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COUNTY DEBT
OF \$211,000
IS CANCELLED

State Highway Commission Takes Action in Portland Friday

JUDGE U. G. COUCH
ATTENDS MEETINGState Market Road Money
Is Distributed—Union
Gets \$13,761.23 and
Wallowa \$7,186.14.

Union county has owed the Oregon state highway commission \$211,000 for many years. Yesterday County Judge U. G. Couch, of La Grande, appeared before the commission in its April session in Portland and submitted a statement. Following this the commission concluded that the debt should be canceled, as there was no hope of collecting it.

The debt of Baker county was wiped out at a previous meeting.

COUNTY GETS \$13,761.23

PORTLAND, Ore., April 19 (AP)—A contract of \$17,777, the largest awarded yesterday by the state highway commission, went to G. C. Johnson for grading 10.7 miles of the Pilot Butte-Horse Ridge section of the Central Oregon highway in Deschutes county.

M. P. Dow submitted the low bid of \$19,038 for grading 5.98 miles of the Lakeview-California highway in Lake county, and was awarded the contract.

A bid of \$142,612 submitted by George C. Aronson for paving 4.4 miles of the Canemah-New Era section of the Pacific highway in the hills south of Oregon City, was held up by the commission until the question of whether concrete or blacktop should be used.

The state market road money was distributed last yesterday by the commission. The distribution included balances payable to counties as follows:

Baker, \$10,810.25; Coos, \$18,475.86; Deschutes, \$7,974.88; Douglas, \$21,107.92; Grant, \$6,661.48; Jackson, \$21,292.64; Josephine, \$9,343.82; Klamath, \$23,000; Lake, \$6,998.77; Lane, \$56,697.91; Lincoln, \$23,029.17; Malheur, \$8,407.49; Marion, \$34,895.74; Morrow, \$7,620.27; Multnomah, \$56,000; Umatilla, \$32,289.64; Union, \$13,761.23; Wallowa, \$7,186.14; Wasco, \$12,592.89.

PARENTS AND
TEACHERS IN
SESSION HERE

The Union County Council of Parent-Teacher associations is in session at La Grande High school building today with the La Grande City council hostess and Mrs. George Lyman, president of the county council, presiding.

The business meeting at 11:30 o'clock was followed by a potluck luncheon at 12:30 o'clock in the manual arts building.

The afternoon program began at 1:30 o'clock. J. T. Longfellow, city superintendent of La Grande, was scheduled to speak on "Equality of Educational Opportunities," and E. A. Sayre, county school superintendent, on "New School Laws."

It was decided that the annual meeting of the association be held May 11 when officers for next year will be elected and the topic for the program will be "Adult Education." The place for meeting had not been decided by early this afternoon.

A nominating committee named today includes: Mrs. W. A. Hodgeson, of North Powder; Mrs. Jack Hatt, of La Grande; and Mrs. S. A. Robertson, of Island City.

The committee to be in charge of the next month's program includes: Mrs. P. M. Kennedy, of Riverdale; Mrs. E. D. Towler, of Glenwood; Mrs. John Bates, of Willow; and Mrs. J. K. Charlton, of Glenwood.

An exhibit of art work done by the pupils in the grade schools of La Grande under the direction of Mrs. L. L. Douglas, art supervisor, is a center of attraction at the school. The exhibit is the same one which was entered in the display at the Inland Empire educational meeting in Spokane recently. The project display from Central school is a unique feature.

WEATHER TODAY
7:20 a. m. 47 above.
Minimum: 40 above.
Condition: partly cloudy.

WEATHER YESTERDAY
Maximum 53, minimum 41 above.
Condition: cloudy, rain .12 of inch.

WEATHER APRIL 20, 1929
Maximum 49, minimum 31 above.
Condition: traces of snow.

South Methodist
Conference Will
Close TomorrowWalla Walla Minister to
Speak Tonight—Dr.
Shangle Will Preach
Tomorrow Evening.

The meetings of the Portland district conference, western section, Methodist Church South in La Grande are continuing and will conclude with the service in the church tomorrow night. Tonight at 7 o'clock Dr. J. A. McKee, of Walla Walla, superintendent of the Epworth League, will install the League officers and will hold a workers' council. At 7:30 o'clock he will deliver a sermon.

The Rev. L. N. Hughes, of Portland, conference evangelist, will preach Sunday morning. Dr. H. S. Shangle, presiding elder of the Portland district will bring his last message Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. A Sunday dinner will be held at the church tomorrow.

"Ministers and laymen are here from all over Eastern Oregon and we are highly pleased with the conference work and progress. Dr. T. S. Wheeler, of Milton, brought a powerful message last night on 'The Fullness of God,'" says the Rev. William S. Burgoyne, pastor of the church in La Grande.

On account of rain this afternoon the parade of new cars and the Old Wreck contest which had been scheduled for today, was postponed until next Saturday afternoon.

New Car Parade
Postponed Until
Next Saturday

Local dealers had 60 cars in readiness but the majority objected to driving in the rain and incurring the expense of cleaning up the cars afterwards.

Garden Week To
Be Observed In
This Community

Garden week in La Grande begins Monday with the display in windows of business houses prize-winning posters of trees, gardens and flowers made by children in the grade schools. The week is sponsored by the La Grande Neighbors club, as part of national better homes week.

The posters which have been made by the school children of the public schools and Sacred Heart academy are now being judged by a committee of women composed of: Mrs. E. P. Mossman, Mrs. L. E. Dunn, Mrs. Fritz Latties, Mrs. H. H. Cleaver, Mrs. F. B. Appleby, Mrs. Harry Wagner, Mrs. E. H. Morris, Mrs. H. E. Westenhaver and Mrs. H. G. Smith.

The club will give nine dollars in prizes, a first, second and third prize for each of the groups participating.

"The club is stressing in the educational poster campaign, especially among the seventh and eighth grade students, the fact that trees in their natural state are beautiful and need not necessarily be pruned and artificially shaped," says Mrs. Robert Kalkin, chairman of the week in La Grande.

Honan Hall To
Be Offered For
Sale By Guild

A decision to sell Honan hall was announced today by the Guild of the Episcopal church. The price of \$15,000 has been put on the structure and abstracts have been examined and found to be satisfactory.

According to women of the guild the hall is being outgrown and other local facilities take care of the guild's needs for church and other purposes. Following the high school fire it was utilized for school rooms last winter.

The building gets its name from Mrs. Annie M. Honan who donated the lot when the project was first started, the building being constructed by the Episcopal guild. It has served in various capacities in the community both for church and other purposes. Following the high school fire it was utilized for school rooms last winter.

City Water Will
Be Off Tuesday

The city water in the city south of K avenue and east of Second street will be shut off the greater part of the day next Tuesday, announces W. C. Crews, city manager. This will be necessary in order to make connections with the new main leading to the Eastern Oregon Normal school.

FIVE KILLED
LISBON, Portugal, Apr. 19 (AP)—Five persons were killed today and 29 injured when a motor bus crossing the great St. Louis bridge over the Tagus river at Santarem, fell into the river.

BALL SEASON
EXPECTED TO
OPEN SUNDAYGrounds Still in Good
Shape—Heavy Rain
Would Spoil ThingsBUS O'CONNELL
TO "AVIATE" BALLBand Concert to Precede
Game at 2:30 with Baker
—League President
to Start Contest.

Will they or won't they? That is the question that is stirring baseball fans of Baker and La Grande today, with records showing that 12 of an inch of rain fell here last night and with the skies still threatening and the weather man none too optimistic. However, unless heavy rain falls here during this evening or tomorrow morning, the diamond will be dry enough to start the Blue Mountain season at 2:30 o'clock. Roy Farnam, league secretary, announces:

Gate Receipts Needed

The local club is counting on tomorrow's gate receipts to start the season successfully from a financial standpoint, and if it is necessary to postpone the game, it will be a severe blow to the treasury. Not fatal, of course, but nevertheless not to be desired.

Yesterday Manager Gih Stokke announced a tentative lineup and in the afternoon, most of the players had a workout at the field. In spite of the occasional mist.

O'Connell to Drop Ball
The aviator who will drop the ball to start the game tomorrow from his airplane is none other than Harold O'Connell, known to his many friends as "Bus." Mr. O'Connell is the only La Grande aviator who is driving a plane at present and his choice is particularly appropriate. It is pointed out.

Following this Dr. W. C. Pihy scheduled to leave the ball toward City Manager W. C. Crews, former infielder in the old intermarriage.

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GIANT AIRPLANE
COMING JUNE 19

La Grande Is Included
Among 60 Cities Pilot
Mamer Will Visit

"West Wind," the giant trimotor Ford airplane of the Mamer Flying Service, Feltz field, Spokane municipal airport, will visit 60 cities and towns between St. Paul, Seattle, Yreka, Cal., and Casper, Wyoming, this summer. It will arrive in La Grande on June 19.

Announcement of the ship's coming here was received today. The extended flight, which is officially known as the "Mamer Tour," is being sponsored by Ford automobile dealers with the assistance of Ford factory representatives.

Pilot Mamer, one of the nation's veteran and best known flyers, has just accepted delivery of the Ford at the Stout Metal Aircraft corporation. Accompanying him on the flight is Art Walker, co-pilot and mechanic, who has just completed a mechanical course at the factory. Rex Heath of the Mamer company is traveling as advance man ahead of the plane.

Mr. Heath will arrive here soon to complete arrangements for the ship's arrival. He will make a thorough inspection of the local field, and suggest changes which.

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Suit Challenging Constitutionality
Of Regent Consolidation Is Filed

SALEM, Ore., April 20 (AP)—L. B. Smith of Portland, representing the Oregon taxpayers league, late Friday filed in the circuit court here a suit challenging the constitutionality of the legislative act consolidating the boards of regents of the University of Oregon, Oregon State college and the state normal schools into one board known as the state board of higher education.

Defendants in the suit are Governor Patterson, Secretary of State Ross, State Treasurer Kaye, State Tax Commissioner Fisher and the nine members of the new board of education.

The complaint is based largely on financial features of the act. Smith declared in a statement that his only purpose is to obtain a clarification of the act, so that it is declared unconstitutional. There will be opportunity for the next legislature to work out a plan that will carry out to a legal end.

Indian Schools
To Be Same As
Others, WilburNo More Military Control
to Exist—Title of Dis-
ciplinarian Is Abolished
by Secretary.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 20 (AP)—Secretary Wilbur today abolished the title "disciplinarian" in Indian schools with the statement that "there is to be no orphan asylum stuff."

He said there would be a school "adviser" in the place of the "disciplinarian," whose duties would be in accordance with the definition of the term. "Indian school," he added, "will in no respect partake of the nature of reform schools. If any remnant of a former military control of Indian survives in the schools it will disappear."

The interior secretary declared that the Indian boy and girl under the new Indian bureau policy will be given the normal "American chance for self-improvement through the schools."

He declared that the Indian has demonstrated well his capacity for citizenship and that he is the heir to a great estate. The preparation for that inheritance, Dr. Wilbur said, does not lie in wardship but in developing in him "an upstanding and independent manhood."

20 Knights Attend
Wallowa Meeting

Twenty Knights of Pythias of La Grande left late this afternoon for Wallowa to participate in the district meeting of the lodge, which is to begin with a banquet at 7 o'clock in the K. P. hall at Wallowa.

De Life Green, Don Gally and Fred Albertson, are the La Grande members taking part in the competitive work.

Among those who are attending are: Mr. Green, Mr. Albertson, Fred Milnor, Ralph Byers, H. W. Nelson, Dr. Henry Riley, H. E. Dixon, Peter Thelmer, Mr. Gally, Wesley McDonald, all of La Grande, and the Rev. R. C. Lee, of Union.

Motion Day Held
By Judge Knowles

Motion day was held by Circuit Judge J. W. Knowles yesterday at the Union county court house. A number of motions were argued. An out-of-town lawyer who argued one of the motions was Woodson Patterson, of Baker. Mr. Patterson also played golf on the La Grande course while here in the afternoon. He says he always looks forward to golf whenever he anticipates a visit to this city.

Unsettled Week
Due In Northwest

SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 20 (AP)—The weather outlook for the week beginning April 21 was announced here today by the United States weather bureau as follows:

"Far Western states—The outlook is for normal temperatures, considerable cloudiness with rains at times over Washington, Oregon, Idaho and the extreme north portion of Nevada and probably the north portion of northern California."

Storm Kills Tot
In Father's Arms

DALLAS, Apr. 20 (AP)—Spring tornadoes struck in three north Texas towns late yesterday and last night, killing a baby girl and injuring her father, who had clasped her in a tight embrace to protect her from the unrelenting and furious assault of the wind.

There were no other injuries and relatively small property damage, except in Paris, where the Texas and Pacific railway warehouse, a one story brick structure a block long, was cut in two.

Prince Henry Of
Prussia Is Dead

HEMMELMARK, Germany, Apr. 20 (AP)—Prince Henry of Prussia, brother of the former Kaiser, died here today of pneumonia.

Prince Henry, who was widely known in the United States for his visit there in 1922 to attend the launching and christening of his brother's yacht "Meteor" at Jersey City, was 56 years old and had been in poor health for several years.

Killed By Body Of
Falling Workman

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Apr. 20 (AP)—Struck by the falling body of a workman who lost his balance 60 feet above, Albert Paddock, 47, superintendent of construction of the Sun River government dam near here, was killed today. The workman, Harold Wiseman, 29, of Great Falls, suffered a dislocated ankle and bruises.

DRIVING AROUND THE WORLD



Nearing her goal of being the first woman to travel around the world in an automobile, Franka Christene Stines, daughter of the late German capitalist, is shown with her companion, C. A. Nodestrom, and the German car in which the tour is being made. Arriving in the United States at Los Angeles, Franka Stines has started across the United States to New York, there to take ship for home.

Three Arrested
At Los Angeles
In Chicago Case

LOS ANGELES, April 20 (AP)—Charles W. Lloyd, 32, said to be wanted in Chicago in connection with the St. Valentine's day "massacre" was arrested here yesterday on a charge of suspicion of murder and Wright Act possession. It became known early today. Arrested with Lloyd were Ben Milrot, 29, also held on suspicion of murder, and Jack Watson, 30, on Wright Act charges.

CHICAGO, April 20 (AP)—Police awaited fingerprints of three men arrested in Los Angeles to determine whether they were wanted here for the killing of seven men in the St. Valentine's day massacre.

HARDY TRIAL
IS ADJOURNED
UNTIL APR. 23

SACRAMENTO, Cal., April 20 (AP)—Adjournment until next Tuesday of the impeachment court trying Superior Judge Carlos S. Hardy today gave defense and prosecution forces an opportunity to prepare for the final stages of the case. Whether Asa Keyes, former district attorney of Los Angeles county, now under sentence after a bribery conviction, would be called here to take the stand was raised just before adjournment.

The defense obtained permission to read Keyes' testimony before a legislative committee, which probed Judge Hardy's connection with the legal affairs of Alvin Karpis-McPherson. This was granted over the objection of prosecution officials, who hinted that Keyes might be called before the impeachment court as a rebuttal witness.

PORTLAND, Apr. 20 (AP)—F. Faragher Gibson, 59, was critically injured today when his automobile was struck by a taxicab driven by Chester D. W. Moats. He received abdominal injuries and severe lacerations on the face. Moats was not held.

Representatives of the defendant firms indicated that bonds would be filed immediately in the amounts demanded. Federal Judge Edward J. Henning instructed his court clerks to issue bench warrants, if necessary.

Last Minute Sport News

STANFORD RACQUETTES WIN
STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Cal., Apr. 20 (AP)—Making a clean sweep of the five matches, Stanford university's tennis team defeated the University of California men in the annual tourney here today.

BILL RUMER "LAD UP"
SEATTLE, Apr. 20 (AP)—Bill Rumer, Hollywood outfielder who returned to baseball again this season after a five year suspension, will be unable to play for the Stars of the Pacific coast league for a month or more because of an injury suffered in Portland last week.

PAUL SIMPSON LEADING
MARSHALL, Ill., Apr. 20 (AP)—Paul Simpson, of Burlington, N. C., led C. C. Pyle's union derby into Marshall today, making the 23 miles from Brazil, Ind., in 4:31. He was sixth in elapsed time.

BOSTON EVENS SCORE
WASHINGTON (AP)—Boston evens the score with the Washington team by winning a close game this afternoon.

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