Local News In Brief

Clerks to Meet—
E. A. Sayre, county school superintendent, is sending out notices today to the county clerks of the 55 school districts for the purpose of making an explanation of the record and warrant books. Mr. Graham, auditor, will explain the procedure of keeping the books. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 1.

Attend Meeting—
Local educators, who attended the convention of the Oregon teachers association in Portland during last week, were Supt. J. T. Longfellow, Principal E. D. Towler and Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McEachran. All returned in time to resume their work in the La Grande schools yesterday morning.

Leaves Hospital—
Earl Rosenbaum, who has been in the Baker hospital for the last three weeks recovering from an appendix operation, was to return to his home at Baker today. Mrs. Charles Playle, of La Grande, who has been in Baker during Mr. Rosenbaum's illness, was to return to this city this afternoon.

Returns to La Grande—
Mr. Macomber, education teacher at the Eastern Oregon Normal school, returned to La Grande today after a holiday trip. He will resume his work Thursday with the reopening of the school for the winter semester.

Meet at I. O. O. F. Hall—
All Rebekahs are requested by the noble grand to meet at the I. O. O. F. hall Wednesday, Jan. 1 at 1:30 p. m. to attend the funeral of Mrs. C. N. Cameron.

Passed Through—
Tom Woten, of Wallowa, recently passed through La Grande on his way home from Baker after visiting there during the Christmas week. He is employed at the Wallowa hardware.

Here Yesterday—
Mrs. George McDonald and son Harley, of Pumpkin Ridge, were in La Grande yesterday.

Visiting Here—
George Belloni, from Southern Oregon, is visiting at the Sherwood Williams home for several days.

Leaving Today—
Norman Jesse is leaving today on his way to Eugene where he is a junior in the University of Oregon and affiliated with Theta Chi, national social fraternity.

Recovered—
Mrs. J. G. Stitzinger has recovered from a recent operation, it is reported.

Returned from Portland—
Miss Catherine Sartain returned Sunday evening from Portland where she spent the Christmas vacation.

Here from Elgin—
Paul Hansley, of Elgin, was in La Grande recently.

Tonsil Operation—
Wallace Westenskow underwent a tonsil operation yesterday.

Minor Operation Today—
John Keller, who went to the Grande Ronde hospital yesterday, was to undergo an operation today.

For a Few Days—
Clarence Dietrich, who drives a freight truck from Portland to Pendleton, is visiting his wife and children in La Grande for a few days.

Returned from Spokane—
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gildersleeve returned recently from Spokane where they have been for a while on business. Mr. and Mrs. Everett Anderson, of Walla Walla, returned with them. All continued to Enterprise yesterday, where Mr. Gildersleeve and Mr. and Mrs. Anderson will go to the Gildersleeve ranch on the Imnaha to spend the rest of the winter. After visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bennett, for a few days, Mrs. Gildersleeve will return to La Grande where she will be at the home of Mrs. Eva Foquette.

Left Last Night—
Miss Dorothy Anne Warnick left last night on her way tot Eugene where she will attend the University of Oregon. Miss Warnick was a freshman at the university last year, and was very active in campus events, being a member of Thespians, freshman honorary, and doing considerable work in the advertising department of the Emerald. She is affiliated with Phi Beta Phi.

Left This Morning—
Miss Nora Clausen left this morning for Paradise where she is teaching school after spending Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Clausen.

Leaving Tomorrow—
Mrs. Gertrude H. Miller will return to her home in Portland tomorrow morning after visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pike during the holidays. Mrs. Miller is an employe of the Portland Gas and Coke company.

Returned to Montana—
W. A. McCullough who has been visiting at the home of his daughter, Mrs. D. B. Lefevbre, since Christmas eve, left yesterday morning for his home in Kalispel, Mont. Mrs. Lefevbre is a former resident of Kalispel.

Former Resident Dies—
Many friends of Mrs. O. A. Kratz, formerly of this city will be sadly surprised to hear of her death as was Mrs. Evelyn Hearnshaw of Pendleton who recently received word that she passed away Nov. 20 at Dubuque, Ia., where her husband, O. A. Kratz, is city manager. He held the same position in La Grande about seven years ago.

Left Last Night—
Henry Culp and Kenneth Owen left last night on the late train on their way to Eugene where they are members of the Sigma Pi Tau fraternity. They will stop in Portland to spend New Year's day.

Continuous Show—
The La Grande Theaters, Inc., announced today that continuous shows would be held tomorrow from 2 to 11 p. m. both at the Arcade and Granada.

Leaving This Evening—
Miss Marjorie Kirby is leaving this evening on her way to Corvallis where she is assistant manager of the dining and tea rooms in the Union Memorial building on the O. S. C. campus.

Tonsil Operation—
Theryl "Babe" Green underwent an operation for the removal of his tonsils recently and is improving rapidly.

Returned To Madras—
Miss Lilliette Leighton, who has been vizaing here during the holidays, has returned to Madras where she is teaching school.

Meeting Postponed—
The meeting of St. Peter's Episcopal guild which is regularly held the first Wednesday of each month, has been postponed until Wednesday Jan. 8, when it will be held in the guild room of the La Grande hotel.

Major Operation—
Miss Clara Coughenower underwent a major operation at the Grande Ronde hospital this morning. She is reported to be in good condition.

Called by Death—
Mrs. D. H. Steward and son Dave left yesterday noon on their way to Boise, where they were called by the death of her only brother, Bob Marsh. They are traveling by auto.

Returned Home—
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Yeske and children, of Maxville, returned home yesterday after visiting their parents and friends for the holidays.

To Glenns Ferry—
Mrs. Leroy Hull and family have returned to their home at Glenns Ferry after spending the holidays here, visiting Mrs. C. E. Golden.

Underwent Operation—
Mrs. Joe Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Synhorst, underwent a major operation this morning at the Grande Ronde hospital. Mrs. Brown, formerly of this city has recently moved to Huntington, her present home.

Stopped Here—
Mrs. T. M. O'Donnell and son Thomas, of Umatilla, stopped in La Grande this morning on their way to Elgin to visit her mother, Mrs. L. C. Mead, for the day.

Returned to School—
Faith Hollister, of Elgin, returned to Caldwell this morning where she is a senior at the College of Idaho. Miss Hollister has been visiting her parents during the holidays.

Visit Here—
Edward Arrowsmith, of Portland arrived this morning for about a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. Harley D. Smith.

To Baker—
Miss Virginia Perry returned to Baker this morning after visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Perry last evening.

Returned to Portland—
Mrs. T. G. Bantz returned to Portland last night after visiting here for several days with her husband, T. G. Bantz, who spent Christmas in Portland with his wife and his children, who are attending school there this year.

To Huntington—
Al Harlow went to Huntington today on business.

Business Trip—
W. H. Guild, O.-W. division superintendent, returned this morning from a business trip to Portland.

Visiting Here—
Mrs. Evelyn Hearnshaw, formerly of La Grande, but now of Pendleton, is visiting in La Grande at the home of Mrs. George Richardson on Pennsylvania avenue; while here she is also visiting other friends in this city.

Baby Daughter—
Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Utley are the parents of a baby daughter, born Dec. 8.

FIVE BANDITS IN RUNNING BATTLE WITH CITIZENS

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station, but meanwhile two of the robber had entered the bank with Davenport. The filling station employes set the town's fire siren screaming, and at once bullets commenced to fly thick and fast.

Scores of armed citizens quickly collected in the streets exchanging fusillades with the bandits' car as the driver endeavored to collect his partners and escape. Once he turned a machine gun on the siren but was unable to silence it.

Three bandits finally got in the car and escaped, though pursued hotly for many miles by citizens and officers in another car. The other two members of the gang fled into woods and fields on the environs of the town where the search for them was started.

GRAIN ELEVATOR DESTROYED

CHICAGO, Dec. 30 (AP)—Grain worth hundreds of thousands of dollars was destroyed and several persons were hurt by a fire which swept through a huge grain elevator in South Chicago today. The flames spread rapidly to two adjoining elevators and four others in the immediate vicinity were in danger.

HELD WITHOUT BAIL

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 31 (AP)—Raymond Tomfohr, 18, high school student was held without bail today following an automobile accident last night in which Frank A. Russell, 71, proprietor of a suburban hardware store was killed.

Tomfohr's truck struck Russell. The youth told authorities he could not see Russell because he was driving the truck with dimmed headlights.

EIELSON SEARCH CONTINUES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31 (AP)—Acting Governor Theile of Alaska today informed Secretary Wilbur by radio that Russians and natives in Siberia were doing all that was possible to find Ben Carl Eielson and Earl Borland, missing fliers, and that dog teams as well as airplanes were being used.

WOMAN BURGLAR KILLED

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 31—(AP)—Masquerading as a man and accompanied by her husband and two of her six children on an early morning burglary, Mrs. Winifred Shields, 35, was fatally shot today as she fled from a store they had entered.

NEW AIR SPEED RECORD

CHICAGO, Dec. 31 (AP)—Chicago to Cleveland in an hour and a half.

The record was set up yesterday by a tri-motored Fokker plane on the Universal air line, traveling at an average of 202 miles an hour carrying 12 passengers and two pilots.

Society News

Charming Dinner And Bridge Party Honors Visitors

A charming dinner bridge was an event of last evening, at which Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Kinzel and Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Lanzer entertained at the Sacajawea Inn honoring Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kinzel of Merril, Wis., who are guests at the Lanzer home during the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Kinzel expect to be in this city for another week.

Attractive clusters of pink roses centered the dinner table. During the evening 12 tables of bridge were at play, with Mrs. A. J. Stange winning honors for high tally. Second honors were awarded to Mrs. W. C. Perkins; and Mrs. J. L. Ingle was presented the prize for third.

W. C. Perkins won first prize for the men, with A. J. Stange winning second. The third award was presented to Dr. Lee Bouvy.

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Party Compliments Miss Mae L. Ding

Thirty members of the Ide Belle Lewis circle of the Methodist church met last evening honoring Miss Mae L. Ding. A delicious potluck supper was served, followed by a business meeting during which minor business matters were considered. A lovely pen and pencil set was presented in compliment of Miss Ding.

Interesting letters from Dr. Ida Belle Lewis were read. She also sent two boxes of preserved ginger to add to the supper and also a pair of chop sticks for each member of the circle. Miss Ding who is very attractive and clever spoke informally but at length, describing her home, her college career, and other interesting parts of her life.

Yesterday at noon, Miss Lois Nelson, University of Oregon; Miss Dorothy Brownton, University of Washington; Louise Leighton and Helen Aldrich of Gooding college; Miss Jean Williams, University of Oregon; Miss Mae L. Ding of Oregon State college, and Ruth Margaret Hall, Willamette, '29; were guests at the luncheon given at the Sacajawea Inn honoring Miss Ding. Miss Alice Klippel and Miss Mabel Morton were hostesses.

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Camp Fire Girls Elect Officers

Election of officers was held at the meeting of the Wakellta Camp Fire group at Greenwood school, Monday afternoon. Catherine Edwards was elected president; Ruth Seward, vice president; Andrea Ainsworth, secretary; Muriel Webb, treasurer; and Blanche May, scribe.

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New Camp Fire Group Organized

A new Camp Fire group was organized yesterday in the Camp Fire room of the Lutheran church, to be known as the Tatapochon group, meaning "it cannot be pulled apart."

Violet Rogers was elected president, with Sylvia Turn as vice president; Mildred Green, secretary; Betty Dean, treasurer; Patricia Jesse, scribe; Winifred Scott, song leader. Dora Hunt will be leader, pro tem; Helen Hughes is assistant guardian, and Mrs. Leif H. Awes guardian.

The group voted to donate dishes for its use when the members wanted to serve refreshments. They will meet every Monday after school.

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Wakelita Bridge Club Entertained

The Wakelita Bridge club enjoyed three tables of bridge yesterday at the home of Mrs. Claude Berry. Honors for high score were awarded to Mrs. Jack Oliver; and second prize was presented to Mrs. Joel Richardson. Mrs. Henry Riley received the guest prize.

Following bridge a dainty luncheon was served. The club will meet again, next Monday afternoon with Mrs. Chester Koyle.

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W. R. C. Meets At Faulk Residence

A pleasant afternoon was spent yesterday when the Good Will club of the Women's Relief corps met at the home of Mrs. Susan Faulk, at the corner of B and Second streets, surprising Mrs. Faulk with a handkerchief shower.

Following a business meeting, presided over by Mrs. Frances Plank, president, an interesting program took place with readings by Mrs. Laura Braden, Mrs. A. P. Nelson, and Mrs. Putnam Yeck. A "stump" was given by Mrs. Laura Rhodes.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess at the close of the afternoon. It was decided to meet again, Jan. 14 with Mrs. Nancy Bradshaw at her home at the corner of Portland and Cove streets.

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DeMolay Dance Held Last Night

A jolly dance, the annual one given by the Order of the DeMolay, took place last evening in the Zuber hall, with the Star Novelty orchestra playing. A large crowd, representative of the younger set, attended.

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Announcements

The Women's Relief corps will hold its regular meeting Saturday, Jan. 4 with installation of officers. Dinner will be served at 12 o'clock. Following is the committee in charge of the affair: Sarah Beddis, Lucy Blystone, Mrs. Bennett, Susan Burnett, Mrs. B. W. Carr, Laura Davis, Emma Fowler, and Celia Gates.

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The meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary has been postponed one week because the first Wednesday is New Year's day. There will be a basket social and dance following the next meeting, Jan. 8.

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The Riverside Ladies Aid will meet for an all-day meeting, Thursday, Jan. 2 in the Lane chapel at 11 o'clock for the purpose of quilting a comforter which was donated to the Aid. A potluck luncheon will be served.

War Books Outstanding Features Of America's 1929 Literary Fare

By Richard Massock
(AP Feature Service Writer)

NEW YORK (AP)—From an eminence of books, rising above the mists of patriotic fervor and national jealousies, America saw in 1929 the bloody European battlefields of 11 years ago.

In fiction the year was largely one of war stories, based on the only too real experiences of their authors. And out of these were elevated the major successes of the publishers' twelve-month, "All Quiet on the Western Front", and "A Farewell to Arms."

The phenomenal reception accorded the simply effective account of a German foot slogger's fate in Erich Maria Remarque's novel may have been partly responsible for the big parade of books that wound up with Ernest Hemingway's equally unadorned yet impressive story of an American ambulance driver in Italy and his love for a nurse.

Youth, however, had to share its honors with the masters. Of the latter, James Branch Cabell, Ellen Glasgow, Joseph Hergesheimer, Theodore Dreiser and Mrs. Edith Wharton are but a few who exercised their perennial talents.

Nor was there any apparent slackening of the mystery solving pastime to which a monument was lifted in the "Omnibus of Crime."

Europe, too, as usual sent over a large proportion of its output and also as usual a European, Thomas Mann, was decorated with the Nobel prize in literature.

But observers of a nation's reading tastes look upon the mounting list of non-fiction titles as the most significant marker of a people's intellectual growth. And here philosophy and science have risen to a place secondary only to biography, of which there never has been a more voluminous exploitation.

While a large group was reading about Henry VIII, Calvin Coolidge, Queen Elizabeth, Alfred E. Smith, Benjamin Franklin and Mark Hanna, others were initiated into the mysteries of mind and matter by such as Abbe Dimnet, John Dewey, Walter Lippmann and Sir James Jeans, the author of "The Universe Around Us."

All of this reading has resulted in the publication of more than 7,500 titles in one year with the peak not yet in sight. And much of this perusal of the printed page is, no doubt, a result of the book club stimulus, without mention of which no summary of 1929 would be quite complete.

For the book selection controversy, with the clubs on one side and a publisher on the other, was a lively development of last spring's tempest over Joan Lowell's "Cradle of the Deep."

Subsequent incidents, like the triumph of Miss Radclyffe Hall's "Well of Loneliness" over the censors; the award of the Pulitzer prize to Miss Julia Peterkin for her negro character study, "Scarlet Sister Mary," after another book has been seriously considered, or the curious gossip and "confession" novels, were unable to approach it as a literary sensation.

But altogether they helped make 1929 a year of entertainment and amusement for a literate America.

Health Hint

It is a wise health measure to see that the automobile you drive or habitually ride is free from defects. The proper adjustment of the brakes is most important. To be careless in these matters is to invite injury and even death.

Mail Order Molars

Nobody says "false teeth" any more. Even "artificial teeth" is rather bad form. If you want to be jocose and hearty about it you can say "store teeth," but the most elegant and nice way is to talk about "plates."—American Magazine.

Beehive Population

The number of bees in the average hive during the time of storing surplus honey is between 50,000 and 75,000. During the fall and early winter the colony decreases in number and by spring it is usually reduced to 10,000 or 15,000.

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Intangibles Tax Forms For Year Received Here

Intangibles tax return blanks for the year 1929 have been received in La Grande from Salem, including instructions for the making of the returns. Intangibles taxed under the Oregon act include money at interest, bonds, notes, claims and demands, secured or unsecured (not including open accounts), all shares of stock in corporations and any and all other evidence of indebtedness, except federal securities.

A tax of five per cent is imposed upon the income in excess of $200 received from intangibles. The payment of this tax relieves the taxpayer from all property taxes on intangibles. The tax is first levied with respect to income received from intangibles during the year 1929. Interest accrued prior to January 1, 1929, is not required to be reported as taxable income.

A return must be filed by every person who is a resident of this state or who has resided in Oregon for six months or more during the tax year, whose income from intangibles amounted to $200 or more.

The return must be filed with the state tax commission at Salem on or before 60 days after the end of the tax year. The tax may be paid when the return is filed, or in two equal installments; the first at the time fixed for filing the return, and the second on or before six months thereafter. Payments should be made to the state tax commission and drafts and checks will be acceptable only if payable at par.

The estate of any deceased taxpayer shall be subject to the tax together with accrued interest and penalties, upon that part of the taxable income received by such person during his lifetime, which has not already been taxed under this act.

Oregon's New Gas Tax Takes Effect

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 31 (AP)—At midnight tonight Oregon's new additional gasoline tax of one cent a gallon will become effective. It will make the total gasoline tax now paid by users in this state four cents a gallon. The new tax is estimated to yield about $1,750,000, making the total yield from gasoline taxes around $7,000,000 annually.

The purpose of the new motor vehicle fuel tax is to prevent a decrease in the state highway fund by approximately 25 per cent reduction in motor vehicle licenses, also effective January 1.

MAY BUILD ELEVATOR

PENDLETON, Ore., Dec. 30 (AP)—Construction of an elevator at Myrick Station was seen as a possibility today after a meeting Saturday of grain growers of that section. They met here and discussed the formation of a grain growers' corporation to take advantage of the federal farm board loans. About 400,000 bushels of grain is shipped from Myrick Station annually.

The Russian government has prohibited the possession of Christmas trees. Maybe if that was done over here, the day would be more popular.

MANY VIEW NEW FORD CAR TODAY

Several Changes in Body Designs—Hundreds Visit Perkins Motor Co.

With over 200 visitors by noon and with several hundred more expected this afternoon and evening, it was estimated today that a large share of the adult population of La Grande would see the new Ford automobile on its first showing.

The car exhibited here by Perkins Motor company is a two-window, four-door sedan. At the same time, other cities throughout the country were making similar showings, with hundreds of thousands inspecting the latest Ford model. Each person entering the show room was given a card to be mailed back to W. C. Perkins, announcing the person's desire to accept an invitation for a free ride in the automobile.

"The most notable changes in body designs of the Model A Ford, have been made in the Tudor sedan, the coupe and the open cars," Mr. Perkins said. "The Tudor sedan has been the most popular of the five-passenger models and the new body design will bring to it additional beauty. More room is provided for occupants of the rear compartment, and access will be easier around the folding seats in front. In exterior appearance the car is greatly improved. It still retains the crown roof effect with rounded corners on the rear quarter, the beauty of which is accentuated by an entirely new design body belt and moulding treatment."

Among the important changes are the following:

The most striking is the new radiator, the top following somewhat the lines of the old shell, but with narrower lines down each side, which curve into a juncture at the starter opening in the center of the lower section. The general effect is one of greater height and less width.

The wheels are sturdier and smaller, with steel spokes electrically welded to the hub shell and rim.

The entire front is raised and in proportion to the new body type. A graceful forward pitch, due to a new treatment in the contour and sweep of the bodies, gives the impression of fleetness.

Granada Candy Nook Is Opened

The Granada Candy Nook, an attractive little shop, tucked away at one side of the Granada theater and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Snodgrass, owners and managers, is one of the newest business places here. Besides handling candy, mints, chocolates and box candies, cigarettes, etc., it will fill the vacancy created when the "popcorn man" left La Grande for Klamath Falls. Mr. Snodgrass expects to have popcorn to sell by the first of the week.

They make their own candies, specializing in party favors and mints, and salted nuts, in their factory above the Tiffin. The shop has been open several days, and Mr. Snodgrass says that business has been very promising.

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