

ARBUCKLE ATTENDS INQUEST

Striking Hop Pickers Put Down

GARDNER NOW WOUNDED, IS NEW THEORY

Blood Soaked Prison Cloth Found on McNeil's Island May Be Proof That Bandit Is Near

GUARDS ON ISLE ARE FIRING AT SHADOWS

During Past Few Nights Patrolling Forces Shoot At Suspicious Sounds

TACOMA, Wash., Sept. 12.—A strip of blood-soaked prison cloth, but a few inches square, found on the eastern end of McNeil island today, is being held tonight as one of the most important developments in the search for Roy Gardner, California mail bandit, who made his sensational break from the federal penitentiary on the island Labor day.

Indicates Wound Warden Thomas Maloney and other officials declared tonight that the cloth indicates that Gardner was wounded either on the day of his flight or during the last few nights when guards and inhabitants of the island have fired at a slinking figure or in the general direction of suspicious noises in the underbrush.

Search Thorough Since discovery of one of the bandit's lairs, Saturday afternoon, half way up the bluff at the eastern extremity of the island, Warden Maloney has prosecuted a vigorous search through that section and for the last five nights the nighties is believed to have been under heavy fire.

The finding of the bit of cloth led Maloney to express the belief tonight that Gardner is hard pressed and nearing the end of his rope. The cloth also proves in the opinion of the warden that Gardner is still in his prison clothes, simplifying the search as it would show that the bandit is not being harbored by island residents and so far has been without outside assistance.

Still in Alford Likewise, the guards assume that if Gardner has been unable to obtain civilian clothes, he is also without weapons. The bit of cloth is therefore held at the penitentiary as the answer to several vital questions.

Board To Allocate 99th Reserve Is in Session

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 12.—The work of allocating the 19 units of the 99th reserve division to have headquarters in Oregon was begun today when the board, consisting of Colonel Pagan Whitworth, Lieutenant Colonel Edward C. Sammons, Major Henry C. R. Akin, Major C. M. Hodges and Major Jacob Kanzler, met here.

The placing of the headquarters of the 19 units allotted to Oregon depends upon the geography of the state, the population of the different sections, and the location of the various national guard units now in existence. The board took these factors under consideration, it was announced. Results were not reached at the initial meeting.

Fire Is Extinguished In Tunnel At Mosier

HOOD RIVER, Sept. 12.—The tunnel fire on the main line of the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company near Mosier, Ore., which has blocked traffic for the past two days was reported out today, but the use of the tunnel has not been resumed, owing to the menace of falling rock from the roof which had been loosened by the burning away of timbers. Railroad officials said traffic probably would be restored by tomorrow.

FRIGID SNAP IS EARLY IN VALLEY VISIT

Porch Sleepers and Campers Not Entirely Comfortable Yesterday Morning

Porch sleepers and summer-campers and tomatoes and all the thick-skinned fruits and products were out of luck Monday morning when the mercury dropped down to the freezing point. Water froze in the garden hose and the ruddy nose of a camper shows where he almost froze. The tender plants and the crawling ants and the ice cream pants and the poor infants froze in this instance. 'Twas clear as a bell, and both sick and well sit up and tell that the frigid spell was as cold as—well, it was certainly cold.

No serious damage was done to anything but the reputation of the valley as a summer resort. This is an earlier frost than they usually get back in the "hot country," the Mississippi valley, where September is usually the first possible date for a frost.

ALIEN TAX LAW IS HELD VOID

California Supreme Court Holds Poll Assessment Unconstitutional

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12.—The state alien poll tax law was declared unconstitutional insofar as it affects Japanese, in a decision handed down today by the state supreme court.

The decision ordered the dismissal of Helikichi Terai, a Japanese, and Guillermo D. Kotta, a Mexican, who were arrested to test the law.

In the decision the court held that as far as Kotta is concerned, the law was in violation of the fourteenth amendment, which provides that there shall be no discrimination in taxing residents of the United States.

Touching on the case of the Japanese, it said: "In view of the provisions of the existing treaty between the United States and Japan, the alien poll tax is ineffective for any purpose with relation to any citizen of Japan."

The law, a state constitutional amendment, was accepted by the people in the general election of November, 1920.

Ocean-Going Raft Will Be Shipped By Bensons

ASTORIA, Ore., Sept. 12.—Repairs to the cradle at the Benson Timber company's camp at Wallace slough have been completed and work will be commenced tomorrow on the construction of another ocean-going raft of logs, which is to be towed to San Diego next summer.

United Drug Company Passes Current Dividend

BOSTON, Sept. 12.—Directors of the United Drug company, today issued the current 2 per cent quarterly dividend on its common shares. The 1 1/2 per cent quarterly dividends on the first preferred and 1 1/2 per cent on the second preferred were declared usual.

Reason for passing the common dividend lay in shrinkage of the company's profits in uniformity with general dealings in values since the first of the year. L. K. Liggett, president, explained.

Belgium And Holland To Be Permitted To Parley

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—Japan and France have formally given assent to the American proposal that Belgium and Holland, because of their large interests in the Orient, be invited to the discussion of far eastern problems at the conference on the limitation of armament. Favorable responses from other powers are expected soon, but no formal invitations will go forward to Belgium and Holland until there is unanimous agreement on the subject.

SHERRIF ORR PUTS ABUSIVE GANG OUT OF HORST'S YARDS

INDEPENDENCE, Ore., Sept. 12.—(Special to The Statesman.)—The first inclination of hop pickers to strike in any of the yards this season, was shown late Saturday when pickers at the E. Clemens Horst company yard, the largest in this section, employing nearly 2000 pickers, refused to pick longer at the rate of 50 cents a box, but demanded 75 cents. The strikers were thrust from the yards and picking resumed at 50 cents.

Refusal Absolute Their demand for a bigger price was absolutely refused by the company, who stated that all yards had a uniform price, and so far this was the first demand made for a higher price. The manager gave them until Saturday evening to withdraw their demand, and upon failure to do this, they were asked to leave the grounds so that other pickers could be replaced Monday morning.

A large number left the grounds peacefully, but a few agitators remained until Sheriff Orr and a large number of deputies were called into service at the yards of the company.

Pickers, Become Abusive The sheriff admonished the pickers to leave without causing trouble, but some became very abusive, calling the officers foul names, and throwing clods of dirt and sticks at them. The women were the most incensed at the officers when they were ordered to leave the premises, and a number of times the sheriff was compelled to use drastic measures.

All entrances into the yards have been guarded, and no one is allowed to enter after certain hours without a special permit signed by the management.

Machines Used The hop-picking machines are being put into service, and with another crew of pickers, furnished by one of the other yards just finished picking, it is thought that picking will not be interfered with longer. It will require about another ten days to finish picking at this yard.

DALLAS, Or., Sept. 13.—Demanding 75 cents a box instead of 50 cents, the current rate, several hundred hop pickers in the W. H. and Horst hop yards, near Independence, went on a strike Sunday. Sheriff Orr was called and with several deputies restored order after the ringleaders were forcibly escorted out of the yards.

BIG PAYMENT IS MADE BY PRODUCERS PACKING FIRM

More than \$50,000 was paid out Monday by the Producers Canning & Packing company to 100 stockholders of the company, as a first payment this season, on the basis of 2 cents a pound, according to Fred A. Kurtz, manager of the company.

To be exact, the figure was \$50,177.20. Mr. Kurtz says it will not be long until a final settlement can be made, which will be done as soon as fruits now coming in can be packed and shipped.

Two Carloads Daily The company is now shipping two carloads daily. There was such a demand for canned goods, Mr. Kurtz said, that practically the entire output of the plant has been sold at a very favorable figure.

The Producers Canning & Packing company was organized last April, the company taking over the plant of F. A. Kurtz & Co., located in Salem, on North Commercial street.

Many Growers Included It was organized with 166 of the leading fruit growers in this section.

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VAN OSDOL NOW IN CUSTODY OF GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES

E. O. Van Osdol, a farmer of Yamhill county, was taken from the custody of the local police last night and removed by Deputy United States marshal S. F. Peace to Portland, where he faces a federal charge of operating a still on his farm near Newberg. Van Osdol, who has been sought by federal authorities for several weeks, was arrested here with three companions by Chief Verden M. Moffitt in a booze raid Sunday morning at 1824 Broadway.

LINVILLE IS ON DECK AS DRY LEADER

Two Prohibition Agents Will Be Dismissed—Many Applications Received

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 12.—Dr. Joseph A. Linville took oath of office as federal prohibition director for Oregon today and plans were immediately laid for an enforcement program through the coming months.

Three new appointments to Dr. Linville's force will be made in the near future, he announced. Two agents were given notice of tentative dismissal and applications of men for these positions were dispatched to Washington for approval.

A request for a larger field force has been made," said Dr. Linville, "and a great deal depends upon the reception it receives. It is practically impossible to patrol the entire state with a force of only nine men, but if additional agents cannot be employed, we will be forced to do the best we can under present conditions."

EVANS DENIES HE KILLED MR. DORAN

Man Suspected Held In Wasco County Jail Arrested Sunday At Madras

THE DALLES, Ore., Sept. 12.—Complete denial that he had anything to do with the murder of James Doran and the wounding of William Ducharme near The Dalles late Saturday night, was today made by Abe Evans to Sheriff Chrisman.

Evans was lodged in the Wasco county jail today after an all-day automobile trip from Madras, where he was arrested. Ducharme said the murder was committed by a chauffeur who had agreed to take the two men to McMinnville.

Sheriff Chrisman said Evans had admitted that he had driven the car in which Doran and Ducharme rode from Bend to The Dalles. He contended that he had left them at a local hotel Saturday evening, however, and had started on the return trip to Bend the same evening. He had not seen them after leaving them at the hotel, he said.

AGED PROSPECTOR FOUND DEAD BY HIS OWN HAND

MEDFORD, Ore., Sept. 12.—The body of R. E. Hedrick, aged 70 years, a prospector, was found Sunday in his cabin on Sardine creek, near here, by William Bayne, a stockman. Death had been due to a bullet from a .45 calibre revolver fired into the brain, supposedly by himself, the coroner said. Letters written by him and found in the cabin, indicated that in his life he had mined in Alaska, Australia and South America.

HARDING IN NEW YORK AFTER MOTORING TRIP

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—For the third time since his inauguration, President Harding was here tonight after motoring from the Sea View golf club, near Atlantic City, a distance of about 120 miles.

The president's visit, he explained, was merely a continuation of his short golfing and vacation trip. The president and Mrs. Harding attended a musical comedy tonight.

Despite a drizzling rain the first 60 miles, President Harding apparently enjoyed the day's trip. The party was met by Mayor Hylan.

YEDZECK IN JAIL HERE ON BURGLARY CHARGE

Joseph Yedzeck formerly possessor of a fair supply of pocket knives, watches and razors said to have been purloined from the Ames Hardware store of Silverton, is now a guest in the county jail, pending a hearing before Justice of the Peace G. R. Unruh.

FILM ACTOR'S HANDS TREMBLE WHEN MURDER CHARGE IS READ IN COURT; LAWYERS CAREFUL

HOSPITAL MONEY IS NOW NEEDED

Contributors Asked To Remit Half of Subscriptions To Association

Contributors to the Salem hospital now in the course of erection, have been asked to remit 50 per cent of their subscription, as September 1 was the date named when one-half of the amount subscribed should be paid. Cards have been sent out to subscribers asking that remittance should be made.

Those in charge of the hospital work report that bills are now coming in for steel, lumber, cement, and that these bills must be paid. It is pointed out that if subscribers do not remit promptly one-half of their subscriptions, it will be necessary for those in charge of the Salem hospital to sacrifice some of the Liberty bonds now owned by the association.

INJURIES RECEIVED WHEN POLK COUNTY CARS COLLIDE

DALLAS, Or., Sept. 12.—(Special to The Statesman.)—The large limousine of Dr. V. C. Staats of this city was badly damaged late Sunday afternoon in a collision with a car belonging to Frank Piser of Stayton. The accident occurred on the Pacific highway south of Salem, where the Chemawa road enters the highway. Dr. Staats with his wife and little daughter and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sweeney, also of this city, were returning to Stayton from a ride out in that direction. Dr. Staats was driving, and as he turned into the highway, Mr. Piser, who was on the wrong side of the road, according to witnesses, crashed into him, striking his machine squarely in the center.

Mrs. Staats received a wrenched neck and little Bernice Staats was cut about the face by flying pieces of glass from the windows, otherwise none of the occupants were hurt. Dr. Staats was able to return to his home in this city under the car's own power, although the machine was damaged to the extent of several hundred dollars.

MARKS ARE FORCED DOWN BY RUMOR OF DEFAULT

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—Cables from London and Paris intimating Germany may temporarily default further reparations payments to the allies forced marks down to .915 in the foreign exchange market today—the lowest recorded in the memory of local dealers.

The collapse of the German rate had an unfavorable effect on most European exchange, French and Belgium bills falling about 25 points with moderate weakness in Italian exchange. The British rate was steady most of the day but fell to 3.7 1/2 for demand bills after the close. This represented a loss of about 2 cents in the pound sterling, from last week's final figures.

MOTORIST HITS MAN AND REFUSES TO GIVE HELP

DALLAS, Or., Sept. 12.—(Special to The Statesman.)—V. C. Coffin of Dallas was run over and badly cut up by unknown persons at Orest brothers' highway near Independence (Saturday night. Mr. Coffin was leaving the yard after a dance at that place, and was walking down the road to his car when he was struck by the auto, who failed to stop to see whether the man was injured. He was knocked down by the force of the blow, and his clothes nearly torn from his body. He was brought to his home here, where he is under the care of a physician.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12.—Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle, who was defendant in a police court murder arraignment this morning, as dramatic as any motion picture, spent the afternoon at a coroner's inquest into the death of Miss Virginia Rappe, a film actress whose life he is charged with having taken.

Tonight he went back to his cell to await the outcome of a grand jury investigation in which Mrs. Bimbina Maud Delmont, a member of the party in Arbuckle's hotel suite a week ago from which the death of Miss Rappe ensued, was expected to be the leading witness.

She did not testify at the opening session of the inquest, the district attorney saying that her appearance previous to the grand jury session would handicap the authorities. Instead the story was told by physicians and others, of Miss Rappe's removal from Arbuckle's suite, her treatment in another hotel room and later, at a hospital, her death and the post-mortem examination.

The party in Arbuckle's rooms appeared as the event from which the girl's death resulted but the physicians were unable to say what the exact cause, whether from injuries or from illness due to excessive use of liquor.

ARBUCKLE ONCE PLAYED IN SALEM

Accused Comedian Put On Vaudeville Skit Here Eleven Years Ago

Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle, famous motion picture comedian, who is now under a murder charge in San Francisco as a result of the death of Miss Virginia Rappe, actress, following one of Arbuckle's booze parties, once played in Salem. His appearance here was in a "kid" vaudeville act at the Bligh theater 11 years ago when the theater was located in the Klinger building. Arbuckle was then 23 years old.

Motion pictures in which Arbuckle plays a leading role will not be shown in Salem, is the unanimous decision of local theatrical managers, unless he should be cleared by the California courts.

"Of course we won't show Arbuckle pictures here," declared Charles Kupper, manager of the Oregon theater, last night. Frank Bligh was equally emphatic in his assertion that Arbuckle's pictures will not be shown here as long as he is charged with murder.

It is believed that the action of the managers will meet with the approval of Salem patrons almost without exception.

LIQUOR IS BLAMED

Boyle testified that Arbuckle and another member of the party told him Miss Rappe only had three drinks and then started to dance. "Too much liquor," was the diagnosis given by Dr. Olav Kaarboe, the first physician called in, according to Kaarboe's own statement. At that time there was no evidence of serious injury, he said. Dr. M. E. Runwell, testified he was called in to succeed the second physician, Dr. Arthur Beardslee. He said Miss Rappe's condition was such that she would not survive the journey.

COAST BASEBALL

Oakland 6, Frisco 1. SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12.—Oakland showed San Francisco into third place today with a 6 to 1 defeat. The Oaks touched the bottom of the barrel, but was not replaced until the sixth inning when Kelle was sent in. The Oaks were helpless against Jones.

Portland 9, Seattle 2. SEATTLE, Sept. 12.—Portland outplayed Seattle at every stage of the contest and took the opening of the series 9 to 2. Rapped fielding contributed to the defeat of the Indians. Cooper was unable to stop the visiting sluggers.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS. W. L. Pct. Los Angeles 26 48 .511 Sacramento 20 49 .288 San Francisco 27 37 .421 Oakland 29 23 .558 Seattle 22 44 .333 Portland 25 30 .455 Salt Lake 25 30 .455 Portland 15 120 .111

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