

## MOVE TO HAVE RIVER SURVEY EXTENDED

### Chamber of Commerce Asks Senator McNary to Include Springfield in Navigation Investigation on Willamette River.

Action to have the proposed survey of the Willamette river for barge navigation extend as far as Springfield was started this week by the Chamber of Commerce. A letter and a telegram was sent to Senator Charles McNary asking him to include Springfield in the survey. Boats formerly came up stream as far as the city, and the head of navigation was regarded the forks of the river above the town.

Senator McNary has introduced a bill calling for a survey to determine the feasibility of navigating the Willamette from Portland up stream. The board of directors of the chamber signed the letter.

The following telegram has been received by H. E. Maxey, editor of The News, from Senator McNary:

Washington, D. C., Nov. 29.

"I shall be glad to propose a survey of the Willamette river to Springfield if it is so desired.—Chas. L. McNary."

## EASTERN STAR HOLDS MIDNIGHT SESSION TO INITIATE MEMBER

Members of the Eastern Star did not expect to have an all night session Tuesday evening when they met to initiate two candidates and to elect their officers for the new year. Neither did several others, but they did.

It seems as though the brunt of the blame goes to the railroad train, which was many hours late in arriving with the candidate to be initiated. Many calls went through the local telephone office to the Eugene depot concerning the arrival of the train. Every time the reply was that the train was expected later.

The loyal ladies waited, and finally after the night was far spent the train arrived and the initiation proceeded.

Another plan also went awry for the members. They had previously decided not to have any refreshments, but after considerable waiting, their appetites got the best of them, and they roused parties who could and did prepare them something to eat.

The candidate who was delayed was Miss Maud Gorrie, who is employed at Portland, but who had applied for a membership here. She arrived late at night and left the next morning again for Portland.

Mrs. R. T. Perkins was another person initiated into the order Tuesday evening.

The officers who were elected are as follows: Worthy Matron, Mrs. W. C. Wright; Worthy Patron, C. A. Swarts; Associate Matron, Mrs. Gertrude Wilson; Associate Patron, C. E. Kenyon; Conductress, Mrs. E. E. Fradrick; Associate Conductress, Mrs. Pearl Schantol; Secretary, Mrs. C. A. Swarts; and Treasurer, Mrs. N. L. Pollard.

The Associate Matron will name the other officers at the next meeting which will be held on December 17. All newly elected officers will also be installed at that time.

## JEWELER TO DISPLAY LOVING CUP FOR P. T. A.

The silver loving cup which was awarded to the Lane County Council of the Parent-Teachers organization at a recent convention at Grants Pass for having the largest paid membership of any county, will be placed on display in the show window of the D. W. Roof jewelry store this week, and will be left there for several days, according to Mrs. Paul Brattain, the new county president.

The cup is awarded annually, and was won last year by Clackamas County. The year before 1927, it was taken home by the Laurelhurst Parent-Teacher association of the Laurelhurst district of Portland.

Mrs. C. E. Hunt, president of the Eugene city organization, presented the cup to the Lane county council at the meeting here last Saturday.

## BOY BREAKS HIS ARM PLAYING AT SCHOOL

Melvin Stevens, of Springfield, received a broken left arm yesterday as the result of an accident while he was playing on the school grounds. He broke his arm just above the elbow, and dislocated the elbow. He is 13 years of age.

## SAFETY ORGANIZATION WILL GIVE PRIZES FOR ESSAYS AND SLOGANS

All students in the high and grade schools have been invited to participate in an essay contest, which the Safety committee of the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen is sponsoring, and details of which have been made public this week.

The first division includes all of the high school students. They will write a paper on "What Safety Means to Industry." The second division, consisting of the junior high school students will write an essay on "Traffic Safety." "What Safety Means to the Home" will be the topic for the third division, which is composed of the fifth and sixth grades.

The fourth division includes all of the lower grades, from the first to the fourth inclusive. They are being asked to submit slogans of not more than ten words.

The prizes for the first three groups are similar. The first prize is \$3.00, second \$1.50 and third 50 cents. The first prize for the slogan is \$1.00. The second and third prizes are 50c and 25c respectively.

W. P. Tyson, chairman of the safety committee, warns students that their papers must be turned in to one of the judges (to be appointed later) not later than April 26, 1930.

## W. F. M. SOCIETY MEETS WITH MRS. HUGHES TUES.

Mrs. William G. Hughes was hostess Tuesday afternoon for the members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist church at her home on Fifth street.

Mrs. W. H. Pollard had charge of the program and led the discussion of interesting events in China. Mrs. W. F. Walker is president of the society. Mrs. Hughes served refreshments.

The members present were Mesdames Emma Olson, Mary Lansberg, W. H. Pollard, L. K. Page, George Prochnow, Bert Mustoe, Walker and Hughes.

The next meeting of the ladies will be held the first Tuesday in January, at the home of Mrs. Emma Olson.

## SPRINGFIELD MEN ATTEND KNOWLES FUNERAL FRI.

F. B. Hamlin, John Ketels, W. W. Walker, and W. F. Walker went to Cottage Grove Friday afternoon to attend the funeral services for George O. Knowles, president of the Lane County Chamber of Commerce and newly elected president of the Lane County Fair Association, who passed away at a Eugene hospital on Tuesday of last week.

The entire business section of Cottage Grove closed for the funeral, which was held in the Presbyterian church. Rev. Cameron P. Duncan preached the funeral service at the church and Rev. F. G. Jennings of Eugene read the Masonic service at the grave site.

The Knight Templars attended the funeral in a body.

## HOUSE ON MAIN STREET CATCHES FIRE MONDAY

Fire of unknown origin gutted the interior of the wooden building belonging to Al. Perkins and J. N. Fogarty, just off the corner of 7th and Main streets, at about 10:00 o'clock on Monday morning.

Several people noticed smoke belching from the chimney of the dwelling for some time before the fire was actually discovered, but did not think that it was anything unusual. It was not until people who thought the house was empty noticed the smoke that the alarm was turned in.

Fire chief Jess Smitson estimated the loss about \$75. A bed, mattress, a few quilts and blankets, a stove and frying pan were the only personal effects to be found in the building after the fire.

The building had been rented a short while ago by a man named R. Welsh. He could not be located after the fire.

## NEEDLECRAFT MEMBERS MEET THIS AFTERNOON

The regular meeting of the Needlecraft club will be held this afternoon at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Carl Phetteplace on C street. Mrs. Larson Wright and Mrs. Phetteplace are joint hostesses for this meeting.

The afternoon will be spent with sewing and listening to a musical program. Refreshments will be served.

The club has twenty-four members, and Mrs. Clarence Chase will be a guest at the meeting.

## 8 Day Christmas School Vacation

### Teachers Object to Teaching on New Year's Day and Take Shorter Holiday.

Eight days was the time allotted by the school board at their meeting on Monday evening for the Christmas and New Year's vacation at the Springfield schools. School will be dismissed after the last classes on Tuesday, December 24, and will begin again on Thursday, January 2, 1930.

The school board had planned to set the vacation dates from December 20, to December 30, giving the teachers an opportunity to spend two week-ends with their parents during the holidays, but the members of the faculty declared that they would rather have the shorter period and not have to teach on New Year's Day.

The reason for the short vacation period, declared William G. Hughes, clerk of the board, is that an extra day was granted at Thanksgiving and further an effort is being made to have the school close earlier in the spring than would have been possible formerly.

The consideration of bills and outstanding accounts occupied the balance of the evening. Members present at the meeting, which was held at the Lincoln school, took advantage of the opportunity to inspect the conditions of the building itself and of its contents.

## WEST SPRINGFIELD MAN DIRECTS NEW MISSION

L. C. Fenton, pastor of the West Springfield Free Methodist church, has been selected to have charge of the new Gospel Mission, which will be opened in Eugene at the corner of Eighth and Washington streets, Sunday, December 8, under the supervision of the Southern Oregon Free Methodist conference.

Rev. A. C. Archer, of Medford, district superintendent, will deliver the dedicatory address. Albany pastors, who are expected to attend the meeting on Sunday, are D. M. Higbee and J. H. Stewart. Rev. Miles Pitcher, George Crawford, and G. P. Tarr of Cottage Grove, will also attend.

The general public is invited to attend, according to Rev. Fenton.

## HARVEST FESTIVAL IS SUCCESS LAST NIGHT

A large crowd turned out for the harvest festival at the Christian church last night, and a good sized sum was realized from the sale of various items and supper at the booths. The exact amount was not known this morning. The funds will be used to complete the Sunday school rooms.

Mrs. John Lynch was chairman of the committee in charge.

## Mrs. Brattain Is P. T. A. President

### Seventy-five Ladies From Lane and Douglas Counties Attend All-Day Program Sat.

Seventy-five women delegates from parts of Lane and Douglas counties were present here last Saturday for the all-day sessions of the Parents and Teachers of this district, which is the twelfth Oregon P. T. A. district. The meetings were all held in the Methodist church.

Mrs. Paul Brattain, general chairman of the program committee of the meeting, was elected president of the Lane County Council of the P. T. A. after the resignation of Mrs. Ethel Parker, of Elmira, had been accepted.

National Secretary Speaks Mrs. Charles Roe, secretary of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers was the principal speaker. She was assisted by Mrs. William Brice, of Portland, the newly elected state president of the organization.

Other speakers on the program were Mrs. Ethel Parker and Miss Mozelle Hair, of the Extension division of the University of Oregon.

Mrs. W. K. Barnell sang a solo and was accompanied by her daughter, Barbara. Mrs. John Ketels gave several readings.

Mrs. Roe traced the organization of the P. T. A. movement from the time it was started in 1897 down to the present time. She showed the utility of the work of the teacher without the co-operation of the parents of the children. She urged a closer association among the parents and teachers

## Hoop Squad Starts Practice Monday

### Four Veterans From Last Season Turn Out to Form Nucleus For Team

Bill Baker has issued his first call for basketball players and active practice with a strong list of hold-overs from last season's squad was begun at the gymnasium on Monday evening.

With the division B football championship safely laid away for the year, and with four regulars back in uniform from the last year team, prospects for the coming hoop season are even brighter than one has any right to really hope for.

Thayer McMurray, Freeman and Everett Squires are all three out to begin their fourth season as members of the Springfield high team. John Lynch has not had quite as much experience, though he was on the regular team last year and seems assured of a starting position again this season.

There has been no regular schedule drawn up at the present time. Officials of the various schools will gather at Corvallis on Saturday, December 7, to frame the season's schedule of games for each of the teams in the Willamette league.

It is not likely that any games will be scheduled to be played until after the Christmas holidays. In the meantime the boys will meet every evening for their practice sessions. It will take them some time to find themselves on the maple court after playing a hard football schedule.

The fact that four regulars from last season are turning out does not bar others from turning out and seeking places on the team. The high school wants the best players on the team and will use them regardless of their experience.

## JUVENILE CIRCLE PARTY POSTPONED TWO WEEKS

The Christmas party which the Juvenile Circle number 162 of the Neighbors of Woodcraft had planned for this week, has been postponed until the evening of December 21, according to Mrs. Myrtle Eggmann, the guardian of the group. It was believed that more of the Christmas spirit would prevail at that time than does this early in the month.

## CHRYSANTHEMUM CLUB MEMBERS ARE INVITED

Dr. and Mrs. Carl Phetteplace entertained the members of the Chrysanthemum club at their home last night. At the close of a delightful evening of bridge the guests were served a dainty lunch. About twenty attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chase were the invited guests for the evening.

## so the one group might know more of what the other is trying to do.

State President Here Mrs. Brice devoted her time to a discussion of the problems which confront parents of children before they are of school age. She also assisted Mrs. Roe in the round table discussion.

Mrs. Parker presided at the sessions and Miss Hair emphasized the fact that the university has problems of its own, which are somewhat similar to those of the two schools. She related the experiences which led to founding of the Mother's and Dad's days at the University of Oregon, in order that the parents may keep in closer touch with their children while they are away from home.

Cup Presented The loving cup, which was won by the county council at the state convention at Grants Pass recently, was presented by Mrs. C. E. Hunt, of Eugene, President of the Eugene federation of Parent and Teachers organizations.

A covered dish luncheon was served to all present at the noon hour.

Mrs. Marion Adams had charge of the preparation of the program. Mrs. Walter Laxton had charge of the dining room; Mrs. Otto Smith of the kitchen; and Mrs. Walter Tyson headed the hospitality committee.

Delegates were present from P. T. A. organizations at River Road, Coburg, Hayden Bridge, Edison and Patterson, of Eugene, Santa Clara, Vaughn, Elmira, Lorane, Springfield, College Crest, Dunn, Deernhorn, and Camp Creek schools.

It was voted to hold the next meeting at the River Road school. This will probably be held some time in February.

## EUGENE MUST PAY TAX ON INDUSTRIAL SITE HERE; COURT RULES

That Eugene must pay taxes on the 250 acres of land in the Springfield Industrial sites is a decision handed down by Judge G. F. Skipworth in circuit court Monday. The land purchased from the Southern Pacific company for \$175,000 by Eugene and later leased to Springfield for 49 years was put on the assessment rolls by the assessor and Eugene brought suit to restrain him from assessing it. The court upholds the assessor, declaring the land was not used by Eugene for municipal purposes, and is therefore assessable under the law.

There is now \$2500 back taxes on the property, which is assessed at \$19,900. Whether Eugene will pay the taxes or let her \$175,000 investment go to sheriff's sale is problematical.

By purchasing this land in Springfield from the railroad company, Eugene was able to prevent the shops and terminals being built here. The railroad, reimbursed by Eugene, bought the site west of that city from the terminal company and built the shops on it.

## A. GUTHRIE CO. ARE SHIPPING EQUIPMENT

Almost a trainload of cars of machinery and equipment belonging to the A. Guthrie corporation of Portland has been loaded on cars here during the past week, and has been started for various places where it will be used on other construction jobs which the company is now working on. Truckload after truckload has been taken direct to Portland without loading on railroad cars.

The machinery is all coming from the large power dam at Leaburg, which the company is now finishing for the Water Board of the city of Eugene.

## MRS. EGGIMANN KEEPS HER AUXILIARY OFFICE

Mrs. C. F. Eggmann was re-elected to her position as secretary of the General Lawton Auxiliary number 5 of the United Spanish War Veterans at Eugene at the meeting held in the armory on Monday evening. Mrs. Eggmann has held this office for three years prior to her re-election on Monday. The officers will be installed at a meeting in January.

There are about a half-dozen members of the auxiliary living in Springfield.

M. B. Huntly was elected to serve as a three-year trustee of the General Lawton Camp at the meeting of that body the same evening.

## THREE ENLIST TUESDAY INTO NATIONAL GUARD

Three enlistments in the national guard were made public yesterday by C. A. Swarts, commander. Two of them, James A. Manwaring and Elmo M. Long, re-enlisted in the organization for another term, theirs having expired recently.

Joe Gerber enlisted for the first time. All of the enlistments were made on Tuesday.

## LEGION AND AUXILIARY PLAN POTLUCK SUPPER

The members of the American Legion and of the Legion Auxiliary will have a 6:30 potluck supper at the Chamber of Commerce rooms tomorrow evening.

This is the regular meeting night for the two organizations and they will have their business sessions following the supper.

## GIRL ACCIDENT VICTIM BEGINS WORK WED.

Miss Myrtle Harvey has recovered sufficiently from her injuries received in a recent accident to permit her to assume her duties with the Springfield Bakery at the public market in Eugene.

She began working half days on Wednesdays, and will start working full time sometime early next week, according to Fred Press.

## MEMBERS OF 500 CLUB TO MEET FRIDAY EVE.

The 500 card club will be entertained on Friday evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Robban, in Springfield. There are about twenty members of this club and it is expected that they all will be present for the evening.

## MANY WILL ATTEND BRIDGE DEDICATION

### Whole County to Join Saturday in Celebrating New Structure's Completion; Banquet at Noon; Ceremony at Two O'clock.

People from all parts of Lane county and many cities of the state as well will attend the Springfield bridge dedication ceremonies Saturday afternoon, according to reports being received by the joint service clubs and chambers of commerce committee in charge. With good weather another record breaking crowd is expected in Springfield that will nearly rival the airport dedication this summer.

The day's program starts with a good-will banquet in honor of Governor I. L. Patterson and the highway commission at the Osburn hotel in Eugene. Many reservations are being made from Junction City, Cottage Grove, Eugene, and Springfield. It is open to all good road boosters, both men and women.

At the banquet Frank Jenkins, editor of the Eugene Register, will act as toastmaster, and Senator Edward F. Bailey, Junction City, will welcome the guests. Speeches will be heard from members of the highway commission, engineers, and others. Harry M. Stewart has charge of the banquet ticket sale in Springfield.

The plan of the dedication at the bridge at two o'clock calls for formal presentation of the bridge by Chairman H. B. Van Duzer, of the highway commission, and acceptance by Governor I. L. Patterson in behalf of the people of Oregon. Mayor W. P. Tyson, of Springfield, will preside, and Mayor H. E. Wilder, of Eugene, will speak. The Odd Fellows band of Eugene have volunteered to play for the occasion.

## PROBLEMS TO CONFRONT CITY COUNCIL MONDAY

The regular meeting of the city council will be held next Monday evening at the city hall. There are several matters which will probably be taken up for consideration at that time, among them being the question of making stop streets of all the streets leading into Main, and the raising of funds to meet certain items in the budget recently adopted.

The street committee has had several meetings and are expected to make a report of their findings regarding the creating of stop streets.

## AUTOMOBILES COLLIDE HEAD-ON IN SAT. FOG

Dense fog was blamed for an automobile accident on the Wendling road near Denna Saturday at 5:30 p. m., when two automobiles collided head-on without causing any injuries to the people in either machine, although the automobiles were considerably damaged.

Katherine Brown of Los Angeles and Maunul Warfall were the drivers of the two machines. They both declared that the road was so foggy that they could not see the outer edge and therefore kept on the center of the grade.

The Warfall car was brought to Springfield for repairs and the other car was taken to a Eugene garage.

## SHOE SHINING PARLOR MOVES TO NEW LOCATION

Ralph Sweeney has rented the building on Main street which was formerly occupied by the W. W. Walker real estate office, and will move his shoe shining parlor from the pool hall across the street.

A partition has been built in the building, and Mr. Sweeney will live in the back part of it. The entire interior of the place is being papered and painted. New light fixtures have been installed and it is expected that the parlor will be open for business on Saturday of this week.

## PRESIDENT OF SEMINARY TO TALK SUN. MORNING

Rev. J. M. Canse, president of Kimball school of Theology at Salem, a Methodist training school, will occupy the pulpit at the Springfield Methodist church next Sunday morning.

For the evening service Rev. C. J. Pike will talk on the topic "Finding Rest." The regular meetings of the Sunday school and Epworth league will be held in the morning and evening respectively.