

BASKETBALL TOURNEY TO BE AT UNION

Changes Made in Dates and Sub-Districts at Meeting Saturday.

OPENS WEDNESDAY TWELFTH OF MARCH

Extra Game, if Necessary, Will be on Mar. 15—Sub-District Tourney to be Here.

The 1929 district basketball tournament to include with teams from Grant, Malheur, Harney, Baker, Wallowa and Union counties, will be held at Union on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, March 13-15, inclusive, according to a recommendation made at a general school meeting here Saturday afternoon and adopted by the district board, which represents the state athletic association.

The change in dates was made because of the frequent playing of a 15th game, which formerly had been held on Monday. Under the new scheme of play, if a 15th game is necessary to determine the district championship, it will be played Saturday night, Mar. 15.

Ten Schools Represented The meeting, with 10 schools in attendance, was harmonious, but was crowded with a considerable amount of business.

Among the important changes made by the board was a revision of the sub-districts. Under the newly adopted plan, Wallowa and Union counties comprise sub-district No. 1, excluding North Powder; Baker and Malheur counties, including North Powder, make up sub-district No. 2 and Grant and Harney counties form sub-district No. 3. Representatives from Crane and Burns, in Harney, asked to be included with Grant county, and Nyssa, Ontario and asked to be placed in the Baker district.

Union, which previously had been admitted to the district tournament without playing, will have to earn its place in the championship contests this year.

Four teams will be picked from No. 1, three from No. 2, and one from No. 3, making a total of eight for the tournament.

The drawing of games will be held in La Grande at 8 o'clock the evening of Mar. 10.

Officials for the tournament will be appointed later.

Double elimination will be followed out and the same admission prices will be charged.

During the general meeting, Referee Jimmy Rosenbaum discussed changes in an interesting talk.

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132 PREDATORY ANIMALS ARE KILLED HERE

During the year of 1929, Albert Kinison, predatory hunter in Union county, took a total of 132 animals, and ranked 14th among government hunters in the state, of which there are more than 29. Mr. Kinison's kill consisted of three bear, 12 bobcat, and 117 coyotes.

In Wallowa county, where two hunters have been employed, W. A. Sutherland ranked 18th and I. Sarrett 19th. The former killed one bear, three bobcat and 117 coyotes and Mr. Sarrett killed seven bear, nine bobcat and 87 coyotes.

The three men together, in Union and Wallowa counties, accounted 11 bears, 24 bobcat and 331 coyotes.

Over the state there were 4,025 coyotes, 275 bobcats, nine cougars, one timber wolf and 28 sheep-killing hoes killed by the predatory hunters. Among the hunters who have taken over 1,000 predatory animals in Oregon since they started working under the supervision of the Bureau of biological survey include Mr. Sarrett, who has 1,379 kills to his record.

WEATHER TODAY

7:30 a. m.—3 above. Minimum 4 above. Condition: traces of snow (measures .01 inch).

WEATHER YESTERDAY

Maximum 17 above, minimum 4 above. Condition: mostly clear, traces of snow.

WEATHER JAN. 13, 1930

Maximum 19, minimum 14 above. Condition: clear.

Normal School Wins At Helix; Cheney Is Next

Score Saturday Night 36 to 30 — College Season Will Open Here Thursday Evening.

The Eastern Oregon Normal school basketball quintet, maintaining its clear record, wound up the pre-college game season at Helix Saturday night, defeating the local Devils, independent Eastern Oregon champions, 36 to 30.

Thursday night of this week, the Normal school squad will meet the Cheney Normal school in the L. D. S. Recreation hall, the game to start at 8 o'clock. Both teams are undefeated.

At Helix, the Mountaineers found themselves five points behind in the first quarter before they began to find the basket, but a spurt carried them into a 19 to 3 lead at the end of the period. At halftime, they had a fair margin, with the score at 23 to 15, but it

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State Marshal Praises Record For La Grande

That La Grande's small fire loss and the efficient and thorough work of its fire department during the year 1929 has attracted state-wide attention, is shown by a letter received by Fire Chief C. T. Lindsey from Clarence A. Lee, state fire marshal.

The letter in part says: "I want to compliment you upon the annual report received concerning the work of your department during the calendar year 1929, of especial interest and worthy of particular mention and commendation is your record of fire control for the past year showing, as it does, that your actual losses were held down to 6.2 per cent of the values involved in the total of 165 fires, as compared to 18.3 per cent for the year 1928.

Assuming that conditions and hazards were approximately the same on the average of the two-year period, it speaks volumes for the progress you have made in equipment and the advanced science of fire control. It is a record of which you and your department should justly be proud and for which the people of the progressive city of La Grande are to be congratulated."

In connection with the department report received by the fire department, Chief Lindsey, speaking for the department as a whole, said that this was in a large part possible because of the increased co-operation of La Grande people by keeping their places clean of rubbish, rags, etc., and in other ways of taking precautions against fire.

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County Officials Meet In Portland

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Among Union county officials who are going to Portland for the conventions are the following: County Judge U. G. Couch, Commissioners W. R. Ledbetter and W. W. Stevens, County Clerk C. K. McCormick, Roadmaster S. B. Morgan and Mrs. Florence Bacon, county treasurer.

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James L. Andrews Dies In Portland

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Gov. Patterson's Estate Is \$11,000

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 13 (AP)—In a will executed September 17, 1898, and filed for probate here Monday the late Governor Isaac L. Patterson bequeathed \$5 each to his sons, Phillip and Lee, and the remainder of his estate to his widow. The sons are both living in Portland.

The instrument lists real property of the estate at \$10,000 and personal property at \$1,000, but no estimate of the increase in values during the 22 years since the will was written has been made.

BELOW ZERO WEATHER IN EAST OREGON

Pendleton, Elgin, Enterprise, Baker and Meacham are Frigid Today.

LA GRANDE COLD AT FOUR ABOVE

Seven Deaths Over Weekend in Far-West States Due to Protracted Arctic Wave.

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ORGANIZING OF FARMERS NEXT MOVE

Pinkerton, of Moro, Speaks at East Oregon Grain Growers Meet.

PICK COMMITTEE AT OPENING DAY Tomorrow will be Devoted to Farm Board Matters and Cooperative Marketing Plans.

PENDLETON, Ore., Jan. 11 (AP)—With President Roy Ritter centering attention from the outset on the major questions of grain growers' cooperative marketing and river transportation, the third annual meeting of the Eastern Oregon Wheat League opened a three-day session here today. Representatives of many of the wheat belt counties were here for today's session although severe cold weather reduced the early attendance. In addition to leading wheat farmers of the Inland Empire, some public and civic officials, railroad representatives, grain dealers and agricultural and marketing specialists of Oregon State college were registered for the session.

Charles Z. Randall, city attorney of Pendleton, greeted the visitors on behalf of Mayor McAtee, who was unable to attend. Harry Pinkerton, Moro wheat farmer and secretary of the league responded. It is now the farmers' move, he said, to take advantage of the opportunities for mergers and cooperation afforded by the federal farm board act.

Committee appointments were (Continued on Page Five)

PARROT FEVER INVESTIGATION IS UNDER WAY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (AP)—Surgeon General Cummings today placed Dr. Charles Armstrong, public health epidemiologist, in charge of a nation-wide investigation to check scattered serious illnesses attributed to "parrot fever" or psittacosis.

Calling in all assistant surgeon generals, Dr. Cummings conferred with them today to consider unofficial reports attributing 25 cases of sickness to the rare disease. He said later that he believed the situation warranted the public health service's "serious attention."

Three deaths in Pittsburgh, Baltimore and Toledo, respectively, had been attributed to the malady. Health officials believe the disease is transmitted only from birds afflicted to human beings.

SURVEY TO BE MADE OF STATE INSTITUTIONS

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The survey was provided for in the 1929 legislative act creating the board of higher education. During the spring Klein will determine the time to collecting data pertaining to the institutions, and in May, according to the plans, a group of field workers will come to the state to complete the work. Some parts of the survey, Klein said, may require the services of technical experts.

No iron-clad plan for the future conduct of the institutions will be laid down as a result of the survey, he said, but rather a long-time flexible program will be suggested. All phases of administration relative to the state university, state college and the three normal schools will be dealt with, including duplication of courses.

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