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## O. H. JARRETT WILL BE ON NEW COUNCIL

Mayor Announces Appointment of Mill Superintendent to Council to Fill Vacancy Left by W. C. McLagan Who Will Move to New Locality.

O. H. Jarrett, superintendent of the Springfield plant of the Booth-Kelly Lumber company, has accepted appointment as city councilman for a two-year term to succeed W. C. McLagan, regularly elected councilman who is to make his home at North Bend after the first of the year.

He will assume his post on January 5, the first regular meeting of the city council in the new year. Fred Freese will be the other new member of the body, having been elected to take the place of M. J. McKlin, who declined to be a candidate for reelection.

Jarrett formerly served as a councilman for two years under C. F. Eggimann during the years 1920 and 1921. He has been a resident of Springfield since 1915 when he came here to assume management of the local mill. He is married and has one daughter, Margaret, who attends the public schools of Springfield.

Mr. Jarrett's appointment is for a two-year period only, although Mr. McLagan was elected for a four-year term. A state law provides that whenever a vacancy exists in the membership of a city council the mayor may appoint some taxpayer to the post until the next general election which, in this case, will be in two years.

The personnel of the new council will be H. J. Cox, W. A. Taylor, Fred Freese and Mr. Jarrett. W. P. Tyson will serve a full term as mayor and I. M. Peterson will continue as recorder.

## POWER CO. WORKERS HONOR MCLAGANS WITH GGTHING SATURDAY

Employees of the Mountain States Power company and their families gathered at the Community hall for a farewell reception for Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McLagan on Saturday evening. They enjoyed a two-course dinner which was featured by talks by W. K. Barnell and Mr. McLagan who responded. The latter part of the evening was spent playing games and listening to a short program which included a duet by Mrs. R. L. Burnett and Mrs. H. Schaffenberg, a tap dance by Miss Maxine Snodgrass, accompanied on the harmonica by Miss Lulu McPherson, and the group singing of "Hall Mountain States", an original song by Mrs. W. K. Barnell.

A Christmas tree was decorated and gifts were exchanged. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Emery Richardson and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Albers, Luther White, L. E. Danks, Cecil Mathes, Jack Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Schaffenberg, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Barnell, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McLagan, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. Riley Snodgrass and daughter, Maxine, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smitson, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Smith, and their families, Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Valentine, Miss Lulu McPherson, Jack Henderer, and Mrs. McIntyre, niece of Mr. and Mrs. Valentine.

## KENSINGTON CLUB HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY MONDAY

The annual Christmas party of the Kensington club was held Monday evening at the home of Mrs. S. C. Wright and was attended by twenty-two members and guests of the club. The evening was spent with games, songs, Christmas carols, and stunts. This was followed by a two-course luncheon and a large Christmas tree which was presided over by Santa Claus. He distributed gifts for those present. The entire house was beautifully decorated in the Christmas colors, and with greens.

Those present were Mrs. W. C. Wright, Mrs. W. F. Walker, Mrs. C. E. Swarts, Miss Edna Swarts, Mrs. J. C. McMurray, Mrs. J. T. Moore, Mrs. H. W. Whitney, Mrs. W. N. Dow, Mrs. C. E. Kenyon, Mrs. Levi Neet, Mrs. W. K. Barnell, Mrs. L. L. May, Mrs. W. E. Buell, and Mrs. S. C. Wright. Guests of the club were Mrs. Elder of Portland, Mrs. Alice Barret, Mrs. Roscoe Perkins, Mrs. B. A. Washburne and Mrs. Anne Kessey.

**Indebtedness Too High**  
A typographical error in the News last week in the story about the school district finances made the articles read that the bonded indebtedness was \$171,000, when it should have read \$71,000.

## Two Games Set For Hoop Squad

High School Win Two, Lose Two Games on Barnstorming Trip North.

Springfield high school basketball players won two and lost two games on their barnstorming trip which they took during the past week-end. They won the first game Wednesday evening with Lebanon 20 to 18. This was one of the most exciting games of the entire trip, the score being tied at the final whistle and it was necessary to play an overtime period.

The following night they went to Dallas where they lost the game 19 to 17, due largely to the fact that the gymnasium was too warm for the boys.

At Monmouth the boys met their only real opposition on the entire tour. The lads there rushed in and scored 12 points in the first minutes of the game and took the game 33 to 16 at the whistle.

McMinnville bowed down to the invaders on Saturday night to the tune of 20 to 26.

The high school boys are busy now preparing for two more pre-season games. Friday evening they will meet the Town team composed largely of alumni. Monday they will tangle with the Pleasant Hill group. They are rated as one of the strongest B league teams in the district and will make an interesting game. This team has succeeded in defeating the Eugene high squad in two games this season.

New red and white suits were issued this week for the team and dark blue warm-up shirts with attached hoods arrived Tuesday and will be exhibited Friday evening. The warm-up shirts are practical as they can be used for both basketball and football.

Members of the team making the trip last week-end with Coach May were John Lynch, Gilbert Ernsting, Lloyd Mattison, Gordon Wright, Bert Tomseth, Bruce Squires, and Harold Stevens.

## PAST MASTERS INSTALL NEW MASONIC OFFICERS

Tuesday evening was Past Masters night at Liberty lodge in Springfield. Following the business meeting the chairs were filled by Past Masters who had served the lodge since it started here eleven years ago. Charles A. Swarts, the first master of the local lodge, presided and was assisted by Past Master Oswald Olson. In installing the following officers for the coming year: Levi H. Neet, worshipful master, John Henderer, senior warden; Dan Stewart, junior warden; C. F. Eggimann, treasurer; C. E. Wheaton, secretary; R. G. Miller, senior deacon; Neil Pollard, junior deacon; J. D. Baugh, senior steward; Bert Johnson, junior steward; J. C. Ketels, Tyler; O. M. Olson, marshal, and J. F. Ketels, chaplain.

Following the installation ceremonies, Ira M. Peterson gave a short review of the lodge, after which refreshments were served in the banquet room by W. K. Barnell, E. E. Fraedrick, and Neil Pollard.

## N. O. W. DRILL TEAM HAS SURPRISE PARTY FRIDAY

Members of the drill team of the Neighbors of Woodcraft gathered at the home of Mrs. W. C. McLagan to honor and surprise her last Friday evening. Mrs. McLagan is to make her home at North Bend after the first of the year.

The members of the group brought covered dishes and a supper was enjoyed at 6:00 o'clock. A business meeting and election of officers was held following the supper. The new officers chosen are Mrs. Bernard Ernest, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. Harvey Eaton and Mrs. R. L. Burnett, social promoters; Miss Ida Cox, yell leader; Mrs. R. L. Burnett, correspondent; Miss Audrey McFarland, assistant correspondent; Mrs. Howard Gibson, song leader; and Mrs. Noah Helterbrand, assistant song leader.

A beautiful friendship quilt was presented to Mrs. McLagan as a token of the team's appreciation of her work as a member of the organization.

Those present besides the elected officers were: Miss Melba Mellons, captain, Miss Barbara Adams, Mrs. Alex Stevens, Mrs. McLagan, Mrs. Grayden Lewis, Mrs. Walter Lipes, and Mrs. R. L. Burnett.

## W. C. T. U. POSTPONES ITS REGULAR MONTHLY MEET

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Christian Temperance Union which was to have been held on Tuesday of this week has been postponed until Tuesday, December 30. The rush of the holiday activities was responsible for the postponement.

## EUGENE WANTS TO RE-OPEN LAND DEAL

Judiciary Committee to Discuss Tract Leased to Springfield; Seek to Work Out Plan by Which City Can Escape Paying Taxes.

A method whereby Eugene may escape paying taxes for 49 years on the industrial tract owned by that city and leased for \$1.00 a year to Springfield is sought by the owner. The Eugene city council instructed its judiciary committee at Monday evening's meeting to get in touch with the Springfield council and attempt to work out some different arrangement in regard to the 247 acre tract which was turned over to Springfield five years ago when it was purchased from the Southern Pacific railroad. The supreme court has recently held that all but the five acre park on the land is taxable and about \$3000 is now due on it.

The Eugene committee will seek a hearing with Springfield in a few days, the officials said. The delinquent tax certificate has been purchased and a chance that foreclosure will be taken soon looms before the council.

It is thought likely that Eugene will offer a deed to the land to Springfield in order to escape paying taxes on it for 49 years. However, the land was purchased by a vote of the people and attorneys are inclined to believe that it will take a vote for Eugene to dispose of it.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS HAS OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS GATHERING

A real old fashioned Christmas party was held by the members of Mrs. A. B. Van Valzah's Sunday school class of the Methodist church on Thursday evening of last week when all gathered at the Frank Bartholomew home for their party. Theo Bartholomew, Dorothy Bailey, and Doris Myers were the hostesses and served refreshments.

The evening was spent with old time games such as the old croquolone board and a beautiful Christmas tree was decorated from which those present exchanged gifts which they brought with them.

Those present were Dorothy Bailey, Doris Girard, Doris Myers, Anne Gorrie, Edna Platt, Beth Johns, Thelma Sweeney, Louelle Williams, Evelyn Buell, Ruth Clark, Myrna Bartholomew, Theo Bartholomew, Mrs. A. B. Van Valzah, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bartholomew, William Pollard, Wendell Bartholomew, Paul Potter, Howard Hughes, Ralph Hughes, Clayton Kirkland and Fred Buell.

Plans were also made at the party for another social gathering to be held New Year's eve at the home of Mrs. Van Valzah between the hours of 8:00 and 12:00.

## CHRISTMAS TREE FEATURE OF REBEKAH GATHERING

Christmas games and exchange of gifts at a large Christmas tree were the principal activities at the Rebekah Christmas party which was held at the lodge hall Monday evening following the regular lodge work. All members of the Rebekah lodge, their families, and members of the Odd Fellows lodge were invited for the evening.

## LOCAL HUNTER BAGS TWO GEESSE NEAR COBURG

H. Schaffenberg killed two geese Sunday while hunting near Coburg. He was accompanied by Frank Smitson. Geese are not very plentiful this year according to hunters, many of whom spend an entire day without seeing more than one or two.

## MCPHERSONS GATHER FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER HERE

Mrs. Mary McPherson is entertaining at her home on Mill street today with a large Christmas dinner for her sons and daughters and their families. Those present include Mrs. Stella McPherson and family, Walter McPherson and his family, Vinnie McPherson and Lulu McPherson.

## GIRLS SCOUTS POSTPONE MEETING FOR TWO WEEKS

The meeting of the Girl Scouts which was to have been held last night was postponed because Wednesday evening was Christmas eve. They will not meet next week either as it is New Year's eve. They will have their next regular meeting on the first Wednesday after New Year's.



IT WAS the night before Christmas,  
when all through the house  
Not a creature was stirring, not even a  
mouse.

## Waterway Group Comes in January

Springfield to Be Host to Canalization Boosters at Meeting Next Month.

The next meeting of the Willamette Valley Waterways association will be held at Springfield sometime during January according to Clifford Wilson and W. K. Barnell, both of whom attended the monthly meeting of the association at Newburg last week. The exact date for the meeting will be selected by Frank Jenkins, president of the organization, and the secretary, after they meet with local people interested in the development of the Willamette river.

Clifford Wilson was recently appointed a member of the board of directors of the association.

The people of the Willamette valley are not aggressive enough and are too timid to make large requests was the substance of an address made at the Newburg meeting by W. B. D. Dodson, president of the Portland chamber of commerce. Mr. Dodson had just returned from the Middle West where he had studied the manner in which those states had gone about to secure large appropriations for the canalization of their navigable streams.

The Willamette Valley Waterways association was formed last fall at the request of Senator McNary. Its purpose is to stir up greater interest in the canalization of the river from Oregon City to Springfield and to serve as a working body in the assembling of all necessary appropriation through congress.

## TWO NEW HOMES ARE BEING BUILT HERE

At least two people of Springfield are taking advantage of the opportunity now being afforded them to build their homes at this time when the prices at all materials and labor are at a low level. These two are Marion Severson and Glenn Hall. Severson is building a five room bungalow on G street between Seventh and Eighth. This is a frame plaster building and is now nearing completion.

The second home being built is on Second street just south of the Jones Service station. It will be a three room brick veneer building. Mr. Hall desired to build of wood, but his property is located within the fire zone and no wood structures can be constructed there.

## SEA FOOD DINNER GIVEN HERE SATURDAY EVENING

Mrs. Ella Lombard entertained with a sea food dinner at her home here Saturday evening complimenting her daughter, Maurine, who had just returned from North Bend where she is teaching school. Miss Lombard brought sea foods with her from the coast for the dinner. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Goslar and family, Miss Mary Latham of Eugene, Miss Lombard, Frank Lombard, and Mrs. Lombard.

## POSTAL RECEIPTS LESS QUANTITY OF PARCELS ABOUT SAME AS BEFORE

The peak in the outgoing Christmas mail was reached at the local postoffice on Saturday when a steady line of people formed behind the windows to mail their packages or buy stamps for their cards. Monday was also very busy, many people preparing their packages on Sunday. The past three days have seen the peak in the incoming mail. All rural carriers, piling their vehicles full of mail and packages each trip they make over their routes.

Receipts at the postoffice are not quite as great this year as they were during past years, according to F. B. Hamlin, postmaster, although they are holding up very satisfactorily. It seems that almost as many packages were sent as ever, but most of them were lighter and required less postage.

## CHAMBER TO ELECT NEW OFFICERS AT MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce will be held at the community hall on Friday. The principal item of business will be the election of officers for the next year.

Candidates nominated at the meeting last month are: President, W. K. Barnell and C. E. Wheaton; vice-president, Clifford Wilson and Harry M. Stewart; directors, W. A. Taylor, F. B. Hamlin, W. C. Wright, Carl Olson, and H. E. Maxey. There are five to be elected. The secretary of the chamber is appointed following the election. I. M. Peterson is the present secretary.

Officials who are now serving the chamber group are W. A. Taylor, president; C. E. Wheaton, vice-president, and the five directors, Carl Olson, W. K. Barnell, J. A. Seavey, W. C. Wright, and F. B. Hamlin.

## ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED AT LUNCHEON IN EUGENE

The engagement of Miss Irene Brownfield of Eugene to Louis E. Burkett of El Monte, California, was announced in Eugene last Thursday at a tea given by Mrs. William Jessup at her home in honor of Miss Brownfield. The date for the wedding has not been announced. Miss Brownfield has taken an active part in the musical work of the Christian church in Springfield during the past year and has many friends here.

## COUNTY CHAMBER TALKS ROADS LAST THURSDAY

W. K. Barnell and Clifford Wilson attended the county chamber meeting at Junction City on Thursday evening of last week. Roads and the employment of the unemployed on them during the winter was the principal topic of discussion. The place for the next meeting has not been selected as yet, depending largely upon the condition of the weather. The body meets the third Thursday of the month at various cities and communities in Lane county.

## NAME FOR BRIDGE STARTS AGITATION

Resolution of Lane County Chamber Seeking to Name Bridge Here After Van Duzer Opposed by Lions Club; Present Status Satisfactory.

The problem of naming the bridge across the Willamette river which was completed a year ago last summer, and which was dedicated in the fall of the same year has been revived again and is causing no small amount of discussion in this city.

First knowledge that any effort was being made to name the structure after a citizen was made public last Thursday evening at the meeting of the Lane County chamber of commerce, which was held at Junction City, when that organization had a motion placed before it urging that the bridge be named after Chairman H. B. Van Duzer of the state highway department. The motion was passed after the delegates had been informed that the Eugene chamber of commerce had gone on record as favoring naming the structure the Van Duzer bridge.

The predominating sentiment in Springfield this week is that the name should not be changed. Citizens point out that at the time of the dedication the question of naming the bridge was raised and it was decided that the bridge was only replacing the old smaller one which had become known as the Springfield bridge through common usage of the name, and that therefore the present structure should also be known as the Springfield bridge or the Eugene-Springfield bridge.

Members of the Springfield Lions club are not back of the effort to name the bridge after the chairman of the highway department. They appreciate the work which he has done in bringing the bridge to final completion, but still think that the matter should be left as it is. The club secretary was instructed to communicate their attitude to the highway commissioners at Salem. They suggest that if it is necessary to select a more positive name for the bridge that it be named after the late governor, I. L. Patterson. He was here and took part in the dedication of the bridge and this was also one of the last public appearances which he made before his death.

The final settlement of the question hinges with the state highway officials. They will probably be influenced to a large extent in their decision by the desires of the people in the vicinity of the bridge and those who derive the most benefit from it.

## BRATTAIN STUDENTS WIN SEAL SALE CONTEST HERE

Students at the Brattain school won first place again this year in the number of the Christmas health seals sold by students. They sold a total of \$22.50 worth of stamps and the Lincoln students turned in \$16.13 as their effort. This is the second time that the Brattain students have won first place in the seal sale. They will be awarded some prize for their efforts.

The women who sold the stamps in the business district turned in a total of \$21.00. No report has been received as yet from the girls league at the high school. They have sold the stamps from a booth in a downtown store on Saturday for three weeks.

Mrs. Gertrude Wilson was chairman of the seal sale this year.

## TWO ARE KILLED FRIDAY IN AUTOMOBILE MISHAP

Mrs. Louise Schwartz and Glenn R. Hughes, both of Cottage Grove, died Friday as a result of an automobile accident at the overhead railroad crossing near Goshen. They were driving north on the Pacific highway early Friday morning when they approached the crossing and were traveling so fast that when they tried to make the turn the automobile skidded into the side of the railroad supports. Mrs. Schwartz was killed instantly and Hughes was taken to the Eugene hospital where he died early in the evening without regaining consciousness. He had a broken left arm and left leg and a badly fractured skull.

Funeral services for Mrs. Schwartz were held at Cottage Grove on Monday. The remains were shipped to Portland. The body of Hughes was sent to Hood River where he has many relatives.