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LEGION MEMBERS DRIVE IS OVER TOP

Springfield Post Has 68 Members; District 3 Leads Entire State; Membership Nearing 10,000 Mark; Meeting Friday Evening Here.

District number 3 of the American Legion membership drive which ended on March 1, won first place over all of the eight other competing districts in the entire state, according to a bulletin containing the final results of the drive, which was received this morning. The third district, which includes Springfield, finished the month's campaign with a score of 98.3 per cent. Their closest competitor was the Eastern Oregon district, headed by Fred E. Kiddle. The southern Oregon district group, headed by Dr. E. B. Stewart, came in for third place.

The Springfield post, under the leadership of Major M. B. Huntly, had a total membership of 68 members at the end of the drive, according to the bulletin. This is six more than the quota which had been set for the post by the state officers.

There were 33 posts in the state which went over the top, or which secured more members than their quota. Seven of these posts secured a membership which is the largest in the history of their post.

There are now more than 9834 Legion members in Oregon. This is a decided gain over the figures at this time last year. The total membership for the entire past year amounted to 12,230.

The state was divided into five districts for the contest. Each district was headed by an ex-state officer of the Legion. George E. Love was the general campaign manager for the third district and had post chairmen in each of the following towns which comprised the district: Springfield, Albany, Brownsville, Corvallis, Eugene, Cottage Grove, Monroe, Newport, Toledo, Lebanon, and Junction City.

The Auxiliary of the Legion conducted a membership campaign at the same time as the Legion. Mrs. M. B. Huntly had charge of it in Springfield and their quota was exceeded, but the exact figures are not yet available for publication.

The silver loving cup which was won by the Springfield legion ladies in a tied membership contest last year with the Herminston group, arrived in Springfield this week and is on display at the Dibblee store.

A large meeting is being planned by the Legion and Auxiliary posts here for Friday night to welcome the new members. Efforts are being made to secure a prominent state Legion officer for the meeting. A social gathering and refreshments will also be a part of the evening's program.

WALTERVILLE MAN DIES AT HIS HOME SATURDAY

Robert Pleasant Hartwig died at his home at Walterville on March 1, at the age of 56 years. He had been a resident of Walterville for the past 15 years, and was interested in a garage there. He was born in Texas in 1874, and was single at the time of his death.

Three sisters and four brothers survive him. They are Mrs. C. D. Studevant, Crow; Mrs. Fred Easton, Walterville; Mrs. George Wright, Ripon, California; L. E. Hartwig, Grants Pass; H. F. Hartwig, Fall Creek; C. D. Hartwig, Vida; and L. M. Hartwig, Walterman, California.

The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock from the Walker-Poole chapel in Springfield. Rev. Ralph Clark of the Fairmount Presbyterian church, in Eugene, officiated. Interment was made in the Leaburg cemetery.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS ENTERTAINED ON FRIDAY

The Sunday school class of Mrs. R. P. Mortensen, which is composed of the freshmen and sophomores at the high school, were entertained at a party at the home of their teacher on Friday evening. About 15 were present and enjoyed an evening of games and story-telling, followed by refreshments.

A membership contest is being staged at the Methodist church and the gathering on Friday evening was held for the purpose of having prospective members of the class become acquainted with the present members.

Airport Manager Creates Activity

School Already Moved; Building Plans Started; Three New Students Enroll.

It took the Lee Inman Flying school only a few days to move their scene of operations from Eugene to the Springfield airport after the city council granted a lease to the school last week. Three ships are now stationed at the airport and another one is in process of construction. Contractors have been asked to present plans for a new hangar and actual construction work will be started in the near future.

The school now has a total of 33 students and more are expected to sign as soon as flying weather becomes more favorable.

Three Ships at Airport
There are now two small ships at the local field, the two-seater which was recently completed by the air school and which was exhibited at the Eugene auto show about a month ago, and the ship belonging to Clive Stanley, which is being stored at the field. The large cabin plane, "City of Eugene," has to be kept outdoors at the present time, as there is no hangar large enough for it. The new hangar which will be built to house this ship and provide room for construction of other planes by the students, also provide for the servicing of ships on the field.

That the Springfield airport is usable and that ships can land and take-off without any great difficulty despite the fact that the runway has not been graveled and that rain has been falling intermittently for some time has been convincingly demonstrated during the first half of this week since the Lee Inman Flying school has been located at the field.

Sunday Big Day
Sunday was the first day at the port for the new proprietors, and it proved to be a very auspicious one. The weather was ideal, three new students were signed up for instruction, fifteen other students took lessons, and ten passengers were taken up. The two ships were flying a total of five and one-half hours during the day.

On Monday and Tuesday the student training ship was also in the air about two and one-half hours each day.

FULL HOUSE GREETES OPENING OF TALKIES ON SUNDAY EVENING

The last of the talking picture equipment for the Bell theatre arrived here yesterday and was installed in time for the performance last night. A few of the parts did not arrive here from the factory in time for the opening performance Sunday, and other parts were substituted by the talking picture representatives. A full house was present for the opening, but the machines did not work satisfactorily, and trouble was experienced by the operator. It was decided to not have a show Monday evening for this reason and many people came but were forced to turn away.

The performance last night was very good, according to those who were present.

The regular weekly matinees will be launched at the theatre starting on Saturday. They will be held every Saturday and Sunday afternoon beginning at 1:30. If the crowd is sufficient to warrant two shows they will be run, says H. Weiss, manager.

SNOWFALL STILL LIGHT IN MCKENZIE MOUNTAINS

There was not very much snow in the McKenzie mountains last Sunday, according to Clifford Wilson and Harry Wright, who spent the week end at the Wilson cabin between McKenzie bridge and Foley Hot Springs.

Sunday morning the two men drove to Yale ranch and did not see any snow until they hiked four miles up Horse Creek.

LODGE MEMBERS TO VISIT JUNCTION CITY GROUP

About 25 members of the Neighbors of Woodcraft, including the local drill team, will go to Junction City on Monday evening, March 10, in response to an invitation extended to the local group at their last meeting a week ago yesterday.

The local drill team will put on an exhibition drill and will have charge of initiatory work at the Junction City lodge.

Librarian Makes Report to Board

Finances are Discussed by Members of Board at Meeting Monday Evening.

There are now 2200 volumes in the Springfield library, according to figures taken from the librarians annual report, which was presented to the members of the library board at their regular monthly meeting on Monday evening. The consideration of the report and the usual routine business occupied the entire evening. All members of the board were present.

The local library has been operating under rather difficult conditions during the past year, but members of the board all express themselves as being well pleased with the work done by the many librarians who have been employed. The present librarian is the fourth to serve since the first of last year. They are Miss Roberts, Mrs. McLean, Mrs. Clark, and Mrs. David Saltzman, the present holder of the office.

Finances Discussed

The report of the financial condition of the library was given most consideration by the board members. They all agreed that lack of finances prevented much necessary work being done. The city budget committee provided \$643 for the library, but only \$602.87 was actually received due to the large number of delinquent taxpayers. A total of \$71.02 was added to the receipts from fines and cash gifts, making the total receipts \$673.89.

The expenditures included \$295 for building and maintenance, \$40 for supplies and freight on traveling libraries from Salem, and \$276 for the service account, which consists of the librarian's salary.

Many Books Repaired
More than 300 volumes were repaired at the library during the past year, and 30 volumes were retired from circulation due to being badly worn.

There are 14 magazines subscribed for by the library, and six are paid for by friends. Four newspapers are also received as gifts.

Twenty-two new books were purchased for the library with library funds. \$8 were donated by various people.

State Libraries Used

Four circulating libraries from the state library at Salem have been used during the past year. These contain 50 books each and are kept for periods of six months.

There are now 2500 borrowers using the library. Many of them are from out of town. 104 new borrowers were added during the year, and the largest daily circulation of the year was 127 volumes.

LOCAL MAN'S FATHER DIES IN WASHINGTON AT AGE OF 99 YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Fraedrick left Springfield Monday morning for Walla Walla, Washington, to attend the funeral of Mr. Fraedrick's father, E. H. Fraedrick, who died there Sunday evening at the age of 99 years.

Mr. Fraedrick's father was born in Germany and came to this country when he was 22 years old. He lived in Chicago for some time before coming to the Pacific coast. He has made his home at Walla Walla with his only daughter, Mrs. J. A. Smith, for the past several years. E. E. Fraedrick is the only son of the aged man.

Mr. and Mrs. Fraedrick expect to return to Springfield sometime on Friday.

DENTIST OFFICE GETS VERY LATEST EQUIPMENT

The office of Dr. W. N. Dow has been the recipient of new furniture and equipment this week. The new purchases include a new dentist's chair and a large cabinet. Both are the very latest in office equipment. The cabinet has removable pyrex pans in each drawer, which can be taken out and sterilized at frequent intervals.

RE-DECORATING WORK AT HOTEL COMPLETED

The kalsomining, painting and varnishing of the last of the twenty-two rooms at the Elite hotel was completed last week. Every room and hall in the entire hotel has been refinished during the past few weeks. The hallways have been given a coating of cream colored kalsomine and the colors of the rooms are varied, no two adjoining rooms being the same color.

MACHINERY IS BEING INSTALLED FOR NEW CREAMERY PLANT HERE

The hoist derrick erected by the Willamette Valley transfer company on the railroad spur in front of the building which will house the new creamery was torn down on Monday by a crew of housemovers from Eugene. The old wagon scale was torn out on Tuesday and preparations made to repair and finish the front of the building.

It has not yet been decided whether to tear down the old building standing in front of the creamery or to move it to some other location. In the meantime work on the interior of the plant is progressing very rapidly. The cold storage rooms have been almost completed, the lights have been installed and workmen are already digging pits and installing some of the machinery.

It is planned to level off the ground on the lot where the old building now stands and make a parking space for farmers and others who bring their milk and cream to the creamery.

The supplies will all be received at the side entrance of the building.

PROGRESS IS MADE TO BEAUTIFY HIGHWAY IN PAST FEW WEEKS

The action started a few weeks ago by the Lions club looking towards the beautification of the McKenzie highway between Springfield and Cogswell hill is already bearing fruit. It was announced at the meeting of the Lions club held last Friday that the farmers owning the land on both sides of the highway had offered to plant trees on their own property, thus leaving the right-of-way free for any other beautification work.

Portland dispatches also told of the decision of the executive committee of the State Federation of Garden clubs to make a survey of the entire state relative to the possible improvement of scenic conditions along the major highways of the entire state.

The governor was also requested by the committee to proclaim a highway holiday for the purpose of cleaning the roadsides in Oregon.

PADDOCK HOME BURNED; PROPERTY IS SAVED

Fire, presumed to have been caused by an accumulation of dust along a stovepipe, completely destroyed the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Paddock here Saturday morning at 9:30. The fire started in the attic of the building while no one was at home and was discovered by Mr. Paddock shortly before the roof burst into flames.

Most of the personal belongings and furniture were removed by persons who rushed to the scene of the blaze. Jess Smitson reported that the fire was outside of the fire hydrant district and he could do nothing but use chemicals to prevent the fire from spreading to adjacent property.

The property was owned by Mrs. Mollie Scott and was valued at approximately \$2000. It was partly covered by insurance.

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD FOR LEONARD WALSH

Leonard Humphrey Walsh, of Jasper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Walsh, died of pneumonia at the Pacific Christian hospital in Eugene Tuesday evening. He was 18 years old, having been born in Jasper on August 14, 1911. He is a grandson of Ross Humphrey, who died at Jasper on Friday.

The funeral was held this morning from the Walker-Poole chapel. Rev. C. J. Pike, pastor of the Springfield Methodist church, officiated, and interment was made in the Mt. Vernon cemetery.

"THE PRESENCE OF GOD" SUNDAY SERMON TOPIC

Rev. Veltie Pruitt, pastor of the Christian church will take as his sermon theme for Sunday, "The Presence of God." There will be special music.

At the bible school hour at 9:45 there will be several songs by Mrs. W. P. Tyson and her daughter, Winifred, and her father, Charles Rivett. Mr. Rivett was choir leader of the Christian church for many years while a resident of this city. The Christian Endeavor will meet at 6:45 and the evening sermon will be on "Pentecost." This is the first of a series of evening sermons on the topic.

John Winzenreid Died on Saturday

Former Business Man Passes After Illness; Large Crowd Assembles for Funeral.

John Winzenreid, 67, prominent Springfield resident, died Saturday morning at his home here after an illness of several months duration. He had been in poor health for weeks and his death was not unexpected.

He was one of the early business men in Springfield, coming here in 1905 and establishing a livery stable on the corner which is now occupied by the Eggmann candy kitchen. He also operated a stage line between Eugene and Springfield. Friends of Mr. Winzenreid in recalling the days of the stage line, this week told of the streets which were axle deep in mud, and of the few buildings remaining which were here at that time.

Born in Wisconsin
Mr. Winzenreid was born in Madison, Wisconsin, on June 27, 1863. He moved to Oregon with his parents when he was a small boy and the family settled at Cloverdale, where they operated a large farm for several years before coming to Springfield.

After disposing of his livery stable interests, he operated the White Front grocery store. He continued to own the building at the time of his death. He also owned the building housing the Springfield garage, and had part interest in many other buildings in the city.

Leaves Survivors
Surviving him are his wife, Mrs. Eliza Winzenreid, a daughter, Mrs. Leta Lemmons, Portland; a brother, Frank, Portland; and three sisters, Mrs. Frank Gordon, Springfield; Mrs. Rose Beaver, Pleasant Hill; and Mrs. Lizzie Rhinehart, Condon. One sister, Mrs. W. R. Gilfry, of Creswell, died at her home on New Year's eve.

The funeral service was held on Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 from the Walker-Poole chapel in this city. Rev. S. E. Childers, pastor of the First Christian church in Eugene and former pastor of the Springfield Christian church, and Veltie Pruitt, pastor of the Springfield Christian church, officiated. Graveside services were conducted by the Eugene Elks lodge, of which he was an active member. Interment was made in the Pleasant Hill cemetery.

Stores Close for Hour
A proclamation was issued by W. P. Tyson, mayor of Springfield, proclaiming a holiday between the hours of 1:30 and 2:30, and most of the business houses were closed during this time out of respect to the deceased.

One of the largest crowds attending a funeral recently was present Tuesday to pay their last respects to a fellow citizen.

BRIDGE DISMANTLING IS GIVEN TO O. N. PIERCE

A contract for the dismantling of the old Springfield bridge and the reconstruction of the bridge over the Willamette river one mile east of Creswell was awarded to O. N. Pierce last Thursday by the state highway commission. His bid was \$8,450.

The commission has changed the date for the completion of the work from June 30 until August 30, to enable the contractor to do much of the work when the water level in the river is at its lowest.

The steel in the old bridge will be shipped to Portland for revitalization before it is reconstructed at Creswell.

CIVIC CLUB WILL MEET AT OLSON HOME TUE.

The Springfield Civic Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Carl Olson on Tuesday evening, March 11, at 7:30. A business meeting will be held to discuss plans and arrangements for the garden program to be given on March 25. The balance of the evening will be devoted to games and a social time. Mrs. Archie Davis will have charge of the program.

FLAPPER AWARDED PRIZE AT REBEKAH FROLIC

Elva Adams, dressed as a flapper, and Elmer Finley as a lady, won the prizes for the best costumes at the Rebekah party on Monday evening. The judges were Mrs. Cliff Abrams, Mrs. Sarah Jones, and Mrs. McKenzie.

The evening was spent with games and a paper bag lunch was enjoyed afterwards.

BAKER TO COACH U. OF O. BASEBALL

High School Coach Gets Leave of Absence to Accept Position at University. Cotter Gould, Baseball and Football Player, Coming Here.

William (Bill) Baker will not coach baseball teams at the Springfield high school this spring. His coaching position will be filled by Cotter Gould also a student at the University, while Mr. Baker assumes a baseball coaching position at the University. Baker appeared before the school board at their regular monthly meeting Monday night and asked for a leave of absence during the spring term that he might accept a position which had been offered him at the University with the baseball coaching staff.

Official Action Not Taken
Although the board did not take any official action at the meeting it is understood that the change meets with their favor, provided that Baker secures someone competent to direct the spring athletics at the local high school.

Positive assurance that there would be a baseball team at the high school this year was made last night when Baker declared that he would not be called upon to assume his new duties in Eugene until after the opening of the spring semester, which will be the first of April. In the meantime, he will start work shaping the nucleus for the local team. He expects to select batteries soon and will start intensive work with them very shortly. This will give Gould a good foundation in which to establish a team after Baker leaves.

Football Practice Started
Football will also receive considerable attention at the high school this spring. Outdoor practice has been under way every day in which the weather is suitable for several days past, and a thorough training is promised those who aspire to obtain positions on the school team in the fall.

Baker's leaving at this time is deeply regretted by Springfield people because he, as the most outstanding baseball player at the University for several years, had been counted upon here to develop a championship team at the high school. He established an enviable record with his football team last fall, and although the basketball team lost five of the first six games played, they staged a comeback the last half of the season, and lost only one game, this despite the loss of two stellar players in mid-year due to graduation.

Gould Has Experience

Cotter Gould will come to the Springfield high school with a good record in both baseball and football at the University. He has played on both the varsity baseball and football teams for the past three years. Prior to coming to the University, Gould attended the Salem high school and played both baseball and football there.

ROSS HUMPHREY DIES FRIDAY NEAR JASPER

Ross Humphrey died at his home in Jasper on Friday evening at the age of 43 years. He was a native of Lane county, having been born in Jasper in 1887, and has spent most of his life in that community.

A wife and four children survive Mr. Humphrey. They are Mrs. Gertrude Humphrey, Charles, Lewis, Elton and Alma Humphrey. He also leaves one brother, John Humphrey, and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Palmateer of Jasper, and Mrs. Florence Weller, of Harbor, Oregon.

The funeral services were held on Monday morning at 10:30 from the Walker-Poole funeral chapel. Rev. C. J. Pike officiated and interment was made at Mt. Vernon cemetery.

NEW UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT IS PROPOSED

Voters in six school districts of the Upper Willamette area are signing petitions now asking that a union high school district be formed, according to M. E. Golden, clerk of the Unity school district.

The districts included in the proposed union high school district are Fall Creek, Lowell, Unity, Signal, Eula, and Warner.

The petition will have to be filed with the county school board and will be acted on at the meeting of the Lane County Boundary Board this summer.