized for its construction. He declared that most of the bonds had been sold and that they were being withdrawn from the market, as the success which greeted the opening of the market indicated that there would be a surplus fund developed before any of the bonds became due if they were placed on the market.

Mr. Wheeler stated that most of the remaining bonds would be held by the market committee and that they would borrow money to pay the balance of the cost of the building on such terms that it could be paid off as the funds came into the market master's office.

LARGE DELEGATION OF STATE OFFICIALS TO ATTEND BANQUET

A party of approximately twenty-five of the leading state officials of Oregon, including the governor and Mrs. I. L. Patterson, the governor's son and his wife, Secretary of State and Mrs. Hal Hoss, the attorney-general, two members of the supreme court and their wives, members of the state highway commission, including the state highway engineer, and several others have signified their intention of being present at a large banquet at the new Howard Tourist Apartment hotel located two miles north of Eugene on the Pacific highway.

The party will be overnight guests of Emmett Howard, proprietor of the new tourist hotel, and many of them will come to Springfield the next day when they will be guests of the airport committee, which is handling details for the dedication of the flying field.

Delegations from Springfield, Cottage Grove, Junction City and Eugene will attend the six o'clock banquet, which is expected to include at least one hundred and fifty people.

This will be one of the most unique gatherings ever held in the State of Oregon, for it is only seldom, if at all, that such a large group of distinguished state officials gather at any place away from the state capital.

Judge E. O. Potter will act as toastmaster for the evening, and short talks will be given by many of the visitors.

EASTERN STAR LADIES DISCUSS PLANS FOR TEA

The members of the Cascade Chapter number 155 of the Eastern Star met at the I. O. O. F. hall Tuesday evening for their regular business meeting. Plans were made for a tea to be held on October 24, at the home of Mrs. W. C. Wright.

Undergoes Operation
Mrs. Tuhy, the mother of Frank Tuhy, underwent a major operation at the Eugene hospital early this morning.

ELABORATE CEREMONY TO MARK AIRPORT DEDICATION

CROWDED CONDITION
AT LINCOLN SCHOOL
MAY BRING TRANSFERS

Some of the students in the second grade at the Lincoln school will probably be transferred to the Brattain school in the near future, as a result of action taken at the meeting of the school board Tuesday evening. The second grade class at the Lincoln school is too large and the one at the Brattain school too small. The board hopes that by doing some shifting and transferring of students from building to building they will be able to avoid having to purchase any new seating equipment.

It is understood that several things will be purchased as a result of the meeting held Tuesday night. Several student chairs will be ordered for the study room in the high school and some equipment will be bought for the girls' rest room.

A practice teacher from the University will be engaged to handle the physical education work at the junior high school. This will not involve any great expense, as no salary is involved other than car fare to and from the University.

Several sets of pictures will be ordered to comply with a new school law, which requires them for use in connection with courses in art appreciation. The sets consist of one large picture for the instructor to use and several miniature pictures.

There will probably not be any other meeting of the school board this month, unless some special occasion arises, as all business which would usually come before the board next week was taken up and considered Tuesday.

AUTOMOBILE WRECKED IN SUNDAY ACCIDENT

What might have been a serious automobile accident occurred on Sunday afternoon at the corner of 9th and E streets, when a closed car being driven by a Mr. Hurst of Leaburg was hit by another closed car being driven by Al Chambers of this city.

According to the accident report filed at the city recorder's office on Sunday the automobile driven by Chambers struck the right rear fender of the Hurst car, tipping it over, smashing the top, breaking two of the glass doors, bending and breaking the two rear fenders and the right front fender.

Mrs. Hurst received shocks and fainted before she could be removed from the damaged machine. She was taken to the Emery Richardson home, where she recovered. Mr. Hurst received a badly bruised knee.

No one in the Chambers' car was injured and only the bumper and the left front fender of their car were damaged.

Eyewitnesses of the accident expressed surprise that the cars were not damaged more than they were and that no one was seriously injured.

SMALL GIRL OBSERVES BIRTHDAY AT SAT. PARTY

A pretty birthday party honoring the ninth birthday of Jeannine Withers was held at the home of Mrs. C. L. Gorrie, Sr., Saturday afternoon of last week. Jeannine was nine years old Wednesday, but the party was not held until Saturday, as most of the guests were attending school.

The afternoon was spent in games and stunts. Refreshments served by the hostess consisted of ice cream and cake.

Those invited to attend were Louise Cowden, June Berg, Ethel Gott, Sadie Gott, Dorothy Flanery, Richard Flanery, Alice Matches, Ethel Matches, Frieda Matches, Betty Fletcher, Marvin Gorrie and Leland Neher.

Dr. Warren D. Smith is Dedication Speaker and Governor I. L. Patterson Will Give Appropriate Remarks at the Official Opening.

The dedicatory address at the Springfield airport Sunday will be made by Dr. Warren D. Smith, Geology department of the University of Oregon, and he will be followed by remarks from the distinguished guest, Governor I. L. Patterson. The program starts at 2:00 o'clock and will be preceded by a barbecue of venison and beef.

The Springfield symphony orchestra will play during the ceremonies and Mrs. W. K. Barnell will sing solos. Several planes besides those of Major G. H. Eckerson's will be on the field, and a stunt program by visitors and the major will be part of the dedicating ceremonies.

Weather conditions permitting, it is expected that one of the largest crowds ever assembled in Springfield will be present to hear the speeches and music, to partake of the free barbecue, to ride in the airplanes and to watch the stunting of the participating pilots.

The airport celebration will be an all-day event for those who care to spend the entire day at the field. Passenger flights at the new low rates, which were put into effect last Sunday, will be made all day, and, judging from the crowd that was turned away at dusk last Sunday, there will be a large number waiting to take rides when the aviators arrive at the hangars early Sunday morning.

The celebration program will get under way early Saturday evening when a representative group of local business men will go to the new Howard tourist apartment hotel, located two miles north of Eugene, and meet a party of approximately twenty-five leading state officials, who will be overnight guests of Emmett Howard, the proprietor. A large banquet is being arranged for the evening.

Barbecue One o'Clock

The big free barbecue dinner will begin at about one o'clock, and every effort will be made to have it concluded by two o'clock, when the dedication program is scheduled to begin. The meat will be barbecued in large pits in the field, and will be taken into the hangars where it, together with bread and coffee, will be served to all who attend.

Commencing at 2:00 p. m., Dr. W. C. Rehban will introduce the visiting state officials, the aviators present, and the representatives from the other cities in the Willamette valley. Immediately after the introductions, W. P. Tyson acting mayor of Springfield, will introduce Dr. Warren D. Smith, who will deliver the dedicatory address. He will also introduce the governor, who will make a short address.

The committee has made arrangements to have several microphones and amplifiers erected to enable the audience to hear the speakers while sitting in their automobiles.

A program of air stunts, under the direction of Major Eckerson, ace of the Pacific Northwest aviators and winner of fifth place in the recent Portland to Cleveland air derby, will begin immediately after the speakers are through. The major is in communication with several of the leading fliers of the coast, and some of them have promised to bring their ships here if nothing arises to prevent their coming.

The American Legion will have charge of the parking of automobiles, and the Southern Pacific Motor Transport company will have special buses operating between the field and Springfield to handle the traffic.

The Legion has also been granted a concession on the grounds and will sell drinks and confections.

Invitations for the dedication program have been sent to presidents of all the Lions clubs and to most of the mayors in the entire state. The Chambers of Commerce in the Willamette valley have also been invited to send delegations.

The committee handling the barbecue is headed by Jack Henderer, chairman, C. A. Swartz and Floyd Flanery. Fred Walker is in charge of the music.

Kennett Opens Sale Monday
Word has been received here that Mr. George Kennett opened his big sale of sporting goods for a Klamath Falls concern Monday. The sale will continue for the next four weeks. A. J. Morgan, of this city, is in the Klamath county city assisting Mr. Kennett. Mr. Kennett will probably return to Springfield within the next two weeks for a short stay to look after his store here.