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LA GRANDE'S BOUNDEN DUTY.

Tomorrow Cove—an enterprising community that has shown to the world at two various world's fairs and expositions that it can grow the finest cherries on earth—will hold a cherry fair and expects a fairly good representation from La Grande.

SCIENCE PERFECTS BRIDGES.

Work on one of the largest single span uplift bridges ever to be constructed has been started by the Southern Pacific company in San Pedro harbor.

The new bridge is what is known as the Strauss trunnion type, differing from the Bascule bridge of the Salt Lake railroad, also at San Pedro.

The Southern Pacific company made application to the war department a year ago for permission to build this bridge, which was granted on the first of December, last, on condition that the structure would be completed within a year.

structed. They will be bound with concrete and sunk to a depth of 44 feet after which piles will be driven to a depth of eight feet.

Following the construction of these cofferdams the water will be pumped out and the interior concreted and reinforced. Upon the base thus formed the concrete piers will be erected to a height of ten feet above low water mark.

Thirty-five hundred yards of concrete will compose the three piers. The King Bridge company of Cleveland is building the material from designs furnished by the Straus Bascule Bridge company.

THE FATALITIES OF FLIGHT.

A month full of incident in aeronautics has elapsed since the first installment of Victor Loughheed's article on 'The Fatalities of Flight' appeared in the Popular Mechanics Magazine.

It is most manifest that very nearly all the aeroplane accidents so far have been clearly due to careless construction or assembling, to flying under bad conditions of wind or locality, to incompetent driving, to distinctly reckless exhibition stunts, or to clumsy experimenting.

He then adduces a table—valuable from any point of view—naming the airmen who have sacrificed their lives to the science, and stating the make of machine, wind conditions, distance of fall, etc.

A summarization of the data thus far presented reveals several more contradictions of common opinion. One is the altogether superior safety of the monoplanes—most of which have the motor in front—which are known to be involved in only 18 of the 58 fatal accidents.

DENVERITE IS PLEASED.

Claims La Grande and Valley Are Well Known in Denver.

Louis Williams, secretary of the Publishers' Press Room company, prominent printers and book binders of Denver, is in La Grande today looking over La Grande while on a tour of

the northwest. Mr. Williams stated today that the good name of La Grande had reached Denver and that the valley of the Grande Ronde is more or less widely known in Colorado points.

After spending the day here Mr. Williams will go on to Portland.

COMMISSION PLAN IN MANY CITIES.

The unvarying success of the Galveston or Des Moines plan of city government has been so pronounced as almost to challenge belief.

Gloucester.—Commission plan in effect 1900. The first year's report showed all bills paid and a reduction in the city debt of \$18,000.

Haverhill.—Commission plan in effect in 1909. The first year's report under the new plan showed a saving of \$97,900 in running expenses.

Cedar Rapids, Ia.—Commission plan in effect in 1908. The commission has reduced the tax rate and the debt, while making certain big improvements, such as the acquirement of a big island in the river out of current expenses instead of bond issues.

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SLEEPER FOR FAST MAIL?

SAID THAT OFFICIALS SEE NEED OF SUCH ACTION.

Would Relieve Situation Existing in Eastern Oregon.

That some relief is in sight for La Grande travelers bound for Portland held out in an account by a prominent railroad official to the Pendleton commercial club that there is a likelihood of a sleeper being attached to the fast mail.

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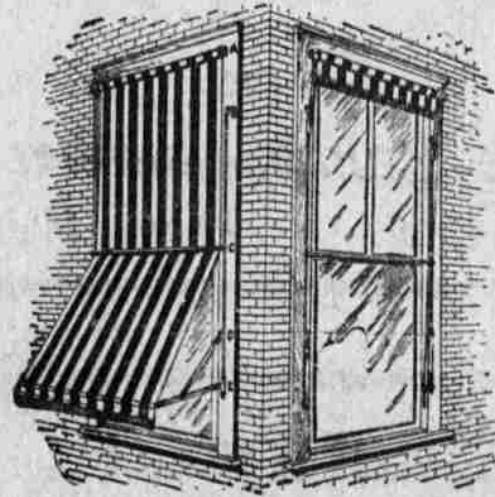
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