

DRAINAGE DITCH TO AID FLOOD PROBLEM

Large Channel Being Constructed by Highway Department near Thurston Expected to Divert Water from Highway to River.

Water covered streets which caused so much trouble to Springfield residents last winter will not occur again this winter if work now being done by the state highway department under the direction of H. W. Libbey, resident state engineer, in charge of construction, accomplished what it is expected to.

A large drainage ditch from the base of Cantrell hill on the new portion of the McKenzie highway is now being constructed across the low land north of there and extending to the banks of the McKenzie river. This ditch is expected to serve a three-fold purpose. It will aid in better and quicker drainage for the farmers in the vicinity of Thurston; it will prevent many of the smaller culverts along the highway from being washed out by heavy rains; and it will stop the large flow of water which has been following the easiest channels in the large ditches which were left on each side of the highway when it was graded up high a year ago.

Until the last year local residents have not had much to fear from high water coming from any direction but since the new road was graded water for miles to the east has flowed in a straight line to this city where the ditches were unable to take care of the extra water with the result that it spread out over the pavements and flooded basements.

A large ditch at the four corners east of this city was believed large enough to handle any added water which the highway ditches would bring, but it did no do so last winter. The ditch soon filled up and the water rushed past it washing out many of the smaller culverts.

The large drainage ditch now being dug with a ditching machine is fully six feet wide at the bottom and twelve feet wide at the top. It is 3600 feet long and passes under the highway just a few rods east of the Thurston store.

JOHN COX WILL COMPETE IN RHODES SCHOLARSHIP

A Springfield boy, John Cox, was nominated yesterday by the faculty committee of the University of Oregon, to be one of four to represent that institution at the district examinations for Rhodes scholarships which will be held in Portland in December. The others named by the committee include Robert Jackson of Eugene, David Wilson, Portland, and John Halderman of Astoria.

They were selected by the University group for their literary and scholastic ability, their attributes of manhood, and for their physical vigor.

Cox was named by the University committee last year and went to Portland where he competed with representatives from every school in the district.

HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL TO ATTEND SALEM MEET

W. E. Buell, principal at the Springfield high school, will leave Friday morning for Salem where he will attend a state conference of high school principals. The conference will last two days, Friday and Saturday. The school board recently granted Mr. Buell permission to attend this meeting.

BAPTIST LADIES QUILT AT ALL DAY SESSION

An all-day meeting was held by the ladies of the Baptist church on Wednesday. Most of the women spent the time making quilts. A covered dish luncheon was served at noon and a business meeting and devotional session was held in the afternoon. Mrs. C. Jones led the devotional program. Seventeen women attended the meeting.

STATE P.-T. A. OFFICER TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

Mrs. Inez Miller, of Monmouth will be the principal speaker at the meeting of the District Council of the Parent-Teacher association which is to be held at Elmira on October 25, according to Mrs. R. P. Mortensen, program chairman. Mrs. Miller is head of the Rural Life committee of the state P.-T. A.

COUNTY CHAMBER TO GATHER AT VIDA FOR MONTHLY MEETING

The McKenzie River Improvement club will entertain the members of the Lane County Chamber of Commerce at their monthly meeting to be held on Friday evening. The date for the meeting has been changed from Thursday until Friday so as not to interfere with the meeting of the Willamette Waterways association which is to be held at Albany tonight.

Members of the club announced at the last meeting which was held in Springfield, that they would entertain with a venison banquet starting at 6:30 o'clock.

J. W. McArthur, engineer for the Eugene Water Board, will be the principal speaker and will discuss the work being done to improve the lake just above the dam.

CANAL DELEGATION GOING TO ALBANY TO PLAN FURTHER WORK

Another large delegation of local businessmen is planning to drive to Albany this evening to attend the second meeting of the Willamette Valley Water Ways association which was formed at an initial meeting held at the Benton hotel in Corvallis three weeks ago.

This organization, which has Frank Jenkins of Eugene as chairman, has been formed for the purpose of working for the canalization of the Willamette river from Oregon City to Springfield. Senator McNary has taken an active interest in this work and has promised to secure an appropriation if the towns along the route of the river would organize and secure all of the factual material necessary to show the other members of congress the necessity for such canalization.

Army engineers are now busy making a preliminary survey to determine the probable cost and the feasibility of the project. There is considerable support being given to a movement to have a large canal dug from Eugene to Harrisburg, thus avoiding a large number of rapids and ever-changing river channels. This plan would also provide a more rapid drainage for the lowlands in the Cheshire district which are so frequently under water in the winter.

ANNUAL REPORTS SHOW BAPTIST CHURCH HAS VERY SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Members of the Baptist church gathered at their annual meeting last Thursday evening heard reports from the various departments which showed that the congregation has just ended a very successful period of growth.

It was reported that \$3,000 had been expended for improvements of the church property and that all of the departments were in sound financial condition. The members of the congregation also voted a raise in salary to Rev. Ralph Mulholland who has been serving the group for a little more than one year.

New church officials elected at the meeting included Paul T. Schiewe, trustee for three years; Elmo Chase, trustee for one year; Mrs. Frances Zachery, secretary; Dale Horton, treasurer, and Harry Chase, Sunday school superintendent.

A potluck supper was served by the women of the congregation preceding the annual meeting.

REPORTS OF SHOTGUNS AWAKEN MANY CITIZENS EARLY ON WEDNESDAY

People living on the outskirts of this city woke Wednesday morning to the tune of shots from shotguns and those who did not awaken immediately began to wonder just what was the cause of all the shooting so near by. The answer is that it was the opening of the China pheasant season and many sportsmen had climbed out of bed a few hours earlier that day than usual to get a few birds.

Some local hunters were not satisfied to try their luck at home, but went further away. Most of the hunters brought home a few birds.

LUMBER WORKER BREAKS TWO RIBS IN ACCIDENT

Earl Hill, employee of the Fisher Lumber company at Marcola, sustained two fractured ribs and many bruises about his body Friday when the edging machine which he was operating tipped over throwing both the operator and the machine off a lumber dock. He was brought to Springfield to have a local physician dress his injuries.

Springfield Takes Junction Hi Game

Harrisburg Cancels Game; Locals Have Double-Header for Friday Here.

Playing real football for the last four minutes of their game here Friday afternoon the members of the Springfield high school football team crossed the Junction City goal line two times to win a game that had already been given up by a large number of fans as being lost to the visiting team.

Junction City Scores First

A real thrilling climax was given the game which had dragged along with a score of 12 to nothing for Junction City in the last four minutes when the local boys seemingly found themselves and marched straight across the goal line refusing to be stopped by anything.

The game opened with Junction City making a touchdown in the first few minutes when they recovered a fumbled Springfield ball. Their efforts to make the extra point was frustrated.

In the second period they again worked the ball across the goal line and were again frustrated in their attempt to make the extra point. The game dragged on until the end of the half without any score and the entire third quarter was a scoreless battle for both teams. The fourth period opened and started off like the other until but four minutes remained to play. Hersey Tomseth got away for the first score this season for the local team. The locals chose to try for the extra point with a live plunge which was successful. Fourteen seconds before the final whistle blew Tomseth again crossed the goal line and the try for extra point was successful, making the score 12 to 14 for the home boys.

Both Teams to Play

Harrisburg high school officials called off their scheduled game with Springfield which was to have been played there on Friday. Efforts to schedule other games have failed so high school officials have secured a game with the St. Mary's high school of Eugene for the first string while the second squad will meet the team from the Roosevelt junior high school. The St. Mary's game will start at 2:00 o'clock and the second game will follow immediately. The quarters will probably be shortened to 10 minutes instead of the usual 15. Both games will be played on Brattain field Friday.

The starting lineup for the game Friday was Dorman Chase, left end; Dean Anderson, left tackle; Harold Geiger, left guard; John Lynch, center; Ware, right guard; Bill Sword, right tackle; Bert Tomseth, right end; Lloyd Freese, quarterback; Alonso Manwaring, right half; Ed Tomseth, fullback, and Hersey Tomseth, left half.

GIRL SCOUT MEETING TO BE HELD TONIGHT

The regular weekly meeting of the Girl Scouts will be held tonight instead of last night, the regular meeting time. The chorus group will rehearse under the direction of Mrs. W. K. Barnell at 7:00 o'clock and the social meeting of the group under the direction of Mrs. Agnes Baker, will be held immediately after the chorus rehearsal.

Margaret Jarrett was elected president of the troop at the meeting last week. Bernardine McFarland was chosen secretary. The chorus was organized with 20 voices participating. Theda Rhodes, LaMoyné Black and Melba Harris were named patrol leaders.

FIVE HUNDRED CLUB HAS FIRST MEETING OF FALL

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Adrian entertained the members of the 500 Club at their home on Thursday evening of last week for the first gathering of the season. Members attending were Mr. and Mrs. Wolby Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Larimer, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Dawson, Mrs. Maude Dawson of Hazelton, B. C. and Mrs. W. R. Curry of Eugene were guests at the party.

The next meeting of the club will be held on Friday, October 24, at the home of Mrs. Maude Bryan.

FIRST FORD CUSTOMER BUYS NEW FORD TRUCK

A new model Ford truck was delivered last week to W. W. Weight, Springfield butcher. This is the first sale to be reported from the local Ford agency which John Anderson opened here recently. A coupe has also been sold since that time but delivery has not been taken on it yet.

School Board To Talk New Budget

Citizen Members of Committee Named by Board; Insurance Let at Monday Meeting.

Members of the school board decided at their meeting Monday night to take out a blanket insurance coverage on all school property and to let the local banks write the policies. There was some discussion concerning the dividing of the insurance business among local banks.

George Perkins, local contractor, was named to appraise the school buildings and the three principals, together with the district clerk were recommended to make the appraisal of everything inside of the buildings.

About \$67,000 of insurance on the schools and equipment will expire soon.

Citizen members of the school budget committee were named at the meeting by the members of the board. They are Wm. G. Hughes, C. E. Kenyon, and W. C. Wright.

Another meeting of the school board will be held tonight at which time preliminary budget matters will be discussed. Only school board members will attend this meeting, another one will be called later for the purpose of drawing up a budget to be submitted to the taxpayers according to Dr. W. H. Pollard, chairman of the board.

BONUS LOAN FAVORED BY LEGION EX-SERVICE MEN AT COUNCIL MEET

Approval of the bonus loan constitutional amendment, to be voted on at the general election, was given by the meeting of the Willamette council of the American Legion in Springfield Wednesday evening. Delegates were present from Corvallis, Newport, Cottage Grove, Monroe and Springfield.

The delegates were instructed to encourage Legion members to work for the bonus loan provisions. This bill, submitted to the people by the legislature, extends the privilege of a loan not to exceed \$3000 to world war veterans who have been a resident of Oregon for the last ten years and also to veterans of the Spanish-American war.

Boy Scout activity, reforestation, hospitalization, membership and other topics were discussed at the meeting here. The next meeting will be November 19 at Corvallis.

COLORED SINGERS WILL GIVE RALLY CONCERT AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The entire rally day observance at the Christian church on Sunday will be given over to a program by a mixed quartet and dialect reader from the Mount Olivet Baptist church of Portland, (colored). They will give a 30-minute program of songs and readings including old time negro spirituals, southern melodies and old favorites.

Members of the quartet are Miss Barbara Hubbard, soprano; Mrs. Daisy Williams, contralto; C. E. Ivey, tenor, and manager of the singers; George M. Payne, basso; and Julia Mae Blanchard, accompanist and dialect reader.

The program will begin at 9:45 and will be given during the regular Sunday school hour. Preparations are being made to seat a large audience and it is expected that the church will be filled at that time.

This group of musicians have appeared in various churches of the state for several years. They recently sang in Dallas, and were in Eugene three years ago at the Christian church, when a state record for rally day attendance was set.

PROGRESS BEING MADE ON WORK AT AIRPORT

Work at the airport is progressing every day now. The Mountain States Power company has painted three large yellow and black bands on their power line poles along the north side of the field and the Union Oil company has painted red, white and blue bands on all of the telephone poles near the service station. The station itself has been given a complete coat of paint and the words "Inman School of Flying" have been painted on each end of the station. The word "Springfield" has been painted on each side of the roof of the building.

Most of the gravel for the runways has been hauled to the port and they are being rolled with a heavy roller this week making them both hard and smooth.

DR. CRESSMAN WILL BE P.-T. A. SPEAKER HERE ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Dr. L. S. Cressman of the faculty of the University of Oregon school of education will be the speaker at the regular meeting of the Springfield Parent-Teachers' association which will be held at the Brattain school Friday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock according to Mrs. D. C. Ogilvie, president of the association.

A regular business meeting will be held following the address at which time delegates to the county convention which is to be held at Elmira on October 25 will be elected.

The Parent-Teacher association is in the midst of their annual membership drive this week. This is being handled by Mrs. Ernest McKinney who has as her assistant, the three school principals, W. E. Buell, Laurence Moffitt and G. B. Wood. Men are as eligible to membership in the group this year as women and a special effort is being made to have them in the association. The list of members must be in Portland by October 20, if the group in this city is to enter the competition for a silver loving cup being given to the organization showing the largest percentage of gain in membership over last year.

SPRINGFIELD BAKERY INVITES CUSTOMERS TO VISIT NEW PLANT

Formal opening plans for the Springfield Bakery in its new location at 422 Main street are being made for Saturday, according to Fred Freese, proprietor. The remodeling of the Parrish property which is the new home of the bakery has been completed this week and the large brick oven has been completely reassembled and tested for almost a week. The other equipment for the bakery is now being moved from the Fifth street location and everything will be in readiness for operation tomorrow.

The salesroom has been moved into the new location and commencing Saturday a complete line of bakery goods will be made fresh daily.

The new home of the bakery has been completely remodeled and refinished for this store. The walls have been kalsomined a light cream color with a stipple effect on the walls. A three-foot wainscoting has been painted in brown around the salesroom. All of the display cases have been refinished in a rich ivory color.

The workroom of the shop has also been completely refinished and is well lighted. Mr. Freese is anxious to have his customers and friends visit this room on Saturday and see just how the products which they buy in the front room are made.

The front of the building has been painted white and the electric sign has been moved from the former location. A large single display window with three sections of glass doors on the inside offers an ideal place to display products manufactured in the bakery.

MRS. EGGIMANN LEAVES ON INSPECTION TRIP OF C. A. R. AUXILIARY

Mrs. C. F. Eggiman left Monday noon for eastern Oregon where she will spend the next two weeks visiting various organizations of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Auxiliary. She was met at Portland by Mrs. Frieda Peterson of Dallas, state inspector, who is accompanying her on the trip, which will take them to La Grande, Pendleton, Baker and Milton, Oregon, and Walla Walla, Washington. She expects to return to Springfield on Friday, October 24. Mrs. Eggiman is state president of the auxiliary organization.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE FOR REBEKAH GROUP NAMED

A committee consisting of Mrs. O. H. Jarrett, Mrs. Nellie Jordan and Mrs. Clara Johns was named at the meeting of the Rebekah lodge last Monday evening to have charge of all arrangements for the regular monthly social meeting of the group which is to be held on next Monday evening.

METHODISTS TO HEAR PASTOR ON "GOD'S TIME"

"God's Time" will be the Sunday morning sermon topic at the Methodist church. The Sunday school will meet at 9:45 with Mrs. Ida Gantz in charge, and the Epworth League will hold their meeting at 6:30 in the evening. At the evening service which begins at 7:30 Rev. C. J. Pike will preach on the subject, "The Old Way."

COUNCIL DISCUSSES NUMEROUS TOPICS

State Highway Department Decides to Build Gravel Walk from Bridge Until Shoulders of Fill Settles; Will Oil Next Year; Thank Firemen.

Members of the city council were told at their meeting Tuesday evening that the state highway commission would not construct a cement sidewalk along the north side of the fill from the new bridge to the present city sidewalk as has been intimated last week. The highway engineers have gone over the ground carefully and are convinced that the fill on the side of the street where the sidewalk would have to be built has not settled enough yet to prevent the walk from settling likewise if constructed. They have decided to build a four-foot gravel walk four inches thick with two by four side-walls to retain the gravel. The gravel for this work is now on the ground and the walk will be constructed soon.

Walk to Be Oiled

The highway officials declared that they would put an oil coating on the walk next summer, making it very similar to the roadways on each side of the bridge. This will adhere to the dirt fills and will not be as likely to settle uneven.

Many other small items were brought before the members of the council for their consideration including the problem of heating the fire station. It was pointed out that some means of heating the lower part of the building where the trucks are kept should be provided as any difficulty in starting the truck during a cold snap such as was experienced here last winter may mean a serious loss in case of fire. It is also very necessary that the truck be kept warm enough so as not to freeze the water in the radiator. The use of anti-freezing solutions tends to heat a motor and fire trucks usually become warm too fast when they are being used.

Fire Fighters to Get Pay

It cost the city fire department \$161.00 for extra helpers to watch the fire which destroyed the Springfield Mill and Grain company. Salary claims for this amount were allowed at the meeting.

It was reported that the Mountain States Power company would furnish light for the lower part of the new fire station without any additional charges.

Members of the council passed a resolution of thanks to the Eugene fire department for their assistance in handling this fire. They also expressed their thanks to the highway officials for the cooperation which they have shown the City of Springfield during the period of road improvement just completed, including the sidewalk construction.

A new tile culvert for a crossing in the north part of the city was approved by the council. It was urged because the old culvert kept breaking down and when repaired it was not large enough to drain low lots in the vicinity.

Budget matters are expected to be considered at the next meeting. Mayor Tyson is now working on a statement of the financial condition of the city and will attempt to show the voters why the budget must be altered at the next budget meeting.

CAR HITS TELEPHONE POLE; WOMAN INJURED

Mrs. E. M. Smith of Eureka, California is recovering here at the Senesby home from body bruises and shock which she sustained Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock when the automobile in which she was riding struck a telephone pole near Canyonville. Relatives riding with Mrs. Smith in the automobile were not injured in the accident. She was brought to a local physician's office for treatment.

CHICKEN HOUSES, HAY BURN ON NEARBY FARM

Two chicken houses and several hundred dollars worth of baled hay were destroyed in an early morning fire on Saturday at the Harry Jackson farm near Hendricks bridge Saturday.

The fire started at 5:00 o'clock and threatened the house, but was put out by neighbors before much damage was done. The chickens were all outside at the time of the fire and were saved.

Mr. Jackson is ill and is in the Eugene hospital.