

## PAYMENT OF TAXES SAME AS IN 1929

Total Amount of Revenue Received, However, is not Certain.  
\$906,128.20 IS DUE DURING THE YEAR

May 5 is Last Day For Payment of First Half of Taxes, After Which Penalty Effective.

Another indication that conditions in La Grande this year are almost normal came to light late yesterday when it was announced at the sheriff's office that the number of persons paying their taxes totaled the same up to Apr. 29 as for the same period last year. The total amount of taxes paid in had not been tabulated, but a considerable amount has been received with payments continuing in an encouraging way.

The first half of the Union county taxes are due and if not paid before closing time on May 5, become delinquent and are subject to interest and penalty after that date.

November 5 is the final date for the last half of the 1929 taxes, both dates being set without consideration of Sundays and holidays.

\$906,128.20 Due This Year  
The amount to be collected in Union county for 1929 is \$906,128.20, a smaller figure than was scheduled for collection last year. The tax collection department estimates that 3,500 receipts will be filed by the final day.

In connection with tax payments, a request is made by the office that the taxpayers bring their notices with them when paying taxes. Otherwise a new notice must be written which, as it takes considerable time, causes considerable delay.

## COYOTES HERE FOR TILT WITH E. O. NORMAL

Fourteen College of Idaho baseball players, accompanied by their coach, arrived here today from Caldwell, Ida., and this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock were to cross the river with the Eastern Oregon Normal school in the last athletic contest of the 1929-30 school year between the two schools.

So far the Mountaineers are a little behind, losing to the Coyotes in basketball and two baseball games, but winning from Anse Cornell's gridiron squad. A victory for the E. O. N. today would leave the athletic honors between the two schools nearly even for the year.

President H. E. Inlow will throw the first ball to A. T. Hill, city commission president.  
McCully is scheduled to pitch and it is not certain who will oppose him in the box.  
Following this game, the Mountaineers will go to Monmouth and the Coyotes to Walla Walla to play Whitman.

## ANTHONY LAKE SELECTED FOR SCOUT CAMP

It has definitely been decided to hold the Boy Scout summer camp at Anthony Lake beginning the last of July and lasting into August. Preparations for summer camp are being followed with vigor and are being followed with enthusiasm by the scouts.

Boy Scout patrol leaders, junior officers, and assistant patrol leaders of the Eastern Oregon council will meet at Baker this Friday and Saturday for a patrol leaders conference. About 150 from Eastern Oregon cities are expected to attend with a number going from this city. Local scouts who will take part in the conference are: Woodrow Damerell, Claire Thomas, Vergil Kochensperger and Carl Coleman.

Jack Lew, Eagle scout of Baker is general chairman for the event. Scouting problems will be discussed, new stunts learned and new patrol methods shown, as part of the program which includes a banquet, a swimming party and a campfire evening among other activities. The conference begins at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon, continuing through until Saturday evening at 8 o'clock.

WEATHER TODAY  
7-30 a. m.—59 above.  
Minimum: 29 above.  
Condition: clear.

WEATHER YESTERDAY  
Maximum 58, minimum 27 above.  
Condition: partly cloudy.

WEATHER APR. 30, 1930  
Maximum 57, minimum 33 above.  
Condition: clear.

## Music Week To Be Observed In City, May 4-11

Programs Arranged For Every Day of Period, Including Concert by Municipal Band.

National music week, from May 4 to 11, inclusive, will be extensively observed in La Grande. Plans provide for programs in the schools, churches, clubs and for the public, with something arranged for every day of the week.

The observance is sponsored by the Neighborhood club and Mrs. H. N. Ashby, chairman of the music committee, is in charge of arrangements.

Special music will be given in the public schools, in the Eastern Oregon Normal school, the theaters, civic clubs and women's organizations.

Sunday will find choirs, soloists and ministers taking part in the music week program and on Monday a special program will be given by Mrs. Joe Reynolds and Mrs. Florence Lynch Miller. Tuesday Mrs. H. J. Green will give a musical program. Wednesday's program is in preparation.

Program by Baker Musicians  
Thursday evening Mrs. Jesse A. Hoskins will bring a double quartet from Baker to give "The Mountaineers" and selections from "The Persian Garden."

Friday evening a municipal band concert will be held in the high school auditorium with Mrs. Leal Russell, voice and Miss Helen Williams, piano, as the soloists.

## L. H. S. Offices Will Be Decided In Friday Vote

In order to obtain a majority vote for the L. H. S. student body officers of president, vice president and secretary a second election will be held Friday noon at the school with the same judges and clerks in charge.

Stanley Anderson, chosen for yell leader, was the only officer elected in Tuesday's voting. He received 257 votes to 185 and 26 for each of his opponents.

Russell Nelson received 227, and Harold Hoyt 214 and will continue the campaigns for election to the presidency. Other candidates received 29 votes.

For the office of vice president James Leslie, 227, and Ralph Geibel, 168, will compete for the final honor. The other members received 26 and 25 votes.

The closest competition was shown for the position of secretary-treasurer with no candidates receiving more ballots. Jacques O'Brien received the most with 164 and Lois Hansell was second with 96. Four other candidates were eliminated, received 211 distributed between them.

This year in addition to the nominees' names on the ballot this class and the grade average were also included. None of the remaining six candidates has a grade average below B, a mark above average.

## DR. PACKARD SPEAKER AT ROTARY MEET

Dr. Paul Henry Packard, evangelist now conducting meetings at the Christian church, was the main speaker at the Rotary club luncheon today, giving a very interesting talk on the boy situation, including in his remarks several concrete examples. The first essential is for parents to look after the boy, he said.

Senator George W. Joseph, candidate for governor on the republican ticket, spoke for about five minutes, and a violin solo was played by Miss Elizabeth Cooper. Claude Neely sang a pleasing vocal solo.

The luncheon was at the La Grande hotel.

## CLOSE VOTE EXPECTED IN THE SENATE

Leaders in Judge Parker Contest Undertake Drive For Ballots.

DEBATE ENTERS THE THIRD DAY

Outlook for Parker's Confirmation Clouded—Decision up to Doubtful Democrats.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 29 (AP)—Aware that a very close vote depends on the confirmation of Judge J. Parker, of North Carolina, as a member of the supreme court, Senate leaders in the contest undertook a determined drive for votes today as the third day of debate opened.

Senator Robinson, of Arkansas, the democratic leader, upon whose action some believed the ultimate decision would turn, returned to the capitol from the London naval party. He was so busy with the naval treaty situation and negotiating himself, however, that he announced he would probably not reach a decision on Parker before tomorrow.

Senator Hastings, republican, Delaware, was ready to carry forward the administration's campaign for Judge Parker at the opening of senate debate. Senator Wagner, democrat, New York, was in line to carry on the attack against the nominee.

Watson Calls Conference  
Senator Watson, of Indiana, the republican leader, who is staking out the situation for the Parker friends, called a conference of republicans.

A split in the administration ranks because of the opposition to the association for the advanced republicans, called a conference of republicans.

## ANNUAL CLINICS HERE TOMORROW

Parent-Teacher Organizations Sponsor Examination of Children.

The annual Summer Round-Up per-school clinics are to take place tomorrow morning from 9 to 12 o'clock under the auspices of the City Council of Parent-Teacher associations with Miss Alice Marquardt as general chairman.

The clinics will be free of charge and are for the purpose of detecting any defects among children from four to six years of age, and give parents a chance to correct these. Many of the corrections in the past have not required medicine or a doctor's care.

Each school association has developed its own clinic under the following chairmen: Ackerman Training P.-T. A., Mrs. H. C. Patten; Central P.-T. A., Mrs. E. W.

## Baker Nabs Negro Wanted By Police

BAKER, Ore., Apr. 29 (AP)—Camey Bount, negro, wanted in La Grande on a charge of assault with intent to kill, was arrested early this morning. He is accused of shooting two times at a woman friend, Lulu Robinson, who was not struck by the bullets.

When arrested Bount was driving his automobile which he purchased in Klamath Falls March 12, 1929. A loaded pistol was found in a pocket of the car. He is being held in the city jail.

Eastern Oregon Track Championship Sought By Quartet of Strong Teams

By Nolan Skiff  
What are La Grande's chances to win the Eastern Oregon track and field meet?

## FOREST FIRE IS BLAZING IN WISCONSIN

250 Men Fighting Flames in 20,000 Acres of Timber Today.

DISASTROUS YEAR FEARED IN OREGON

Lack of Rain Increases Hazard—Condition Worst in Northeastern Washington.

ALBANY, N. Y., Apr. 29 (AP)—Fifteen new forest fires, in addition to the 65 burning yesterday were reported to the conservation commission today.

MILWAUKEE, Apr. 29 (AP)—More than 250 men today fought fires burning over approximately 20,000 acres of Wisconsin's forests. A heavy smoke hung over the entire Chequamegon bay region as fighters backfired in attempts to save threatened farm dwellings.

Near Hobuster, Wis., 125 men worked to extinguish a blaze spreading northward toward Lake Superior over thousands of acres of forest. Approximately 4,000 acres have already been burned. A slight drizzle yesterday failed to hinder the progress of the fire. Much of the burned territory included valuable blue berry tracts.

Seven miles west of Washburn, Wis., more than 15,000 acres of the new Moquin national forest burned as a force of 100 men

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Oregon Will Get Ten New Theaters  
PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 29 (AP)—Howard Sheehan, vice president of the Fox West Coast theaters, said last night that the company will build or acquire ten theaters in Oregon "in the near future."

## Two Injured When Auto Overturns

By Mrs. Lynn Hill (Observer Correspondent)  
ELGIN, Ore., Apr. 29 (Special)—Heber Fox, of Elgin, and George Fox, of La Grande, were injured in an automobile accident at the head of Fish Trap hill at 7 o'clock last night, when they were returning from a visit to Cricket Flat.

George was driving the car and the accident, which occurred about the time George shifted the gears, caused the car to turn over twice. Heber was thrown through the windshield and suffered two broken ribs and a cracked shoulder. He was just recovering from a broken arm suffered some time ago. George, less seriously injured, went on to La Grande after the accident.

## ELGIN TEAM SHUT OUT BY IMBLER HIGH

The Imbler High school baseball team virtually clinched first place in the Union county league yesterday afternoon by shutting out the visiting Elgin high team 11 to 0. The Imbler team has only one more game to play in this league, and also plans to play a practice game at Enterprise Saturday.

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## INAUGURATING NEW AIRMAIL



Inaugurating the new seven-day airmail service of Pan American Airways between New York City and Buenos Aires, Col. Charles A. Lindbergh is now flying over the route. He completed the long water hop between Miami and Cristobal, Canal Zone, the other day. (A. P. Photo.)

## Lindbergh Safe At Panama City, Message States

HOSTON, Apr. 29 (AP)—The Tropical Radio Telegraph company today received a radio message from its operator at Panama City at 2:20 p. m. E. D. T. saying that Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh had just landed there safely. There has been widespread rumors that he had met with an accident.

The Panama City operator reported that after a brief stop there, Lindbergh intended to take off for Cristobal, Canal Zone.

MIAMI, Fla., Apr. 29 (AP)—Col. Charles A. Lindbergh was flying from Panama City to Cristobal this afternoon, the Pan-American airmail office here reported.

R. J. Dunton, Miami, operations manager for the air company, said he received at 2:50 p. m. (E. S. T.) a radio message to that effect from the company's Cristobal office.

Lindbergh, Dunton said, was accompanied on his flight by Donald Duke, division operations manager of the company at Cristobal.

Salt Duty Will Not Be Reduced, British Declare  
BOMBAY, India, Apr. 29 (AP)—A government communiqué today denied reports the salt duty would be abolished or reduced.

Such reports had led traders to cancel orders or take up only sufficient quantities for immediate needs, with a consequent rise in salt prices in several districts.

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## BARBED WIRE TO HOUSE CONVICTS

Stockade at Ohio Penitentiary Completed—No More Disorders.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Apr. 29 (AP)—The barbed wire stockade within the walls of Ohio penitentiary where mutinous convicts will be confined while their damaged cell blocks are repaired, was completed and the transfer of about 400 prisoners to this enclosure will be made today.

The Ohio national guard, under command of Colonel R. S. Haubrich, is ruling the prison with an iron hand following the attempted break for liberty yesterday when the convicts were regulated with shot that wounded two of their number.

Except for minor disturbances in the idle house, where 1,300 revolting convicts still have the run of the cages, quiet has been restored. During the night two prisoners, Jimmie Gordon, of Wood county and Charles Hanovich, of Cleveland, were badly beaten with pipes by convicts.

Both were removed to the penitentiary hospital, Rev. Father Albert O'Brien, Catholic chaplain said Hanovich was in a serious condition.

Preparations are under way for complete restoration of prison room lots, Colonel Haubrich said today.

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NEW GLIDER RECORD  
SAN DIEGO, Cal., April 29 (AP)—Jack Barstow, young first class glider pilot, flying a bowfin sailing plane, landed at Point Loma at 3:56 o'clock this morning, ending a flight of 15 hours and 12 minutes duration, an unofficially establishing a new world's record for sustained flight.

Wheat Today  
CHICAGO, Apr. 29 (AP)—Expectations that deliveries of wheat tomorrow on May contracts here will total fully 5,000,000 bushels had a depressing influence on wheat prices late today. Traders were inclined to look for first of the month deliveries of liberal size also at Kansas City and Minneapolis.

The bulk of the grain thus delivered, however, was expected to pass into the hands of farm board allies, and the market was given some support too.

After breaking the season's low-price record for the May delivery, the wheat market closed unsettled at nearly the day's bottom level, 1/8% a bushel lower than yesterday's finish.

STUDENTS HIRED AS GUARDS  
TOPEKA, Kan., (AP)—To test the influence of college youths on inmates of the state boys' industrial school here, Walter A. Smith, superintendent, has employed three Washburn college students as night dormitory guards.

## Two Men Burned In Oil Refinery Explosion Today

Blast Cause of Tragedy—Another Man so Severely Injured That he may not Survive.

CHICAGO, Apr. 29 (AP)—Two men were burned alive in oil early today in an explosion at the refinery of the Lubron Products corporation. Four others escaped unhurt, dragging with them a fifth, so severely burned he is not expected to live.

The spread of the blazing oil, following the explosion, for a time threatened a large portion of the clearing industrial district. Officials of the refinery placed the damage at \$160,000, including the loss of oil.

Several fire companies prevented the blaze from spreading to two huge storage tanks, less than 100 feet away, containing thousands of gallons of highly inflammable crude oil, while on the nearby tracks of the outer belt railroad, switch engines pushed close to the blazing refinery to save a number of oil cars.

Causes of Explosion  
Maintained at a refining temperature of 300 degrees, Fahrenheit, one of the 500-gallon stills is believed to have become overheated while oil was being poured into it, causing the explosion which sent a column of oil through the metal roof and one side of the plant.

James Fleming, foreman of the exploding still, was one of those burned to death. In a laboratory 20 feet away, the body of Walter Kitch, 22-year-old Northwestern University graduate, was found. Kitch had entered the refinery's employ only two days ago. He had been trapped by the wall of fire.

Four others, working at the other still in the plant, reached a doorway safely. They are: Joseph McClure, a foreman, Frank Jesella, John McGuire and Edward Sikora. A fifth, Jerome Sikes, apparently was walking toward the exploding still and was burned by the shower of oil. He staggered toward the same doorway, fell and was dragged along by the others.

Firemen found it impossible to check the blaze in the building as the water only spread the burning. For several hours, they turned their streams of cold lake water onto the storage tanks to prevent them from exploding. Nearby was the plant of the Swan and Fitch refinery, and for a time it, too, was threatened.

## Deputy Wardens Killed In Gun Fight In Frisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 29 (AP)—Two deputy game wardens were killed and a fisherman probably fatally wounded in a gun fight today in the bay waters of South San Francisco.

The dead: Jack Burke, Daly City. Allan Curry, San Francisco. The wounded fisherman was Anton Anderson. He was shot through the stomach.

The shooting occurred when Anderson resisted efforts of the deputy wardens to board his fishing smutch off South San Francisco. He was said to have been fishing for bass illegally.

In the fight, Anderson killed both officers, and then, despite the fact that he himself was perhaps fatally shot, brought their bodies to fisherman's wharf here. He surrendered to San Francisco police, who called an ambulance.

Little hope was held Anderson would recover.

## New York Suspends Carnera And Staff

NEW YORK, Apr. 29 (AP)—Primo Carnera and four members of his managerial staff today were suspended by the New York state athletic commission. The suspension followed disciplinary action by California boxing authorities growing out of the big Italian's questionable bout with Leon Chevalier at Oakland. Three members of Chevalier's staff were declared ineligible as they did not hold New York licenses.

WHEAT LOAN BASIS IS TO BE CHANGED  
SPOKANE, April 30 (AP)—A new loan basis for wheat for members of the North Pacific Grain Growers' Assn. will be announced soon to replace the \$1.13 rate now in effect, but which expires April 30, F. J. Wilmer, president of the Northwest Regional, has announced.

The new base rate for advances, Wilmer said, would be 75 per cent of the market value of wheat on the day the loan is made, this advance to be made by the Federal Intermediate Credit bank of Spokane, plus ten cents a bushel to be made by the Farmer's National Grain corporation. The rate of interest will remain at six per cent.

## LEGG, HYDE DEFEND FARM BOARD TODAY

Speak During Controversy at U. S. Chamber of Commerce Meeting

BUSINESS MEN'S ATTACK ANSWERED  
Farm Board Head Says Chamber Fails to "Take Any Constructive Action" on Situation.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 29 (AP)—Speakers representing the government and business clashed today over the federal farm board and its policies before the eighteenth annual meeting of the chamber of commerce of the United States.

Chairman Legge of the board said the chamber had failed "to take any constructive action to improve the farm situation."

In reply, Daniel A. Millett, Denver banker and stockman, contended both the farm board and the agricultural marketing act which created it were part of "a fantastic dream of stabilization." He urged the act be repealed.

The attack and counter-attack threw into controversy the previously serene meeting. Middle-western grain dealers, opposing the board, and others had previously announced intention of speaking from the floor on board policies after Legge and Millett had concluded.

Legge Makes Proposal  
At one point Legge departed from his prepared address to suggest that members of the chamber join with him in setting up a private organization to do work that the farm board now is doing.

When there was no reply, he added that he would be glad to confer later with members of the chamber on his proposal.

In his address Legge assailed "bankers and business men who met the crisis in the stock market last fall with more than half a billion dollars but failed to volunteer any aid when the commodities market faced a like crisis, although by doing so they would have performed as important if not a more valuable service to the country than saving the stock market."

Instead, he continued, "there was criticism of the farm board for giving necessary assistance that could not be had from any other source."

Definite Commitment  
Legge declared congress had definitely committed the country to the principle of cooperative marketing of farm products. The agricultural marketing act, he said, supplies the means necessary to help the farmer help himself out of his major economic difficulties, and "the farm board is going to give him every assistance permitted by the law."

"I am sure that most of you will agree that you know more about the agricultural situation and how to meet it than I do," he said.

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## BASEBALL TODAY

AMERICAN LEAGUE  
R. H. E.  
Philadelphia ..... 3 6 1  
Boston ..... 7 10 4  
Batteries: Quinn, Leibold, Mahaffey, Rommel and Cochran; Gaffney and Berry.

NATIONAL LEAGUE  
R. H. E.  
Brooklyn ..... 9 11 2  
New York ..... 4 6 9  
Batteries: Vance and Deberry; Hubbell, Lucas, Benton and Hogan.

R. H. E.  
St. Louis ..... 3 11 1  
Cincinnati ..... 4 7 1  
Batteries: Johnson and Wilson; Lucas and Gooch.