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## DEPENDENCY OVER ILL HEALTH CAUSES SUICIDE OF SUTHERLIN RESIDENT

### T. Archambeau Ends Own Life After Giving Up Hope of Recovering From Illness—Letters Written to Coroner and to Relatives Telling of Suicide Plans.

Joseph Theodore Archambeau, aged 53 years, killed himself at about 11:30 Saturday night at the home of his brother, Adolph Archambeau, about five miles east of Sutherlin. Dependancy brought on by poor health was the cause of the suicide. Several letters were left by the man before he blew off the top of his head with a 20 gauge shot gun.

"Pat" Archambeau, as he was known to his friends, had been in poor health for several months. Unable to work he was being cared for by his brother, F. A. Archambeau. The fact that he was helpless and dependent seemed to worry the sick man and on several occasions he stated that suicide was his only relief.

Because of his repeated statements regarding suicide a close watch was kept over him and he laid his plans carefully before ending his life.

On Saturday evening he retired early. As soon as the other members of the family retired he left his bed and wrote three letters. One of these was an open letter, addressed particularly to his brother and to the coroner. In this letter he begged forgiveness for the trouble he was causing and stated that he was ending his own life because he had given up all hope of getting well and did not longer desire to be a burden on his brother.

Another letter was addressed to his brother. In this he thanked his brother and his sister-in-law for their kindness to him and expressed his appreciation for the care they had taken of him during his illness. He expressed his regret at being able to leave them only a small amount of possessions, but gave instructions that all of his personal property be taken by them. He also turned over to them a claim against Mr. and Mrs. Russell, who it appears have borrowed a small sum at some earlier date.

He also addressed a letter to Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Russell, who are addressed at box 153, R. F. D. 2, Portland, and who appear to have been friends of the deceased. After telling them of what he intended to do he instructed them to pay the remainder of the money due him to his brother, which he stated, would in part pay for the trouble he had caused.

After writing these letters it is believed that he returned to his bed although he was partially clothed. He waited until all were asleep and at about 11:30 left the house. Mrs. F. A. Archambeau was aroused when her brother-in-law left the house and after waiting a few minutes for him to return awakened her husband. The latter went to search for him and

found his lifeless body a few minutes later in the woodshed. The muzzle of a 20 gauge shot gun had been placed against the right eye and the entire top of the head blown off. An unexploded shot gun shell was gripped in the left hand while the fired shell was in the magazine of the gun.

Coroner Ritter was called but no inquest was deemed necessary as it was a plain case of suicide. The letters explained the motive and also gave the details of the plan which had been formed by the suicide.

Coroner Ritter took possession of the letters and then allowed the body to be removed and it was taken to Oakland where it is being made ready for burial.

The deceased was born at Melrose in the year 1869. He spent practically his entire life in the county being engaged in farming in several different localities. He had a great many friends who are shocked and grieved to hear of his death. He leaves a number of brothers and sisters who reside in various parts of Oregon and California. The funeral arrangements have not yet been announced.

Miss Irene Lee left this afternoon for Eugene where she will visit for a short time before returning to her home at Staten. Miss Lee visited at the home of Mrs. L. D. Kelley while here.

## GLENDALE BOY IS IN TROUBLE

### Lad Arrested For Robbery of Cigar Store to Appear Before the Grand Jury.

### FRIEND IS IMPLICATED

### George Holtscaw Who Figured In Jail Escapes Several Years Ago Was Perpetrator of Robbery, Juvenile States.

Clarence Johnson, aged 16, who was arrested at Glendale Friday for the robbery of the Smoke House, the Glendale cigar store, was given a hearing this morning before County Judge Quine. The boy confessed to participating in the robbery, and states that the plan was made and executed by George Holtscaw, a Glendale boy who has been in considerable trouble. According to the officers, Holtscaw made an attempt Saturday to get Johnson out of the jail at Glendale and threatened several people with a Winchester rifle which he carried at that time. Holtscaw was confined to the Douglas county jail for several months a few years ago. He and a companion loosened the bars in one of the windows of their cell and for two weeks enjoyed their liberty at night, climbing out by means of a ladder improvised from blankets and back into their cell by the same means. The officers did not learn of the trick the boys were playing until an attempt was made to secure possession of a large amount of liquor which had been confiscated by the officers and placed in an adjoining cell.

Holtscaw after his release from jail got into further trouble and after eluding the officers went to Tennessee and Virginia where he was employed in sawmills. He came back here a few months ago and succeeded in convincing the juvenile officers that he had reformed and was "going straight." So far as is known he has been in no serious trouble until the robbery of the Smoke House occurred.

Johnson claims that Holtscaw planned the robbery of the cigar store and that he agreed to help "just for fun." While engaged in the robbery he was captured. Holtscaw hung around Glendale over Saturday, Johnson says and Saturday night approached the jail twice. Both times he was armed and threatened people who approached, Johnson says. Holtscaw has gone either to California or back east, Johnson says. The case will be brought before the grand jury and the boy has been released upon his promise to appear before that body.

## JAIL ATTACKER MUST DIE.

JACKSON, Ky., Jan. 7.—W. D. Watts today was condemned to die in the electric chair by a jury trying him as a member of the band which December 19 attacked the Breathitt county jail and killed Miss Maggie Allen, daughter of the jailer and Oscar Roberts, the jailer's nephew.

## SINGERS COMING FOR AUTO SHOW

### Mrs. Fred Ohlson of Portland to Sing on Last Evening of Entertainment.

### IS WELL KNOWN HERE

### Mrs. Ohlson Appeared Here in a Concert Some Time Ago Under the Auspices of the Roseburg Music Club.

Mrs. Fred Ohlson, one of the leading concert singers of Portland, has been engaged for the concert on the closing evening of Roseburg's first automobile show. Mrs. Ohlson will sing on the night of Saturday, Jan. 21, and her appearance will doubtless be a great attraction for that evening. Mrs. Ohlson is well known here and Roseburg people will be delighted to hear her again. She has appeared here under the auspices of the Roseburg Music club and her singing greatly pleased the large number of people who heard her at that time. In addition to Mrs. Ohlson there will be several local singers introduced during the three evenings of the show.

The Douglas County Band is to give continuous concerts each evening and good programs are expected from this organization.

The band is to receive one-half of the amount of admissions and expects to realize a large sum of money. The band is now almost out of debt and the money to be received from the auto show is expected to finish paying for the uniforms and take care of such other indebtedness as the band may have incurred and to give a small start for the coming concert season. The admission fee will only be twenty-five cents, but several thousand tickets are expected to be sold at the door and consequently the band will probably realize a very substantial sum of money.

A "baby checking room" will also be a new innovation introduced by the management of the show. Several ladies, trained in the care of children, have been employed and will care for babies up to five years of age while the parents are attending the entertainments. Parents will be permitted to leave their small children at the room which will be expressly fitted up for this purpose, and may know that they are in the hands of competent persons and will be cared for and entertained until the parents are ready to leave.

The interest being shown in the event makes success certain and there is no doubt but that the automobile show will be listed as one of the biggest events to occur in Roseburg for many years.

## GEORGE HARVEY SUSTAINS INJURIES

### Narrowly Escapes Death as He is Thrown From Damaged Auto.

### IS CONFINED TO ROOM

### Ambassador Herrick Will Take His Place at Cannes Conference Until He Recovers—Were on Way to Golf Links.

CANNES, France, Jan. 9.—George Harvey, American Ambassador to Great Britain, narrowly escaped death today in an automobile accident, accompanied by Richard Crane, former American minister to Czechoslovakia, in whose car he was riding, and Wickham Steed, editor of the London Times. Harvey was on his way for a round of golf. The axle broke and Harvey was thrown out. In a dazed condition, he was taken to a hotel. He will be confined to bed for several days, but no serious results are expected. He asked that Ambassador Herrick at Paris relieve him temporarily as observer at the allied supreme council meeting.

### Herrick to Attend.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Myron Herrick, ambassador to France, will attend the Paris conference, pending Ambassador Harvey's recovery from injuries received in the automobile accident, Harvey reported to the state department today. Harvey reported that his injuries are not serious.

## MASS MEETING TO DECIDE STRIKE

CHICAGO, Jan. 9.—The effectiveness of the Chicago Building Trades strike called for tomorrow, depends upon the result of the mass meeting today. The carpenters are holding for a strike, with several other trades opposing it.

## BRIAND PROPOSES NEW TREATY TODAY

CANNES, France, Jan. 9.—Premier Briand today proposed a new treaty, to be signed by all European nations, including Germany, and aimed to bind the signatories to respect the territorial integrity of their neighbors. The proposal was made in a private conversation with Lloyd George.

## MARQUIS OKUMA IS STILL ALIVE

TOKIO, Jan. 9.—Marquis Okuma, whose condition of coma led to reports of his death, is still alive this afternoon.

## ELKS LAND MEMORIAL SITE.

CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—Nine hundred thousand members of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks today notified the National Memorial commission of the order that the site for the \$3,000,000 memorial to their war dead, was selected and paid for today. The site is on Lake Shore Drive near Lincoln park.

## CONTRACT LET FOR TIMBER CRUISE

### Court Gives Contract For Cruising County Timber to Portland Man.

### MANY BIDS RECEIVED

### Eleven Firms Bid for Completing Task of Cruising Standing Timber Within the County—Data To Go On the Tax Rolls.

The contract for cruising the remaining uncrused timber in Douglas county, was let today to Thomas Pierce of Portland, whose bid of 6 and 3-8 cents per acre was the lowest of the eleven bids submitted. The bids submitted to the county court varied from 6 3-8 cents to 22 1/2 cents and came from timber cruises located all over the state.

This year's bid is almost half of the price paid last year. 125,000 acres were cruised last year at a cost of 12 cents per acre, costing the county more than \$15,000. This year approximately 175,000 acres will be cruised at an estimated cost, under the contract with Mr. Pierce, of \$11,500.

This will complete the task of cruising the standing timber in Douglas county. The contract requires that the work be done by July 31 in order that the timber may be placed on this year's assessment rolls and a tax collected on its cash value next year. Mr. Pierce states that he will have the job completed by July 1 and plans to start work at once and will put on a large enough crew to complete the work within the time allowed.

Mr. Pierce comes to the county well recommended. He served for 14 years with the Northern Pacific railroad company, starting work for the concern in 1887. He went to Montana later and cruised timber for several years with the Blackfoot Milling company. After moving to Oregon and making his home in Portland, he was employed as cruiser with the Crown Willamette Paper company. He carries recommendations from some of the leading timber men of the state.

Bids on the cruise were opened at 10 o'clock this morning, the following persons submitting bids: T. A. Murray, 20 cents per acre; Geo. Ladley, 12 cents; C. M. Conroy, 20 cents; M. J. Anderson, 11 cents; C. J. Clement, 13 cents; Ben McMullen, 10 cents; W. J. Frost, 9 cents; Jos. Murphy and R. R. Clarke, 11 1/2 cents; and Thomas Pierce, 6 3-8 cents.

Miss Pearl Davis leaves tomorrow night for Portland where she will remain permanently.

## DE VALERA RESIGNS OFFICE PRESIDENT IRISH REPUBLIC ---RENOMINATED AT ONCE

### Dail Government Ends—De Valera Announces Intention of Carrying on Fight in Country Districts—Cabinet Dissolves—Lady Renominates De Valera.

DUBLIN, Jan. 9.—De Valera formally presented to the Dail today his resignation as president of the Irish republic and the Dail government head. He declared the cabinet dissolved and called for an immediate election. He will carry his fight for the issue of a free state or a republic to the country districts.

### Nominates for Re-election.

DUBLIN, Jan. 9.—When the Dail Eireann convened today De Valera placed his resignation as president of the Irish republic formally before the house. Mrs. Thomas J. Clarke moved his re-election as president. Liam Mellows seconded the motion. The Dail adjourned at 1:30 until 3:30 with the motion still under consideration.

### Powers Transferred.

LONDON, Jan. 9.—The government is to arrange an immediate transfer of the administration powers to the new southern Irish government. The evacuation of British troops and a general amnesty is planned among the first steps.

### Irish Are Divided.

DUBLIN, Jan. 8.—The peace treaty has been ratified and prayers of thanksgiving went up from the people in all the churches today, but Ireland continued to face internal disorganization, giving rise to the greatest anxiety.

The split in the Dail Eireann has been heightened and intensified by the vote on the treaty, and the future was more obscure. At different hours today the two factors held conferences. The Dail will meet again tomorrow.

### It has become apparent the De Valera's resignation as president of

## FIVE POWER TREATY READY FOR APPROVAL

### Constitutes Most Forward Step Toward Disarmament in World History.

### PLENARY SESSION DUE

### Probably Be Held This Week at Which Time Hint Will Be Given Concerning Nearness of Completion of Conference.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The five great powers will bind themselves to a program of naval reduction and limitation of armament for fifteen years, by the terms of the naval limitation treaty, according to information today. This is instead of the ten year period as first suggested, thus giving the naval holiday sufficient time to be put in practical effect and also to allow the naval establishments of the powers to be put on a replacement tonnage ratio basis agreed upon to follow the treaty's conclusion.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The five power treaty, limiting naval armament, and constituting the most forward step towards disarmament in the world's history, is ready for final approval by the conference chief delegates. The plenary session will probably come this week, when hints will be given regarding the nearness of the conference to complete its task.

Italy, the Japanese and French were said to feel that if the merchantmen are to be permitted to arm, the effect might be not only to vitiate the project to limit private auxiliary warships to 10,000 tons each, but it might also result in a great disadvantage to the nations which have small merchant fleets. Americans, British Silent.

Beyond saying that the status of a merchant ship is to be the status well understood in international law, the American and British delegates were not willing to discuss the subject. It was the view in some quarters, however, that the British might bring the point up for discussion. The sub-committee draft of the treaty was virtually complete tonight, and after a six-hour Sunday session of the naval experts and the full naval committee probably will begin discussion of it Monday or

the republic did not take an official form, and the outstanding question today was whether he would make effective his expressed intention to resign, and if he should not what would become of the Dail.

Resignation is Specific. Many believe that the opponents of the treaty planned to keep the Sinn Fein parliament in being while supporters of the treaty endeavor to establish a provisional government and carry out the peace agreement.

Mr. De Valera's resignation, tendered to the Dail Friday, was specific; he consented, however, to postpone action on condition that a vote on the treaty should be taken within 48 hours. He plainly stated that he intended "what ever happened," to retire to private life.

When the vote was taken, the resignation was not repeated. Mr. De Valera merely alluding to it when he arose, and in a voice, broken with emotion, began to explain his position. But he had not gone far when he sat down, unable to proceed.

### Valera Calls Meeting.

Later Mr. De Valera summoned a meeting for today, confined to the 57 deputies who voted against the treaty and today at the Mansion house prior to the private session of his associates, he delivered a speech which was a clear indication of his intention to continue the fight this time apparently not only against the provisional government of the Irish free state, which, he said, he regards as an usurpation and to which the chief objection is that it derives its authority from the British parliament.

There were many tonight who were of the opinion that the question of Mr. De Valera's suspended resignation must be debated by the Dail tomorrow. The inconclusive nature in his declaration have puzzled all commentators, but Art O'Brien, president of the self-determination league of Great Britain, who was in closest touch and sympathy with Mr. De Valera, informed the Associated Press that his interpretation was that Mr. De Valera would resign the presidency and retire to private life only when he has consolidated the republican position.

### Resignation Tabled.

DUBLIN, Jan. 9.—DeValera resignation was temporarily tabled. The motion to re-elect him president of the Irish republic and the Dail head, was defeated 60 to 58. Mrs. Clarke nominated De Valera following his resignation and stand for re-election.

### British Optimistic.

LONDON, Jan. 9.—Great Britain plans to withdraw all troops from Ireland, indemnify the inhabitants, and release the Irish prisoners at the earliest possible moment. The British government is optimistic over the situation, and intends to aid Collins and Griffith in the establishment of an Irish free state.

Tuesday. A plenary session to make the treaty public probably will follow this week, and then the delegates will turn their full attention to unsettled far east questions.

### Resolution Adopted.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Limitation of development or use of aircraft is impossible at this time, the five power armament committee decided today, but adopted a resolution for an international commission to study the question with a view of future limitation.

### MARKET QUOTATIONS.

PORTLAND, Jan. 9.—Cattle 15 25c higher, choice steers \$7 and \$7.75; hogs 25c higher, prime light \$8.75 and \$9; sheep slow and weak; eggs weak; butter steady.

## Jewett Mill to Start Soon

Between \$10,000 and \$15,000 will be spent in improving the Jewett Mill at Gardiner and put it in readiness to operate this spring, according to the owner, W. H. Jewett, who was in Roseburg today. Mr. Jewett was accompanied by James Ford, manager of the mill and the two are spending a short time in this city attending to business matters. No definite time has been set for starting the mill, Mr. Jewett says, but it will probably start work about the first of April. At the present time the buildings and equipment are being thoroughly repaired.

