



THE SPRINGFIELD NEWS



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SPRINGFIELD, LANE COUNTY, OREGON, THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 1934

NO. 13

COUNCIL ACTS TO AID TAXPAYERS

Passes Three Ordinances at Meeting; Provides for Interest on Bank Balances

FINANCES ARE IMPROVED

Extension on Bonds and Assessment With Home Loan

Monday night was a big night for members of the Springfield City Council. Three ordinances were brought up and several business matters were discussed and acted upon.

Ordinance number 560 provides for the extension of payments on Bancroft bond assessments in those instances where the taxes and interest have been paid up to date. In these cases the property owner will be permitted to obtain a 10-year extension under which he agrees to make 20 semi-annual payments large enough to fulfill the obligation. There are many of these Bancroft assessments falling due now on which the property owners are unable to make payments.

The second ordinance number 561 provides for the acceptance by the city of bonds of the Home Loan Corporation at par value in payment of street, sidewalk, and sewer assessments.

Under a recent ruling of the Federal Home Loan bank all loans in the future will be made with Home Owners Loan Corporation bonds in lieu of cash and these bonds are guaranteed as to interest and final payment by the federal government. The ordinance was passed so a person might secure a federal loan on his property for sufficient to take up all outstanding debts including the assessments.

The third ordinance deals with the vacation of certain streets and alleys in the Hadley addition to Springfield east of 10th street. This was given its second reading at the meeting and will be taken up for final action at the May meeting.

An agreement was made with the United States National bank in Eugene whereby that bank will pay the city interest at the rate of one-fourth of one percent per year on the average daily collected balances of the city. This is required by a state law.

Some discussion was also heard about the playground project which was left in an uncompleted condition by the CWA setup. It was decided to await some further news of the FERA plans for the smaller districts before any action be taken as it is expected that this organization will take over the uncompleted projects.

City finances were also considered at the meeting as Council members examined the financial statement as of March 31, the close of the first quarter of the budget year. During the month of March the city has paid off \$2,500 in bonds. Operating expenses have been kept well within the amount budgeted, and the warrant indebtedness has been reduced.

COUPLE WED SUNDAY AT M. E. PARSONAGE

Miss Edith Dempsey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Parsonage of Springfield, and Mr. Chester Gerber, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Gerber of Sweethome, were united in marriage at the Methodist parsonage Sunday with Rev. Dean C. Poindexter, performing the ceremony. Miss Pearl Dempsey and Milton A. Doane attended the couple.

Guests at the H. E. Gerber home Sunday for the wedding were Mrs. S. G. Miller of Encinito, California, Mrs. Verne Gerber of San Diego, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Gerber of Albany, and George Gerber of Sweethome.

IUKA PLANS BENEFIT CARD PARTY APRIL 27

Members of Iuka circle number 37, Ladies auxiliary of the G. A. R. will hold a benefit card party at Taylor hall on Friday, April 17. It was decided last Thursday following the regular meeting held at the home of Mrs. Clifford Lansdon in Eugene.

In charge of arrangements for the party will be Mrs. Lee Putman, Miss Eva Louk, Miss Melba Harris, Miss Jean Louk, and Miss Jolana Putman.

Members of the sewing circle of the auxiliary will meet this afternoon for their needlework at the Eggmann parlors.

FINGER CUT IN SAW AMPUTATION NECESSARY

Wayne Kendall cut his left thumb so badly on a saw in the manual training department of the high school Monday that it was necessary to amputate it back to the second joint. He was taken to the Pacific hospital, but was back in school again Tuesday afternoon.

'Uncle Patrick' Is H.S. Operetta

Combined Boys and Girls Glee Clubs Will Present Irish Number Friday Evening

The annual operetta presentation of the combined glee clubs of the Springfield high school will be given at the high school auditorium Friday evening, April 13, under the direction of Miss Glyde Dilley and Miss Mary E. Whitney, with Donald Brown as accompanist. "Uncle Patrick" by Gibbs is the title of the operetta chosen to be presented this year. It is as the same implies an Irish musical entertainment. All three acts take place at Falls Park Manor in the Rose Garden, Dublin county, Ireland. First act takes place in the morning, the second in the afternoon and evening and the third the next morning.

Cast of Characters

Character roles and those playing them are as follows:

Sir Fitzpatrick O'Grady, A wealthy Dublinite, Irving Davis; Colleen—Lady Mary's niece, Lillian Butler; Lady Mary—Owner of Falls Park Manor, Pearl Olin; Squire Mathew Baxby—A neighbor, Bob Brown; Darby Duffy—An old servant, Joel Cowden; Kathleen O'Mann—Servant, Juanita Seaman; Dan Tyrann—Gardner, Charles Ingersoll; Nora—Darby's wife, Lucile Davis; Maureen O'Connell—Cousin from Dublin, Ruth Stratton; Molly O'Tool—Maureen's country friend, Ellen Moskop; Felix Murphy—A tight-fisted money lender, Arlow Atkinson; Fairy Queen, Alice Bates.

Playing parts as fairies are: Lois Wilson, Elva Boyles, Gladys Shelley, Katherine Williams.

Chorus of friends and neighbors: Ahaphia Palaniuk, Ruth Pollard, Roy Crandall, Doris Robinson, Margaret Haack, Edward Hansen, Eunice Rhinevaul, Morris Stewart, Bob Brown, Carmen Stafford, Jack Williams, Woodrow Bates, Violet Potter, Warren Vail, Lawrence Chase, Betty Mersdorf, Thurman Lanning.

Students at the high school have been working on the operetta for several months. The student body has an unusual number of good singers this season and some good entertainment is expected.

On the production staff is Donald Brown, business manager; Everett Lajoie, stage manager; Jack Clark, advertising; and Margaret Meek, programs.

NEEDLECRAFT MEMBERS HAVE BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. H. H. Schaffenberg and Mrs. William Moyer were hostesses at the home of the former last Thursday afternoon for the regular meeting of the club. They had Mrs. W. K. Barnell and Mrs. Arthur Roberts as their guests. About 20 members were present.

The surprise feature of the afternoon was a large birthday cake served in honor of the birthday of Mrs. C. F. Barber.

Mrs. W. C. Wright and Mrs. Larson Wright will entertain the club at the home of the latter with a one o'clock luncheon on April 19 for their next meeting.

DEPOT AGENT GIVEN BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

Carl Olson, local depot agent, was surprised at his home Saturday evening by members of the birthday club on the occasion of his birthday. Bridge was enjoyed during the evening. Present for the social affair were Mr. and Mrs. Olson, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Whitney, Mr. and Mrs. Elvin May, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Barnell, Mr. and Mrs. Dan W. Crites, Mr. and Mrs. John Henderer, and Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Pollard and infant daughter, Caroline.

POSTAL BUSINESS SHOWS GAIN FOR FIRST QUARTER

A gain of 11 percent in volume of business at the Springfield post office for the first three months of 1934 over the same period in 1933 was reported at the end of the first quarter by Harry M. Stewart, acting postmaster. Total receipts this year amount to \$1,571.05 for the quarter as compared with \$1,322.82 for the same period in 1933.

MISS WAGNER HOSTESS FOR CARD CLUB TONIGHT

Miss Clarabel Wagner will be hostess at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Iley Snodgrass tonight for the regular session of the O-No bridge club. Meetings of the club are held every other Thursday.

Infection Bothers

Jean Privat, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Privat was at the Eugene hospital the first of the week receiving treatment for a facial infection. He is getting along nicely now.

Cousin Visits

Miss Marjorie O'Dell, cousin of Mrs. Olive Rebhan, has been visiting at the Rebhan home here this week. Mrs. Rebhan motored to Salem this afternoon with her guest who returned to her home.

CIVIC CLUB PLANS FOR BENEFIT TEA

Crippled Children Will Be Aided By Local Group; Work On Rose Show Plans

A benefit tea for the Dorenbecker hospital for crippled children in Portland will be sponsored on Monday, April 20, at the home of Mrs. A. B. Van Valzah by members of the Springfield Civic Club. It was decided at the monthly meeting held Tuesday at the library. The tea will be held on the porch of the Van Valzah home at 952 C. street.

Mrs. Edward Privat has been named chairman of the tea program committee.

Delegates to the County Federation of Women's clubs meeting to be held at Santa Clara on Friday, April 13, were named and include Mrs. A. B. Van Valzah and Mrs. David Saltzman.

The program for the Tuesday meeting was under the direction of Mrs. C. E. Wheaton who discussed the culture of flowers. She exhibited a number of plants and had the members guess the names of them. Mrs. D. O. Fisher, and Mrs. Van Valzah tied for honors of guessing the most correctly.

Current styles of clothing for spring and summer wear and new materials from which to make these were described by Mrs. Carl Olson who attended a style show at the high school earlier in the afternoon.

Plans for the annual Rose Show and children's parade were discussed at the meeting. The early spring weather indicates that the show will probably be held in the middle of May. A committee of the club will seek to have local stores decorate their windows for this flower show event.

Mrs. L. K. Page and Mrs. David Saltzman were hostesses Tuesday.

MRS. ANNA GERBER DIES HERE TODAY

Funeral Services for Elderly Resident of Springfield Set For Saturday Morning

Mrs. Anna Gerber, 83, died this morning, April 12, at the home of her son, H. E. Gerber, following a lingering illness.

She was born in Noble county, Indiana on January 24, 1851 and on December 17, 1876 Miss Anna Morrell was married to George Washington Gerber. Mr. Gerber died in Springfield on December 24, 1931.

Shortly after the wedding the couple moved to Missouri where they lived for several years until 1899 when they moved to North Dakota. In 1923 they came west to Washington and later to Monoc Oregon. Five years ago they came to Springfield to make their home with their son.

Mrs. Gerber is survived by four sons, David W. at Albany, Joseph W. in Minnesota; Henry E. in Springfield, and George M. at Sweethome; also two daughters, Mrs. Gladys Miller in California, and Mrs. Lela Squires at Monoc; as well as 24 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Saturday morning from the Pooler-Gray-Bartholomew chapel, Springfield, at 10:30. Rev. Dean C. Poindexter, pastor of the Methodist church of which Mrs. Gerber was a member, will officiate, and interment will be made in Laurel Grove cemetery.

HEALTH SERVICE WILL START FIRST AID WORK

A ten-weeks first aid course will be started in Springfield next Wednesday, April 18 for all interested adults. The class will meet at the Christian church at 2 o'clock for a period of one and one-half hours each week or a total of 15 hours in the ten weeks. Mrs. Della Fitzgerald of the county health office is making the arrangements for the class. There will be no fee, but each person is required to purchase their own handbooks.

HARRY WRIGHT SEEKS FINAL CITIZEN PAPERS

Harry Wright went to Portland Wednesday to take the examination for his final citizenship papers. He was accompanied by his mother, Mrs. S. C. Wright, and Mrs. Harry Whitney and Mrs. Carl Olson who served as witnesses. The party returned to Springfield today.

Secretary to Mouse

LOS ANGELES . . . When Miss Carolyn Shafer (above), is not rushed to death answering movie fan mail for her boss, she is rather proudful that she is the only secretary in the world to a mouse. His name is Mickey Mouse . . . and what a boss.

BALL PLAYERS AT H.S. WIN GAMES

Sign Contest for Brattain Field Friday at 4 With Eugene Bible College Nine

WINE IN THREE GAMES

Sign Meets With Eugene High For April 27 and May 8; Seek Lowell Engagements

High school baseball has assumed the spotlight position in athletics in Springfield right now and, although the players are in need of more experience they are showing up very well in their early contests under the leadership of W. E. Buell, principal and coach. Bill Davis, extown team mentor, is assisting in the training.

The local boys are not afraid of competition and take on all comers. Their latest venture is to sign the Eugene Bible college team for a game Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock on Brattain field. This ought to be well worth watching.

The season opened a week ago today when the Springfield boys almost lost their first contest to the small but dangerous junior high players from Woodrow Wilson school in Eugene. In this game Henry Trinka blew up early and the visitors took an early lead in the scoring which Springfield was unable to batter down until the final inning when the game was halted with the score 13-11 for the locals. Dale Carson proved to be a coming pitcher in his mound work in this game.

The very next day, Friday, the team met Coburg high in another close game which ended 13-12 for Springfield.

The third game of the season played Tuesday of this week resulted in a one-sided game against Thurston which ended 22-1. Despite the score, the game was interesting. Such events as Scott's two home run hits provided a great deal of the action desired by all sports fans.

Harvey Russell former American Legion junior baseball team pitcher, went into the pitchers box for Springfield in this game. He is recovering from a foot injury and did not pitch more than the first half of the contest when he retired in favor of Carson. Russell is being counted on to do the hard pitching work for the local team if his foot does not cause him too much trouble.

Other members of the team are playing good ball also. Few batters have been able to put the ball out of reach of both the field or infield players on hits. George Irvin is holding down the catcher's position.

Lineups for the Tuesday game were as follows:

Springfield Irvin c. Russell p. Vest 1b. Scott 2b. Squires 3b. Brattain ss. Cooper rf. Posey lf. Trinka cf. Thurston Smith p. Moon 1b. Fox 2b. Thompson 3b. Whitbeck ss. Platt rf. Hufford lf. Wilfret cf. Jeans

Two games have been signed up with Eugene high. The first on April 27 and the second on May 8. Negotiations are also being sought with Lowell for two games according to Buell.

PLAN ORGANIZATION OF SALES TAX SUPPORTERS

Announcement of a called meeting for the purpose of effecting an organization in Lane county to support the present sales tax law which has been referred to the voters in the May primary election will be small but representative of the various elements and will be held Monday, April 16 at 8 o'clock at the Eugene Chamber of Commerce.

BETTY JARRETT TO BE PRESENTED IN RECITAL

Miss Betty Jarrett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Jarrett, will be presented in recital at Gerlinger hall on the University of Oregon campus next Thursday evening, April 19, at 8 o'clock by her instructor, Mrs. John Stehn. Miss Thelma Morrison, violinist, with piano accompaniment by Miss Jane Alice Pengra, will assist Miss Jarrett. Miss Morrison is a student of Miss Vivian Malone.

HAPPY HOUR MEMBERS INVITED TO EUGENE

Patronesses of Mu Phi Epsilon, honorary musical sorority invite members of the Happy Hour club to a program and tea to be given at the Osburn hotel in Eugene on Friday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Included in the program will be an address by Dean John J. Landberry of the school of music.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS HOLDS PARTY ON FRIDAY

Members of the Sunday school class of Mrs. A. B. Van Valzah held a social at the home of their teacher Friday evening. Miss Doris Myers and Mrs. Ralph Cline were in charge of arrangements. About 15 attended.

BAPTIST QUARTERLY MEETING IS TONIGHT

The quarterly business meeting of the Baptist church will be held at the church tonight. Principal item of business to be discussed will be the annual budget. A potluck supper at 6:30 will precede the business meeting.

BRATTAIN PRINCIPAL TO ATTEND OFFICER CAMP

Glen B. Woods, principal of the Brattain school, will leave Saturday for Vancouver Barracks, Vancouver, Washington where he has been called for active duty in the Organized Officers Reserve. He was called for two weeks but says he will try to return in one week.

LEAGUE COMMITTEE IS LOOKING FOR CAMP SITE

The outing committee of the Christian Endeavor society of the Springfield Christian church is now seeking a suitable site for their annual outing. Members of the Endeavor group want to hold a week's outing early in June in some attractive and yet somewhat secluded spot. One site above Lucky Boy camp, Boy Scout camp, was inspected recently and others are being investigated according to William Cox, member of the committee.

ENDAVOR SOCIETIES IN PRE-CONVENTION RALLY

Christian Endeavor societies of the Lane county district held the first of a series of four pre-convention rallies at the chapel of the Central Presbyterian church in Eugene Saturday night from 7:15 until 9:15 o'clock. A three fold program of entertainment, study and drama was enjoyed. A large delegation from the Springfield Endeavor headed by William Cox, president, was in attendance.

REBEKAHS ELECT MEET DELEGATES

Lodge Groups Join in County Convention Stunt; Will Aid In I. O. O. F. Dinner

Mrs. Sarah Johns, Mrs. Glenn Stone, and Mrs. Bertha Rouse were named delegates from Juanita Rebekah lodge Monday night to attend the state Assembly to be held at Tillamook the latter part of May. Alternates named are Mrs. Lillian Black, Mrs. Maude Bryan and Mrs. Katie Brumette.

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The board authorized the purchase of a new lawn mower for the high school.

MOHAWK SIGNS H.S. TRACK MEET

First Cinder Competition Announced by Coach Hall; All Events Are Included

Track prospects for Springfield high school will soon be known. Announcement of the first of a series of track meets for the local cinder and sawdust men was made today by Marion Hall who announced that he had made arrangements for a meet with Mohawk union high school Wednesday afternoon, April 18 at 3 o'clock at Marcola.

This is only the first of a series of test meets which the school of Lane county are holding before the district meet. Efforts are now under way to secure a four-way meet with Eugene-Cottage Grove-University High and Springfield. Just when this can be held is not decided yet.

The meet must be held before May 5, when a Willamette Valley meet will probably be held. District eliminations will be held May 12, and the state finals at Corvallis on May 19 if present dates stand. A shadow fell across track prospects somewhat Monday when Kendall was eliminated from competition following an injury to his hand.

Hall still has some very promising material for the different events and has listed those to participate as follows:

Shot put—McLagan and Clifton; discus—Hartman, Chetwood, and Williams; javelin—Chandler, McLagan, and Hayes; high hurdles—Smith; low hurdles—Smith; 100 yard dash—Stewart and Hadley; mile—Hansen, Henson, and Hill; The 850—Hanson and Clifton; pole vault—Hartman and Brattain; 220—Stewart; 440—Brattain; high jump—Brattain, Hayes, Smith and Clifton; broad jump—Stewart, Brattain, Smith, and Hadley; and relay—Stewart, Smith, McLagan and Hadley.

METHODISTS TO HEAR OF 'MYSTERY OF FAITH'

At the eleven o'clock hour at the Methodist church the pastor, Rev. Dean C. Poindexter, will preach from the theme, "Prepared to Preach in Rome." The message for the 7:30 hour will be: "The Mystery of Faith." The church school will meet at 9:45 a. m. The Junior League meets at 5 p. m. The Epworth and Wesleyan leagues meet at 6:30.

Coburg Methodist

The theme for the service at 9:45 will be: "Paul the Ready." The Sunday Church school meets at 10:30.

PAST MATRONS ELECT MRS. ROUSE PRESIDENT

Mrs. William Rouse was elected president of the Past Matrons club of Cascade chapter, O. E. S. at their meeting Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Opal Roberts, now president. Mrs. Pearl Schantol will be the new secretary-treasurer succeeding Mrs. C. E. Wheaton. The May meeting of the club will be held at the home of Mrs. Clifford Wilson.

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LEGION PLANS POTLUCK SUPPER HERE TONIGHT

A potluck supper starting at 6:30 is planned by members of the Springfield American Legion post number 40 to precede their regular business meeting at Taylor hall tonight according to notices sent out by Oswald Olson, adjutant.

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