

CLERK EXPLAINS TAX DISTRIBUTION

Segregation Shows that Over Three-Fourths of Money Remains at Home

ROAD PERCENTAGE LOW

County Officer Proves That Tax Reductions, If Any, Must Start Locally

Seventy-eight and seven-tenths cents of every dollar paid by residents of Springfield for direct taxation are spent by the city of Springfield or by school district number 19, according to a segregation compiled this week by W. B. Dillard, county clerk.

Charts for the various cities of the county are being prepared by the clerk to ascertain and show residents of each of the communities just what happens to their tax money and where the greatest expenditures are made.

The clerk contended that the cities and school districts themselves must cut down their expenditures if any material reduction is to be made in the tax levy.

Out of each dollar paid in taxes school district number 19, which includes Springfield, gets 35.6 cents. The city receives 40.1 cents. The state takes only 6.3 cents of each dollar, and the county 6.5 cents.

County roads get only 8.5 cents of the dollar. This has been further segregated to show that 4.3 cents of this is spent for general road work, 2.5 cents for market roads, and 1.7 cents for payment of bonds issued.

The entire county will pay \$198,151.80 to the state as its share for the first half of the year 1931, according to a statement received by Grace Schiska, treasurer, from Tom Kay, state treasurer. Lane's share last year for the same period was \$110,030.72.

SALMON RACKS TO BE PUT IN RIVERS EARLY

Salmon racks will be placed in the McKenzie river at Hendricks bridge and at Oakridge on the Willamette river very soon, according to officials in charge of this work.

The racks form a pond in the rivers and prevent the fish from getting above them and also keep them from getting down stream again. Late in the summer the salmon eggs are taken from the fish and placed in the hatchery.

Officials in charge of the racks, remembering the trouble they had last year when an early run of salmon made their way up the river, are determined to have the racks in early enough to stop the first run. Last year the men in charge of the racks were frequently accused of letting salmon get up the river. An investigation proved that the fish went up to spawn before the racks were completed.

MRS. PUTMAN HOSTESS FOR MOTHERS' GROUP

Final Child-Parent Relationship Broadcast to Be Over Station KOAC May 5

Mrs. Lee Putman entertained at her home Tuesday for members of the mothers study club of the Parent-Teacher association. The topic for discussion was "Punishments and Rewards." A discussion group was held the first part of the afternoon and was followed by listening in on the radio broadcast over station KOAC.

There will be only one more of this series of lectures given weekly by Sarah Watt Prentiss, professor of child development at the Oregon State college. The next and final broadcast will be "Why Children Quarrel and Tease." This will be given on May 5.

GUESTS ENTERTAINED AT STEAMER HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Roy W. Stearmer entertained a number of their friends at a social gathering at their home in Springfield Wednesday evening. The guests enjoyed themselves with games and refreshments. Those present included: Miss Maxine Snodgrass, Mrs. Mabel Riddle, Miss Esther McPherson, William Cox, Katherine Jack, George Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cline, Alice Calvert, William Cornutt, Lawrence Meakins, Mr. and Mrs. William Stearmer, and the host and hostess.

METHODIST SERVICES SUNDAY ANNOUNCED

Rev. C. J. Pike, pastor of the Springfield Methodist church, will preach on the subject, "Explanatory," at the 11 o'clock service Sunday. His evening topic will be "Wear and Tear." The latter service starts at 7:30.

The Epworth League will meet at 7 o'clock instead of at 6:30 as has been done for some time. The Sunday school meets at 9:45 under the direction of Mrs. Wm. Gants.

City To Entertain Chamber Meeting

County Has Great Pork, Turkey, and Chicken Possibilities, Says Portland Man

Springfield Chamber of Commerce will entertain the Lane county Chamber of Commerce at their annual meeting to be held at the community hall May 21. It was decided at the monthly dinner meeting of the organization which was held at Eugene last Thursday evening.

Officers for the new year will be chosen at the meeting. H. E. Maxey, president of the County Chamber of Commerce, has appointed the following on a nominating committee to present names of candidates at the next meeting: W. K. Barnell, Springfield; Robert F. Callahan, Eugene; J. H. Miller, Junction City; C. E. Stewart, Cottage Grove; Earl Hill, Sluslaw; C. W. Allen, Farmers Union, Vida; E. A. McCormack, Pomona Grange; A. E. Gerrimonte, Westfir Community club; and Frank Haugen, McKenzie River club.

Lane county has a possible ten million dollar dairy industry, H. E. Cully, executive of the United States National bank, Portland, and chairman of the Agricultural committee of the Chamber of Commerce in that city told the members at their gathering last week.

The potential possibilities of the county in hog and poultry production was also stressed by the speaker who declared that an average of 14 carloads of hogs were shipped in to the state every day last year when all of these could have been raised in the Willamette valley.

Pedigreed poultry stock is in great demand and the county ought to eventually do \$5,000,000 gross poultry business annually, he stated.

Turkey raising will return three times as much as dairy and twice as much as chicken raising on the same investment, according to the speaker who stated that Lane county could do a \$2,000,000 turkey business each year.

Dr. Kester Takes Associate May 1

Dr. Milton V. Walker of Coquille to Open Practice With Local Doctor

Dr. Milton V. Walker of Coquille will come to Springfield May 1, to become an associate of Dr. Eugene Kester in the practice of their profession. It was announced yesterday by Dr. Kester, Dr. and Mrs. Walker were in Springfield Saturday to find a residence and they will make their home between Ninth and Tenth street on D street. They have two children.

Each doctor will conduct a general practice, but Dr. Walker will specialize on obstetrics and children's cases, with Dr. Kester devoting more of his time to surgery.

Mrs. Clara Fawver will serve as office nurse for both doctors.

The doctor from Coquille was formerly county physician of Coos county. He has had considerable experience with child welfare work.

DEMONSTRATION SET FOR BIBLE CLASSES

Public Invited to Student Program at Methodist Church Next Tuesday at 7:30 o'Clock

Students in the Week-day Bible school classes at the Lincoln and Brattain schools will be presented in a program of religious songs and readings at the Methodist church next Tuesday evening at 7:30 by Miss Goldie Smith instructor.

The Bible school classes for the present school year have been ended and the program Tuesday evening marks the final event of the season for those taking part in this work.

POULTRY CONDITIONS APPEAR BRIGHTER NOW

Optimism prevails in the latest economic report issued by the Extension service at Oregon State college. Turkey supplies in the nation's coolers are 60 per cent less than a year ago, a shortage of 6 million pounds compared to April 1, 1930, and over 4 million pounds compared to the 5-year average for April 1.

The egg and poultry outlook is also more favorable, according to the report. A sharp reduction in the number of pullets seems assured, and market receipt of eggs at leading markets have been lighter than at the same time last year, and storage holdings of both poultry and eggs are less than in 1930 at this date.

Daughter Born—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Neet of Jasper are the parents of a seven-pound baby daughter, Betty Lou, born to them at the home of Mrs. Neet's mother in Springfield Tuesday night, April 21, 1931.

Lane Odd Fellows To Meet at Crow

Oregon Loggers-Crow High School, Eugene Rebekah Orchestra on Program

The program for the Lane County Convention of the I. O. O. F. to be held at Crow, Oregon, all day Saturday has been completed and a large number from here are planning to attend the sessions and to assist in putting on some entertainment stunt as a part of the evening's program.

Members of the various Odd-fellow lodges in the county will gather for their opening session at the I. O. O. F. hall at 10:30 o'clock. They will hold a business meeting until noon when the Rebekah lodge of Elmira will serve a luncheon.

The afternoon session will be called at 1:30 by W. J. Holland, president of the county association. Lodge work and a business session will occupy the afternoon. New officers and selection of the meeting place for 1932 will be followed by a dinner for the visitors between the hours of 5:30 and 7:30.

The forenoon and afternoon sessions are for members only but the evening session at the Crow high school gymnasium will be open to the general public and will be featured by an address by Grand Master Dr. L. L. Baker of Eugene. Students at Crow high school will present a short skit, "Entertaining the Old Folks," and the Veneta Loggers will have a part on the program.

The climax of the evening will come with the presentation of stunts by visitors from each of the association lodges in the county. Officers of the association this year are W. J. Holland, Crow, president; C. A. Sovereign, Crow, vice-president; and H. J. Lane, Crow, secretary and treasurer.

The convention was held in Springfield last year and drew several hundred visitors to the city.

JUNIOR-SENIORS WILL BANQUET IN THIS CITY

Junior Class Decides to Have Annual Event at Community Hall Instead of Eugene

The Junior-Senior banquet, annual social affair sponsored by the junior class at the high school for the members of the class about to graduate will be held in Springfield this year for the first time in many years. In former years it has been customary to go to Eugene and hold the banquet at one of the dining places there, but this year the members of the junior class decided that they could have just as elaborate a dinner and enjoy themselves better by holding the affair at the Community hall.

May 1 has been set as the date for the banquet. Members of the ladies aid of the Methodist church will have charge of the preparation of the meal.

CAMP CREEK GROUP PLANNING PROGRAM

Four-H Club Members to Present Entertainment at Lower Church Friday Night of This Week

A special program to which the public is invited is being prepared now and will be presented by the Camp Creek Cooking club, a Four-H organization, at the Lower Church Creek church Friday evening of this week.

The program will open with a model business meeting and a demonstration participated in by all members of the club. Several progress talks will also be given.

The second number of the program will be a Swedish version of "The Courtship of Miles Standish" by Lucille Terpening. The other numbers on the program will include: "Looking Around for a Wife," a short three-act play with Esther Strunk, Pauline Conley, Mrs. Keeler, and Marie States; "Forty Years Ago," a poem, recited by Esther Strunk; "Crossing the Tracks," a skit with Vera Strunk, Lucille Terpening, and Neva States; "A Yankee in Love," reading by Marie States; and a pantomime of a "Hick Town Movie," participated in by all the club members.

LAUNDRY FRONT GETS NEW COATING OF PAINT

The front of the Springfield Laundry and Jimmie's dry cleaning parlors received a new coat of light green paint this week. Some of the woodwork on the interior of the two business houses was also painted.

HUGHES, HOLTON, ON EUGENE CLUB PROGRAM

Howard A. Hughes and Bernald Holton were the principal speakers at the dinner meeting of the Toastmaster's club in Eugene on Tuesday. The group meet regularly at the Y. M. C. A. at 6:10 for their dinner and discussions.

WORLD PROBLEM TOLD BY SPEAKER

Professor Mez Tells of Conditions Found in Various Countries on World Tour

PROHIBITION IS LAUDED

Idleness and Payment of Reparations Big Problems of Foreign Governments

"A trip around the world is the best thing one can take to make themselves fully appreciate the advantages of the country in which we live," Dr. John R. Mez, professor of political science at the University, told members of the Brotherhood of the Methodist church at their monthly meeting Monday evening.

Following the usual dinner in the church basement the members of the Brotherhood heard Dr. Mez play a group of numbers on his violin and tell about the trip he and Mrs. Mez took during the past year. William Pollard played his piano accompaniment.

Conditions in most of the world were found to be worse than they are in the United States, the speaker stated, stressing particularly the conditions of the people of Europe and their attitude towards the United States on the reparations problem.

Dr. Mez spoke very personally about the condition of the German people. His aged parents still reside in the vicinity of the Black Forest where the professor and his brothers grew to manhood and obtained several university degrees before he came to America where he continued his education and later spent several years with the government at Washington, D. C.

"Taxes taxes, and more taxes, are the continual burden of the German people," he stated. The taxes on the moderately pretentious home of the speaker's parents amount to about \$96 of our money every month of the year. A Ford automobile costs \$1000. Taxes on a Buick amount to approximately \$300 a year and each radio set is taxed as an amusement.

Young Plan Rapped

The "Young Plan" of reparations was termed an "insane plan." It requires the payment of large sums to the Allied countries and prohibits the exchange of goods and manufactured products as payment. Germany has no gold mines and is only able to meet her payments by going to the League of Nations bank and floating large loans which are made with large rates of interest. It becomes a vicious circle with Germany paying off a large part of her debt and then immediately borrowing the same money at an increased rate of interest to pay off the next obligation.

Other Countries Suffer But Germany is not the only country suffering from the war, according to Dr. Mez. The toll of the war and the sacking of parts of Austria and Hungary have left these countries with only fractions of their former population and that mostly congested in cities without sufficient ground to produce their own food.

The tariff walls of the European countries were also criticized by the speaker, who pointed out that each small country was injuring itself with these walls. He cited Germany with her tariff on rye which protected the farmers of Germany and kept the price up, but at the same time kept it so high that only a few could afford it and as a result many are starving and the farmers have their bins full of grain which they cannot sell.

Members of the committee which drafted the new constitution were W. A. Gossler, C. A. Swartz, Sid Ward, and Dr. W. H. Pollard. The next meeting of the Legion group will be held at Lowell in two weeks.

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There's Happy Days And Golden Gifts Around the Corner

The rice problem is similar in the Japanese islands, he stated, and other instances were cited.

Idleness is Problem Unemployment in most of the world, especially in India and in China where masses were starving was increasing the various traffic especially in opium and white slave traffic and was seriously injuring the countries.

High praise was given the League of Nations and the World Court by the speaker who stated that the court has among its membership all of the leading countries with the exception of the United States and a few other lesser ones. The court has already handed down 12 decisions which have settled disputes to the satisfaction of contending parties and which have possibly prevented actual military conflict.

"The United States government asked certain reservations be made when she was invited to join and now that they have been made she still remains aloof" declared the speaker.

Prohibition Lauded Prohibition was lauded by Dr. Mez early in his address.

"Those people who clamor for the return of liquor without restraint have forgotten in a very few years the transformation wrought by prohibition" he said. A trip on any large passenger boat and a visit to any of the foreign ports will surely convince anyone that the so-called "good old days" were not so good. Such a visit will convince those who boast that the citizens of the United States are drinking as much liquor today as before the amendment was passed of their error, he thinks.

Ed Privat and P. J. Bartholomew were taken in as new members of the Brotherhood at a short business meeting preceding the address.

The committee on tree planting along Main street was continued and asked to discuss the matter with the committee of the Lions club. Some trees are available now, and the Woodruff nursery has offered to donate others.

Legion Approves Fee For Initiation

Group Adopts New Constitution at Meeting Thursday; Officer Presents Gavel

Members of Springfield American Legion post number 40 adopted a new constitution effective immediately at their meeting at the Community hall last Thursday evening. The document takes the place of a former constitution which had been last.

The group also voted to approve of the proposed \$20 initiation fee to be made effective in 1932. This fee will be charged all new members and those who seek reinstatement.

Oswald M. Olson, past commander of the post, presented it with a gold banded gavel. Members of the committee which drafted the new constitution were W. A. Gossler, C. A. Swartz, Sid Ward, and Dr. W. H. Pollard.

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Contestants

Contestants in this campaign have the privilege of publishing all their votes at any time or may hold some in reserve. Therefore, the votes shown in this list each week will be the total which the contestants desired to be published. This method leaves it entirely up to the contestants themselves.

Gertrude Bauer, Eugene	5,000
N. George Blair, Eugene	5,000
N. L. Bond, Eugene	5,000
W. C. Bundrant, Jr., Eugene	5,000
Lola Bailey, Eugene	5,000
Mrs. Thos. Campbell, Eugene	12,000
Mrs. E. Forstrom, Eugene	5,000
Hazel Edmiston, Thurston	22,000
Mrs. Eva Gordon, Eugene	5,000
Beatrice Hinton, Elmira	5,000
Mrs. M. B. Huntley, Springfield	12,000
Mrs. Arthur Hayes, Eugene	5,000
Mrs. Ruth Garoutte, Cottage Grove	5,000
Mrs. Earl Jackson, Eugene	5,000
Mrs. J. Irene Hanekamp, Eugene, R. 2	19,000
Cleo Moats, Eugene	5,000
Mrs. Myrtle McAlpin, Eugene	5,000
Mrs. Pearl Schantol, Eugene	21,000
Mrs. Helen Reynolds, Springfield	5,000
Edna Smith, Eugene	5,000
Mrs. Harley Troxel, Eugene	5,000
Howard A. Park, Eugene	5,000
Joel Trapp, Eugene	20,000
Glenn Ternehahn, Eugene	21,000
Glenn M. Woods, Eugene	12,000

Students Present Program Friday

Missionary Society to Sponsor Benefit Recitals at M. E. Church Tomorrow

Students of Elbert DeMoss, violinist, and Edna Yarnell, public speaking instructor, will be presented in a benefit recital at the Methodist church Friday evening under the auspices of the Missionary society of the church. There will be no admission charge. An offering will be taken and everyone is invited to attend.

The program for the evening will consist of the following numbers: "A Smile," Fern and Frances Cornell; "A Noddy Dream," Ila Putnam; "The Difference," the Cornell Triplets; "The Thirsty Sun," "The Frown and the Smile," June Carr; "Rheumatism Movement Cure," Alice Miller; Violin solo, Allen Sneed; "She Wouldn't Say Please," "Little Perry's Awful Threat," Roberta Putnam.

"The Life of a Farmer," Frances Cornell; "Joe's Crime," Fern Cornell; "When Class A Gave Thanks," Ila Cox; Violin solo, Allen Sneed; "The Sick Kitty," the Cornell Triplets; "The House by the Side of the Road," Mrs. Conyers; "The Bugaboo," Ila and Roberta Putnam; "Original Pantomime," Ila Cox; "The Ruggles Family Goes Visiting," Margaret Schwartout; "Mallagar Bay," Edna June Yarnell; "Nearer My God to Thee," pantomimed by Ila Cox and sung by Mrs. Pike.

Ball Team Downs Players at Grove

Eugene High Takes Opener 7-5 Friday; Team Goes to Albany Friday

Springfield high school has one defeat and one victory for her baseball efforts after the first two games of the present season. Friday the local team dropped a heartbreaking game to the Eugene high nine after having outplayed their opponents most of the game, and Tuesday afternoon they took the measure of the Cottage Grove team at the Southern Lane county city by a score 10-6.

The Eugene high-Springfield game score was 7-5. Springfield had led their opponents on the local field Friday until late in the game when Eugene players made a spurt and established a lead which the locals could not overtake.

Springfield players scored 12 hits as compared to 11 for the Cottage Grove players Tuesday afternoon. The Springfield players made four errors.

High school students in the game Tuesday were Hulett, Tomseth, Lynch, Mattison, Thatcher, Roberson, Wright, Squires, Chase, and Liles.

The locals will meet the Eugene alumni team in a practice game this afternoon. Friday they will play Albany high at Albany. The next conference game will be May 1 when Springfield goes to Eugene to meet the University high nine.

NEW GOPHER CONTROL AREA STARTED TODAY

Farmers at Cedar Flat Begin Work on Second Voluntary Control District

Farmers of the Cedar Flat community are poisoning gophers today in that part of the community lying between the creek and the McKenzie river and below Hendricks bridge. They are working in a crew under supervision of H. S. Speer, of the U. S. Bureau of Biological Survey.

Among the farmers interested in the project are Richard Hart, James Hart, Joe Hart, Conley Brothers, J. B. Endicott, Ray Renne, Richard Easton, J. L. Watrous, M. Bristow, and Mr. Shelter. These men organized for this work under the leadership of County Agent O. S. Fletcher.

This is the second small voluntary gopher control area organized this year in Lane county. Gophers on a similar area on Fall Creek were poisoned about two weeks ago by the farmers cooperating with Mr. Speer and the county agent. The gophers are poisoned with powdered strychnine alkaloid on red clover leaves placed in the main runways.

ODD FELLOWS, REBEKAHS WILL OBSERVE FOUNDING

Members of Springfield I. O. O. F. lodge, with the assistance of Jaunita Rebekah members will observe the 112th anniversary of the founding of the lodge with special entertainment and exercises here Monday evening. The actual anniversary date is April 26, but this falls on Sunday, therefore the program has been set for Monday.

The I. O. O. F. lodge was founded at Baltimore, Maryland, in 1819.

MORE HOME TRADE SOUGHT BY C. OF C.

Business Men Seek to Increase Consumption of Springfield Bread

BENNETT SHIPS TO FLY

Mayor Reports That City Has Paid Taxes on Industrial Tract, Title is Secure

Greater consumption of local products, more trading at home, with special emphasis on an increase in the use of bread made in Springfield will be undertaken by the members of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce. It was decided at their first dinner meeting which was held at the Eagle cafe Tuesday evening with W. K. Barnell, president, presiding.

The Chamber of Commerce did not take any action on the matter, but a lively discussion was brought about, members present pledged their votes to work towards this goal.

It was pointed out at the meeting that Springfield merchants spend an average of \$1500 a month with Eugene bakeries for bread and bakery supplies while two good bakeries are making a bid for support in this city. Merchants were not bated for the situation, most of those present realizing that they have to sell what the public wants. The public, however, needs to be persuaded to remedy the problem it was pointed out.

Air Service to Start

Dr. W. C. Rebban reported that the Bennett Airways Incorporated would very likely receive regular passenger service through this city early in May.

Delegates to the Willamette Valley Waterways association meeting at Portland reported that Portland business men were willing to back the fight for the canalization of the Willamette river from Oregon City to Springfield. J. D. Pyle, Clifford Wilson, F. B. Hamlin, and Dr. Rebban all made reports. Other delegates at the meeting were W. A. Taylor, John Henderson, W. K. Barnell, and A. J. Perkins.

Dr. W. H. Pollard, chairman of the school board, reported that plans were being made to handle students from the McKenzie union high school when they return from the local high school next fall. He explained that the tuition charged for each student was hardly enough to cover the cost of educating the students but explained that their presence would mean a great deal to the city and to the high school work.

Land Title Settled The back taxes on the industrial tract have all been paid and 200 acres of the land has been taken over by the city as municipal property, according to a report made by W. P. Tyson, mayor. The remaining 46 acres were sold recently and the revenue derived was used to pay the back taxes. The property includes the five acre park, the airport, and considerable land available for industrial sites.

Approximately thirty business men attended the dinner Tuesday evening. The next meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held at the Community hall on May 5.

FRITTS FUNERAL TO BE IN EUGENE ON FRIDAY

Funeral services for Irving Jobs Fritts, 70, who passed away at his home in Springfield Tuesday morning will be held at the Walker-Poole chapel in Eugene Friday afternoon at 2:30. Rev. Harry Neet will officiate and interment will be made in the new I. O. O. F. cemetery.

Mr. Fritts was born in Wisconsin July 16, 1861. He lived there and in South Dakota until 1903 when he came to Oregon. He was married to Mrs. Katherine Thomas at Clear Lake, South Dakota, July 5, 1901. The family settled at Elkhead, Oregon, and lived there until they came to Wendling where they spent nine years. They moved to Springfield last June.

Survivors include his widow, one daughter, Mrs. Laura Neet, Myrtle Creek; two grandchildren; and four step children: Mrs. Zadie Emery, Vancouver, Washington, Mrs. Grace Ressler, Springfield, David Thomas, Astoria, Illinois, and Lloyd Thomas, address unknown.

BOY INJURES FINGER WHEN SHARP AXE SLIPS

Stephen Covington, employee at the New Home Bakery, cut a bad gash in the index finger on his left hand Sunday when the axe he was using slipped and struck him. Two stitches were necessary to close the wound.

Daughter Born—Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Rowland of Springfield are the parents of a baby daughter born to them at the Pacific Christian hospital in Eugene April 17, 1931.