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## PROSECUTION SCORES IN ARBUCKLE CASE

### COUNCIL ADOPTS ORDINANCES FOR \$45,387--BONDS

TO CALL SPECIAL ELECTION FOR \$18,000 BOND ISSUE—BIDS ON BONDS TOTALING \$63,000 TO BE READ OCTOBER 11.

Ordinances in preparation for the issuance of bonds to the amount of \$45,387.12 were passed yesterday evening at an adjourned meeting of the city council. Of the foregoing amount \$37,000 will be known as "Improvement Refunding Bonds," and are issued without a vote of the people; \$5500 will be known as "Improvement Bonds," issued in the matter of defraying the city's proportionate expense of paving the north end of Mill street next to the city park; and \$2,287.12, statutory Bancroft bonds issued in the matter of the Mill street paving also, but based upon the application for extension of time of payment as filed by the property owners. All of the above amount except the Bancroft bonds will be ten-year general obligation bonds of the city of Ashland. The issuance of approximately \$18,000 worth of bonds to cover loans made to miscellaneous purposes from certain of the funds of the city by the council will be placed before Ashland voters for approval in the near future, the time to be set at the discretion of the city council. Bids on all the bonds, totaling over \$63,000 will be considered by the council October 11, according to the decision made.

The ordinances and plans for the bond issues were presented to the council by W. M. Briggs, city attorney, following advice from Portland bond attorneys. The refunding bonds will be issued for a term of ten years and be in \$500 denominations. The plans originally called for \$1000 denominations. The refunding bonds were issued "to redeem and retire bonds of like indebtedness."

Passing of the ordinances in preparation for the bond issue culminates investigations by attorneys, discussion and plans by the city council that have extended over a period of several weeks.

According to statements by members of the council, no more bond issues are in prospect except, Councilman Shinn said, "the possible \$100,000 bond issue for the dam in Ashland canyon."

W. M. Briggs, city attorney, made the following statement this morning relevant to the bond issue:

"The effect of the issuance of the bonds will prove very beneficial to the city of Ashland. The council wishes it understood that the issuance of the bonds do not in any way increase the indebtedness of the city but simply provides the city coffers with funds to pay off already existing indebtedness. To vote down the proposed \$18,000 worth of bonds, which is to be submitted to the people, would be like a merchant refusing to pay for goods which he has bought and disposed of. Another direct effect of the issuance of the bonds will be the probable enabling of the council to cut down the city tax levy for next year, as it will materially relieve the financial situation. The refunding bonds, which will constitute the bulk of the issue, are made necessary by reason of the fact that the city has had to foreclose on many properties on account of delinquent paving assessments, thereby taking over the property and having to assume the paving expense fronting said property so taken in. However, as the city sells the properties so taken in they will gradually be able to cut down the amount of the deficit caused by the delinquent assessments. Ashland has been particularly fortunate in this respect and has had to take in fewer properties for paving and other special benefit assessments than most any other city in the state of Oregon, much of which has been due to the conservative business judgment which has been exhibited by the present and past city councils."

### Two Distillers Are Arrested In Josephine County

GRANTS PASS, Or., Sept. 24.—While they were running off liquor in the Louse Creek mountains yesterday morning, William DeForest and Bob Blackburn were surprised and arrested by the sheriff and a number of deputies. The still had been under surveillance for some time, the officers waiting until they could catch the men redhanded before they made a raid. Both men are now in the county jail awaiting their hearing.

The still was located on Louse creek above the Forest Queen mine and was well hidden in a bend of the creek. It was found on several occasions by hunters who reported to the sheriff, the men having smelled the soured mash. The outfit consisted of about 400 gallons of mash, a boiler with three worms, a gasoline stove and a large collection of boilers and demijohns, some of which had been partly filled with the first run of the whiskey.

### BROTHER OF LOCAL MAN IS KILLED IN AUTO WRECK

Wesley Butler, a farmer of the Eagle Point district was killed in an auto accident on the Brownsboro road near the upper end of the Fred Pelouze ranch about 9 o'clock yesterday morning, and William J. Cox, age 21 years, whose home is in Clanton, Ala., sustained slight injuries, when the Overland car Butler was driving overturned on a curve. A defective steering knuckle was the cause of the accident.

Butler and Cox were en route to Eagle Point to saw wood when trouble developed in the steering gear. Butler told Cox to stand on the running board and watch the gear cog on the front axle. At a sharp turn the car ran off the road and overturned. Cox leaped and saved his life. Butler was pinned beneath the car, the running board across his breast, crushing out his life. Cox endeavored to extricate his companion, but failing, ran for assistance. Butler's lifeless body was taken from beneath the auto by his father, William E. Butler.

According to the coroner, the car was running at a fair rate of speed when the accident occurred, and tracks in the road showed that it had skidded several times before turning turtle.

William Wesley Butler was 27 years old and is survived by a wife and child two years old. A brother, James F. Butler, resides in this city. Another brother, John A. Butler, and a sister, Nellie Butler, live on the home place. He was a well known farmer. His father and mother are living.

News of the accident was received at Medford during the Wilbur Jacks funeral services, and caused the spreading of the rumor throughout the city of another shooting scrape in Eagle Point.

A coroner's inquest will be held and funeral arrangements announced later.

### CLEVELAND EVENS RACE FOR AM. LEAGUE FLAG

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—Forty thousand fans saw the Cleveland Indians humble the New York Yankees 9 to 0 here today.

The victory of last year's world champions evened the "little world series" and tightened the race for the American league pennant again.

Uple held the Yanks to four hits. Joe A. Barboz, of Turner, Or., has invented a flax-pulling device that can be attached to any grain harvester.

## Settling Tank Project Hang's Fire at Council

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If I had friends visiting me and wanted to entertain them at dinner at a hotel, I would not take them to a neighboring city as long as the Ashland hotel gave better service for less money, but I would remember that a high class service hotel is Ashland's greatest need, and the only way to keep that is to patronize it. If I wanted to show my friends the neighboring city I would take them there after giving them a fine dinner at the Ashland. HAZ KIK.

### TESTING ASSOCIATION COW IS 86 POUNDS ABOVE AVERAGE

The average dairy cow in this country produces annually about 4000 pounds of milk and 160 pounds of butter fat. According to 40,000 yearly individual cow records just tabulated by the United States department of agriculture, the average cow-testing association cow produces 5980 pounds of milk and 246 pounds of butter fat a year. The world's records are 37,381.4 pounds of milk and 1252 pounds of butter fat. The average dairy cow has plenty of room for climbing, and such commendable livestock improvement campaigns as the "Better Sires—Better Stock" drive will be effective in increasing the efficiency and production of American dairy stock.

### State Fair To Feature Entries Oregon Livestock

SALEM, Or., Sept. 24.—Livestock entries, the best ever assembled in the capital city for an annual state fair, will be seen when the big gates swing open to the Oregon public Monday, September 26. Pacific northwest herds are to be featured this year, with most of the larger breeders represented.

State fair officials have been laying special stress upon the livestock exhibits for the past several years, with the result that livestock men have been drawn from a distance with their splendid showings of cattle, sheep, hogs and goats. W. M. Riddle, of Monmouth, Ore., who will exhibit his Costwood sheep at the coming state fair, won first and second places in the Manitoba fair in Brandon, Man. He also took the championship for male and female Cotswolds and secured a number of honors for Lincoln. These same animals will be shown in Salem the last of this month.

Much of the higher-class entries of the recent Spokane Interstate fair will be entered at the state fair. In this lot will be included a herd of thirty-four dairy cattle, representing Holstein, Jersey, Ayrshire and Guernsey breeds, which are sent out by the Oregon Agricultural college. This show herd has been covering the circuit going from Spokane to the

Dam Project Quered

In opposing the settling tank project, both Councilmen Shinn and Joy stated that such action would invoke criticism if no action was taken by the council regarding the \$100,000 dam project voted for construction more than a year ago. "We've sidetracked the reservoir for more than

### City Dads Divided in Opinion On Installation Of Settling Tank--Will Thresh Out Problem Next Monday.

With the city council divided into two opposing camps of contention query of "whether it is or is not to be" in reference to a proposed settling tank in Ashland canyon to clear the city water supply, was passed back and forth with a rapidity of words that threatened to end in a verbal checkmate at a special session of the city dads yesterday evening. After two hours debate in which Councilmen Shinn, Joy and Pierce countered the urge of Mayor Lamkin and Councilman Frost for the settling tank and immediate action with negative arguments, the council agreed to meet in special session Monday evening for a final settlement of the question.

Shortly before adjournment by the city council, defeat threatened for the proposed improvement to the city water supply, when a motion was made by Councilman Joy to put the project aside. Although the motion received a second from Councilman

Shinn stated, "and it is time we were doing something about it." "But we need the settling tank anyway," Mayor Lamkin replied. "Our doctors have recommended that the water be cleared." Councilman Frost, favoring the settling tank, said: "We're working against ourselves the way it is. Conditions are not what they were fifty years ago. We are unable to install all of our meters because of the debris which collects and prevents them working." City Engineer Reports

City Engineer Walker made a report to the council, comparing local conditions with those existing elsewhere. He stated that Eugene, a city of 12,000 people, had a settling basin and filter with a capacity of 3,000,000 gallons, which had never been fully taxed. The figure was compared with the local situation under which an average of 6,000,000 gallons of water are used daily. "I think that Ashland uses an awful lot of water," he said.

Engineer Walker presented plans for the settling tank with the accompanying remarks that it "would add 200,000 gallons of water for a period of two hours." He stated that only one-five hundredths of an inch of sediment would remain in the water after settling for six hours, allowing comparisons to show the benefits to be derived from settling two hours. He reiterated his remarks at a previous council meeting, stating that the settling basin was a necessity before installation of a filter which "the city would have to do sometime."

Hosler Reports

Earl Hosler, city water superintendent, stated that he had been unable to communicate with the Oregon representative of a filter installation company. Mr. Hosler was ordered to telegraph to the main office in California for the desired information. At the request of Mayor Lamkin, Mr. Hosler outlined the effect that the settling tank would have on the city's water system.

Mr. Hosler stated that the settling tank would facilitate a uniform water pressure in all parts of the city and would place the water in such condition that the meters, ninety of which have not been installed, could be used. Although the water had been higher this spring than for several years past, Mr. Hosler said, sticks and other debris had gathered in the meters and prevented their proper functioning. He expressed the belief that the settling basin would remedy the situation. Mr. Hosler said that under present conditions, sand and other coarse material worked its way into the water mains and eventually acted to the detriment of water fixtures in the home, besides causing a great deal of trouble in the water mains. Installation of screens at different places in Ashland creek was suggested by Engineer Walker and Mr. Hosler if the settling tank was not installed. Councilmen Joy, Shinn and Pierce favored the proposed screens. The chief contention against the settling tank was the approximate cost of \$8000.

It was urged by Engineer Walker and Mr. Hosler that the work, if decided on, be started at once so that a foundation could be laid before winter. The procedure, he said, would facilitate work in the spring when the water is high.

### Irish Recognition Of King Declared Sole British Plea

DUNDEE, Scotland, Sept. 24.—

"England will never back down from her demand that the Irish recognize the English king as their sovereign," Colonial Secretary Churchill declared today in a speech here.

"If the offer we made is rejected, we have nothing else to give," he said. "We must insist on allegiance to the king. We are resolved we will not yield from our present position." Secretary Churchill's speech revived rumors that Great Britain may establish a dual monarchy, putting a member of the royal family upon the Irish throne.

BELFAST, Sept. 24.—Rioting in the Ballymacarrett district broke out today following a brief respite from yesterday's troubles, but order was restored by the troops. Soldiers were forced to employ armored cars and Hotchkiss guns to quell the disturbances. Snipers were active. Several stores were looted.

### COMMITTEE FOR WINTER FAIR IS READY FOR WORK

A general meeting was held at the city hall Friday night, September 23, for the purpose of organizing committees to work for the winter fair. Mr. Fred C. Homes was elected chairman and J. H. Fuller secretary.

The first topic discussed was as to the date for holding the fair, and on motion of A. C. Briggs, it was voted that December 7-8-9-10 be selected as the dates.

The next question discussed was relative to the scope of the fair, and after considerable canvassing of the possibilities of this department, on motion of Ralph Billings, it was voted that a livestock department be included.

The question of buildings to house the show was next introduced, and on motion of John H. Dill, it was decided that a committee of three be appointed by the chairman to make arrangements for such buildings as are available and necessary. Mr. Homes announced the appointment of C. B. Lamkin, V. O. N. Smith and S. S. Patterson.

The question of finance next occupied the floor, and this matter also was referred to a committee. The following were selected: T. H. Simpson, L. F. Ferguson and J. H. Dill.

On motion of Ed Staples, it was determined that an executive committee of three be selected to have general charge of the fair. Separate committees to attend to the various departments. The following were selected as an executive committee: Fred C. Homes, J. H. Dill, H. O. Anderson.

Other committees follow: Livestock committee—Ralph Billings, F. W. Herrin, Elton Beeson, Benton Bowers Jr.

Poultry—C. E. Morton, Everett Smith, A. McMillan.

Horticulture—A. H. Davenport, J. S. Wiley, G. M. Frost.

Minerals—Ed Staples, Harry Hosler, W. A. Freeburg.

Agriculture—O. D. Lowe, D. H. Jackson, C. B. Lamkin.

School Contest—A. C. Joy, Mrs. Louis Dodge, G. A. Briscoe.

Merchants Display—H. H. Elhart, H. T. Elmore, H. A. Stearns.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 24.—

The anti-beer bill was sidetracked indefinitely in the senate today when Senator Lodge forced adoption of a motion to take immediate consideration of the German, Austrian and Hungarian peace treaties.

One mint crop from 125 acres at Coburg yielded \$120 in oil to the acre.

### SURPRISE SPRUNG BY MANAGER OF VIRGINIA RAPPE

WITNESS WRITES ANSWER TO COURT QUESTION—ARBUCKLE UNMOVED—STATE ELATED—DAMAGING TESTIMONY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Sept. 24.—

When testimony at the preliminary hearing of Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle, charged with the murder of Virginia Rappe, was resumed today, Al Semmacher, manager of the dead girl, sprung a new surprise on the state by declaring that Miss Rappe was in poor health throughout her trip to San Francisco before the gay party given by Arbuckle at the St. Francis hotel here. He stated that her illness continued until the time of her death.

The defense was visibly elated by the statement of Semmacher.

"Roscoe Arbuckle never mentioned at any time to me that he was alone in room 1219 with Virginia Rappe. It was never discussed with me," Semmacher stated.

In these words Semmacher sprung the second sensation, virtually recanting his previous testimony before the Los Angeles grand jury.

Semmacher pleaded to the court that he be not forced to repeat in open court the language used by Arbuckle when the film star admitted having applied a piece of ice on the body of the girl.

Judge Lazarus finally permitted him to write the answer and it was passed to the court reporter, the defense attorneys, and the district attorney.

Arbuckle did not explain his action, the witness stated. "No one asked an explanation and he did not give any."

The witness said that he had forgotten the ice incident when questioned by the police and the district attorney's office.

The state, elated with victory gained, rapidly disposed of the witness. In rapid succession Semmacher identified the tattered and torn silk waist, undergarments, dress, hat, and jewelry as that of the dead girl.

Arbuckle sat stolidly through Semmacher's testimony, apparently unmoved. Neither did he wince when the dead girl's clothing was introduced as evidence.

### Sunday School Association Gives Pleasing Program

By MRS. C. F. KOEHLER

Last evening's session was opened by music led by the Presbyterian Sunday school orchestra. Rev. Edwards, of the Methodist Episcopal church, led in prayer. Rev. Edwards, Sunday school missionary of the Congregational church, gave a devotional talk on the Bible as a companion.

Cash Wood, county Y. M. C. A. secretary, gave a talk on the boy and young man in the Bible school. Short, pithy sentences full of pointed truths for the teacher and leader of boys featured his address.

Miss Parker gave the address of the evening on "Personal Responsibility." From the beginning, she said, the great helpful things of the world have been done by those who saw a need and felt a personal responsibility to supply that need.

The attendance at the evening meeting was very good, and all felt repaid for coming out.

This morning was given over to business discussions of ways and means, county institute work, convention plans, etc.

It was voted to hold a Sunday

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