

# SIX DAYS LEFT TO PAY TAXES

Just six days remain for Klamath county taxpayers to pay their second half 1929 tax assessments to the county without interest being charged on the amounts, it was stated yesterday by Allan Sloan, deputy tax collector, in charge of the tax office on the first floor of the court house.

"If taxpayers wish to avoid the last minute rush and the interest which becomes chargeable by law on November 5 they should pay their taxes now," Mr. Sloan said.

First half of 1929 tax assessments were due and payable by May 5 and interest at the rate of one per cent a month has been charged since that date.

Second half taxes are due and payable by November 5, and interest at the rate of one per cent a month will be charged, according to law. On February 5, following, a penalty of two per cent is added in addition to the interest charges.

Many taxpayers have been paying their last half taxes in the last few days, it is stated but a number have forgotten to pay, it was learned.

## Home Talent Holds Banker For Ransom

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Keweenaw, Ill., Oct. 30, (AP) Officers were believed closing in early today on three members of the kidnaping gang which abducted and held for ransom, Earl L. Yocum, wealthy Galva, Ill., banker.

The trio eluded capture last night when they fled from what officers believed was the final pay-off trust a mile west of here. Three highway policemen surprised the men, but they fled at the officers' approach.

Officers lost trail. One shot was fired by the highway police to halt the extortionists' car, believed the same in which Yocum was carried off Saturday night, to be held for four days. The kidnapers fired once in return, and finally crashed their machine through a farm fence four miles from the start of the chase. They fled afoot, and although additional forces were hastily summoned from Keweenaw, their trail was lost.

Police and volunteers from all towns in this section of the state were called out to patrol roads, and at daybreak an airplane took off from Keweenaw airport to scout for the kidnapers, believed still in the vicinity where they left their car. It is a farming country, but wooded in spots.

The abandoned car bore an Iowa license, and, according to a highway officer at Princeton, was seen early yesterday morning passing through that town followed by the car of Andrew Anderson, cashier of Yocum's bank.

A tip from an undisclosed source to Sheriff Charles Nash of Henry county, now leading the pursuit, revealed the final installment of the ransom, reported to total \$50,000, was to have been paid last night. Officers said it was not handed over before due to surprise and flight of the extortionists.

Meanwhile fifty vigilantes armed with rifles and shotguns guarded the Yocum estate at Galva with orders to shoot to kill anyone who tried to break through the lines and get to the house.

This order followed a telephone call to the Yocum home last night in which the banker was reported to have been threatened with bombing unless an additional installment of \$10,000 ransom were paid immediately.

REVOKES A PAROLE. SALEM, Ore., Oct. 30, (AP) Governor Norblad today revoked a parole that was granted last March to Martin A. Lombardi, who was serving a two-year sentence from Washington county for operation of a still. State officers recently picked up Lombardi in Portland with liquor in his possession, and as a result he will be returned to the state penitentiary.

## Dog Is A First-Class Fisherman

OWOSSO, Mich., Oct. 30, (AP) Every season has its crop of fish stories, and there are plenty of dog stories in the day's news, but a combination fish and dog story is something a little out of ordinary.

Edward Redant of Owosso has a fish-catching police dog. The animal wanders out into the river here at a point where it is shallow, watches intently, then suddenly shores his nose under water and comes up with a fish.

Several witnesses to the dog's fish catching ability are ready to back up Edward's assertion, among them Roger Williams, local fireman, who says he saw the dog catch three fish during half an hour's watching in the river.

Fire Now Raging In California (Continued from Page One)

were reported missing, and possibly trapped by the flames. County fire officials said it had done damage in excess of \$750,000 to winter pastures, grain and farm buildings, and had destroyed sufficient cover on the hills surrounding Simi valley to threaten ranchers there with drought next year.

Malibu on Fire. The other blaze, in the Malibu mountains, started at noon yesterday, and burned rapidly into rough country. The extent of its damage was not known, but no dwellings were reported in its path.

Moore Park and Simi, the towns which escaped destruction by a brush fire Tuesday, fought a dramatic battle against the second yesterday. Schools were dismissed, housewives played garden hose on their homes, upon which burning clinders fell, and the constable jailed the on-fire left in Moore Park for refusing to battle the fire.

After several hours the flames were beaten back into the hills, from where they climbed rapidly to Coyote mountain, which stood out like a giant torch last night.

The buildings on the Bohemian ranch were burned.

Oil Fields in Danger. The Barnsdale and Montebello oil fields, north of the Simi valley fire, for a time were threatened, but reports late last night indicated there was no immediate danger they would be burned.

Low humidity, hot weather and the dry wind from the northeast combined to make the ridges and valleys of the district easy prey to the fire. Two thousand men had been sent to fire lines last night, including among them nearly every male citizen of the affected areas. Women, gathered at churches in Moore Park and Simi, worked all night preparing food for the citizens army, while trucks carried it out to the battlers.

Wong Tie Chung In Local Hospital. Wong Tie Chung, a well-known character in this section for years, is confined to a local hospital. It became known last night, and the aged Chinaman's white friends are visiting him on his sick bed.

For 45 years or more Chung has been a resident of this section. When the Strahorn (O. C. & E.) railroad was being constructed, Chung was the chief cook for the construction crew.

He has been employed by several of the pioneers of this section during his long residence here.

Chung doesn't say how old he is, but he has seen many summers and winters and has passed his "four score and ten."

## Broadside Hurlled To Big "Biz"

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dustries seems to have widened through the years in which industry as a whole has become more and more highly organized. The situation has become much more acute since the world war, probably for the reason that the almost totally unorganized agricultural producer was not so well able to meet the rapidly changing conditions.

"The manufacturer knew at all times just what his costs were and if goods could not be marketed at a price sufficient to cover costs or better he would cease production until conditions had changed.

Farmers Pile Up Wars. "As against this 5,000,000 farm factories went on blindly producing what they thought their farm was best fitted to produce, paying no attention to accumulated stocks or inventories, and having practically no voice in the price at which their commodities were sold.

"Get busy and help us make the agricultural marketing act a success, and each and every one of you will benefit by an improvement in the financial position of this large group, who will then be better customers for the things you make."

Postal Receipts Profit This Month. "Postal receipts for this month and quarter will be increased materially by the many thousands of letters being mailed to voters by the 25 city and county candidates, as well as the letters mailed Klamath voters by state candidates," postmaster John McCall commented today.

600 letters were mailed to the voters Wednesday, and a similar number are being mailed out today. On October 27 the postoffice handled 20,000. The average number of political letters handled daily is between 5,000 and 6,000.

"Candidates who wish to mail letters from today on should send them first class mail in order to assure delivery in time for the election," Mr. McCall stated further.

STUDENTS INVITE GOVERNOR. PULLMAN, Wash., Oct. 30, (AP) — Students of Washington State college, who owe a debt of gratitude to Governor Robert Hartley, invited him today to be their guest of honor at W. S. C. Oregon state football game at Portland Saturday. The governor gave the students a live cougar for a mascot several years ago. The sparring beast, who was christened "Butch Meeker," after the famous Cougar quarterback, has brought luck to the college football team ever since.

## Hoover Issue Of the Nation

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issues than is 1930, five days before election.

Today the country had the word of two such eminent public men as Andrew W. Mellon and Alfred E. Smith that the records of the republican administration at Washington stand out as a commanding promontory on the present political map of the nation.

Speaking by radio last night from Washington, Secretary Mellon asked for the election of a republican congress to uphold the hands of a president whose leadership he praised in a time of national trouble. Former Governor Smith asked for a democratic congress as a rebuke to the administration, and to provide a leadership which he said was lacking at the capital.

With increasing emphasis, utterances like these have come recently from scarcely less distinguished sources. Others are to follow. Tonight Former President Coolidge speaks. Senator Robinson of Arkansas, the democratic senate leader, will close his party's campaign on election eve, November 3. But there is no sign of Mr. Hoover, the center of it all, will address any word on this subject to his fellow citizens.

To some degree every president becomes the focus of controversy in the off-year campaign midway between presidential elections. In the present instance, however, special considerations have thrust the Hoover policies into the spotlight.

Many Issues. The business situation, and what the president did and did not do about it, have formed the arrowhead of the democratic attack. Prohibition has contributed its share to the dispute, and the republican tariff bill became a law just in time to carry its special load of controversy to the political stump.

No responsible party leader denies, however, that on the basis of all these issues jumbled together, the democrats have made a really serious bid for control of the next house of representatives. Even when they speak privately,

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that Senator Borah, after remaining silent through most of the campaign, has left Idaho to speak in Nebraska for Senator Norris, who bolted Hoover in 1928.

An American who helps start a revolution in South America needn't expect Washington's help unless he represents Wall Street money lenders.

erats agree the republican majority will be reduced, but only an epochal democratic landslide could insure democratic control. Into all of these mathematical calculations enter eventually the unknown quantity as "X." It stands for the western independents, that group within the party which has stood so often against the major policies of President Hoover. What comfort can Mr. Hoover expect, the republicans ask themselves, from republican majorities in senate and house so slender as to give the independent the balance of power.

On this question, directly, the independents themselves are not speaking for publication. It is a part of the day's news, however,

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