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## CITY REVERSES DEBT PAYMENTS

Operating Fund With Cash Payments To Employees Must Go Says Councilmen

### CALL OLDEST WARRANTS

All Funds Will Be Appropriated As Received And Paid On Oldest Obligations

A complete reversal of their financial policy was set by the Springfield City Council at its monthly meeting Monday night when the group decided to quit the present practice of paying employees and operating expenses in cash and to start writing regular general fund warrants for all these items. All funds now on hand, including some \$1800, and funds received from time to time are to be applied on the oldest warrants in the order in which they were written.

A warrant call published in this issue of the News calls for payment on Friday of all general fund warrants including number 13,691 dated October 31, 1930; street improvement warrants including 13,824 dated January 13, 1931; and library warrants through number 15,098 dated May 31, 1934.

### Late Warrants Called

The moneys now on hand and that received in the future will be apportioned to the various funds and paid accordingly as it is received, thus accounting for the fact that some of the warrants written this year are being called at this time.

The council members through the office of City Recorder I. M. Peterson, has prepared a statement of their action and the reasons for doing so at this time. This statement is published in another part of the paper.

This action on the part of the city government does not indicate that the city finances are in any worse condition than they have been for several years, rather they are gradually improving.

### Financial Strength Same

With an operating fund the city has managed to meet monthly expenses for the past several years when there was no opportunity to dispose of more warrants. The result was that persons holding the warrants were not receiving their money for several years, also that new warrants were not being written to jeopardize the earlier ones.

Under the plan adopted Monday evening the City will merely write warrants for current expenses and use the money paid in taking up old warrants, eventually cleaning up all old paper and creating a new series. Careful management by city officials and reasonable willingness and ability to pay taxes on the part of property owners will eventually make it possible to clean up most city warrants.

### Will Build Up Credit

This will relieve the embarrassing warrant situation which now exists in which very few warrants have been written for the past few years, but the old warrants remain unpaid, an uninviting condition to investors.

The actual indebtedness by warrants amounts to about \$26,000. This is not much more than double that of the school district number 19. The school district has no warrant older than six months and these warrants are being purchased for cash at face value.

No provision has been made for the manner in which the city employees and those selling materials to the city will dispose of their warrants. This will be left to the individual to do the best he can with his paper according to Mr. Peterson. He feels certain some purchasers of the new warrants will be found and that these purchasers will not have to hold them for more than two years during which time they will draw interest at the rate of six percent.

### PREMIUM LISTS FOR STATE FAIR SENT OUT

Annual premium lists for the Oregon State fair to be held at Salem on September 3-9 have been printed and mailed this week. The state legislature did not make the usual \$75,000 appropriation for premiums this year and the fair board will depend on income from the State Racing Commission for its premium money says Max Gelhar, fair director.

Admission prices for each day or evening will be 25 cents this year including Sunday. There will be no passes, exhibitors, or concessioners tickets printed for the fair this year says Gelhar.

### HIT-AND-RUN DRIVER SMASHES LOCAL CAR

Paul F. Potter was uninjured, but his light coupe was badly damaged Sunday evening about 8:30 when he was struck by a hit and run driver in Eugene at Eighth and Monroe streets.

### U. S. Open Golf Champ



PHILADELPHIA... Olin Dutra (above), giant Californian, crashed through to the U. S. National Golf Championship in the 38th annual playing of the classic. Ill and playing under great physical strain Dutra came from behind in the final day to nose out Gene Sarazen by one stroke.

## LODGE GROUPS TO HAVE BIG PICNIC

Many Springfield People To Attend I. O. O. F. Sectional Outing At Lost Creek

Nearly every member of the Springfield I. O. O. F. lodge and of Juanita Rebekah lodge are planning to attend the annual sectional picnic which the I. O. O. F. lodges of the Willamette valley hold each summer together with lodges from the Deschutes district East of the Cascades. The picnic will be held on Sunday at Lost Creek ranch.

Several local people are planning to leave early Sunday morning, although the picnic proper does not start until 10 o'clock. Stunts and other forms of entertainment for the picnic have been arranged by committees in charge.

Miss Maxine Snodgrass, vice-grand, acted as noble grand for the regular Rebekah meeting Monday evening in the absence of Miss Eunice Gerber. Miss Gerber is attending the annual Girl Scout camp as camp nurse.

During the business session Mrs. O. H. Jarrett was re-elected captain of the degree staff. Mrs. Fred Louk was re-elected as press correspondent for another six months.

The acting noble grand appointed Mrs. Alice Doane, Mrs. Blanche Daniels, and Mrs. Meda Catching members of the social committee for the meeting next Monday.

Initiation and the monthly social night will be held next Monday it was announced.

### POST OFFICE RECEIVES NOTICES OF CHANGES

Two changes in postal rules were announced this week by Harry M. Stewart, acting postmaster. The first deals with the delivery of insured, C. O. D. special delivery and registered mail for which an additional charge of 10 cents will be made if the mail is to be delivered to the addressee only. The addressee will have to pay the extra dime. This will not effect many persons except those who expect mail and who instruct the postmaster not to deliver it to anyone but themselves.

The second change which becomes effective August 1, provides for the payment of the amount of the usual money order fee at post-offices where money-orders are cashed in other offices than those on which they are written. This will apply here in cases where Eugene or Springfield people cash their orders in alternate postoffices from those on which the orders were drawn.

### WOODCRAFT NEIGHBORS SET PICNIC FOR JULY 22

Details for the annual Neighbors of Woodcraft picnic to be held this month were completed at the regular lodge meeting last night. The outing will be held at the Eugene-Springfield auto camp and will be an all-day affair. The lodge will furnish coffee, cream, sugar and ice-cream.

A program of stunts and sports will be held.

U. O. Art Student Honored Eugene, Ore.—A pencil sketch, made by Mrs. Alma Gorman, student in art at the University of Oregon summer session, has been used as the cover illustration for a current number of School Life, monthly organ of the office of education of the department of the interior. Mrs. Gorman's sketch depicts a crew of C. C. C. workers laboring in the forests. She is a student in the Carnegie art class, a project financed by the Carnegie Corporation at the university here in the west, and at Harvard in the east.

## SCHOOL STATUS SHOWN IN REPORT

Board Elects Hamlin Teacher For Next Year; New Members Sworn In At Meeting

F. B. Hamlin was elected to teach in the Springfield school system the next year at the monthly meeting of the school board held at the City Library last Thursday evening. Hamlin was elected without assignment, as are the other teachers in the district.

This was the first meeting of the new school board to which the public was extended an invitation to attend, and members of the board were disappointed at the small attendance. Dr. W. N. Dow was sworn in as a new director for three years, and Severt Jacobson took over his duties as clerk.

The annual financial statement of the district as prepared by C. F. Barber, retiring clerk, was presented and discussed at the meeting.

Total receipts for the year from all sources were \$56,350.79. Disbursements amounted to \$54,053.95, leaving a balance on hand of \$2,296.84. Of this sum \$400 of warrants from the Wallerville district for tuition is included with \$1,896.84 cash on hand.

Receipt items were divided during the year as follows: Wallerville tuition, \$880; county high school tuition fund, \$6527.14; state school fund, \$889.10; elementary school fund, \$3485; county school fund, \$7150; district tax, \$11,851.58; bonds, \$9130.00; cash on hand June 30, 1933, \$1,555.18; and warrants issued during the past year \$14,132.64.

Disbursements Listed Disbursements were made under the following heads: General control, operating expenses, \$905.15; supervision, high school, \$1135, grade school \$1352.50, total \$2,487.50; instruction, high school \$7712, grade school, \$8410.94, total, \$16,122.94.

Expense of operating buildings: \$3777.54; maintenance and repairs, \$583.95; library, \$123.72; insurance, \$559.44; new equipment, \$173.93; and debt service, \$29,319.78 on bonds, interest and old warrants.

Warrants outstanding against the district on June 30, were \$14,132.64. Subtracting the balance on hand this leaves an actual warrant indebtedness of \$11,835.80. Bond indebtedness remains at \$62,500.00. Buildings are valued at \$58,000 and equipment at \$12,000.

During the year bonds totaling \$5,500 and interest of \$3630 were retired by the district. Warrants paid amounted to \$19,142.28, and interest on warrants amounted to \$1047.50.

### FIRE EQUIPMENT NEEDED IN FOREST AREAS NOW

A shovel, axe and one gallon water container must be included in the equipment of campers entering the national forests of Oregon and Washington by pack train, automobile, or other vehicle, if they wish to obtain a campfire permit, according to Regional Forester C. J. Buck, Portland, Oregon.

Campfire permits can be obtained free of cost at any ranger station and are required where campfires are to be built at any place other than designated campgrounds.

"This regulation has been in effect for the past two years, from July 1 to September 30. Forest users as a whole have cooperated excellently in carrying out this requirement and it has proved to be a definite factor in curtailing man-caused forest fires," said Mr. Buck.

Certain areas in the McKenzie and Willamette watersheds are now closed or restricted. These places are marked on trails and highways leading into them.

### SHERIFF'S AID PLEADS NOT GUILTY TO THEFT

Roy W. Potter, former deputy in charge of license work at county sheriff's office, pleaded not guilty this morning before Circuit Court Judge, G. F. Skipworth, to a charge of larceny of public funds.

He was arrested after a grand jury indictment and later released on bail. He will remain on bail until given a trial.

Alec McKenzie, former bank employee in Springfield and now a resident of Eugene, is taking Potter's place in the sheriff's office.

All losses to the county were covered by bonds of C. A. Swarts, sheriff.

### BAPTISTS ANNOUNCE SERVICES FOR SUNDAY

Rev. R. E. Rolens, pastor of the Springfield Baptist church will speak on the topic, "The Jungle's Return," at the morning service at the church Sunday. For the evening service at 8 o'clock he will speak on "The Judgments—Numbers 2 and 3."

## Soft Ball Brings Out Big Crowds

Second Round Of Six-Game Series Scheduled For Tonight On Three Fields

Springfield suddenly became baseball minded Tuesday evening of this week when six teams of nine soft-ball players, a total of 54 or more players from this city turned out on three fields for the opening games of a series announced last week. Interest in the games ran high and each game was watched by large groups of interested spectators.

In the opening tilts the Irish-Murphy nine played a close game to win 9-8 from the Larson Service Station nine. Shorty's nine ran away with Kirkland's Floral team 9-1, and Fulop's team had 28 points chalked up to 5 for Wright-Hardware when they finally stopped playing.

All teams have been doing considerable reorganizing since the opening games and closer scores are expected in future games. Games are to be played every Tuesday and Thursday evenings, two on Brattain field and one at the high school.

The schedule of games for tonight are Fulop's versus Kirkland's on the high school field; Shorty's versus Irish-Murphy on north Brattain; and Larson's versus Wright's on the south Brattain field.

Next Tuesday Kirkland's and Larson's teams play on north Brattain; Fulop's and Shorty's on the high school; and Wright's and Irish-Murphy's on the south Brattain.

A full roster of each team will be published next week after preliminary changes have been completed.

## GAME STAMPS TO BE OFFERED HERE

All Hunters Must Buy Migratory Bird Stamp and Attach To State License

Wild fowl hunters in all parts of the United States will have to obtain a hunting stamp from their postmasters before they will be allowed to shoot migratory wild game. The stamp will cost one dollar and will be pasted on the hunting license issued by the state and postmarked by the postmaster.

The only persons exempt are those under 16 years, persons operating or owning their own property, government workers for propagation purposes, or others designated by the department of agriculture.

The stamps will be issued at postoffices serving a population of 2500 and it is expected that the stamps will be placed on sale here according to Harry M. Stewart, acting postmaster.

Proceeds from the sale of the stamps are to be used in establishment and maintenance of game refuges.

State licenses will be required in states where they are now necessary and all state laws governing hunting will prevail.

### SUMMER SESSION ENROLLMENT LARGE

Eugene, Ore.—Enrollment at the University of Oregon summer session neared the 600 mark at the end of the second week, when the total climbed to 576. Since there is no penalty for late registration, several students are expected to complete registration in the near future.

This is a marked increase over the total of last summer, when the number reached 450. Other state institutions holding summer sessions also show an increase, it is stated. With 580 students enrolled early in the Portland session, special and regular student late enrollments are expected to bring this total to 800.

Growing interest in specialized fields of education, especially those concerned with teaching children with learning difficulties, is indicated at Eugene, where the class in psychology of a typical children under Dr. B. W. DeBusk leads all others with an enrollment of 60. Two other courses, one in secondary education and the other in educational psychology have 46 members each.

### DECREE TEAM PLANS REGULAR PRACTICE

Members of the Progressive 22 degree staff of Juanita Rebekah lodge are to meet at the I. O. O. F. hall Friday evening for the regular monthly meeting. The social committee for the evening are Mrs. Clara Snodgrass, Miss Maxine Snodgrass, Glenn Stone and Miss Edna Swarts.

## COUNCIL TALKS CITY FINANCES

Receipts For Six Months Period In General Fund Is \$668.23 Above Expenses

The city of Springfield spent a total of \$4,633.13 out of a general fund budget total of \$14,397.40 during the first six months of the present year according to the semi-annual audit report made at the Council meet Monday evening by C. A. Horton, auditor. This leaves an unexpected balance of \$9764.25 of the 1934 budget.

Receipts for the period totaled \$16,194.20, and there was a cash balance of \$4,843.04 on hand January 1. Receipts by funds were bond sinking, \$3989.40; bond interest, \$4,528.98; general fund, \$5,301.36; improvement interest, \$141.99; loans receivable, \$459.09; library, \$250.07; street improvement, \$1509.31; and warrant sinking fund transferred to general fund, \$421.48.

While the city kept operating expenses down to \$4633.13 for the six-months period, the receipts totaling \$5301.36 were only \$668.23 above the amount expended, due to non-payment of taxes. More than half of the taxes that will be paid this year have already been paid.

Warrants outstanding on January 1, 1934 were \$29,864.51 and to this has been added the sum of \$13,271.37 issued since that time. Many of these warrants have been called in this week's newspaper and the total warrant debt will actually be about \$26,000 as of July 1.

Warrants cancelled and paid during the six months period total \$15,211.25 together with interest of \$719.82.

General bonds outstanding total \$108,000, and Bascroft improvement bonds total \$18,550.56.

Not one department in the budget has expended more than half of the budgeted sum during the six months period. Largest savings are shown in the street and police departments, fire department, emergency fund, clean-up, advertising, airport, and audit funds.

## YOUNG PEOPLE AT INSTITUTE MEET

Springfield Pastor Is Leader At Morning Watch During Week At Suttle Lake

Several automobiles left Eugene, Springfield and Wendling this morning for Suttle lake taking young people of the Methodist church to the mountain resort where they will spend one week attending the annual Epworth League institute from July 12-18 inclusive.

Eight young people from the Springfield church, Ila Bartholomew, Velda Bartholomew, Donald Brown, Faye Parsons, Rodney Vest, Charlene Fish, Florence Belle Fish, and Coleen Cornell, together with their pastor, Rev. Dean C. Poindexter, left here this morning. Miss Margaret Adair of Coburg accompanied the group. A larger delegation from Eugene and a smaller one from Wendling are also in attendance.

A regular dairy program starting at 6:15 and concluding at 9:45 each evening will be followed. Rev. Poindexter has charge of the morning watch hour at 6:40 just preceding the breakfast. Bible study will be held from 8:30 to 9:10 and citizenship and missions will be studied until 9:55. Hobby groups meet at 10 o'clock and personal relationship will be discussed at 10:30.

The afternoon will be devoted to organized recreation, rest, dramatics, an evening speaker, and a bonfire.

Churches participating in the institute include those in Lane county and those across the mountains from Klamath Falls to Hood River and east of Pendleton.

### MILLS REOPENED AND LUMBER PRICES CUT

Both the Booth Kelly sawmills in Springfield and Wendling were opened Monday following the annual shutdown over the Fourth of July. Men in the camps above Wendling also returned to their work.

At the same time Lane county lumber dealers announced that they were reducing the prices on certain kinds of lumber to encourage the remodeling of homes under the President's home remodeling program.

Summer in California—Mrs. Arbia Lansberry left Tuesday evening for San Francisco to spend the summer months with her parents. She plans to return to Springfield September 1.

### G.O.P. Chairman



WASHINGTON... Henry P. Fletcher of Pennsylvania (above), is the new chairman of the Republican National Committee. Mr. Fletcher was a Teddy Roosevelt rough rider in Cuba, former ambassador to Italy and a Hoover supporter.

## OLD BOOK SHOWN AS 'TRAIL' NEARS

Episodes Of Pageant To Include New Sets; Children To Open Big Parade

During this, the year of another pageant, many relics and aged articles are being dug out of dark closets and trunk bottoms to be once again proudly exhibited. Every week someone steps forward with something a little better than that already shown. Just recently an old almanac printed in 1856 was shown in Eugene and now comes Mrs. H. Burgher of East Main street in Springfield who exhibits an almanac published in 1797, a leap year. The almanac was printed in Albany, New York and was left to Mrs. Burgher by her brother who acquired it from his grand-mother.

Mrs. Burgher also displayed an old book, "Journal of the Travels and Sufferings of Daniel Sanders." The book was published in 1794 and has the original wood cover and binding.

The book deals with the adventures of Sanders, a mariner on board the ship Commerce, out of Boston. Samuel Johnson was commander of the ship which was cast away on the shores of Arabia on July 10, 1792, two years before the book was published.

Further details of the Oregon Trail pageant to be given in Eugene on July 26, 27 and 28, were released by pageant workers this week. All outstanding episodes of the 1299 pageant will be retained and several others have been added. This year the pageant will open with a miniature covered wagon train, in which 500 children 5 to 9 years of age will take part. Each wagon will have a driver, a "lady" in old time dress, and two boys as "oxen." Cowboys on shetland ponies will ride alongside, and the "trail" will be harassed by little brown-skinner Indians in full regalia.

Other episodes added include the Champoeg event, a range scene of cowboys herding cattle and yodeling under the stars, an impressive world war scene and war memorial, and a hectic climax of modern days.

The huge stage for the pageant is being built on wheels so it can be rolled off and on completely set in units. Fred Harris, nationally known theatrical man from the Ellison-White concert bureau in Portland, is directing the construction of the stages which are to be moved on regular railroad rails.

Advance sale of reserved seat tickets has already been started.

### STUDENTS FROM MANY PLACES ATTEND O. S. C.

Students attending summer session at Oregon State college this year represent 6 foreign countries, 1 territory, 9 other states and 32 Oregon counties, figures just released by the registrar's office show. The states include Arizona, California, Idaho, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Utah and Washington, with a total of 114 representatives. Canada sends five students, China one, Alaska one, and Oregon 272, which, with 10 auditors listed, makes a total enrollment of 403.

### BIRTHDAYS OBSERVED WEDNESDAY EVENING

The birthdays of Mrs. A. B. Van Valzah, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Williams, and Eileen Doane, all of which come on July 11, were the occasion for a birthday dinner which Mr. and Mrs. Bert Doane gave at their home Wednesday evening. Besides those with birthdays, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Williams and the host and hostess were present.

## RIDERS COMING FOR HILL CLIMB

National Champions Entered In Motorcycle Events To Be Held Here July 22

### LEGION POST IS SPONSOR

Climb Has A. M. A. Sanction; Records Set Will Be Official In Northwest

Motorcycle riders from all parts of the Pacific coast from the Canadian boundary down to Mexico will compete in the largest professional motorcycle hill climb ever held in Western Oregon on Sunday, July 22 at the Beacon hill in Springfield, starting at 2 o'clock. All entries have not been received yet, and it is expected that between 20 and 25 riders will participate in the events of the afternoon.

Among prominent riders who have already been signed in the events which are being sponsored by the American Legion, will be Gene Ryan, 1932 national champion from Sacramento; Bob Keller, runner-up in the 1933 contests, from Los Angeles; Otto Grager, northwest national champion rider from Portland; Don Watergard and Red Forsythe of Seattle; and George Faulders of Spokane. All makes of machines will be used by the riders.

### Experts in Charge

Ray Tauser, who has just returned from five years of racing and hill climbing in England and Australia, and Bill Davis, well-known Lane county rider who has spent several seasons riding for the Harley-Davidson company in the Middle Western and Eastern races and hill climbs, are managing the Springfield meet. The hill climb is sanctioned by the American Motorcycle association and all records set here will be official. A representative of the A. M. A. will be here for the hill climb.

### English Machine Here

Tauser has brought back with him a Douglas machine of English manufacture and this motorcycle will be used for the first time on the Pacific coast in this meet.

The climb will be no setup for any rider. The east side of the hill on which the climb will be made is rugged and steep. It boasts a 75 percent grade and up to this time less than a half dozen riders have reached the top. Davis was the first to make the climb successfully and he did it after three years of professional riding. Davis is a veteran hill climb artist having pioneered in the sport 18 years ago.

Ample parking space is being provided for the spectators and their automobiles. The side of the hill is being cleaned off and lanes for each rider will be marked off with lime and stakes every 25 feet to measure distances climber. Electrical timing devices perfected by the Clark brothers, automotive electricians in Eugene, will be used to record the time of each rider from the instant he breaks the starting tape until he crosses the finish line at the top or stops. All will be in plain view of the spectators and will be easy to watch.

The Willis D. Link sound truck from Eugene will be on the ground to make the announcements audible to everyone.

### PORTLAND WRITER TO SPEAK AT CHURCH HERE

Rev. Dean C. Poindexter, pastor of the Methodist church will not be here Sunday as he is attending the Epworth Institute at Suttle lake.

For the morning service Rev. Frank S. Clemo will deliver the sermon.

Sunday evening Ernest W. Peterson, automobile editor of the Oregon Journal will speak on "Interdenominational Religious Situation Today." Mr. Peterson has just returned from a five-day religious meeting in New York where representatives of 40 nations gathered. He also acted as one of Oregon's delegates to the last general conference of the Methodist church at Atlantic City.

### SERVICE MEN REGISTER FOR WORK ON BRIDGES

All ex-service men are urged to register with Frank Armitage at the employment office in Eugene for work on the new coast bridge project. Ex-service men will be given first preference in the assignment of these jobs.

### CHRISTIAN SERVICES FOR SUNDAY LISTED

"Other Sheep I Have" will be the subject of the morning service at the Christian church. Edward Dyer will sing a vocal solo, "Abraham, the Faithful," will be the evening message subject. There will be special music. Rev. Veltie Pruitt will preach at both services.