

LABOR GROUP  
IS ORGANIZED  
IN LA GRANDEPolitical League to Inform  
Workers of Various  
Candidates.TIME FOR FILING  
ENDED YESTERDAYBoth Republican and  
Democratic Parties  
Enter List for Precinct  
Committeemen.Organization of a labor political  
league here last night and completion  
of the time for filing declarations  
of candidacy for primary  
nomination and election late yesterday  
where the only two developments in the local politics Tuesday  
and today.One new candidate for nomination  
filed, Jim Nelson, republican,  
seeking re-election as constable for the  
La Grande district.Local filings now stand:  
For representative, Union county:  
H. H. Waterspoon, republican;  
Victor E. Eklund, democrat.For state senator (Union, Umatilla, Morrow counties): Fred E.  
Kiddle, republican.For Union and Walla Walla county  
representative: L. J. "Bill" Allen,  
Walla Walla, and T. G. Johnson, Walla  
Walla incumbent, both republicans.For county commissioner: W. R.  
Ledbetter, republican; E. C. Myers,  
democrat.For justice of peace: L. Denham,  
republican.Form Labor League  
With Ben Osborne, secretary of  
the Oregon State Federation of  
Labor present, a political league  
was formed at a meeting last night  
in Eagles hall, attended by about  
75 men. The league will consist of  
delegates from all local union, labor  
road brotherhoods, and the granges  
and farmer unions will also be in-  
vited to participate either as ob-  
servers or members.The election of officers is sched-  
uled to be held tomorrow night,  
which is also the time for the regu-  
lar meeting of the Central Labor  
council.The purpose of the league, as  
explained by Mr. Osborne, is to  
inform laboring groups of the at-  
titudes of various candidates, as  
well as to consider various legisla-  
tion. No aggressive campaigning  
for any candidates is anticipated.Similar leagues have been formed  
in Portland, Astoria, Salem, Med-  
ford, Klamath Falls and other Ore-  
gon cities.William Hesse presided at the  
meeting last night.Committeemen File  
The closing of the filing period  
yesterday at the county clerk's  
office resulted in both democratic  
and republican parties presenting  
a list of men for positions of pre-  
cinct committeemen, to be elected  
at the primary vote and to organize  
and function previous to the Nov-  
ember election.The republicans filing are as  
follows: J. K. Fitzgerald, R. C.  
Provost, Frank Bowman, Ed. C.  
Williamson, J. H. Pearce, Fred  
Read, A. C. Connor, H. W. Riley,  
Harry Brenholz, C. E. Hartschorn,  
C. F. Sorenson, C. H. Bidwell, R. J.  
Green, C. M. Humphreys, S. E.  
Harris, E. A. Wells, John McKel-  
ey, J. Hazen, W. M. Cookrell, C. L.  
Caldwell, L. A. Holden, Glen Thomp-  
son, G. F. Haller, L. S. Weeks, Jess  
Crum, Arthur Hallgarth and Harley  
Smith.

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GEORGE MOSER  
WILL ATTEND  
LEGION MEET88d George, state commander,  
and Carl Moser, state adjutant of  
the American Legion for Oregon  
will be honor guests at the regular  
meeting of the La Grande post at  
8 o'clock tonight in the Sae-Jawa  
inn.All ex-service men, their wives  
and friends are invited to attend,  
with the meeting open to the pub-  
lic.Following a short business ses-  
sion Mr. George will be the prin-  
cipal speaker of the evening. Later  
a reception, dance and cards will  
be enjoyed. Mr. George and Mr. Moser  
were at Union Monday night and  
at Imbler Tuesday visiting the local  
posts.Mr. George has probably visited  
more Oregon posts than any other  
previous commander and still has  
six months to go, it is said. Thurs-  
day night he will attend the Baker  
American Legion meeting.WEATHER TODAY  
73 to 30—41 above.  
Minimum 31 above.  
Condition: clear.WEATHER YESTERDAY  
Maximum 68, minimum 22  
above.  
Condition: clear.WEATHER APR. 2, 1929  
Maximum 65, minimum 30  
above.  
Condition: clear.Reserved Seats  
For Operetta  
Taken RapidlyLower Floors For Both  
Nights Sold Out—  
"Pickles" Makes Bow to  
Public on Thursday.Tickets for the high school  
musical comedy "Pickles" are  
sold out for both nights on the  
lower floor, showing a popular  
faith in the production. Balcony  
seats are still obtainable. Seats  
went on reservation this morning  
at Glass Drugs.Monday afternoon and again  
this afternoon grade school stu-  
dents viewed the musical comedy.  
Thursday and Friday nights will  
be the public's turn to enjoy its  
humor and song, brilliancy of col-  
or and music.The costuming is elaborate, some  
made by the students under the di-  
rection of Miss Anne Arnold and  
the others ordered from city con-  
sumers. Especially in the carnival  
scene in act three the color runs  
riot with beautiful evening gowns,  
gala carnival apparel and a con-  
cert shower add to the festivity.Of special interest is the new  
curtain made for the production of  
"Pickles" by the high school  
students with a background paint-  
ed by Donald Pouch. Another in-  
terest is the waterfall which has  
actual water falling.Lighting effects are arranged by  
(Continued on Page Five)HARRY M'KINLEY  
IS NEW MANAGERCaldwell Man Arrives in  
La Grande to Head  
Falk's Store.Harry McKinley, new manager  
of the Falk's store, arrived in La  
Grande this morning and has taken  
up his duties today. Mr. McKinley,  
who was formerly head of the  
Falk's store at Caldwell, Idaho, re-  
places William Skelton, who has  
been manager since last August.Mr. McKinley is considered the  
outstanding manager in the Falk  
organization and brings to the La  
Grande store many years of experi-  
ence in merchandising and in di-  
recting stores of better class. He  
has been pleased with the appear-  
ance and atmosphere of La Grande.Mr. McKinley will secure a house-  
as soon as possible and move his  
family to La Grande within a very  
short time.Under his management, the Falk  
store will continue the policies as  
they have been in the past.REV. PERKINS  
IS SPEAKER AT  
ROTARY CLUBThe Rotary club met in the La  
Grande hotel today with a com-  
plete attendance as well as several  
guests including Sid George, state  
American Legion commander, and  
Ben Osborne, secretary of the  
Oregon Federation of Labor.The Rev. Mr. Perkins spoke,  
dwelling mainly on the political  
situation in India, and mentioned  
three phases of Gandhi's program  
of resistance against the British—  
passive resistance, non-cooperation  
and civil disobedience. He also  
mentioned that on today's news  
there is a story which showed or-  
ganization of the 60 million non-  
touchables of India into a political  
force called the anti-revolutionary  
party. Mr. Perkins explained in  
detail the caste system in India,  
also the different religious sects.  
His address was greatly appreciated.Mrs. Florence Lynch Miller sang  
three beautiful solos accompanied  
by Miss Merline Bailey.County Court In  
Monthly SessionThe April session of the Union  
county court opened this morning  
in the offices of County Judge L.  
G. Couch in the court house.  
Commissioners W. R. Ledbetter  
and W. W. Stevens were both in  
attendance.The court was busy today with  
the routine business, auditing  
bank, etc. The session is expected  
to come to an end tomorrow af-  
ternoon.Today Is Warmest  
Since Last FallSpring time continues to engulf  
Eastern Oregon, although today  
storm warnings were being issued  
along coast points and the weather  
men was predicting cloudy and un-  
settled weather for tonight and to-  
morrow.At 1:25 o'clock this afternoon  
street thermometers were between  
70 and 80 above, indicating that  
the official mercury would go  
above the 70 mark today, making  
it the warmest day so far this  
year.Farmers throughout Union and  
Walla Walla county are turning in  
eager to the spring work of  
plowing, etc.

## Census Count Starts Over Nation Today

"THIRTY SIX,  
BUT DON'T TELL A SOUL."  
"OH, NO, NO, NO  
THEY ARE ALL  
LITTLE BUNNY  
MOVING A  
BIRTHDAY  
PARTY."  
"OH YES, WE OWN THE RADIO  
ANYWAY WE WILL AFTER  
TWO MORE PAYMENTS."Once every 10 years Uncle Sam  
counts his family, and this is 1930  
and the second of April, the date  
designated for the beginning of the  
census-taking. For the next two  
weeks, enumerators will come  
through La Grande, asking 21  
questions of every one except the  
farmer, who will be deluged with  
more than 200 queries. In the rest  
of the country a month is allowed  
for taking the count.Americans are not "in the move"  
quite as much, with the enumer-  
ators having a better chance to  
find people in their home cities.Of the 21 questions to be asked  
other than farmers, four will be  
unnecessary if the person is a na-  
tive born American citizen. They  
have to do with immigration, natu-  
ralization, etc.Among other questions will be  
asked whether the home is owned  
or rented, and its value if owned,  
or monthly rental, if rented;  
whether the family has a radio set,  
the usual sex, color, race, age, place  
of birth, marital condition, chest  
attendance, ability to read, write,  
etc.The occupation of each gainful  
worker will be asked, also the in-  
dustry in which he is employed,  
and whether he is employer, em-  
ployee or working on his own ac-  
count.Question No. 23 is to find out  
if the person is actually at work,  
part time, full time, etc., being de-  
signed to determine unemployment  
figures for the nation.The questions answered are con-  
fidential, only superior officers of  
the enumerators seeing the individ-  
ual answers, and these can not be  
revealed to anyone outside of the  
census bureau.Supervisor McIntyre, of Pendle-  
ton, is in charge of the Northeast-  
ern Oregon district, with Raymond  
Williams, of La Grande, assistant  
supervisor. Five persons will be  
enumerating in La Grande,  
with 15 others taking the count  
elsewhere in Union county.Normal School  
Debate Team Is  
Winner TuesdayThe second win of the Eastern  
Oregon debate team this year was  
accomplished last night when the  
Whitman freshmen girls team was  
defeated in their arguments on the  
subject: "Resolved: That the na-  
tions should adopt a plan of com-  
plete disarmament, except such  
forces as are needed for police  
purposes." This is the last debate  
and closes the season with two wins  
and one loss. The other win and  
loss were with the College of Equi-  
ty. A no-decision debate was  
held with Lathrop college.Professor Gibbs, head of the  
public speaking department of the  
Walla Walla college, judged  
last night's debate at Walla Walla.  
Mrs. Victoria Schweitzer, Miss  
Viola Phillips and Miss Delora  
Funk returned this morning with  
Miss Amanda Zabel, debate coach  
of the E. O. N.This was the school's initial ses-  
sion in the field of debate and it  
has proved a rather successful one.  
Others active in debate at the  
school are: Vergilio Bond, Elsie  
Veek, Hazel Williamson, Eugene  
Bowman and Grace Herr, alterna-  
tives.Oratorical Contest Attracts  
Students From Three SchoolsAnother pioneer event to mark  
the first year of the Eastern Ore-  
gon Normal school is the Eastern  
Oregon oratorical contest, reading  
and extemporaneous speaking con-  
tests to be held here Friday  
sponsored by the oral English de-  
partment.This is the first affair of its  
kind in this section and although  
only three high schools are enter-  
ing a good start has been made  
with a promise of greater partici-  
pation in future years. Much of  
its success depends upon the gen-  
eral interest shown by the public  
and school students.Anyone interested in this activi-  
ty is invited to attend both the  
afternoon play and reception given  
in honor of the visiting students  
and the evening contest in which  
the high schools of Imbler, Union  
and Enterprise are entered."Suppressed Desires" will be  
presented by Sack and Huskin Fri-  
day afternoon at 2 o'clock in the  
normal school auditorium and will  
be followed by the reception dance  
at 3 o'clock. All students of17 Lines in Latin-America  
NEW YORK (AP)—One li-  
censed or identified commercial  
airplane is in operation in the  
country for every 18,300 persons,  
according to the aeronautical  
chamber of commerce.WASHINGTON (AP)—Regu-  
lar air service in Latin-America are  
operated by 37 companies with  
lines totaling 24,521 miles. Mail,  
passengers and express are han-  
dled.BUTLER APPOINTS  
PAUL DONOVANLa Grande Youth is Desig-  
nated as Midshipman  
in Naval Academy.Paul Donovan, La Grande youth  
and student in the Sacred Heart  
academy, was late yesterday af-  
ternoon appointed as midshipman  
at the United States naval academy  
at Annapolis. Word of the desig-  
nation of the La Grande youth was  
received here by J. H. Pearce in a  
communication from Congressman  
R. B. Butler.Mr. Donovan is the first local  
youth to be appointed from La  
Grande to either Annapolis or  
West Point in several years. Al-  
though Elmer Glenn is now at the  
naval academy, receiving his ap-  
pointment following his enlistment  
in the service.In recent years two have passed  
West Point examinations, but were  
not fortunate enough to receive  
appointments.National Guardsman  
Mr. Donovan is at present a pri-  
vate in Company E, 136th In-  
fantry, the La Grande unit of the  
Oregon national guard. Mr. Glenn  
(Continued on Page Five)100 Drowned When  
Ferryboat SinksTOKYO, April 2 (AP)—More  
than 100 persons were believed  
drowned today when the ferryboat  
Wakamatsu, carrying 300 Japa-  
nese from Wakamatsu to Tobata,  
capsized.The ferryboat was overcrowded  
and a high sea was running.Lift Load Limits  
On Oregon TrailSALEM, Ore., April 2 (AP)—  
Load limits that, during the last  
six weeks of the spring thaw in  
Central and Eastern Oregon, have  
been enforced by the state high-  
way commission have been remov-  
ed. State Highway Engineer  
Klein said yesterday. Roads where  
the restriction has been in effect  
are Old Oregon Trail between Pen-  
dleton and Kamela and between  
North Powder and Baker, and The  
Dalles-California highway between  
the junction at Seufert and the  
junction with the Sherman high-  
way north of Madras.Cherry Growers  
Urge Adoption  
Of Grade No. 1THE DALLES, Ore., April 2 (AP)—  
At a meeting of cherry growers,  
with representatives present from  
Walla Walla valley points, Hood  
River and Milton-Freewater dis-  
tricts as well as from Waco county,  
recommendations were yester-  
day afternoon made to the Oregon  
state board of horticulture, opo-  
nents of the sessions, that Oregon  
adopt the United States cherry  
grade No. 1 as a state standard.  
The growers also recommended  
that this state adopt a second grade  
to be known as Oregon unclassi-  
fied cherries. The specifications  
of the second grade as to maturi-  
ty and ripeness of fruit will be  
identical with the No. 1 grade.  
However, double tolerance will be  
allowed on other defects, provided  
that the total tolerance is not in  
excess of 15 per cent.DRY FORCES  
SUGGEST USE  
OF IRON FISTWould Treat Prohibition  
Law Violators as  
Federal Rebels.ASK THAT CAPITOL  
CITY BE A "MODEL"Immediate Enactment of  
Hoover Commission's  
Plan Favored—Hear-  
ings Almost Over.WASHINGTON, April 2 (AP)—  
An army of 120,000 census enu-  
merators enters energetically today  
upon the gigantic task of counting  
the American population.Hitting from doors, tapping  
brass knockers along the hallways  
of city apartment houses, driving  
through the gates of farmsteads,  
searching out obscure families in  
the mountains and on the plains,  
they embarked upon what is in-  
tended to be the most complete  
tabulation of the American people  
and their economic conditions ever  
attempted.Each worker carried a big port-  
folio containing dozens of copies of  
the long questionnaire that is be-  
ing put to everyone in the country.  
Important among their equipment  
was a detailed specially prepared  
map of their territory, showing  
every street, every alley, and every  
tucked-away corner where a hu-  
man habitation had been placed.Data Important  
The questions asked are intended  
to produce a valuable store of  
statistical information including  
not only the extent of population  
but the extent of unemployment,  
illiteracy, and home ownership.  
There are questions too which are  
expected to produce important  
data on the American farm prob-  
lem.Although the 1930 census chore  
is the biggest ever attempted by  
the census bureau, modern ac-  
counting machinery will make it a  
speedy job. For months the bureau  
has been making its preparations  
and is ready to tabulate the re-  
sults of the questioning with great  
rapidity than ever before.Stewart Is Chief  
At the head of the vast organiza-  
tion is William M. Stewart, the  
director of the census. He de-  
livered a radio address last night  
calling upon the people to co-oper-  
ate with the census takers and  
pictured Uncle Sam as a solicitous  
personal visitor in their homes.Like his fellow-citizens, Presi-  
dent Hoover, too, was faced with  
the prospect of answering the cen-  
sus taker's questions. But unlike  
them, he had a definite engage-  
ment with the enumerators. This  
was arranged that the latter should  
call at the white house and ask the  
president the same questions that  
are being put to more than 120,  
000,000 others.The census taken ten years ago  
showed a total population of 105,  
719,629 and the intervening decade  
is estimated to have brought an  
increase of approximately 17,000.Suits To Test  
EDDY ACT IS  
BEFORE COURTSALEM, Ore., April 2 (AP)—  
A suit to test the constitutionality  
of the Eddy act which requires that  
only taxpayers and voters on men-  
sures involving bond issues or tax  
levies was begun in the supreme  
court yesterday through an original  
proceeding in mandamus. The  
plaintiff is Kelley Lee, of Portland,  
represented by Joseph K. Carson as  
his attorney, and the defendant is  
election board No. 28 of Multnomah  
county.The plaintiff contends that the  
initiative and referendum give to  
all legal voters the right to vote on  
any question regardless of whether  
it involves the raising of money.An order was signed by Chief  
Justice Goshaw setting Tuesday,  
April 8, as the date for argument.Japanese Girls  
Guests of FriscoSAN FRANCISCO, April 2 (AP)—  
Five Japanese girls coming to  
this country to express Japan's  
gratitude for American assistance  
in the disastrous Tokyo earthquake  
in 1923 arrived here today.At the end of their long sea  
journey, they shyly smiled their  
happiness and amusement at the  
activity aboard ship, with custom-  
ers officers, cameramen and  
others swarming overboard as the  
President Pierce passed through  
the Golden Gate.Until next Sunday they will be  
the guests of San Francisco's civic  
associations.Bring New Wealth  
Into This StatePORTLAND, Ore., April 2 (AP)—  
W. G. Ide, manager of the state  
chamber of commerce, estimated  
today that new wealth brought to  
Oregon by families locating here  
during the three months of 1929  
amounted to \$207,414. This is  
more than twice the 1928 figure for  
the same period.Despite the net loss of \$18,000  
presented in the country at large  
during 1929, as recorded by the  
department of agriculture, Ide  
said Oregon showed a gain of  
1000 families yearly.Trial Of Indian  
Woman Is HaltedBUFFALO, N. Y., April 2 (AP)—  
The trial of Lila Jimerson, In-  
dian woman, collapsed today. The  
illness of the woman accused of  
complicity in the slaying of Clo-  
thilde Marchand brought an end  
to the attempt of the state to con-  
vict her of murder, first degree.Judge F. Bret Thorn, informed  
that the prisoner could not be re-  
moved from a hospital at this time,  
ordered the jury dismissed and de-  
clared a mistrial.Kills Woman Who  
Took Her HusbandPINEVILLE, Ky., April 2 (AP)—  
Because "she took my man" Mrs.  
Roth Robinson, 39, of Cary, Ky.,  
yesterday shot and killed Mrs.  
Sophia Patrick Massingale, and to-  
day was being held in jail here  
pending an examining trial.After the shooting, Mrs. Robi-  
nson went to a nearby store, told  
the pistol she had used behind the  
counter and asked that the sheriff  
be notified.Airplane Safe  
In The Bermuda  
Islands TodayAmerican Monoplane  
"Pilot," Within 50 Miles  
of Hamilton, Spends  
Night on Ocean.HAMILTON, Bermuda, Apr. 2  
(AP)—The American monoplane  
"Pilot" which left New York yester-  
day for the Bermudas, reach-  
ed Hamilton safely shortly before  
10 o'clock this morning after hav-  
ing spent the night at sea, a scant  
60 miles from her goal.The plane completed the jour-  
ney under her own power. She  
flew to a point off St. George's  
earlier in the morning, landed  
there and then came from St.  
George's to Hamilton. She was  
accompanied down the north shore  
for a time by a motor launch which  
brought out gasoline.Although it was first believed  
that she had been towed for a short  
distance by the launch, it was  
later learned that she simply had  
anchored to it for a time.Soon after reaching the dock-  
yard, Captain Lewis A. Yancey  
took her on a triumphant flight  
over the city of Hamilton.The ship, for the first time in  
the history of ocean flying, had  
descended at sea, spent the night  
there and then was able to con-  
tinue her voyage under her own  
power.Equipped With Pontoons  
The monoplane, which was  
equipped with pontoons, was  
forced to descend because of dark-  
ness last night. She had been in  
the air eight hours. This morning  
the sturdy craft appeared off North  
Rock, about five miles from St.  
George's and anchored there.She remained there an hour or  
more preparing for the final stage  
of her perilous 750-mile flight and  
(Continued on Page Eight)SEVEN MEN HELD  
ON FRAUD CHARGEFederal Authorities Act  
on Secret Indictments in  
Northwest Cities.PORTLAND, Ore., April 2 (AP)—  
H. G. Reed, former president of  
a Portland piano company, was ar-  
rested here today by federal au-  
thorities on a charge of complicity  
in the Guaranty and Loan com-  
pany alleged fraudulent opera-  
tions involving 23 Pacific north-  
west banks. His arrest brought  
the total number arrested here and  
in other cities to seven.Reed's arrest today followed the  
arrest of C. A. Alphonse, secre-  
tary to the Portland commissioner  
of finance yesterday. Both have  
been released on \$1500 bail.Four others, A. M. Haradon,  
former president of the Guaranty  
and Loan company, Portland; Lil-  
ian M. E. Kuykendall, secre-  
tary, David Kuykendall, San Fran-  
cisco, and R. H. Burnett, San Fran-  
cisco, the latter two claimants for  
the company, are held in San  
Francisco. Isaac Rice, another  
salesman, is under arrest at Twin  
Falls, Idaho.Secret indictments were return-  
ed against them by the federal  
grand jury here recently and their  
arrests have been sought nearly  
three weeks. United States nar-  
shal and deputies searched the  
Pacific northwest until they lo-  
cated Haradon and the others and  
then netted all in one action.Twenty-three Pacific northwest  
banks are alleged to have been de-  
frauded by Haradon and mem-  
bers of the firm. A sum of \$350,-  
000 is said to have been raised by  
the Guaranty and Loan com-  
pany by borrowing funds from the  
banks on alleged false statements  
of assets.Federal authorities said Haradon  
knew the condition of his  
company when he borrowed the  
money, but the former president  
has sought to recoup his  
fortunes which dwindled immedi-  
ately after the war and that his  
security, mostly livestock, was of  
first class reputation.Portland Woman  
Drives Death CarSAN FRANCISCO, April 2 (AP)—  
Miss Wanda Gordon, 23, of Port-  
land, Ore., was under arrest on a  
charge of manslaughter here today  
in connection with the death of  
Francis Rogers, 65, a real estate  
appraiser, who was struck late  
night by an automobile driven by  
Miss Gordon. In the car with Miss  
Gordon were her sister, Mrs. Wil-  
liam Massie, Portland, and Arthur  
Wilkinson and Rayon Schmall,  
soldiers stationed here.Receipts from the excise tax  
turned over to the state treasurer  
to date, including second-half pay-  
ments, amount to \$45,000,55 said  
a statement by the commission.  
It is estimated that the total  
receipts will be \$750,000. This is  
about \$200,000 more than was  
estimated by the commission when  
it made the recent million-dollar  
reduction in the state tax levy on  
property because of anticipated  
returns from the excise and in-  
tangibles taxes.Commits Suicide  
With DynamiteWOOD LAKE, Cal., April 2 (AP)—  
Placing six sticks of dynamite  
under the small of his back, Henry  
Knoble, 33, a resident of Tulare  
county for 15 years, literally blew  
his body to pieces about 10:30  
Saturday morning on a hill two  
and one-half miles north of this  
city. His body was discovered just  
after dawn yesterday by Fred Bruce,  
member of a searching party which  
was resuming the hunt for the  
man after darkness had halted  
them.In preparing for death, Knoble  
had carefully removed all the  
clothes from his body.