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LA GRANDE MAY GET TAX OFFICE

RUMORS SAY REMOVAL IS HELD LIKELY

Deputy Internal Revenue Officer at Baker Out on Nov. 15

TWO LA GRANDERS BEING MENTIONED

No Definite Action as Yet, With Those Interested Awaiting Word From Capital.

It was learned from apparently authoritative sources today that there is strong likelihood that the internal revenue office in Baker may be moved to La Grande in the near future, and that a La Grande man may be appointed as deputy collector.

P. C. Schafer, now deputy collector in Baker, with authority over five counties—Union, Wallowa, Baker, Malheur and Grant—has been notified his position will expire on Nov. 15. This much is definite, and was given space in the Baker Democrat-Herald, along with the rumor that the office would be moved to La Grande with a man here to be in charge.

Mr. Schafer has been collector since July 18, 1922, serving under the administrations of Presidents Harding, Coolidge and Hoover.

The new collector of internal revenue in Oregon is J. W. Maloney, Pendleton Democrat, who took office July 17. Conversations in Portland with Mr. Maloney today revealed that nothing definite had been done. Locally, it was believed that the plan has progressed well along and that authority for the removal from Baker to La Grande is being awaited from Washington.

H. H. Cleaver, of La Grande, is said to have been supported by Congressman Walter M. Pierce for the post of deputy collector, but since then he was appointed district appraiser of the Home Owners Loan corporation office here, so he is no longer a candidate for the Schafer job, it is said.

Some sources say that Henry Melancon is slated for the job, with the support of Senator Henry Hess. Neither Mr. Melancon nor Mr. Hess could be reached by the Observer today.

Another report is that C. Lloyd Welch, of La Grande, is a candidate for the position, and some feel that he has the inside track for the appointment.

Generally, it was believed here that something definite may be learned before the week is over.

Turn In Bonds In Payment Of Street Liens

The usual brief city commission meeting was held last night, lasting only a few minutes and being devoted entirely to routine business.

The city manager's report revealed that \$7,500 in improvement bonds had been received during the last week in payment of street assessments, which retires the bonds and at the same time removes numerous city liens against property.

Bills for the month of October, amounting to \$4,775.35, were ordered paid. The cash on hand amounted to \$5,829.52, divided as follows: La Grande bank \$844.12, Portland bank \$607.45, cash \$793.78, remainder in warrants.

CITY CANNOT HAVE 11 LIQUOR STORES

If the present provisions of the city charter are upheld—and charters are fairly sacred things in law courts—La Grande cannot have more than ten places where "spiruous, vinous, fermented or malt liquors" are to be disposed of when the 18th amendment is formally stricken from the United States constitution.

Here is the charter provision: Chapter X, Second 2—Licenses; Limitations: "Obtaining a license from Union county, shall not exempt one from paying a license to the city of La Grande for like business occupation. No license shall be granted for vending, dealing in, or in any manner disposing of any spirituous, vinous, fermented or malt liquors to be drunk on the premises, within four hundred feet, measured on street lines, of any block on which a public school building is situated within the city of La Grande, nor shall there

WILL ROGERS says:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Nov. 8.—Tammam, Tamman, big chief got to get out of his tepee to make room for the Italian La-Guardia. Tamman, Tamman, 8 wampum, swampum, voters got no wampum. Out goes Tamman. I have known this little La-Guardia for years. He is not only quite a wop, but he is quite an American. He used to be considered radical, but a radical of those days is a long-haired, hard-shelled, die-hard those times. See where North Carolina went dry, just through devilment, and not through preference. Yours, Will Rogers

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COUNTY REBEKAHS AND ODD FELLOWS JOIN IN MEETING

A joint county association of Rebekahs and Odd Fellows was held in La Grande Wednesday night with more than 200 from Elgin, Summerville, Union, Cove and La Grande present. The Rebekahs held their weekly meeting after which the following program was presented:

"Scene in the Cove Court Room," a play by the La Grande Odd Fellows.

"Slowly Down the World," a reading by Putnam Yeck in the role of Prof. Hooper, a teacher.

"Fancy dance by Connie Carnes, accompanied by Margaret Zurbick on the piano.

"Thanks Awfully," a play by the Rainbow girls.

Violin solo, by Anita Hermann, accompanied by Melba Shepherd.

Tap dance, Phil Barron.

Dancing was enjoyed for an hour and lunch was served in the dining room.

TOTAL OF SLAIN ELK IN EASTERN OREGON AT 539

Latest reports on the number of registered elk, legally killed in the four counties where open season was held show a total of 539. Of this number, 205 were killed in Union county, 108 in Umatilla county, 120 in Wallowa county and 16 in Baker.

Chester E. McCarty, of the law firm of Reed and McCarty in Portland, who has been retained for game commission prosecutions for the past four years, and Ernest L. Crockett, public relations director for the commission, are in La Grande today investigating cases of alleged unlawful killing of elk and deer.

Mr. McCarty, who is a prominent Portland attorney, will assist District Attorney Carl G. Helm in prosecution of the cases in Union county.

75 SHEEP KILLED ON OREGON TRAIL

Seventy-five sheep belonging to D. L. Johnson, of Pendleton, were killed a mile west of Five Points on the Old Oregon Trail at 1:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon when hit by a truck driven by C. A. Brenan, of Portland.

According to a report made to the police today by the driver, he said the truck was going down the trail and that he could not stop in time to avoid the accident. "No flagman with band," his written report said.

As the 1930 census showed La Grande to have but 8,050 people within its boundaries, it appears that 10 places where liquor may be sold is the limit. In other words, La Grande hasn't yet reached her "quota" of 8,000 which would make it possible to license 11.

Possibly some may think that the charter would refer to beer and wine of 3.2 per cent when it speaks of "spiruous, vinous, fermented or malt liquors."

Not being a supreme court, the Observer

Moslem Mystery



Carol Godfrey, dancer, known as Jean Winters, whose body was found beside that of an East Indian Moslem on a slope of the Mount of Olives at Jerusalem.

LA GRANDE HIGH RALLY BEGINS AT 7:30 ON FRIDAY

All arrangements have been completed by La Grande High school for the events preceding the Baker-La Grande football game to be played at the L. H. S. Armistice day, beginning at 2 p. m.

A noise parade using automobiles will be staged Friday night, leaving O and Hemlock at 7:30 and moving down town, thence back to the high school field where a bonfire rally will be held, with yells, speeches, etc.

Arthur Wright is in charge of the noise parade, assisted by Jean Taylor and Edridge Huffman, and E. A. McCarty has charge of the student police.

Wayne Gooderham has been appointed as temporary yell king following Johnny Grouse's resignation.

A pep assembly will be held tomorrow morning at L. H. S. with the freshmen class staging a stunt.

An Armistice day assembly will be held at 1 p. m. under the auspices of the American Legion, with H. T.

THREE ISMS BIG FACTOR, SAYS PIERCE

Congressman Discusses Current Problems at Legion Post Meeting

Capitalism, nationalism and industrialism have entirely changed the civilization of America in a comparatively short period of years. In far less than a century of time we have come from a condition where each individual and each community was self sustaining to an era where we have concentrated all our wealth into the hands of a few.

Such was a statement in part of Congressman Walter M. Pierce, in a talk last evening before members of La Grande Post No. 43, American Legion, gathered in regular meeting at the Sacajawea hotel.

"The whole economic structure of this country is in greater danger than ever in its history at the time of the inauguration on March 4 this year," said the congressman. "Gold was being taken from the banks in truckloads and it was openly said there was not a business firm of any consequence that was solvent at the time our president called the bank moratorium, and was given by congress the great powers he now has.

"What the final outcome is going to be, in my opinion, is yet to be determined. I do not consider this a time for any certain prophesy. I feel that what is being attempted is for the best. I believe sincerely our president himself is dead square in an earnest desire to do something.

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Monday Concert Will Be Staged In The Sacajawea

David Campbell, pianist, will appear in concert Monday evening at the Sacajawea Inn ball room rather than at the L. D. S. tabernacle as was formerly announced. The concert school field where a bonfire rally will be held, with yells, speeches, etc.

Mr. Campbell was enthusiastically received by large audiences both in Walla Walla and in Pendleton. The Pendleton East Oregonian said in part:

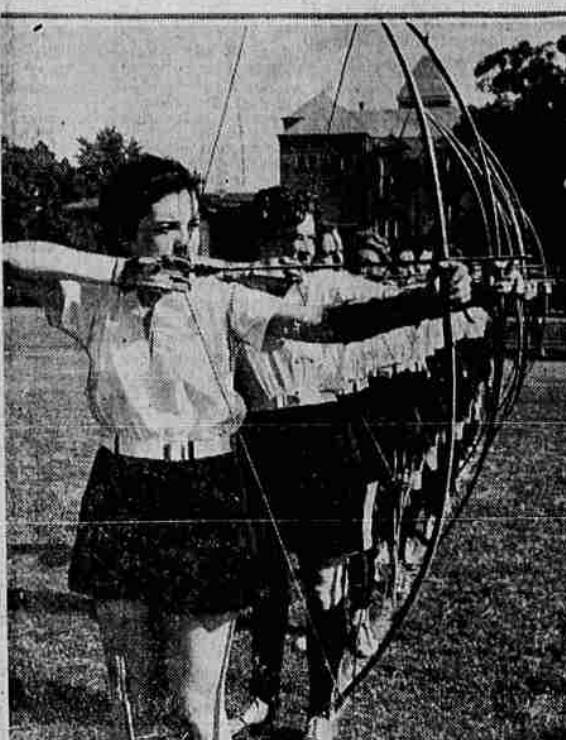
"Mr. Campbell is an outstanding musician and his artistic playing last night unquestionably demonstrated his right to the title 'The Northwest's Leading Pianist'."

CALL MORE WARRANTS SALEM, Nov. 9 (AP)—Call for 496, 558 registered warrants issued from September 7 to September 30 was announced by the state treasury department today.

THE SEARCH FOR HEALTH



They Aim at Higher Education



Cupid doesn't do all the bow-and-arrow work at University of Southern California. Hence a good class in physical education that makes good marks in studies and at the targets. Imagine facing a firing squad like this!

WHEAT GROWERS LOOKING FORWARD TO MORO MEETING

Wheat growers of this section of the state are looking forward with interest to the meeting of the Eastern Oregon Wheat League, to be held at Moro Dec. 8 and 9. A number of Union and Wallowa county men plan to attend.

Four major committees will discuss major problems at the meeting. W. E. Ruckman, of Alice; L. M. Pierce, of La Grande; Fred E. Kiddle, of Island City, all are members of the

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Mary And Doug To Make Up, Report

NEW YORK, Nov. 9 (AP)—Variety, the theatrical publication, said this week that Mary Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks have adjusted their differences and that there will be no divorce. Miss Pickford was quoted as saying that she will not sell Pickfair, her Hollywood home.

24 HOURS OF CELEBRATION SCHEDULED

Local Armistice Day Program Begins With Midnight Dance at Union.

From 12 o'clock Friday at midnight until 12 o'clock Saturday, La Grande will be a whirl of activity with entertainment planned for all occasions by the American Legion, which is sponsoring the annual Armistice day celebration here. E. L. Knight is chairman of the general committee.

A midnight dance at Goodbrod hall at Union Friday night will usher in the activity. The parade in which musical organizations, patriotic organizations and their auxiliaries will march, will be held here at 11 o'clock Saturday morning after which all participants in the parade and their families will be served luncheon at the Odd Fellows hall. Victor Eskley is chairman of the luncheon which will be furnished by auxiliaries to patriotic organizations.

La Grande will meet Baker High school Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock

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PRE-PROHIBITION DRINKS ON SALE

CHICAGO, Nov. 9 (AP)—Newspaper reports today said that highballs, whiskey sours and other pre-prohibition drinks were flowing freely and openly over Chicago bars, without interference of the police.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 9 (AP)—Wines, liquors and mixed drinks were sold in hotels, restaurants, groceries and drug stores here today with little regard for the fact that formal re-

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Wheat Today

The price of local cash wheat stood at about 56 1/2 cents bulk today, the highest in weeks, according to quotations at the Pioneer Flouring Mills, Portland cash 75 cents.

CHICAGO, Nov. 9 (AP)—Soaring of gold prices, with British exchange at the highest point since 1914 carried wheat swiftly skyward today.

In the late dealings, wheat was up more than 4 cents a bushel compared with yesterday's final quotations. Trade was on a large scale, buying orders sweeping in from all directions. Aside from extraordinary monetary conditions, talk was current that unless the domestic movement of wheat increased from rural sources, mills would be forced to draw heavily on terminal markets for supplies.

Wheat closed buoyant, 3 1/2 @ 4c above yesterday's finish, corn 1 1/2 @ 2 1/2c up, oats 1 1/4 @ 1 1/2c advanced, and provisions at a rise of 2c to 2 1/2c.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

GASOLINE PRICE DROPS
OIL STOCK POOL DISCLOSED
NOBEL PRIZE IS AWARDED
HULL, LITVINOFF CONFER

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 9 (AP)—Gasoline dropped 2 cents a gallon today in most parts of California and Northern Nevada. The reductions applied to all three regularly handled grades, but varied in amounts.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9 (AP)—Disclosure that the New York stock exchange is investigating a huge oil stock pool in 1929 through which insiders received \$12,000,000 profit without putting up any cash was made today to the senate banking committee. Arthur Catten, noted trader who managed the pool, told of the operations of the huge account in Sinclair Consolidated Oil company stock.

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 9 (AP)—The Nobel prize for literature today was awarded the Russian author, Ivan Alexeyevich Bunin, 63 years old.

OTON, Nov. 9 (AP)—Foundations for an American-Soviet understanding, embracing diplomatic and economic implications, were formulated at a two hour conference today between Secretary Hull and Maxim Litvinoff.

BUCHAREST, Rumania, Nov. 9 (AP)—The government announced today that Rumania will pay its war debts to the United States December 15 on the same basis as its June 15 payment. On June 15 the Rumanian government made a "token" payment of 3 per cent on its debt.

WITH NELSON OUT MORSE TURNS HIS ATTACK TO KERR

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 9 (AP)—The resignation of the president of the board of higher education, and the demand by a University of Oregon spokesman that Chancellor W. J. Kerr resign, today had left higher educational administration in this state in a condition as unsettled and strained as at any time in the past four hectic years.

Roscoe C. Nelson, president of the board, late yesterday submitted his resignation, which was accepted by Governor Meier.

At the same time Wayne L. Morse, dean of the University School of Law, called for the resignation of Chancellor Kerr.

"Intellectual honesty," Dean Morse declared, "compels me to call the attention of the state to the undeni-

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STRIKE PICKETS QUIT IOWA ROADS

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Nov. 9 (AP)—Truckloads of cattle, hogs and sheep were on their way to Sioux City today, signaling the apparent end of farm strike picketing in this territory.

Farmers in Plymouth county, scene of violence on several occasions since the threatened hanging of a district court judge last spring, yesterday organized a law and order league with the intention of forcibly clearing the highways if the pickets remained on duty.

MIKE, RED, OTHERS DUE FOR A RAZZIN'

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 9 (AP)—There's to be a feature in the Oregon State University of Oregon annual football clash here Saturday, that will be denied to spectators, though to thousands of fans this feature alone would be well worth the price of admission. It is something that cannot be seen, only heard, and just the players on the field and a few officials will enjoy this part of the contest.

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WHITE FLAGS HOISTED BY CUBAN REBELS

Long Bombardment of Atares Fortress By Fed-erals Wins Fight.

GUNBOATS ALSO FIGURE IN SCRAP

Rebels, Directed by Radical Society, Seek to Re-instate Dr. Carlos de Cespedes.

HAVANA, Nov. 9 (AP)—Atares Fortress, held during a day of bloody battle by rebellious troops, surrendered definitely at 4:37 p. m. today. More than 20 white flags were flying above the battlements of the ancient fortress, whose walls had been smashed by artillery and naval gunfire when the definite capitulation was received.

The forces holding the stronghold were believed to number about 2000 men at the beginning of the Santiago conflict.

Close observers did not know how many survivors were left nor, for that matter, did they have any idea of what the casualties in the fighting had been on either side.

Two gunboats and at least three batteries of artillery pieces had been sent into action by government troops under the command of Col. Fulgencio Batista, commander in chief of the army, for President Grau San Martin.

The rebels, directed by the A. B. C. radical secret society, announced at the beginning of the conflict that they were fighting to restore former President Dr. Carlos Manuel de Cespedes to the palace from which he had been ousted to make way for the present regime.

Red Cross field stations, operating throughout the territory around the grim old mass of masonry atop the

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Tighter Rule In Lumber Code Is Industry's Plan

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9 (AP)—Tightening the provisions of the lumber code to further eliminate consignment shipping, the national recovery administration had before it today an amendment to the code ruling that "neither manufacturer nor wholesaler of lumber shall place any unsold stock in transit by rail or water or place stock on consignment."

The amendment was proposed by the lumber code authority and it was predicted it would be approved by the administration. It is a simplified statement of section 5-J of schedule B of the code, but was offered by the authority "to tighten regulations against consignment shipping" which, under present conditions, was described as demoralizing to the industry.

Dollar Slumps To Lowest Since 1914

LONDON, Nov. 9 (AP)—The United States dollar, subjected to a selling pressure influence by President Roosevelt's gold policy, slumped today to close at \$5.02 1/2 to the pound; a new low since 1914. Then, in dealings after the market had closed it slid still further into another record, \$5.05 1/2.

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say to Dutch Clark, Oregon guard. "Nope, never heard of them, but it sounds like a lot of aisles if you're asking me," Clark will reply. Just about this time some ears will start to burn and the play will start.

If Mark Temple, the lemon-yellow halfback, carries the ball and is snatched for a loss by a pair of State tacklers, the conversation between the two teammates is expected to be along this line, "I wonder if this could possibly be the great Temple, with his face in the dirt," and then the reply, "Why I should say not, haven't you heard that the great Mr. Temple is going to run wild against Oregon State?"

Clyde Frederick Devine, giant Oregon State center, will surely have his say, if he stops Mikulak on the famous "cruncher" play. "Well, well

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