



Fair Tonight with Light Frost;
 Sunday Fair and Warmer.
 Highest temp. yesterday ... 67
 Lowest temp. last night ... 36

FIRE TRUCK ARRIVES IN ROSEBURG

Mechanic From Portland Will Set up New Machine.

COST TO CITY THIRTY-THREE HUNDRED

Carries Two Thirty-Five Gallon Chemical Tanks With 1,000 Feet of Fire Hose to Be Used When Necessary.

The momentarily expected chemical fire truck arrived in Roseburg last night only a few days behind schedule and was spotted at the freight depot. A man will arrive tonight from Portland and the unloading and setting up of the machine will be begun at once. The mechanic will spend several days in this city instructing two men in the operation and care of the truck, as this is a part of the agreement which was made with the American La France Company through which it was obtained.

The truck for which the city pays \$3,325 is one of the best manufactured for this price. It is put out by the Brockway Auto Truck Company, and is sold through the American La France Fire Engine Company, which is considered one of the best firms in America. The truck has a motor of a four cylinder type with 42 horsepower at 1500 revolutions.

The Brockway motor car is designed and constructed especially for heavy service. The design includes the latest improvements and best practices known in motor car construction. The regular weight of the regular service load which includes chemical tanks, hose bed and fire hose, ladders, men and small equipment is somewhat in excess of the capacity of two tons. The machine, however, is constructed to carry considerable weight over this amount.

The two 35-gallon copper chemical tanks are mounted directly in the rear of the driver's seat, the basket for the chemical hose being suspended over the two tanks. The hose bed in the rear of the tanks is of 1,000-foot capacity and is constructed of hardwood and metal. The entire machine is equipped with electric lights and starter. It has a wheel base of 140 inches, a clearance of 11 inches and a tread of 58 inches. The fuel supply is gravity feed with 12 gallon capacity. It is equipped with left hand drive, centre control.

The painting is very well done and gives a neat and attractive appearance to the truck. The body is painted red, the frame and wheels being colored English vermilion. All metal parts are nickel plated. The letters R. F. D. are painted on each side of the body and the letter number 1 on each side of the engine hood. The car will probably be put in service the first of next week.

NO TRACE OF WHITE BOY WITH GYPSIES

A search of the Gypsy camp at Shady Point this morning failed to reveal a trace of the white boy whom it has been rumored was kidnapped and held by the band. The search was a thorough one, but nothing could be found which would indicate that any such boy was in their custody and it is believed by the officers that should such be the case he was taken through here in the automobile load of Gypsies which was in Roseburg about a week ago. It might be possible that he was seen north at that time, but there is nothing to confirm the suspicion.

The Gypsies at Shady Point seem to be a very orderly band and have created absolutely no disturbance. They are much quieter than the ordinary Gypsies and their camp is kept cleaner and more orderly. They have had their autos in this city for the past few days undergoing repairs and will not leave their present camp until tomorrow or Monday when they will go on to Eugene.

There are only fifteen auto loads at the camp at Shady Point, the other four cars being somewhere behind the main party. Three wagons are also being used to transfer the baggage and although being forced to travel much slower is very useful to carry the heavy luggage. On their arrival in Roseburg today several of the men were handed a telegram which has been in the care of Marshal Williams for a few days announcing the fact that one of their members was in trouble at Rigby, Idaho. They seemed very much excited and drove off rapidly in the direction of their camp.

STEAMER ROANOKE WAS BADLY LOADED

SAN FRANCISCO, May 13.—Mrs. John Dennis, wife of the second officer of the Roanoke, today made the flat charges that the Roanoke was overloaded when she left on her fatal voyage on Monday. Dennis' corpse was found drifting in a lifeboat yesterday. Mrs. Dennis declared that the interior of the Roanoke was sawed away to make room for the unprecedented cargo. She said that on Monday gangs of carpenters removed the beams and braces to make more room, and she asserted that her husband did not believe that the Roanoke would arrive at her destination, and promised to quit the ship at San Pedro.

NEW BILL WILL PROVIDE FOR BIG ARMY

House and Senate Get Together on Defense Plan.

GOVERNMENT MAY MAKE ALL MUNITIONS

Nitrate Plant is Also Part of Plan, Surplus Not Used Will Be Sold For Land Fertilizer.

WASHINGTON, May 13.—A peace defense force of 654,000 men is proposed in the army bill which the house and senate conferees reported to both houses today. It is a compromise measure and includes all provisions the big army advocates urged, except the federal reserve. Both the chairmen urged the passage of the bill and action was expected on Monday. The bill provides for 206,000 regulars in peace times, and 448,000 militiamen. The act reserves to the government the specific power to take over any manufacturing plant in time of war for the purpose of making munitions. It appoints a board composed of two civilians and three officers to be named to investigate the proposition of the government manufacturing all munitions, and the board must report by next new year. It appropriates twenty millions for a government nitrate plant, and the president is empowered to pick the site. The nitrate will be extracted from the air, and the surplus not used by the government will be sold as fertilizer. The term of enlistment is to be seven years, and captains may dismiss men at the end of one year if competent.

E. L. Williams and Oral McNeese, of Tillam, were business visitors in this city today.

CONTRACT FOR SCHOOL HOUSE IS BINDING

Stringent Clauses Part of the Agreement For Construction.

WILL PROBABLY BE SIGNED MONDAY

Surveyors Already at Work Staking Ground so That Excavating May Begin Monday—Building to Be Finished December 1.

The contract for the erection of the new high school building has been drawn and is now awaiting the signature of the contractor, John Hunter, and the members of the school board. Mr. Hunter returned last night from Portland and as he has arranged for his bond of \$28,000 will probably sign up late this afternoon or Monday morning. The contract is complete in every detail and besides providing protection for the district is prepared in such a way that the contractor is given a great deal of lee-way so that he will not be hindered in the quick completion of the work.

The time limit is set for December 1 of this year with a penalty of \$20 per day to be forfeited in case the work remains incomplete after that time. It is thought that this will give ample time to have all construction work seasoned and will allow the work to be done in a more satisfactory manner than if it was hurried through by the original time. The contractor will be allowed 85 per cent of the monthly estimate, fifteen per cent being held until the entire building is completed.

The contract provides that the contractor shall make no charge for

utilities and if he desires to make an addition in any way to the provisions of the specifications he shall do so at his own expense. The superintendent is given authority to stop the work at any time in case the contractor is not fulfilling the terms of the contract and refuses to do so on notification.

The power is also given the superintendent to hire more men at any time he believes they would be useful in causing the work to progress more rapidly. The provision was asked for by Mr. Hunter himself, who stated that he desire no delay and believed that the district would be given more protection by this clause.

Mr. Hunter stated that he was determined to erect one of the best buildings possible and his ability to fulfill this promise is fully demonstrated by the Elks temple and the Armory building, two of Roseburg's most beautiful structures which were built under his direction. The material has already been ordered and will arrive within at short time. The workmen will begin early Monday with the cleaning of the ground and the excavations. Surveyors are already at work staking out the ground and putting it in readiness for the commencing of operations.

GERMAN ATTACKS REPULSED WITH HEAVY LOSS

PARIS, May 13.—Several heavy German attacks upon Douaumont and Thunament, following a series of terrific bombardment, were repulsed by the allied forces last night with heavy slaughter to the attacking forces. The French forces held their ground and refused to yield an inch. West of the river Meuse the French succeeded in gaining some ground. The artillery struggle continues unceasingly in the Avocourt woods region.

A strong German attack on the right bank of the river is expected at any moment as it is their custom of shifting their attacks. The Germans began their preparations for the attack upon Douaumont and Thunament last Thursday, but a strong reconnaissance near the town of Eparges was checked before it reached open ground.

GENERAL VILLA REPORTED TO BE LOCATED

Has Small Band of Followers Near Border Line.

BANDITS AGAIN RAID TEXAS FARMS

Mobilization of State Militia Along Border Line Continues—1800 Miles to Be Protected.

NAMIQUIPA, May 13.—(Via wireless to Columbia, by Jacobs, U. P. Correspondent.)—Francisco Villa and about eleven hundred followers are reported at a ranch near Carrizo, 40 miles northwest of La Ascension, and another band is reported as being scattered along the Corralitos. It has been recruited from Sonora with a sprinkling of Villa's original Sierra escort. The report aroused but little interest at headquarters. The redistribution of the American troops continues.

Another Invasion by Greasers.

LAREDO, Texas, May 13.—The burning of the school house at Layendaeker, following a Mexican raid on the Ambrose Johnson farm, caused the ranchers to prepare for further raids. Johnson led the pursuit of the invaders. Nobody was killed and the origin of the fire is unknown.

Concern Not Increased.

WASHINGTON, May 13.—There was no evidence among administration officials of greatly increased concern over the events at the border and in Mexico.

President Wilson left this afternoon for a week-end trip down Chesapeake bay on the naval yacht Mayflower. Secretary Baker took a

train for Atlantic City and Newark, N. J., and will not return until Sunday.

Report Not Made Public.

The text of General Scott's report of his final discussions has not been made public. There are indications, however, that he arrived at something in the nature of a gentleman's understanding with the Mexican war minister, though it possibly had no more definite form than a statement by each side of what steps it proposed taking toward checking raiding along the Texas border, renewed with the attack on Glenn Springs.

Expedition to Remain.

Pending new orders from the president, it was made plain at the war department that General Pershing's expedition would remain in Mexico watching developments beyond the border.

Meanwhile mobilization of national guardsmen from the border states and of additional regulars to strengthen the border patrol at points along the 1800 mile stretch not protected by the expedition continues.

Should raiding be renewed additional state troops will be called out for border duty and wherever the bandits leave a hot trail the army will not hesitate to pursue them into Mexico.

BIG SURPRISE IN QUEEN VOTE THIS WEEK

Mrs. Clark Bargar Enters the Race and Leads.

MISS JESSIE PICKENS COMES SECOND

Contest for Children Queen is More Closely Contested—Vote in Both Contests Is Very Light.

A big surprise was sprung when the votes for Carnival Queen were counted this morning. A new candidate has appeared in the lists, and a sufficient number of votes was voted for this candidate to place her in the lead of the three contestants. This new candidate is Mrs. C. L. Bargar, a popular matron of the younger set, and the wife of C. L. Bargar, of the Umpqua Advertising agency.

Mrs. Bargar possesses all of the qualifications necessary to fill this position with credit to herself and honor to the carnival, and will undoubtedly make a strong race for the success of her candidacy. Miss Pickens is now in second place and Miss Merrill a close third. Any of these young ladies would reflect credit on our city in the event she was successful and an intense interest is predicted in the contest for the balance of the period which it runs.

The contest will close at 8 in the evening of Wednesday, May 17, and the next count will be made on Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. On Wednesday, the last day, counts will be made at 10 a. m., 2 p. m., 5 p. m., 7 p. m., and the last count will be made when the boxes are closed at 8 p. m.

Votes are on sale at all of the principal stores, or may be obtained from Secretary Josephson, of the carnival committee.

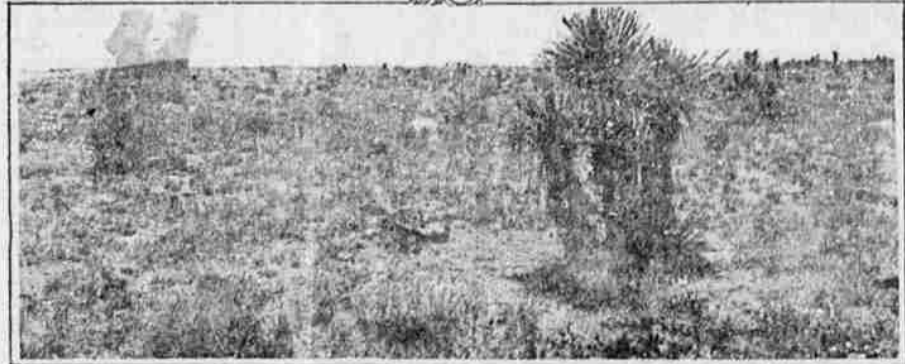
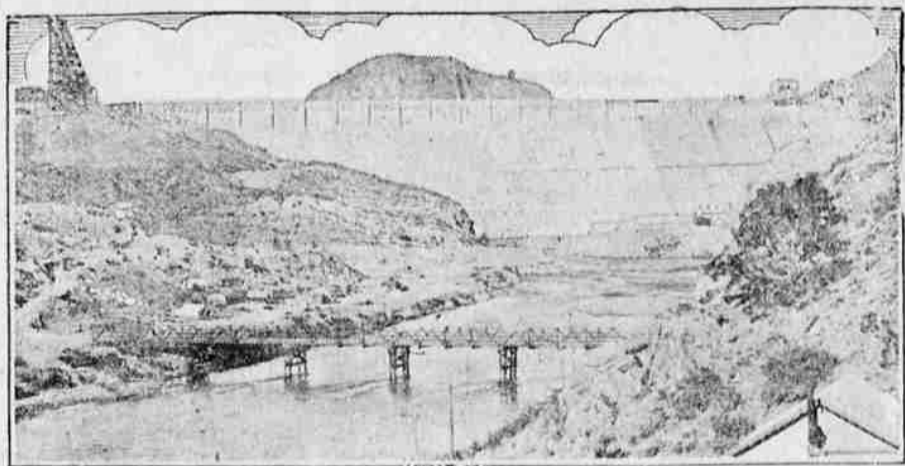
Vernus Houser, has also made a heavy gain for Children's Queen and now is only a few votes behind the leader, little Miss Brands.

Following is the result of the count this morning:

For Carnival Queen.	
Mrs. C. L. Bargar	1700
Miss Jessie Pickens	910
Miss Katherine Merrill	860
For Children's Queen.	
Lois Brands	1320
Vernus Houser	1590

Ben Dowell, Vernon Vinson and Ed King, left on 54 Friday for Whitefish, Mont. Leland Brown accompanied them as far as Portland.

UNCLE SAM OPENS GREAT IRRIGATION PROJECT ON RIO GRANDE



Elephant Butte Dam; desert land that will be irrigated (top); irrigated Texas desert (bottom).

Uncle Sam's latest and greatest irrigation project, in Texas on the Rio Grande river, has been completed, and the dedication ceremonies will take place May 13. A small empire of 180,000 acres, now mostly desert, will be turned into a garden.