

# New Application May Secure E.O.N. Training School

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# TO ASK HALF BILLION FOR P.W.A.

## O. K. SEVERAL PROJECTS IN THIS COUNTY

Planning Commission Puts Approval on 13 Jobs, Seeking FERA Aid.

### LIST FORWARDED TO STATE BOARD

Projects Include Mt. Emily Road, Starkey Road, E. O. N. Improvements and Others.

After several meetings when various projects were considered from the different sections of the county, the Union county planning commission has completed a list of projects considered the most feasible, which are being presented to the state emergency relief administration for approval.

These projects include four in the vicinity of La Grande: Mt. Emily road, Starkey road, High school athletic field and the Eastern Oregon Normal school improvements.

Other work approved is as follows: general works; classifying farm property for assessment purposes, complete appraisal of city property, cruise timber lands.

North Powder district: Paint gymnasium and remodel dressing rooms in same building. North Powder River road, extension and surfacing. Wolfe Creek road, grading small section to prevent flooding.

Island City district: McAllister road, connecting Old Oregon Trail and La Grande-Wallowa Lake highway, at Island City. Ruckman road, connecting Hunter lane and La Grande-Wallowa Lake highway.

Elgin district: Widening Clark's Creek road near Elgin. Playgrounds at Elgin.

Union district: Union to Union Junction road. High Valley road, out of Union.

Members of the commission are: Charles E. Bean, of Elgin, president; Chris E. Johnson, of North Powder, vice president; Charles H. Reynolds, La Grande, secretary and County Judge U. G. Couch, County Commissioners W. R. Ledbetter, T. B. Johnson, County Roadmaster S. B. Morgan, C. B. Miller, of La Grande, S. E. Miller, of Union, and District Attorney Carl G. Helm.

## La Grande High Nine Will Play Imbler Friday

The La Grande High school baseball team, now tied with Cove for second place in the Union county high school league, will face the toughest team in the circuit Friday afternoon. On that day the Tigers will journey to Imbler to cross bats with Coach Jimmy King's crack aggregation of ball players.

So far, the Tigers have done fairly well, giving Elgin a decisive defeat last Friday, and losing to Cove at Cove in the opening game 8 to 6.

## APPORTIONING SCHOOL FUNDS OVER COUNTY

From the recent tax turnover, the county superintendent of schools, E. A. Sayre, is occupied this week apportioning out the several funds to the schools of Union county. This is done on the basis of the last census. From tax moneys Mr. Sayre has received, \$497,100, library fund; \$18,532.89 county school fund; and \$9,812 elementary school fund. Since the taxes are now coming in quarterly, there will be another turnover in June, he states.

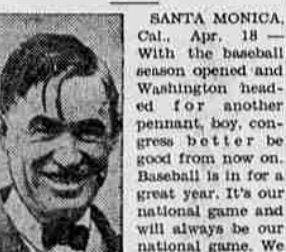
## 22 CHICKENS FROM KIDNAPED EGGS

A couple of days before Easter two setting hens, pets of the two children of Prof. and Mrs. Roy Skeen, were stolen, along with their nests, eggs and feed. The hens were recovered a week or so later by the police, and again they were moved back to the Skeen place, and installed. In spite of all this fussin' about, the two hens stuck to their duties persistently, although general opinion that probably none of the eggs would hatch.

But general opinion wasn't worth much in this case. The kidnaped eggs began to pip the other day, and it wasn't long before 22 — nearly two dozen — little, fuzzy chickens arrived to gladden the hearts of the two mother hens and the two little Skeen children.

A few eggs did not hatch, and examination revealed that only two had dead chickens inside them — the others were infertile. So only two chickens lost their lives due to the comings and goings before their arrival into the world.

## Will Warns Congress



SANTA MONICA, Cal., Apr. 18 — With the baseball season opened and Washington headed for another pennant, boy, congress better be good from now on. Baseball is in for a great year. It's our national game and will always be our national game. We became a great nation under baseball and commenced to flop the minute we started to take up a lot of other poor substitutes. Golf is played for conversational purposes, polo is played by us lazy ones because the horse does all the work and we love to just go for the ride, but you have to play baseball for itself alone, for there is no clubhouse to talk it over in after the game. From an old first baseman of the Oologah (Okla.) Giants, Yours,

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## EXPECT U. S. APPROVAL OF SCHOOL HERE

Chancellor Kerr Sees No Obstacles in Way of Proposed Structure.

PORTLAND, April 18 (AP) — Hope was expressed here today by those working on the proposal, that federal funds will soon be made available for the construction of a \$130,000 training school building for the Eastern Oregon Normal school at La Grande.

## CARLSON SPEAKS AT ROTARY CLUB ON LIFE SAVING

More than a million American citizens are now taking up first aid or life saving instruction, according to R. E. Carlson, representative of the American Red Cross, who spoke before today's meeting of the La Grande Rotary club.

First aid instruction has reduced mortality from accidents to a marked degree, said the speaker, and it is the hope and aim of the Red Cross to extend and broaden its work along these lines, to broaden the present improvement many times over. With approach of summer and vacation time the Red Cross activities are centering to a large extent upon instruction in first aid to drowning and life saving practices. Thousands of vacationists are becoming aware of the advantages of the "buddy system" in swimming. In other words, never swim alone but in pairs.

## BRUCE ARRESTED IN RATON, N. M.

Arthur Bruce, alias Homer Ashley, indicted in Boise, on charges of forgery and obtaining money under false pretenses and who jumped bail bond in Boise, was arrested Monday in Raton, New Mexico, according to word from Boise received here today. Bruce is to be brought back to Boise by airplane immediately.

Bruce was in Union county some months ago and figured in a court case here at the time.

## MRS. AVERY IS NEW HEAD OF WOMEN'S CLUB

Elected President at Annual Meeting Held Tuesday Afternoon

Mrs. Harry G. Avery was elected and installed as president of the La Grande Neighborhood club at the annual meeting held yesterday afternoon at the club room in the La Grande hotel. To serve with her in the several official capacities are: first vice president, Mrs. Gene Walker; second vice president, Mrs. J. J. Broughton; recording secretary, Mrs. Herbert Evans; corresponding secretary, Miss Blanche Clark; treasurer, Mrs. John Bennett.

Installation of these officers was held immediately. Mrs. P. L. Meyers, chairman of the board of directors being the installing officer. Retiring officers are: president, Mrs. E. F. Tyler; first vice president, Mrs. L. Denham; second vice president, Mrs. Frank Rechin; recording secretary, Mrs. Andrew Loney Jr.; corresponding secretary, Miss Blanche Clark; treasurer, Mrs. J. J. Broughton.

The club gave a rising vote of thanks to the retiring president, Mrs. Tyler, for the manner in which she had performed her duties of the past year. Mrs. Tyler responded in a very happy manner, and in turn acknowledged the excellent work done by the several standing committees and the club officers. Expressing her appreciation in a tangible way, she presented each out-going officer and each committee chairman with a lovely corsage.

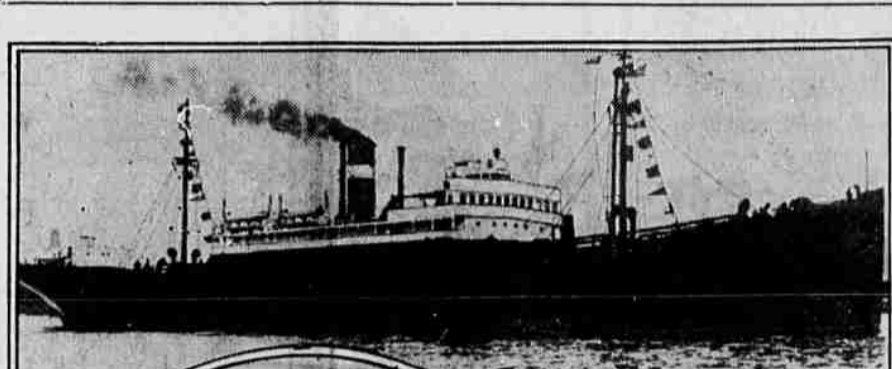
Reports of work done by the several standing and special committees for the year were heard with great interest as follows: Community service.

## L. H. S. Band To Go To Corvallis Thursday, Friday

Five automobiles full of students will leave here tomorrow for Corvallis, where the L. H. S. band will compete in the state music tournament Saturday afternoon. Soloists of the band, who compete in events Friday, are in this first contingent, also Andrew Loney Jr.

Five more cars, with the remaining members of the band, will leave Friday, accompanied by a truck loaned by K. J. McWilliams, which will carry the equipment to Corvallis.

## LINER BRINGING INSULL BACK TO AMERICA



With the ruling of the Turkish Supreme Court that it could not consider Samuel Insull's appeal against extradition, the American Export Line steamer EXILONA started back to America with the utilities magnate aboard. In face the fraud charges, he has eluded for 18 months. The EXILONA is pictured above, her commander, Captain-Wenzel Habel (lower right), and the cabin Insull occupies (lower left). The ship sailed from Smyrna, and will arrive at Boston.

## ELECT STUDENT BODY OFFICERS THIS NOON

Wayne Gooderham will serve as president of the La Grande High school student body during the 1934-35 year of school. He was elected by vote this noon.

Other officers elected today were: Knox Parker, vice president; Mary Ellen Stoddard, song leader, and Wayne Sullivan, yell leader.

They will be installed later this spring and their actual duties will begin about the first of August, before the start of the fall term.

Only one student body officer was elected yesterday—Lois Jeanne Davis as secretary-treasurer. Majorities were

## OUTLAW SHOT TO DEATH BY AUTHORITIES

David Stovall Killed—Elmer Green Captured and Confesses.

OKLAHOMA CITY, April 18 (AP) — David Stovall, outlaw, known also as E. P. (Slippery) Elmer and Cal Spencer, died of a bullet wound in a hospital here today.

Trapped by deputy sheriffs here last night, Stovall crawled out of a taxicab with a pistol in his hand and an officer shot him through the head.

Elmer Green, also captured, was said by Deputy Sheriff George Kerr to have confessed that he and Stovall robbed a transcontinental bus near Fort Worth last week.

## FARLEY FACING NEW MAIL SUITS

WASHINGTON, April 18 (AP)—Karl A. Crowley, solicitor of the postoffice department today characterized airmail suits against Postmaster General Farley as "a weak effort to evade the law which says that the United States government cannot be sued without its consent."

Four aviation companies whose air-mail contracts were cancelled today

## Wheat Today

The price of local cash wheat stood at about 45 1/2 cents bulk here today, according to quotations at the Pioneer Flouring Mills. Portland cash 45 cents. Export 45 cents.

CHICAGO, Apr. 18 (AP) — Leading grains scored maximum upturns of about a cent a bushel today, helped by firmness of securities and cotton, but reacted sharply at the last.

## JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

FRANCE MAKES DEMAND

JAPS READY TO USE FORCE

LOUISIANA BANK ROBBED

NRA CRITICIZED HARSHLY

PARIS, April 18 (AP)—France threatened in a note to Great Britain to scrap all current disarmament negotiations unless she is given something equivalent to the military alliance in the old entente cordiale. It was revealed today.

TOKYO, April 18 (AP) — A foreign office spokesman said today that Japan is prepared to meet force with force, if necessary, to preserve peace in East Asia. Of course, he said in discussing Japan's reticent China policy, Nippon will be guided in the application of her policy of responsibility for tranquility in East Asia by the circumstances.

SHREVEPORT, La., April 18 (AP)—The bank of Montgomery, in Grant Parish, 85 miles south of Shreveport today was robbed by an armed band which the bank president said he believed was led by John Dillinger, notorious outlaw. Wardlaw said the amount of loot was not determined.

NEW YORK, April 18 (AP) — The Herald-Tribune's Washington correspondent says today that operation of the national recovery act under Hugh S. Johnson is criticized harshly in a preliminary report, completed for President Roosevelt by the advisory review board on NRA codes. The preliminary findings are expected to be sent to the White House this week.

## ROOSEVELT NOT IN SUPPORT OF M'LEOD MEASURE

WASHINGTON, April 18 (AP)—President Roosevelt definitely cast aside today the McLeod bill for payment of depositors in closed banks in shaping up the administration's program for an early conclusion of congress.

He feels the solution is to seek a more liberal policy in making loans on assets in closed banks.

He is confident of a satisfactory compromise on the tax revision bill and there are hints that the publicity of tax returns proposal approved by the senate may be modified to allow for executive action.

Mr. Roosevelt wants some form of legislation to provide for labor mediation in place of the present Wagner labor board established by executive order.

The president is still standing for a stock exchange control bill "with teeth" but the final form of this legislation depends on more conclusive action by the two branches of congress.

The president will send to this session a message on war debts, but there was still every expectation it would be more in the form of a report than a request for legislation.

## NEW REPUBLICAN DRIVE LAUNCHED

NEW YORK, Apr. 18 (AP) — A campaign to rebuild the Republican party along liberal lines was launched today after an attack on the policies of President Roosevelt by his cousin, Col. Theodore Roosevelt.

"The so-called new deal is not liberal and it is not new," said Colonel Roosevelt. "It is reactionary and un-American."

A leader of the younger and politically more active element of Republicanism, Colonel Roosevelt issued his denunciation last night at his installation as the new president of the National Republican club.

## NEGRO CULT RAIDED RIOTING BREAKS OUT

DETROIT, Apr. 18 (AP)—Negro followers of the "Cult of Islam," estimated by police to number 500, rioted today at police headquarters, where they had gathered in the mistaken belief the court arraignment of some of their leaders was to be held. They trampled and beat nearly a score of policemen.

Six policemen required hospital treatment. Dozens of other persons suffered less serious injuries before the rioters were dispersed by a riot squad of fifty men, swinging night sticks.

## 300 MILLION TO BE SPENT ON NEW WORK

Part of Amount Would Be Used to Complete Projects Under Way.

## F. R. IS PLANNING RELIEF MESSAGE

Secretary Perkins Reports Sharp Gain in Payrolls—2,750,000 Get Work in Year.

2,750,000 OBTAIN WORK WASHINGTON, April 18 (AP) — Estimating 2,750,000 persons had obtained jobs in the last year, Secretary Perkins today reported a sharp gain in manufacturing payrolls during March. In the labor department's monthly statement, she said manufacturing industries added 419,500 men to their forces during the month, bringing the general employment index to the highest point since December, 1930, and wage payments to the highest level since August, 1931.

WASHINGTON, April 18 (AP)—President Roosevelt and his aides decided today upon a \$500,000,000 appropriation.

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## Trotzky Is Not Likely to Seek Entrance to U. S.

PARIS, Apr. 18 (AP) — A sensational plot by Leon Trotzky to use the February riots to set up his own dictatorship in France by a red revolution was revealed in his party organ, authorities disclosed today. A revolution by "an armed workers' militia" was urged, they said, in a manifesto issued by the exiled former Russian leader after the fatal rioting in the streets of Paris on February 6.

Trotzky, it was disclosed, thinks President Roosevelt "may have large ideas," but doubts that they are "large enough" to permit him refuge in the United States.

The red leader's secretary, when asked if his chief would try to go to the United States replied: "The United States refused us once last June when we were at Istanbul and I don't see the sense in asking again."

## Four Burned To Death In Crash

LEWISVILLE, Tex., Apr. 18 (AP) — Four charred bodies, those of two men and two women, today were freed from the twisted wreckage of a cabin plane that carried its occupants to death in a forced landing nine miles northwest of here last night.

The dead are: Harry Fowler, 36, Dallas, pilot. Jack Poole, 40, Dallas. Lillian Rose, 18, Dallas.

The fourth victim was tentatively identified as Mrs. Jewell Morgan, divorcee.

## Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE R. H. E. St. Louis 2 8 0 Cleveland 0 5 0 Hadley and Hensley; Pearson and Pylak.

## COULD THE PRESIDENT HAVE HAD ANY POLITICAL MOTIVE IN THAT FISHING TRIP?



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