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CITY DISPOSES OF \$20,000 IN BONDS

Five-Year Payment Extension Arranged With Woodmen Of the World

GREAT SAVING TO CITY

City Now Has Control Of Its Finances and Can Prevent Threatened Litigation

A payment extension of five years on \$20,000 in bonds, which would have otherwise been in default November 1, is announced today by Mayor E. H. Turner. An agreement has been reached by the city of Springfield and the Woodmen of the World lodge not only to take five year serial refunding bonds for the \$20,000 issue, but to cut the interest rate from six per cent to four and three-fourths per cent.

Large Saving
This arrangement means a saving to the city of several hundred dollars. It marks the second step in the city's refinancing program started by the new council, the first being the payment last week of \$11,500 defaulted for the last three years. Incidentally the paying off of the \$11,500 default bonds hinged upon a settlement of methods to refund the \$20,000 issue since the city faced litigation upon the discovery by the Woodmen of the World that there had been no sinking fund created to take up the \$20,000 issue when due.

Improves Finances
The refunding of the \$20,000 issue instead of letting it go into default improves Springfield's financial situation greatly, according to Mayor Turner. It places the payment dates within the city's ability to pay, it saves one and one-quarter per cent interest, it stops threatened litigation whereby all city tax money might have been seized, it gives the town once more control of its finances besides improving the town's credit so that it may do further bond refinancing and provide for warrant payment, the mayor points out.

Negotiations for the refunding of the \$20,000 issue were started by O. V. Brees, city auditor, who visited the Woodmen of the World headquarters in Denver, Colorado, on his trip to take options for further refunding. Subsequently former Congressman Willis Hawley, one of the head managers of the lodge, visited Springfield, inspected the recent audit of the books, and the minutes of council meetings over previous years. While here he agreed with Mayor Turner to recommend the refunding at lower interest at the meeting the head managers of the lodge.

Woodmen Resolution
Following is a copy of the certified Resolutions and Order passed by the Board of Head Managers, May 15, 1935, and received from the Woodmen of the World covering the \$20,000 improvement bonds:

"Whereas, Our association, Woodmen of the World, of Denver, Colorado, is the owner and holder of \$20,000 principal amount of Town of Springfield, Oregon, Improvement bonds, bearing interest at six per cent per annum payable semi-annually in May and November, dated November 1, 1910, and maturing November 1, 1935; and

"Whereas, said town of Springfield has represented to said Woodmen of the World that it will be impossible to pay and discharge said bonds on their maturity date, and has proposed the issuance of refunding bonds of said Town in equal principal amount, grade and character of security as said bonds now owned and held by our association and to be substituted and exchanged therefore, said refunding bonds to bear interest at the rate of four and three-quarters per cent per annum payable semi-annually in May and November of each year, and mature as follows: \$4,000 on November 1, 1937; \$4,000 on November 1, 1938; \$4,000 on November 1, 1939; and \$4,000 on November 1, 1940; and further that said refunding bonds shall be duly authorized by special and exclusive ordinance of said town and shall be dated either May 1, 1935, or November 1, 1935, and in the event the same are dated May 1, 1935, said town of Springfield shall, it and when the proposed exchange of bonds hereunder is effected, pay to our association \$125 in cash, difference in interest up to November 1, 1935."

The refunding bonds are expected to be authorized and furnished the Woodmen of the World lodge within the next few weeks or as soon as the city attorney can prepare the issue.

FOUR-L MEETING SET AT TAYLOR HALL FRIDAY

Regular meeting of the Springfield Four-L group will be held at Taylor hall Friday evening. The meeting has been called for 8 o'clock.

Local People at Lodge Sessions

Springfield Sends Nineteen to Rebekah and I. O. O. F. Sessions At Salem

Springfield was well represented this week at the State Rebekah assembly, and the Grand convention of I. O. O. F. in Oregon, both of which were held in Salem this week.

The Rebekah lodges met Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, and the Oddfellows met Tuesday, Wednesday and are concluding their sessions today.

Representing the Springfield lodges are: Rebekah, Mrs. Clara Snodgrass, Miss Eunice Gerber, Mrs. Glenn Stone, Mrs. Bertha Rouse, Mrs. Katie Brunette, and Mr. and Mrs. William Strunk; and Oddfellows, E. E. Pyne and W. F. Walker.

Others who drove to Salem Wednesday to attend the public session and program were Mrs. Sarah Johns, Mrs. Fred Louk, Miss Eva and Miss Mary Ann Louk, Mrs. Clarine Putman, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Black, Maxine Snodgrass, and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Sankey.

Miss Eva Louk was installed as conductress of Juanita lodge Monday to fill the unexpired term of Miss Irma Nolt who had to resign because of other duties.

TRACKMEN WIN IN STATE EVENT

Smith Gets Third in High Hurdles and Hansen Comes In Second in Mile

Springfield high school track artists completed their year's work in a brilliant manner Saturday on Hayward field in Eugene when they won five points and placed tenth in the state high school track and field meet with only two entries.

Not only did the two boys, Malcolm Hansen and Disque Smith, place tenth in the meet, but they also won more points than any other entrants in their district from the same school.

Hansen repeated his performance of last year at Corvallis when he won second place in the mile event. Disque Smith qualified Friday afternoon in the high hurdles, but failed to qualify for the low hurdles. Saturday he took the lead in the hurdles event, but fell back into third place at the finish line when he struck two hurdles which slowed down his speed.

Disregarding the limited number of men with which he was confronted when he started to build his track team, Marion Hall, completed the season with an admirable record for any school. His team won second place in both the Willamette valley and the district track meet over such schools as Eugene high, University high, Roseburg and Cottage Grove and Chemewa, Corvallis and Salem in the Valley meet.

Three men qualified for the state meet but Kerrigan Hutchinsin was forced out of competition with a sprained ankle.

Hansen and Smith are graduating with the senior class and entered their final events for Springfield high school Saturday. They are expected to find places on track teams of larger schools next fall.

M'MORRAN & WASHBURNE CASH CITY WARRANTS
Springfield city warrants will be cashed at par at the McMorran and Washburne store whenever purchases or payments on account are made, Carl Washburne, manager of the store, announces.

We consider Springfield warrants as good as cash and believe the city will be in a position to redeem them in a few months, declared Mr. Washburne. "We see no reason why anyone should discount them," continued Mr. Washburne, who said that his store had already taken many warrants at par.

MISS LONG HOSTESS FOR LODGE GIRLS FRIDAY

Members of the F. L. Girls club of Juanita Rebekah lodge were guests at the home of Miss Florence Long last Thursday evening for their annual meeting. Miss Irma Nolt was elected president; Miss Long, vice-president, and Miss Bernice Conoly is the new secretary-treasurer.

MEETING CALLED FOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Springfield Chamber of Commerce will hold a meeting next Wednesday evening at Taylor hall starting at 8 o'clock according to notices sent out this week by H. F. Hamlin, secretary. President W. K. Barnell, will preside at the meeting.

PLAN PROGRAM TO AID PLAY CENTER

Public Invited To Free Entertainment At Lincoln School At 7:30 Tonight

WILL GIVE SHORT PLAY

Prison Warden Lauds Supervised Playground Movement in Letter

First public program to be presented by the recently organized Springfield playground association will be given at the Lincoln school this evening at 7:30. There will be no admission charge and all interested are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served after the program. Small charges will be made for these and proceeds will go into the playground fund.

A short play, "Forty Winks," written by Mrs. R. E. Dawson, president of the association, will be the feature of the evening program. Mrs. Floyd Thompson, Miss Bernice Conoly and Miss Dorothy Mae Potter are in charge of this number.

Program Announced
The program will open with selections, "March Militair" and "Jolly Coppersmith," by the toy orchestra of the Brattain school. Short talks will then be given by I. G. Shaw, Dean C. Poindexter, R. E. Rolens, Mrs. A. B. Van Valzah M. A. Pohl, Roy Quincey and Mrs. Elmer Ferguson. F. B. Hamlin will be master of ceremonies. Other numbers will include tap dancing by Miss Dorothy Myers class, violin solos by Oma Mae McNett and Marie Hollister, selections by the Lincoln school orchestra, the play, a closing pageant featuring the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Brownies, and conclusion with everyone singing "Onward Christian Soldiers."

Sing Sing Warden Writes

Commendation of the work being attempted here by the Playground association was contained in a letter received this week from Lewis E. Lawes, warden of Sing Sing prison. In his letter addressed to Mrs. Dawson, he says in part:

"It is surprising that no such recreation center exists in the community today. I have always felt that supervised recreation is essential for the youth of any locality. Of course education is also a prime necessity, but both should supplement each other. The schools only take care of children for a certain period of the day. After that time if efforts are not made to properly supervise the activities of these children, there is every likelihood that anti-social tendencies may be inculcated. Proper recreation is conducive to their best interests. It creates proper contacts and inculcates what is known in my opinion as character education. May I at

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Ball Team Near Close of Season

High School Adds Wins Over U. H. S. and Lowell; Close With Pleasant Hill

Sport fans who were wondering what had happened to the high school baseball team when they began losing games freely after a long chain of unbroken victories were equally surprised yesterday afternoon at the manner in which they won their game with Lowell.

Both teams started off strong with no score until the last of the second when Springfield scored three runs. After that the game was theirs only for one inning when the visitors brought in seven runs in the fourth. Springfield retaliated with a nice string of runs which left the score 14-7 in the sixth inning. Lowell brought in two runs in the final inning to end the game, 14-9.

Last Friday afternoon the boys broke their losing streak when they held what looked like a track meet with University high school. The game finally ended with the score standing, 17-8.

The local team has just one more game on their season's schedule. This has been advanced from Friday until Tuesday afternoon of next week and will be played at Swimmer's Delight park as a feature of the all-school picnic. Their opponents will be Pleasant Hill. They have already defeated the Hillbillies but they, in turn, handed a 10-5 defeat to Eugene high Tuesday afternoon.

At this time the Springfield team has won victories over each of the teams on the schedule. They divided games with Junction City, Eugene, Lowell and Oakridge, and have won double victories over Marcola and University high.

SCHOOL PROJECTS GET APPROVAL IN PORTLAND

Springfield's SERA school project has been approved in Portland by the state committee and work is expected to be started very shortly on the schools. The gymnasium is now being emptied of materials and equipment in preparation for the remodeling there, and the equipment in the manual training and domestic science rooms is being stored elsewhere in the building. Paving the outside of the building and regrading the grounds will be done at the Lincoln school.

Typhoid Reported—Two cases of typhoid fever in one family were reported last week-end at Marcola by Dr. R. C. Romig, county health officer. Shallow wells and no sewage disposal system were criticized by the health officer following an inspection.

FINAL REPORT ON SERA WORK MADE

Project Costs Total \$6,241.07; Government Furnishes \$3,749.60

Final reports on the Springfield SERA street projects were made this morning and shows that the city actually received a total of \$3,749.60 for labor under the project and that the city expended \$1,718.27 in cash and received a credit of \$755.20 for use of its tractor and trucks, making total outlay of \$2,493.47 on the part of the city in the project participation.

Final summary of the City's participation in the project which closed last week showed total expenditures as follows:

Gravel	\$790.95
Lane Co. Road Patrol	179.95
Ind. Accident Ins.	137.15
Lumber	84.22
Gasoline	189.10
Oil and Grease	7.28
Supervision	236.41
Hardware	47.95
Truck and Tractor Main	45.12

Credits Received
Truck participation:
2 one-ton @ 90¢ hour for 606 hours \$545.40
Tractor Grader:
At \$1.15 per hr. for 198 hrs. 227.80

The SERA participation report shows a total of 1,180 man-days of labor or 7,069 man-hours for which the following amounts were expended:

January	\$144.00
February	990.00
March	960.00
April	909.00
May	746.60

Only about two-thirds of the \$6,900 grant for labor was used by the city in the project. City officials have been promised that they will be permitted to take up the balance of the project money at a later date if they are able to finance the operating costs and materials.

PAST OFFICERS TAKE OVER O. E. S. MEETING

Past officers of Cascade chapter, O. E. S. took over all chairs of the local chapter Tuesday evening during the Past Matrons and Past Patrons meeting. Mrs. Lena Fredrick was seated as worthy matron with C. A. Swarts as worthy patron. Mrs. Darr Wilson was assistant matron, and W. E. Buell, assistant patron.

Mrs. Ida Swarts was conductress, Mrs. Abbie Wheaton assistant conductress, and Mrs. Janie Green treasurer. Pearl Schantol was secretary. Mrs. Jeannette Wright, Martha, R. B. Oldham, sentinel, and Mrs. Opal Roberts, marshal. All past matrons were presented with corsages during the evening.

Discuss Electric Rates on Friday

Council Committee Goes To Salem To Meet With State Utility Commissioner

The petitions calling for a lower light and power rate in Springfield will be formally presented to the public utility commissioner in Salem Friday. Members of the city fire and water committee and City Attorney James K. King will go to Salem for an appointment with the commissioner at 10 o'clock.

The petitions recently circulated carry 792 names of local residents and users of electricity. The committee expects to present the petitions and also determine just what place Springfield will have in the hearing to be held by the public utilities commissioner in Albany on June 3. This meeting has been arranged when all communities served by the power company will be considered for lower rates.

On their return from Salem the committee will stop in Albany for a conference with Mountain States Power company officials in regard to light and power rates. It is possible that some of the requests of the city petitioners may be settled outside of the utility commissioner's hearing, councilmen say. They point out that their action will be a friendly effort to adjust rates in Springfield to lower levels more in line with the Eugene Water board rates which are competitive here.

SCHOOL PETITION FOR E. C. STUART IS FILED

A petition bearing 54 names was filed yesterday on behalf of E. C. Stuart as candidate for re-election as school director for three years. Mr. Stuart consented to become a candidate after many of his friends visited him personally urging him to accept the nomination.

This is the only school petition filed at this time. Severt Jacobson has announced his intention of being a candidate to succeed himself as school clerk.

GIRLS LEAGUE PLANS BREAKFAST FOR SENIORS

Final plans for the annual breakfast which the Girls League at the high school gives the seniors were made this week. The breakfast will be given Tuesday morning at the Methodist church at 8 o'clock. Feature of the breakfast is the announcement of the name of the winner of the Civic club cup.

Committee chairmen for the breakfast are Pearl Helterbrand, menu; Muriel Tyson, decorations; Mary Faye Bettis, program; Martha Welch, place cards, and Colleen Cornell, tables.

These Students Receive Diplomas From S. H. S Friday



Top row (left to right) Jerry Clark, Edna Severson, Disque Smith, Margaret Haack, Charles Cole, Margaret Jarrett, Robert Lajoie, Genevieve Henry; second row, Marjorie Currant, Doris Marie Robinson, Ellen Moskop, Laurie Downes, Lorna Chase, Alpha Prindel, Gwendolyn Barrett, Mary Young; third row, Faye Squires, Jack Williams, LeVerne Pugh, Don Nelson, Greta Zehner, Harold Hill, Ruth Stratton, Woodrow Ware; fourth row, Joan Seavey, Mary Katherine Harris, Evelyn Johnson, Faye Stratton, Ruby Cabe, Aphasia Palanluk, Hartie Olson, Myrtle Logan; fifth row, Irene Jessen; sixth row, Frances Stiles, Carl Stevenson, Mary Trotter, Mary Elkov, Geneva Thompson, Gladys Chase, Verlin Posey, Clair Hadley; seventh row, Anton Uchytill, Juanita Seaman, Arnold Scott, Malcolm Hansen, Gertrude Boring, Obert Andrews.

H. S. STUDENTS TO RECEIVE DIPLOMAS

Fifty-Four Young People To Conclude High School Education Here Friday

JESSE H. BOND SPEAKER

Exams Started This Morning; All-School Picnic Monday, Class Events Tuesday

Fifty-four students will receive diplomas here Friday night at the Methodist church when annual commencement exercises are held for the senior class of Springfield high school. Fifty-two students will be graduated from the local high school, and two others will pass through the formality of having their diplomas presented here.

Two sisters, Bertha and Margaret Gradall, completed their work at Pearce, Arizona, high school, but moved here before the commencement exercises and will also receive their diplomas which have been sent, here Friday evening.

Will Hear University Man
Jesse H. Bond, professor of Business Administration at the University of Oregon, will be the commencement speaker. He has not announced the topic of his address.

The program will open with the march, "Maestoso," by MacDowell, played by Mrs. Buford Roach; the invocation by Rev. I. G. Shaw, pastor of the Christian church, and the Salutatory address, "Learning for Living," given by Mary Trotter. The march will be played on the new pipe organ and will be the first time the instrument is used in a public function.

Ruth Pollard will sing, "The Kerry Dance," by Malloy, and Margaret Jarrett will play the piano solo, "Chant D'Amour," Opus 10, No. 2, by Paderewski preceding the address by Professor Bond.

Students To Offer Music
Following the address the girls' trio will sing Kreisler's, "The Old Refrain." The trio includes Juanita Seaman, Ruth Pollard, and Joan Seavey. Frances Stiles will offer as the valedictory address, "The World and I."

Jack Williams will sing Victor Herbert's, "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life," just before E. C. Stuart, chairman of the school board presents the diplomas, and Rev. Dean C. Poindexter pronounces the benediction.

Names of the graduating students are listed under their pictures shown elsewhere in the paper.

Although graduation exercises will be held Friday evening, the school year is not ended until Tuesday evening the following week. Final examinations began this morning at the high school and will continue Friday. The all-school picnic and contests will be held all day Monday at Swimmer's Delight, and the senior class day and presentation of awards will be held Tuesday.

Annual senior girls' breakfast will be held Tuesday morning at which time the winner of the Civic Club cup for the most outstanding girl student will be announced.

TWO ARE HONORED AT BIRTHDAY CLUB PARTY

Birthdays of W. H. Whitney and Mrs. D. W. Crites were observed here Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Whitney by members of the Birthday club. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Crites, Mr. and Mrs. George Prochnow, Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Pollard, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Long, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Olson, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Whitney, Miss Glyde Dilley, Miss Alma Edwards, Miss Mary Elizabeth Whitney, and Ernest Anderson.

POPPY DRIVE OPENS IN CITY ON FRIDAY

Friday and Saturday have been designated as Poppy days in Springfield and members of the Springfield American Legion auxiliary will offer the red flowers for sale both days. All funds from the sale of the flowers are used for rehabilitation work among soldiers.

CARD CLUB MEMBERS END YEAR WITH DANCE

Members of the O-No card club concluded their season's activities last Saturday evening when they held their annual banquet at the Del Rey cafe in Eugene. Eighteen people attended the banquet after which 24 went to Willamette park where they spent the evening with dancing.

EUGENE FOREIGN WAR VETS INVITE COUNTY

Eugene post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will hold a large social gathering at the Eugene army Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Veterans living in Springfield and all other parts of the county are extended an invitation to attend.