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ATTEMPT MADE TO WRECK BRUMFIELD'S CELL DOOR

OFFICERS FIND IMPLEMENTS USED IN EFFORT TO SPRING DOOR MAIN CELL COUNTY JAIL

"Chief" Balliet, Confined on Bad Check Charge, Gets Blame For Attempted Jail Break Discovered By Deputy Sheriff Hopkins This Morning

ESCAPE PLANNED.

Evidence found this afternoon in a further search of the jail leads the officers to believe that Dr. Brumfield has planned to escape from the jail. When first placed in the jail, Dr. Brumfield was given a cell upstairs. A grating there is held in place by several iron bars similar to the one used last night in the attempt to force the jail door. In making an investigation this afternoon it was found that three of these bars have been removed. As Dr. Brumfield is the only one who has occupied the upstairs cell and as there are none of these bars on the lower floor, the officers are confident that he took the one used last night when he was transferred, evidently planning in advance to use it in a jail delivery.

An unsuccessful attempt to escape from the Douglas county jail was made last night by Dr. R. M. Brumfield or J. R. "Chief" Balliet, or both. Balliet is being given credit for the attempt which succeeded only as far as springing the cage door so that the sliding bar at the upper corner fails to work properly, necessitating the services of a blacksmith to make repairs. The officers believe that Brumfield probably assisted in the efforts to wreck the door, but blame the "Chief" for the greater part of the attempted jail break.

The door was forced with a small iron bar, and the handle of a case knife, the implements later being found where they were hidden by the prisoners. A small bundle of wire, suitable for picking a lock was also discovered on the careful search of the cell. Upon being questioned Dr. Brumfield maintained a strict silence other than saying that he knew nothing of the attempt to break down the cell door. After making that statement he refused to discuss the matter further. Balliet denied any knowledge of the matter until the search of the cell was in progress.

"What did you use to pry this

door with," Deputy Sheriff Hopkins asked him.

"A stick of wood," was Balliet's only admission.

Door Was Bent.

The fact that the jail door had been tampered with was discovered this morning by Deputy Sheriff Frank Hopkins upon his arrival at the jail with the breakfast for the prisoners. Upon attempting to open the door he found it so badly bent that it was necessary for him to use a heavy block of wood to drive back the bolt.

The door is constructed of strips of steel about two inches wide and a half inch in thickness. These strips are laid lengthwise and crosswise and are riveted together. The door is bound by a heavy steel strip. At the center there is a large lock which can be reached only from the outside. In addition there is a hasp and padlock. At both the bottom and the top there are heavy allding bolts the handles on the outside. It is possible by springing the upper portion of the door for a small man to slip through without breaking the lock at the center.

On account of the strength of the door, however, it requires a great effort to bend the door and a very heavy piece of steel and a good leverage must be used. The attempt to break down the door, doubtless failed last night, only because of the inadequacy of the implements used. As it was the door was bent back for at least two inches at the upper corner.

It was plain to be seen upon examination, that a metal "jimmy" of some sort had been used. There were deep marks in the strips binding the door, which could not have been made by wood as claimed by Balliet. The forcing of the door required much more pressure than a wooden bar would be able to withstand and consequently the officers were aware that the prisoners had obtained possession of some more efficient implement.

In order to remove such tools from their possession, a careful search of the cell was made this morning. In a dark corner, hidden on top of the cage, Deputy Sheriff Percy Webb found the iron bar and the knife handle. The latter has evidently been in or near the cage for a con-

siderable length of time as it had no fresh marks to show that it had been recently removed from the blade.

The time the attempt was made is not known. Charles Hadley was on guard all night, as the county is maintaining a guard over the jail at all times. Mr. Hadley heard nothing unusual and did not hear any of the sounds which must have accompanied the attempt to break down the door.

On the iron bar were found marks to show that it had been recently used and the officers are confident that it was the tool used in forcing the door. Had the prisoner or prisoners been able to move the door sufficiently to enable them to crawl through, it would have been a very simple matter to have gone into the corridor of the jail building and from there upstairs. From the second floor of the jail it would be very easy to reach the ground as the bars there are very insecure and could be easily removed.

Oak Club Found.

On top of the cage and near the back of the cell, a heavy oak club was found. It was about two inches in diameter with a big knot on the end, forming an ideal bludgeon and making a good weapon for use in an attack upon an officer if such an attack had been planned.

Think Brumfield Helped.

Although the officers are confident that the attempt to break jail was fostered by Balliet, they are of the opinion that Dr. Brumfield assisted. Whether or not he would have escaped had the door been broken down causes a division of opinion. Some of the officers maintain that he would attempt an escape, while others hold the opinion that he would remain in the cage and would endeavor to use this in his defense at the trial.

While the surmising goes on Dr. Brumfield remains silent and refuses to discuss the matter from any angle. When two representatives of the News-Review went into the cell with the officers, while the search was on, Dr. Brumfield spoke to them and talked freely regarding his health, which he says is improving. He told the reporters that he had not been feeling well for several days, but that he is now much better. He is heavily bearded and is beginning to show the effects of his incarceration and lack of exercise. He reads or plays cards constantly.

Chief in Solitary Confinement.

As a result of the attempt to escape Balliet is to be kept in solitary confinement. Deputy Sheriff Hopkins announced. He will be moved from the main cage into one of the small cells which can be locked at night, keeping him separate from Dr. Brumfield who occupies the same cage. Balliet is awaiting trial on a charge of passing a bad check.

Further Search Made.

A further and more careful search was made of the jail this afternoon while the prisoners were under guard during the time the blacksmith made repairs to the cell door. The officers very carefully went over all parts of the cell and of the outer corridors removing everything which might be used in future attempts to break down the doors.

Bed Rails Used.

It was found that the bed rails of the bed occupied by "Chief" Balliet had been removed from the bed and put together to form a long lever with which the pressure used to spring the door was doubtless exerted. Marks found on the rails indicated the manner of their use and cleared up the mystery regarding the implements used. The bed rails were slightly bent, showing that they had been put under a tremendous strain. The officers believe that the iron bar was used first to spring the door could be inserted and the bar was then used as a wedge.

"Chief" Denies Help.

Balliet confessed to the officers that he attempted to escape. He claimed that he had no help and denied that Brumfield had given him any assistance.

"If he'd helped me I'd got loose," the "Chief" told the officers.

That Brumfield did help at least by furnishing one of the most important tools used, is the belief of the officers.

A couple of years ago two boys were confined in the upstairs portion of the jail. The boys managed to secure a hacksaw from a girl friend and sawed out two of the bars at the window. They bent the bars back and by means of a rope improvised from their bedding kept clandestine meetings with a couple of girls for almost three weeks before their avenue of escape was discovered. In making repairs the officers secured a large grating which was fastened to the wall with iron bars driven into the wall and bent over to hold the grate in place.

Girl Loosened Grate.

Recently a girl traveling with an alleged white slave was confined in this cell. She worked for a couple of days and removed several of the

Gardner Believed Dead, at Any Rate He Is Missing

TACOMA, Sept. 13.—(U.P.)—Roy Gardner, the escaped convict, may be dead, Dr. Jento, the McNeil prison physician, today ordered a careful search through the brush within five hundred yards of the prison walls, in an attempt to find Gardner's body. Failure to find the bandit, the fact that witnesses saw him fall once when he fled for liberty over a week ago, and lack of contact with him on the small island, give rise to the theory that he may have died. The guards found a piece of bloody cloth.

Catch Sight of Man.
McNEIL'S ISLAND, Sept. 13.—(A. P.)—A long distance view of a man on the beach at Winter's Point was obtained this morning by two special guards in a patrol boat. The guards reported that they believed the man was Roy Gardner. Spotting the boat, the fugitive dashed back into the brush.

DEATH TOLL GROWS.

DALLAS, Texas, Sept. 13.—The death toll is growing. Conservative estimates place the final total, when all shall be cleared up, at 250. The known dead is already 175, with San Antonio reporting 49, Taylor, 35; Thorndale, 45; mostly Mexicans; and Lake Port, 23.

Livestock Rates Are Lowered Today

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—Reduction by the western railroads in rates on cattle, hogs and sheep, effective September 20, amounting to 20 per cent in cases where the present rates are higher than 50 cents per hundred pounds, has been authorized, the Interstate Commerce commission announced today. The commission said the reduction will prove of material benefit to the western livestock raisers, who have been heavily affected by the rapid decline of livestock prices.

Practically all of the rates from points west of the Missouri river to Chicago and from all points west of the Rocky mountains will be reduced from one to twenty-five cents per hundred pounds.

Football Team Has First Workout

The Roseburg high school football squad had its first actual workout yesterday evening under the direction of Coach Charles A. "Dad" King. There were fifteen boys out for the first practice but this number will be greatly augmented. They were put through formation work and according to the coach showed up well.

"We can expect a great team," "Dad" King says, "but from all indications it will be a team that will be a credit to the high school. We cannot expect to go out with a bunch of inexperienced players and win easily over teams that have had years of football experience. Our team is not as heavy as Eugene and Medford but the boys will average up well in weight. They are all husky and fast and Roseburg has the makings of a fine team. We cannot

bars, but did not have the strength to move the heavy grate. Later the bars were driven back into place and Dr. Brumfield was placed in this cell. Upon searching the cell today it was found that three of the bars had been pulled out again. Only one has been found and the officers fear that he still has two hidden where he can reach them. As these bars were used only upstairs the officers are confident that the one used last night was brought down by the dentist when he was transferred.

Close Guard to be Kept.
In the future a close guard will be kept on the jail and the movements of the prisoners to see that no further attempts to break out are made. The officers are confident that Balliet is an old hand at the game and is wanted for other crimes than the one with which he is charged, while Dr. Brumfield, facing the most serious charge of the criminal code, is doubtless desperate. In the future no chances will be taken, the officers state.

expect too much, but if the people of Roseburg will support their team as do other cities of the state they will have just cause to be proud of their players.

"We have games in sight with Medford, Grants Pass and Eugene. The first games will probably be played in about three weeks so that we have only a very short space of time for making preparations and whipping a hard playing team into condition."

One thing that will be demanded of the Roseburg team will be clean playing. In all of our athletics we are going to be clean and sportsmanlike. We will live strictly up to the rules of the State High School Athletic association."

Coach King is arranging to put the West Roseburg field in shape for practice. Considerable work is necessary to get the ground in condition and there will be some expense in this connection. It is also necessary to purchase tackling dummies and other apparatus.

INSTALL STEAM PRESS.

The Roseburg Cleaners, under the proprietorship of J. F. Dillard, today received a fine new American steam press. The machine is the latest model of the American press and came here direct from their factory at Seattle. Men were busy today installing the machine, which will be ready for use at once.

Bankers Assist Wheat Growers

(By Associated Press.)
SPOKANE, Sept. 13.—The bankers of Spokane, Seattle and Portland raised \$1,200,000 to finance the immediate needs of the Northwest Wheat Growers, Incorporated, General Manager Jewell of the association announced today.

Portland Will Vote on Tax Levy

(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Sept. 13.—The council decided on a special election in November for a vote on Portland's tax levy of two million dollars, the city's share of the six million dollars for the 1925 exposition.

LOCAL NEWS.

Here from Oakland—
W. B. McClay was over from Oakland this morning for several hours attending to business affairs.

In on Business—
Henry Conn, prominent resident of Medford, spent the afternoon here attending to business matters.

Salem Man Visits—
Horace Marsters, a former resident of this city, was a visitor here over Sunday from his home in Salem.

Autos Arrive—
A carload of Buick Fours arrived this morning and will be unloaded tomorrow by the Motor Shop, agents for the county.

Canyonville Visitor—
L. E. Henninger of Canyonville was a Roseburg visitor today looking after business matters and visiting with friends.

Undergoes Operation—
Mrs. M. S. Hamm, wife of the superintendent of schools, underwent an operation at Mercy hospital this morning.

Leaves for Portland—
Miss Eleanor Lovell left for Portland this afternoon where she will spend six weeks visiting with her sister, Mrs. C. F. Swander.

On Hunting Trip—
Tom Wharton, W. E. Ott and Dave Lenox are enjoying a hunting trip in the vicinity of Diamond Lake. They expect to be away for several weeks.

Board Meeting Tomorrow—
A meeting of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce will be held tomorrow evening at 7:30. Several matters of importance will be taken up.

Home Demonstration Today—
Miss Esther B. Cooley, home demonstration specialist of Oregon Agricultural college, is holding a meeting at Ojala today for the housewives of that vicinity.

Seniors Wake Up—
The senior class of the Roseburg high school woke up from its summer nap last night, and this morning Mr. Nebo shouted forth the glories of the class of '22.

Return from South—
Dr. and Mrs. Fred W. Haynes and Mr. and Mrs. Story Hies returned last evening from a motor trip as far south as the California line. They left Sunday and visited the principal cities enroute.

Special Meeting Called—
Mr. W. L. Cobb has called a special meeting of certain members of the Chamber of Commerce for this evening. Special letters were sent out to these members, and they have made a good response, so a successful meeting is expected.

GRAND JURY REFUSES TO RETURN INDICTMENT AGAINST ARBUCKLE; PERJURY CHARGED

District Attorney Declares That One Witness Changed Testimony—Another Witness Has Disappeared—Grand Jury Awaits More Evidence—'Fatty' Still In Jail

DEFENSE SCORES TWICE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13.—The Arbuckle defense scored twice in the coroner's inquest this afternoon when Mrs. Bambina Delmont recounted the affair at the party where Arbuckle is suspected of having caused Miss Rappe's death. She told the coroner that Miss Rappe went into a room and Arbuckle followed her in and that after a considerable length of time she kicked at the door and then summoned the manager of the hotel. Fatty opened the door and was in his pajamas and wringing wet. He was wearing Miss Rappe's hat. Miss Rappe was lying on the bed, tearing at the clothing, saying she was dying.

Arbuckle was plainly nervous during the testimony. He kept his eyes on Mrs. Delmont continually.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13.—District Attorney Matthew Brady charged today that one of the state's star witnesses had changed testimony and another had disappeared.

The grand jury, in refusing to indict Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle on the strength of the evidence Brady presented, allowed him further time to collect evidence. Brady dispatched a corps of detectives today to clear up certain disputed details and attempt to find the San Francisco show girl reported to have disappeared from her home in Berkeley.

Miss Zey Pyron changed her testimony, and Miss Alice Blake is the woman supposed to have disappeared.

Despite the failure of the grand jury to return an indictment against Arbuckle, the complaint of Mrs. Bambina Delmont, who swore to the murder warrant, will be sufficient to try Roscoe on a murder charge, Brady announced today.

Arbuckle appeared before the grand jury only two minutes last night and said nothing.

His attorneys regard the grand jury's refusal to return an indictment strongly in the comedian's favor.

Witness Charged Perjury.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—A charge of perjury in the testimony before the grand jury investigation last night into the death of Virginia Rappe, for whose alleged murder Fatty Arbuckle is under arrest, was made today by District Attorney Brady.

He declared that Miss Zey Pyron, also known as Zey Pyron, changed her testimony before the grand jury from that she had given previously to the police and district attorney that Miss Rappe told her that Arbuckle had caused her injuries.

"Whether or not we shall arrest her and charge her with perjury will depend on developments," said the district attorney. "I am convinced that undue influence and pressure of sinister character has been brought to bear on her and other witnesses, one of whom, Alice Blake, has mysteriously disappeared from her home in Berkeley."

The grand jury recessed early this morning, deciding to await further information before returning an indictment. Arbuckle was the last witness, being in the grand jury room three minutes. The witnesses told of the party in Arbuckle's room.

Plance Talks of Affair.

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Henry Lehrman, motion picture director, and fiancé of Miss Virginia Rappe, made the following statement today concerning the alleged murder of his sweetheart by Roscoe Arbuckle:

"That's what comes of taking vulgarism from the gutter and giving them enormous salaries and making idols of them. Arbuckle came into the pictures nine years ago. He was a bar boy in a San Francisco saloon. Not a bartender, a bar boy; one of those who wash glasses and clean cuspidors."

Such people don't know how to get a kick out of life, except in a beastly way. They are a disgrace to the film business. They are the ones who resort to cocaine and the opium needle and who participate in orgies

that surpass the orgies of degenerate Rome. They should be swept out of the picture business.

I'm no saint, but I have never attended one of those parties. Virginia wouldn't associate with anyone she knew was vile like that. Her friends were people like Charlie Chaplin and other decent people.

Despite his weight, Arbuckle was a powerful man. I remember a few years ago, when we were making a picture at Tijuana, Mexico, he weighed 310 pounds.

He entered a hundred-yard dash against Mexican athletes. Some of them were bull fighters. They laughed at his entry. But he beat them all.

Mrs. Delmont, who accompanied Miss Rappe to Arbuckle's suite in the St. Francis hotel, has had several long-distance telephone talks with me. She said:

"Mr. Arbuckle telephoned Miss Rappe to come to see him on business. She distrusted him and had me come along.

"We had a few drinks, when he leaped up and seized her, carried her into another room and I locked the door. I pounded on the door and I could hear her struggle and scream."

"After a quarter of an hour, she gave a terrible scream. I threatened to telephone to the office of the hotel and Arbuckle opened the door. Every bit of Miss Rappe's clothes had been torn to shreds. She was unconscious."

She told the same story to her nurse, Mrs. Jameson, and to Mrs. Spreckels. All the talk that there were half a dozen others in the room and that Arbuckle was not alone with her are lies.

It is a silly lie to say that Virginia died of pneumonia. I have here a telegram from Dr. Rumwell of the Wakefield Sanitarium, San Francisco, that her bladder was ruptured, and that this led to peritonitis, causing her death.

Since I got that telegram I have talked to some of the best doctors in New York. They tell me that only the most crushing exterior force could cause rupture of the bladder.

Virginia always had a violent physical aversion for Arbuckle. When we were three worked together I wanted everything to be like a happy family. One time when he attended a party her aversion sort of dampened things. I took her aside and said:

"Cheer up. Treat him pleasantly. He's a good fellow."

She replied:

"He's coarse and vulgar. He nauseates me. He is cheap and thinks he's funny."

I can see now, in my mind's eye, how she must have fought him like a tiger, even if she had had a couple of drinks.

I remember once when there was a terrible assault case in the newspapers. She said to me, quietly:

"Henry, if anyone tried to do a thing like that to me, he'd have to kill me."

Well, she's dead.

She had a beautiful home. She had money of her own. Besides she made a large salary. She lived with her aunt in a magnificent bungalow.

Students' Program Will be Tonight

The Christian Workers Band is turning over its program this evening to college students and to those who are planning to enter colleges for the first time this fall. A special program has been arranged in which college students have been asked to take part.

The evening will open by a few songs, sung by the student chorus, followed by an introduction of the various students together with their schools and courses. A male quartette will sing a number, and there will be short talks by Claire Geddes, Virgil Cameron, Leslie Butler, Lois Geddes, George Houck, Lois Cobb, Harold Barton, and Leroy Walker. The program will close with a solo by Naomi Phelps.

The meeting will be held in the Baptist church at 7:30 this evening. A special invitation is extended to all college students, and those who are planning to enter college later on.

Constitution Day Program to be Combined With Band Concert In Big Celebration

The Constitution day program, which a committee has been considering under the auspices of the local bench and bar, will be combined with the regular Thursday night band concert, according to the present plans of the committee. It will be a big patriotic program and every one in and near Roseburg should be on the courthouse lawn that evening.

It was at first planned to have the Constitution day program in the high school auditorium, but as the band was wanted for the occasion, it was decided to combine the two programs into one big celebration, and to hold it on the courthouse square.

A special invitation is extended to every patriotic organization in the city, including the old veterans from the Soldiers Home, the American Legion, Ladies Auxiliary, G. A. R., Daughters of the American Revolution, Boy Scouts, Chamber of Commerce and to the public schools, as well as to every loyal patriotic citizen of the United States.

The whole program will be patriotic. Judge J. W. Hamilton has been secured for a twenty-minute talk on "The Federal Constitution." The audience, accompanied by the band, will sing "The Star Spangled Banner," and "America."

This concert and the one following on September 22, will be the final concerts this season, and will

Tax Dodgers Are Causing Trouble

(By United Press.)
WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—Tax dodgers are getting away with a billion dollars annually because of the tax exempt securities and cause other citizens to be more heavily taxed, according to the federal treasury officials. Should these rich people be taxed on many other articles it would mean a lower cost in the living for a great mass of people. The government, however, cannot touch these securities of which about fourteen to thirty billion are now outstanding, because of constitutional limitations.