

# La Grande Evening Observer

MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

VOLUME XXV

SECTION ONE

LA GRANDE, OREGON,

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1921

NUMBER 50

## Death List of Celilo Wreck Reduced Plot to Rob Number Nineteen Failed

### CLOSING OF ARBUCKLE'S TRIAL TENSE

Case Went to Jury Late  
Yesterday Afternoon;  
Women on Jury

FORMER COMEDIAN IS  
PLAYED BY ATTORNEY

Prosecution in Closing  
Statements Called Fatty  
"Bellazzar Sitting on His  
Throne Pouring Wine."

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—The  
Arbuckle jury went to lunch at noon.  
Nothing that would indicate the nature  
of the deliberations beyond a rumor  
of a nine to three vote for conviction  
was heard. Speculation as to a hung jury  
was the topic at noon.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—The  
Arbuckle jury came from the hotel to  
the jury room at ten o'clock this morning.  
According to corridor gossip the  
jury was standing three for conviction  
and nine for acquittal.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—The  
jury in the trial of Roscoe (Fatty)  
Arbuckle for the death of Miss Virginia  
Rappe was locked up for the night  
at 11 p. m. last night. It is  
rumored that the jury, composed of  
seven men and five women stood eleven  
to one for acquittal.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—The  
manlaughter case of Roscoe (Fatty)  
Arbuckle went to the jury at  
4:15 p. m. yesterday.  
Arbuckle is accused of having fatally  
injured Miss Virginia Rappe, a  
motion picture actress, during a party  
in his rooms in the Hotel St. Francis  
September 5.

Excitement.  
The bullfights were summoned to the  
jury room twice. Once was to receive  
a request that the jurors be taken to  
dinner and the other time the jury  
asked that the doors of the room in the  
Hotel St. Francis where Arbuckle  
is alleged to have injured Virginia  
Rappe, be brought to them for examina-  
tion. They changed their minds, however,  
before the request could be met.  
Each request caused a wave of excitement.

Expert testimony regarding the fin-  
gerprints on these doors was the basis  
(Continued on Page Three)

### John Gardner Reported Out of Danger; La Grande Girl Among the Injured

### INDUSTRIAL WAR LOOMING IN CHICAGO

Packers Advise for  
Strike-breakers for Im-  
pending Walkout

UNIONS DECLARE  
MAJORITY TO QUIT

Kansas Invoking Machin-  
ery of Her Industrial  
Court to Avert Tie-up of  
Her Key Industry.

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—Coincident with  
Armour & Company's orders that all  
employees who go on strike Monday  
protesting against the ten per cent  
wage reduction will lose their places,  
advertisements appeared in the papers  
here today calling for men to fill va-  
cancies if the union men go on strike.  
Officers of the "Big Five" packing  
plants announced their intention to  
continue operations, declaring they  
did not fear a walkout on a large  
scale.

Estimates Differ.

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—Conflicting re-  
ports from the unions and packers in  
various parts of the country Friday  
showed a wide divergence of opinion  
strike called for Monday in the na-  
tion's packing plants by the Amalgamated  
Meat Cutters and Butcher  
Workmen of North America.

Union officials asserted that be-  
tween 50 and 65 per cent of their men  
would walk out.  
Representatives of the packers were  
inclined not to take the strike seri-  
ously, asserting that the plants would  
continue to operate, while some even  
expressed doubt that the strike would  
occur.

Kansas to Stop Strike.  
Kansas Friday took measures to  
(Continued on Page Six)

PORTLAND, Dec. 3.—(Special to  
The Observer.)—John Gardner, engi-  
ner on the ill-fated westbound train  
which was wrecked in a head-on colli-  
sion shortly after midnight Wednes-  
day night near Celilo, was resting  
well last evening. He suffered a com-  
pound fracture of the lower left leg,  
a broken collar bone, a broken finger,  
cuts over his eye and on his hand  
burns on his arms and also bruises.

PORTLAND, Dec. 3.—A report  
from The Dalles stated that the body  
found under the tender of the en-  
gine of No. 17 in the Celilo wreck  
was believed to be that of Earnest  
Heath of Pendleton. He had \$9.21  
in his pockets and three suits of  
clothes in a package.

Eight Dead.  
THE DALLES, Dec. 3.—Investiga-  
tion of the Celilo wreck yesterday de-  
finitely fixed the number of dead at  
eight. One body was found between  
the tender and the baggage car of  
train No. 17, instead of three, as pre-  
viously announced.

Investigations Started.  
PORTLAND, Dec. 3.—With the list  
of dead in the Celilo wreck fixed at  
eight, three investigations are in  
progress today. They are by the state  
public service commission, by the  
county and by the Union Pacific.  
Mrs. Lloyd Cole, most seriously in-  
jured, was reported better over night.  
Mrs. Joseph Duncan is still in a per-  
manent condition but is expected to re-  
cover. John Gardner, formerly of La  
Grande, engineer on No. 17, is be-  
lieved out of danger.

PORTLAND, Dec. 3.—Mrs. Lloyd  
Cole of McMinnville, whose boy and  
nephew, Mrs. Wallin, were killed, was  
the only one of the injured in the  
Celilo wreck whose recovery remain-  
ed doubtful yesterday evening, the  
others all being reported as out of  
danger last night.

PORTLAND, Dec. 3.—Additional  
names of the injured, the total num-  
(Continued on Page Two)

### POWERS WILL GIVE UP SOME TERRITORY

China Wins Important Point  
in Meeting of Nine  
Powers Committee

JAPAN MAY GET OUT  
OF SHANTUNG TOO

Great Britain and France  
Also will Give up Some  
of Their Leaseholds in  
Chinese Territory.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Another  
important point in far eastern discus-  
sion was won today by China in the  
committee of nine powers when Great  
Britain, Japan and France agreed to  
retire from much leased Chinese ter-  
ritory. The Japanese representatives  
it was said, agreed to give up leased  
territorial holdings in Shantung and  
also reported as offering to discuss  
the retirement from their special ter-  
ritorial privileges in Manchuria.

The offers of Great Britain, Japan  
and France were said to have been  
contingent on the fulfillment of con-  
ditions which China is expected to  
meet. France expressed her willing-  
ness to retire from Kailan-Chow-Wai,  
the French leased territory and Great  
Britain from Wei-Wei-Wei. Negotia-  
tions on naval ratio were at a stand-  
still, while the Japanese delegates  
awaited further word from Tokyo on  
proposals submitted yesterday.  
(Continued on Page Three)

### BASKETBALL IS NEXT ON SPORT CALENDAR HERE

High School Team Begins  
Practice Monday; Other  
Teams Being Formed;  
Rules Changed.

The basketball season will be in  
full swing in La Grande before an-  
other week is over. On Monday the  
high school basketball squad will be-  
gin practice. While no definite an-  
nouncement has been made regard-  
ing the prospects of the team, there  
are a number of old players back in  
school this year and these will form  
the nucleus of what is expected to be  
the champion team of secondary  
schools in eastern Oregon. Carl Lo-  
dell, who coached the football team,  
will have charge of the basketball  
squad. Mr. Lodell is a former O. A.  
C. athlete and is well qualified to  
handle the basketball team.

The city basketball league will be  
organized at the Y. M. C. A. Wed-  
nesday evening. A number of teams  
have already practically completed  
their personnel and while several of  
the best players of last year will not  
be in the lineup of the various teams  
it is expected that a strong aggre-  
gation of quintets will begin work-  
outs in a few days. The other lea-  
gues are also in process of organiza-  
tion. They will include boys' squads,  
intermediate boys and several other  
groups.

Rules Changed.  
A number of important changes in  
rules have been made for this sea-  
son. Among the changes according  
to this year's Spalding basketball  
guide, are the following:

A substitute may not participate  
in the game until he has reported to  
and been recognized by the referee.  
The referee is given power to call  
fouls for unsportsmanlike conduct  
on the part of the players or spec-  
tators.

When the ball is tossed up be-  
tween two players the referee and the  
umpire shall see that the other  
players are in such positions that  
they do not interfere with the jump-  
ers.

On a court laid out in accordance  
with the rules, the entire backboard  
is to be considered in bounds, but  
(Continued on Page Three)

### MAIL ROBBERY AT ECHO AVERTED BY ARREST OF PLOTTERS IN SALT LAKE

### FOUR MONTHS SENTENCE FOR MOONSHINER

Wallawa Sheriff Nips Ped-  
dler's Business in Bud and  
Judge Knowles Puts on  
Finishing Touches.

ENTERPRISE, Dec. 3.—Moon-  
shining loses its attractions before  
the treatment administered by Judge  
J. W. Knowles. The first of the week  
to Joe Bennett. He pleaded guilty to  
the crime of transporting intoxicat-  
ing liquors and was sentenced to  
serve four months in the county jail.  
Bennett came from Wallawa fair-  
week, bringing three gallons of booze,  
but it never reached the prospective  
customers as Sheriff Rinehart and  
Deputy H. H. Nottingham seized it  
and arrested the peddler. Bennett  
was taken before Justice A. B. Con-  
away and pleaded not guilty, and  
was released on bond pending his  
hearing.

An indictment was found by the  
grand jury and in the Circuit court  
a plea of guilty brought the  
jail sentence. The case before Jus-  
tice Conaway still awaits trial.

### BULLETINS

PORTLAND, Dec. 3.—Wheat was  
\$1.05 today.

BELLINGHAM, Dec. 3.—Burglar  
broke into the Nookack Valley state  
bank at Everett last night and stole  
\$900 in cash and looted a hundred safe-  
ty deposit boxes.

### Youthful Bandits Stole Ten Guns From Armory and Were Organizing Gang to Rob No. 19 in Echo Can- yon When Arrested.

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 3.—(Spe-  
cial to The Observer.)—Elaborate  
plans to organize a gang and hold up  
an O. W. passenger train at a lonely  
point in the mountains have been un-  
covered, according to the belief of the  
police. Four boys were arrested Mon-  
day and charged with the theft of ten  
army rifles from the national guard  
armory.

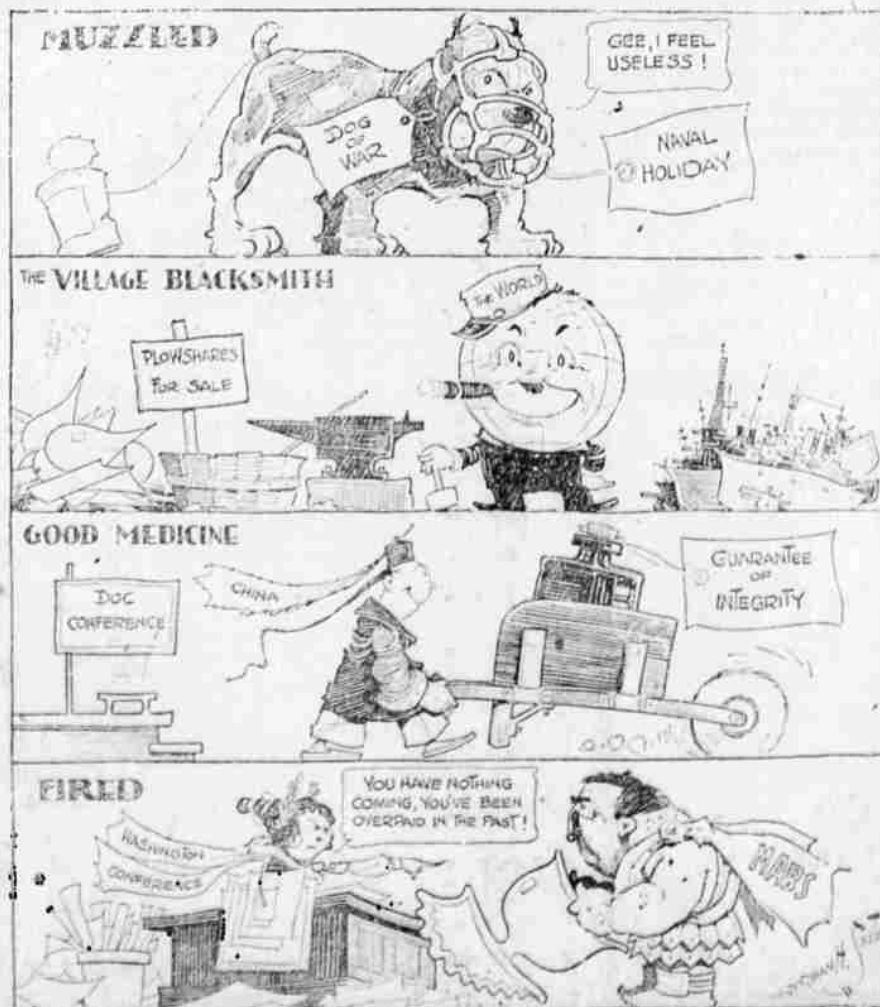
They gave their names as Clark Col-  
ber, 15 years of age; James Orr, 16;  
James Jensen, 16 and Gable Oldander,  
16. The way the guns had been divided  
among the boys attracted attention  
of the police and an attempt was made  
to discover just what use they intend-  
ed to put the weapons.

Andrew Ure, special agent of the  
Oregon Short Line, took the case in  
hand and is said to have secured com-  
plete confessions from the boys. This  
confession has been withheld by the  
special agent, as the investigation is  
not yet complete and may implicate  
older members of the alleged gang.  
However, it was learned, according to  
officers, that the boys confessed to  
obtaining guns to hold up the mail  
train No. 19, of the O. W. R. & N.  
in the grade out of Echo canyon, Ore-  
gon, Tuesday night, whereby they hoped  
to secure \$10,000. They planned to  
return to Salt Lake and then go to  
California to spend the money.

They intended stealing an automo-  
bile to take the onto the scene of the  
intended robbery.

The boys were brought before the  
county attorney and complaints  
were issued charging them with sec-  
ond degree burglary. The complaints  
were signed by Officer F. V. White,  
one of the men who made the arrest.

### IF THE ARMS CONFERENCE MAKES GOOD



### Boy Scouts Royally Entertain Council

With plenty of good things to eat,  
per to throw to the birds, music  
with high in it, and best of all boy-  
scoutness that is genuine and not cam-  
ouflaged, the Boy Scouts of La  
Grande last night entertained their  
council which is composed of 21  
business men of the city, at a ban-  
quet and program of their own.

The Y. M. C. A. building showed  
more life than a county fair when  
the boys lined up as escort to coun-  
cil members and after "Scotty" had  
sounded the bugle call the party  
marched into the dining room.

Scout Commissioner Pryke placed  
the guests and then shouted the boys  
into their respective channels, each  
finding his station quickly. Rev.  
H. H. H. pronounced the blessing of  
the deity on the gathering and the  
banquet was on. A menu that was  
of the best and showed the good  
things of the valley down to and in-  
cluding ice cream and delicious cake  
was served. During the dinner  
Scout Masters gave Boy Scout tests  
to members of the different patrols  
in order that council members might  
understand what is being done in  
the work. Musical numbers by dif-  
ferent Scouts, including the quartette  
and the new orchestra enlivened the  
evening.

After dinner the council adjourned  
to Mr. Pryke's office where the  
members heard of the work accom-  
plished from Commissioner Pryke,  
and Scout Masters Carter and Hozan.  
It was a revelation to the men com-  
prising the council to see the teach-  
ing given the boys and the number  
pronounced the Scout organization a  
great blessing. Speeches were made  
containing deep appreciation of the  
commissioner and the scout master  
timed cold.



### Food Prices Jumped Six Per Cent Here Since July

The cost of food for the family of  
five has increased six per cent since  
July, according to the latest statis-  
tics published by the Four L Bu-  
letin. In July the cost of food for  
such a family, which includes staples  
only, and is for a man and wife and  
boy of 12, girl of eight and child of  
two, was \$1.51 and for November  
the cost had increased to \$1.69. La  
Grande did not have the highest cost,  
however, Baker's cost in November  
being \$1.63 and Astoria and Silver-  
ton being \$1.62. The increase in  
food costs reported was general.

A letter from Fred Macey of La  
Grande is also published in the Bu-  
letin. Mr. Macey has hopes for low-  
er prices and "meat every day" in  
the closing sentences of his letter. The  
letter follows:  
"Editor Bulletin—I am writing to  
tell you how a minimum wage man  
lives on \$2.00 per day and keeps a  
family of five.  
"Average, 22 days per month at  
\$2.00 per day \$44.00; food, 20 days  
at \$1.50 per day, \$30.00; rent \$12.  
fuel \$4.00; insurance, lodge dues, \$2.  
\$7.00; school supplies \$1.00; hos-  
pital, doctor, medicine \$2.00; re-