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## TRUCE DECIDED IN BRIDGE FIGHT UNTIL COMMISSION DECIDES ON GRADE CROSSING

### Residents of Umpqua Park Endeavoring to Induce Railroad Company to Withdraw Objections to Crossing in Order to Get City to Proceed With Bridge.

A truce has been declared in the Umpqua park bridge fight for the remainder of the month, during which time an effort will be made by those desirous of seeing a bridge constructed to prevail upon the railroad company to withdraw its objections to the crossing and also to receive from the public service commission a decision in regard to the crossing. At the recent meeting of the council the city attorney was authorized to request the public service commission for an immediate decision on the crossing. The commission has marked time for several months and has given no answer to the city's application during which time a fight arose as to the proper location of a bridge. The war between opposing factions has finally resulted in a petition for a road from the Oak street bridge to the park along the base of Nebo, a project which is favored by the county and at the present time by a number of the councilmen. Some of the residents, however, who signed the petition merely to defeat the Colleton street bridge site, declared in favor of the old bridge site and the matter is still in the air. The county court has agreed to postpone building the road until the public service commission hearing is given. The court stands bound to meet the city on a 50-50 basis for the construction of the bridge by an old order, but the city refuses to antagonize the railroad company. In the event the decision of the commission allows the crossing there will still be another fight unless the railroad company withdraws its objections.

## J. E. McBride Receives Injuries

J. E. McBride, a Southern Pacific Engineer, who was severely injured last Saturday in Medford, is said to be much improved in condition today. Mr. McBride had left his engine for a few moments to cross the street to a drinking fountain. On his return, an automobile swerved around the corner knocking him to the pavement. Numerous bruises were received over the entire body, and a large gash was found at the base of the skull. He is now in the Mercy hospital at Medford and will be confined there for many weeks. Mrs. McBride left this city immediately to be with her husband.

A very successful demonstration was held at Olalla yesterday by Miss Esther B. Cooley, home demonstration specialist of O. A. C. Much interest was shown by the ladies of the Olalla district. Another demonstration is being held at Green school house this afternoon.

## Business Men Meet to Discuss Needs of Chamber of Commerce; New Committees

A special meeting of business men, farmers and fruit growers was called by W. L. Cobb last night in the chamber of commerce rooms for the purpose of discussing the needs of the chamber and working out some way for supplying these needs. A good crowd was in attendance and it was a very successful meeting. The work of the chamber of commerce was brought out and everyone agreed that the existence of such a civic body was justified by its value to the community. The financial condition of the chamber was gone into, and it was found that something would have to be done toward increasing the revenue. The supply of illustrated literature is practically exhausted, and a publicity fund will have to be raised wherewith to print a new booklet. All these needs were fully discussed, and various plans were offered by those present.

## Many Calls For Old Clothing

Since the opening of the schools, Miss Agnes Pitchford, county juvenile officer, has received many calls for clothing from those families who are not able to provide clothing for the children of school age. These things must be provided for those who are financially unable to do so, and if anyone has any garments they would like to give, Miss Pitchford will be glad to take them. The mothers of these children are willing to make the clothes over, but at the present time have nothing with which to do this. If they are anxious that their children should have an education, there are surely a number in this city who will willingly give something toward their support.

H. E. Haslett, county agent, is leaving tomorrow for Grants Pass, where he will attend the county fair there. He is to assist in judging the farm exhibits.

## Three Boys are Charged Murder

(By United Press.)  
CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—Three youths were expected to be indicted today for the murder of Carl Ausmus and Bernard Daugherty, automobile salesmen, whose bodies were found badly mutilated. Harvey Church and Lee Parks have confessed. Their confessions involved Clarence Wilder, who was arrested early today. The youths expected to sell a high-priced automobile which they took from the dead men.

## World Court of Justice a Reality

(By United Press.)  
GENEVA, Sept. 14.—The world's fifty-year dream of an international court of justice became a reality today when the league of nations elected eleven judges and four deputies to the world court. John Bassett Moore, of the United States, was elected a member of the court. The announcement of his election was received in Washington, according to reports, with the deepest official interest. This will not affect the United States' "hands off" policy, however. Hughes and Harding having failed to answer the league's invitation for the United States to "sit in" on the world court.

## Big Patriotic Program Planned

Plans are now laid for one of the biggest patriotic programs ever held in Roseburg, to be held on the courthouse lawn tomorrow night in conjunction with the regular weekly band concert. It is in celebration of the adoption of the federal constitution. Judge J. W. Hamilton is the speaker of the evening and will talk for twenty minutes on the subject of "The Federal Constitution." In place of the usual community sing, the audience will sing "Star Spangled Banner" and "America" led by the Douglas County Concert Band. The concert part of the program will consist only of patriotic numbers. All the patriotic organizations in the city have been invited to be present, and good responses have been received from many of them. Among those whose attendance is urged are the veterans from the Soldiers Home, the American Legion, Ladies Auxiliary, G. A. R., Daughters of the American Revolution, Boy Scouts, Chamber of Commerce, and the public schools. If all of these organizations are well represented in addition to the usual large crowd in attendance at the concert, it will be one of the biggest throngs that ever gathered on the courtyard.

## DROPPED DEAD TODAY.

John H. Michael, 68-year-old resident of Drain, dropped dead this morning on the banks of the river a short distance west of Drain. Death was evidently due to hemorrhage. Mr. Michael was standing on the bank of the river watching some workmen who were constructing a dam, when he was suddenly overcome, and died in a few minutes. The funeral will be held at Drain tomorrow. He has been in this part of the country somewhat more than a year. He is survived by a sister, Mrs. Clementine Webster of Drain, and two brothers, somewhere in the east.

## REMEMBER RIDE ON DEWITT CLINTON TRAIN

LANSING, Mich., Sept. 14.—(By United Press.)—The tour of the DeWitt Clinton (N.Y.C.) train through Michigan brought to light that this state can claim first honors in the matter of having among its residents first passengers of the old pioneer of the twentieth century limited.

Mrs. Maryanne Mann, 90, Grand Rapids, claims to be the only living woman who rode on the train during its period of operation. She was enthusiastic in describing her experiences when the train visited her locality, claiming it was "unsafe" for children.

Despite her assertion, John T. Berner, 96, Marshal, claimed to be the only living person who made the initial trip with the train, says he found riding comfortable at the age of six, when his father, the conductor of the train, took him on his first journey. Berner was wheeled to the station at Marshal to view the old DeWitt Clinton on her exhibition trip through the state.

## CITY NEWS.

Mrs. D. Woody of Winchester spent the morning here attending to matters of shopping.

John Blaylock, a Roseburg youth, was arrested last night on a charge of speeding and entered a plea of not guilty. He has been notified to appear before city recorder Whipple for trial tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

## 'FATTY' ARBUCKLE EXPECTS VICTORY

### Awaits Verdict of Coroner's Jury—Faces Two Serious Charges.

## IS IN CHEERFUL MOOD

### Fat Comedian and His Attorneys Appear Cheerful Today and Expect to Win Freedom for the Big Actor.

## JURY RETIRES.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 14.—(U. P.)—The coroner's jury, sitting for two days on the Arbuckle case, retired shortly after noon today to render a verdict. Shortly thereafter they were asked for a verdict blank indicating that they had reached a decision. The medical testimony before the jury strongly supported the state's conclusion that Miss Rappe's death was caused through violence, causing a bladder rupture.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 14.—(A. P.)—Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle is facing two charges in connection with the death of Miss Virginia Rappe, following the return of an indictment charging manslaughter by the grand jury last night. The other charge was murder, preferred Monday by Mrs. Bambina Belmont.

District Attorney Brady thought the murder charge should stand. If Arbuckle is cleared of that, in the event he is tried on it, he would still face the manslaughter charge.

"Fatty" Arbuckle appeared more dejected today and his face is more pallid.

**Await Inquest Results.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 14.—(U. P.)—Whether Roscoe Arbuckle will face trial for murder or for manslaughter will be determined when the outcome of the inquest is announced today, according to the district attorney's office.

Should the coroner's jury find that Miss Rappe's life was taken in willful commission of felony, and that she was murdered, the state will prosecute Arbuckle on the murder charge which Mrs. Bambina Belmont swore to two days ago.

If the grand jury returns an "open verdict," leaving doubt as to the exact cause of the death, if it finds death from natural causes, or includes any action tending to exonerate the fat comedian, then the district attorney will prosecute on the manslaughter indictment which the grand jury voted early today.

**Fatty is Confident.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 14.—(U. P.)—Roscoe Arbuckle and his attorneys appeared confident of winning the fight for the big actor's freedom when they appeared for the final session of the coroner's jury.

Arbuckle was in a more cheerful mood than at any time since his arrest. The inquest room was crowded. Many women were present, despite the rumors that unprintable medical evidence was forthcoming.

Arbuckle told the prohibition officers, attempting to write from him information as to where he got the liquor for the St. Francis hotel party, that they "had no liquor."

## Brumfield Gets Solitary Cell

Dr. Brumfield is occupying a solitary cell at night as the result of the attempted jail break on Monday night. Last night Deputy Sheriff Hopkins assigned "Chief" Balliett and Brumfield each to small individual cells into which they were chained and padlocked to prevent any future activities at cell working. They will be kept so locked until the trial of the officer states, as there is to be no opportunity given them to free themselves from the county bastille.

Miss Ruth Williams, who fell several days ago and severely sprained her ankle, is able to be about her home on crutches, and is improving in condition daily.

**PLEADS NOT GUILTY.**  
TWIN FALLS, Idaho, Sept. 14.—Mrs. Lydia Southard, accused of murdering her fourth husband, and suspected of being a female bluebeard, pleaded not guilty when arraigned today. The trial was set for September 26.

## Boat Filled With Provisions Found

(By United Press.)  
TACOMA, Sept. 14.—Following Warden Maloney's discovery of a boat near the island fully provisioned apparently for an escape from the island, the warden is confident that a confederate placed the craft there for Gardner's escape. The boat contained a tent, food, blankets and all camping equipment. A boy reported that he saw a man wearing a prison shirt stealing through some brush.

## De Valera's Reply Is Approved Today

(By United Press.)  
DUBLIN, Sept. 14.—The Irish parliament unanimously approved De Valera's reply to Lloyd George's invitation to the peace conference at Inverness on September 20th. They selected as delegates, Arthur Griffiths, chairman; Michael Collins, Barton, Dugan, and Duffy. Advice from London say, contrary to earlier reports, that the Irish reply to Great Britain will not be published tonight. This gives a mysterious aspect to the situation.

**Couriers Return.**  
DUBLIN, Sept. 14.—The two couriers who took the Irish note to Lloyd George returned to Ireland today and went into immediate session with De Valera and the republican inner circle. It is believed they are making a report on the reception accorded them at Inverness. The result of the conference is awaited with anxiety.

## Soldiers Prefer Loans to Cash

SALEM, Sept. 14.—Applications for loans are still leading those for the cash bonus under the Oregon bonus act, according to Captain Harry C. Brumbaugh, secretary to the bonus commission. Figures compiled by Captain Brumbaugh show that up to closing time Monday night a total of 1613 applications had been received, of which number 859 were seeking the loan and 754 want the cash bonus. "In spite of the fact that these figures would indicate that the loan applications are not maintaining the lead indicated in the early returns, the showing is highly encouraging to the commission," Captain Brumbaugh declares. "We naturally expect those who are seeking the cash bonus to file their applications early and this, in a measure, accounts for the seemingly large proportion of cash applications at this time."

## Roseburg Has Small Fire Loss

The year between September, 1920 and September, 1921 sets the record for the smallest fire loss in the late history of Roseburg. Fire Chief Fletcher states, although the records on hand do not go back many years, there is nothing to dispute the claim that the past twelve months contain the lowest loss from fire ever recorded in this city. During the entire time the total damage by fire amounted to only \$1700, of which amount \$1500 was in one fire, it should be borne in mind that during the twelve months ending September 1, the fire department answered 45 calls, showing that there were enough potential fires to bring up the average had not the prompt work on the part of the fire department been sufficient to extinguish the fires before any material damage was done.

The largest fire for the year was at the old Rast home. This fire started early in the morning, the house was old and dry and the flames were under good headway before the department was called. The flames were quickly checked, however, and the building was saved with a loss of only \$1500. The destruction of a woodshed belonging to Miss Emma Smith, last Armistice day, resulted in damage amounting to \$150, while two other fires, one an attic fire and the other a roof fire each did damage amounting in round figures to \$25 each.

This record is due largely to the efficiency of the department, which is in fine condition. A great deal of credit is also due the city council and Mayor Hamilton for the fine cooperation given the department in purchasing necessary apparatus. Equipment given the firemen at their request has been largely responsible for the speed shown by the department and has enabled them to make a showing which without doubt is unequalled in any city the size of Roseburg on the coast.

**Passes Through.**  
Miss Kathryn Diddel of Riddle passed through this city this afternoon enroute from her home to Carlton, Ore., where she will teach Home Economics in the high school this coming year. Miss Diddel will visit for several days at O. A. C., where she was graduated last year.

## DILLARD GROWERS ARE A CONTENTED LOT AND THEY HAVE A PERFECT RIGHT

### Gardens and Orchards Prosper—Watermelons and Canteloupes Regular Gold Mine—Prunes Form Purple Blanket in the Many Orchards—Season Busy One.

The Dillard district is the land of sunshine, watermelons, tomatoes, prunes and contented people. The green-eyed monster of jealousy and envy has us in his power as we ride through this district and see the gardens, orchards, pretty homes and the peacefulness of the whole scene. Anyone in possession of a Dillard garden or an orchard could not help but be contented. The French petite prune thrives in the South Umpqua country, while its comrade, the Italian, grows equally well on the North Umpqua slope. The little French prune will net the Dillard growers a neat sum of money this season. The orchards this week are covered with a beautiful purple carpet of the prunes and the hundreds of pickers are busily engaged in filling the boxes which are carted away to the drivers.

The Oregon Agricultural College kept records of prune crops in Douglas county for eight years. During that time it was found that the petite prune was best adapted to the South Umpqua country and the growers are now convinced that the report was correct. There are from thirty to thirty-five more sunny days per year south of Robert's hill than in any other section of the county. For that reason the Dillard district is ideal for gardening and orchard lands.

**Booth Orchards Wonderful.**  
The J. H. Booth prune orchard in the Dillard section is undoubtedly one of the best orchards in Douglas county. Mr. Booth has 300 acres of choice land, midway between the Dillard center and Myrtle Creek. Mr. Booth has 50 acres in prunes, but fifteen of the acres are not yet bearing. The remainder of the huge ranch is devoted to farming and stock-raising.

The booth orchard has produced the following crops of prunes since the year 1911:  
1911, 120,000 pounds; 1912, 136,243 pounds; 1913, 93,316 pounds; 1914, 21,845 pounds; 1915, 192,172 pounds; 1916, 195,145 pounds; 1917, 149,260 pounds; 1918, 140,300 pounds; 1919, 113,927 pounds; 1920, 160,743 pounds.  
The total price received for these crops was \$82,735.67. For last year's crop, Mr. Booth received \$21,938.42. The fifty acres of prunes have paid for the place one one-half times. Mr. Booth has refused \$60,000 for the place.

## Number of New Residences Built This Year Exceed Those Constructed In 1920

Building in Roseburg has taken a great slump this year over last year, building records show. This is not to be taken, however, to mean that building is below normal, for this year's mark is up to the average and in fact is better than the normal years before the war. Last year was the big year in building in Roseburg and the figures show that a great amount of permanent improvement was done. 1920 saw the construction of the new Pruner prune packing plant at a cost of \$125,000, the construction of the Rupert Canning company warehouse, and the remodeling of the I. O. O. F. temple, the latter two improvements being listed at \$25,000 each. In addition there were several other major improvements.

This year there has been some major construction, but it amounts to much less than last year. There is one outstanding feature this year, however, and that is the fact that already this year the value of residences constructed greatly exceeds all of last year, showing that the housing situation in Roseburg is being rapidly taken care of by additional building. One of the largest buildings for this year was the South Methodist church, which is being built at a cost of \$15,000. The 1921 figures will be increased shortly by an additional \$15,000 which is to go for the new creamery building on which construction will start in a few days. There are a number of new buildings to go up this fall, but the building season is near a close and the amount for the remainder of the year will not be large.

The figures also show that the Roseburg people spent a great deal on the construction of garages. Permits showing garages worth \$5000 have been issued this year, as against \$7100 last year.

For comparison the following amounts for the years 1920 and 1921 are given:

	1920	1921
Business houses	\$93,000	\$35,070
Residences	24,200	39,500
Garages	7,100	6,000
Sheds	3,810	1,800
Totals	\$128,110	\$82,370

The above figures are from January to December for the year 1920, and for January to September 14 for 1921. For the period from January 1 to September 13, the building permits for 1920 show a total of \$125,670, only \$2440 having been expended in buildings after Sept. 14, 1920.

**MARRIED THIS AFTERNOON.**  
A quiet wedding occurred this afternoon at the Baptist parsonage, when James Hamon of Canyonville, and Ellen Sayles, of Kiddle were united in marriage. They are well known residents of their respective communities. They expect to make their home at Canyonville. The ceremony was performed by H. L. Caldwell and only necessary witnesses were present.

Sheriff Sam Starmer spent the afternoon at Myrtle Creek attending to official business.

A marriage license was issued today to James Hamon of Canyonville, and Ellen Sayles of Kiddle.

Houben Marsters, who has been spending the past few days here attending to business matters, returned to his home in Salem this afternoon.