

200 PERISH WHEN BRIDGE CRASHES INTO THE VOLGA

Workmen Plunge by Scores to Their Death When Structure Gives Way—Few Save Themselves by Clinging to Ice Cakes.

TROOPS SENT TO AID IN RESCUE OF VICTIMS

Pressure of Floating Ice Against Supports Believed to Be Cause.

ST PETERSBURG, Dec. 8.—Between 150 and 200 persons perished today by the collapse of a bridge over the Volga river near Kazan.

The bridge was under construction and was filled with workmen when its supports gave way and the men were precipitated into the water. Only a dozen bodies have been recovered.

The authorities hope that some of the men saved themselves by gaining cakes of floating ice and being carried down stream. Troops have been despatched down both sides of the river seeking the bodies of the victims.

Pressure of floating ice against the supports of the bridge is believed to have caused the disaster. The laborers who escaped declare that more than 200 men went into the river and that most of them perished.

ASHLAND STILL FIGHTS HOME CO.

That Ashland Will Take Legal Steps to Contest the Right of the Company to Build Its Lines Into That City.

That Ashland will take legal steps to contest the right of the Home Telephone company to build into that city, was decided upon at a meeting of the Ashland city council recently according to the Tidings.

When the meeting was called to order the mayor directed that the regular order of business be suspended in order that Attorney C. L. Reames, representing the Home company might address the council. Mr. Reames protested vigorously against the city's taking any action to block the company's work.

After Mr. Reames had concluded his address, a petition signed by 69 petitioners, most of them merchants requesting that the council contest the matter of the injunction, in compliance with action taken at the meeting held November 7, was read. There was also filed with the petition a certificate of deposit payable to the city in the sum of \$249 to defray the costs of the action. L. L. Mait addressed the council, urging that action be taken as prayed. On motion the council decided to do as petitioned.

BROKE GAME LAW: WARRANTS OUT

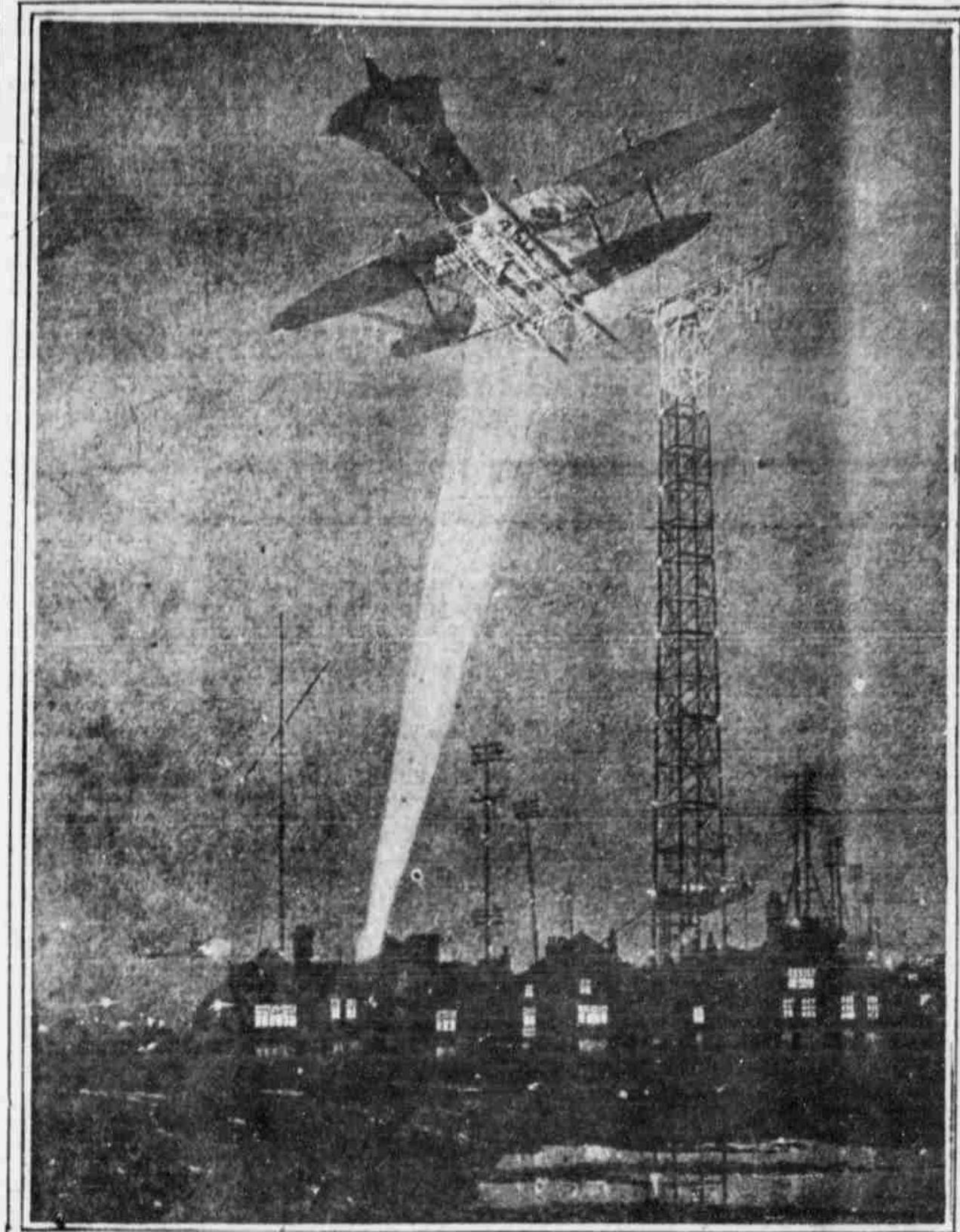
PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 8.—Stirred by innumerable complaints that non-residents of Oregon have been visiting the state on hunting and fishing excursions and taking out resident licenses which cost much less, warrants for the arrest of Fred W. Llewelyn, adjutant general of Washington; George Baker, president of the Barber-Bradley Construction company of Los Angeles, and William and Norman Barber of the same city have been issued by Game Warden Finley. They are charged with violation of the Oregon game laws.

Llewelyn, who took out a license at Tillamook wired Finley that he tendered County Clerk Jones the full sum for non-residents' fee, \$5, and that Jones returned \$4, saying the law was unconstitutional. Jones admitted this today.

The Barbers took out residents' licenses in Klamath county.

The classified ads would be the dullest possible "reading matter" for a person who might have no aim or purpose in mind. But to folks with purposes, aims, desires, quests—they are the most interesting "reading" in town!

YOU WILL WITNESS THIS WHEN THE POST OFFICES ARE IN THE AIR



VISION OF THE FUTURE—PICKING UP MAIL BY AEROPLANE, FROM THE LONDON HERALD.

Granting that aeroplanes will in the not remote future be much larger and heavier and able to steer with greater precision than at present, this prediction is reasonable. The picture shows the collection of mail bags from a postoffice equipped as a wireless station. A tall tower is erected with a swinging contrivance at the top consisting of a horizontally mounted revolving shaft controlled by buffers. At the end of this a mail bag is suspended by a ring, which is capable of sliding along the shaft. The aeroplane is fitted with a projection under the lower right hand plane, which, as the machine approaches the tower, comes in contact with the swinging shaft, and as it travels horizontally forward slides along in contact with the shaft as it revolves. The projection simultaneously sweeps off the mail bag into a net placed suitably to receive it above the landing chassis of the aeroplane. At night the tower would be illuminated and all heavy postoffice aeroplanes provided with searchlights.

CENTRAL POINT ITEMS.

C. E. Bade of Portland is here on business with our city recorder, J. W. Jacobs, this week.

Rev. Shaw, former pastor of the local Free Methodist church, left with his wife the middle part of the week to take up a charge of a similar nature in his childhood home in the east.

Miss Avis B. Edwards of Niagara Falls, N. Y., arrived Thursday evening to spend the winter with her relatives, Rev. Horace Aldrich and wife.

Miss Hazel Knackstedt, who has been suffering from a very painful eye, is reported better and will soon again be able to resume her school studies.

Cora, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Caton, who has been very dangerously ill for the last few

days, is now convalescent and the many friends of the family hope soon again to see the little maid back at play.

THIS WILL INTEREST MOTHERS

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, a certain relief for Feverishness, Headache, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms. They break up colds in 24 hours. They are so pleasant to the taste children like them. Over 10,000 testimonials. Used by Mothers for 23 years. They never fail. Sold by all Druggists, 25c. Sample mailed FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

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As this Dollar Day is the strong feature for Saturday, we have prepared some unusually strong features at this price. You will be amazed at what you will be able to purchase for this small amount of money.

House Dresses, \$1.00

Made of a good quality percale, neat patterns; a good wide skirt. They are excellent values at regular price, \$1.50; all sizes.

For this one day, \$1.00

Shirtwaists, \$1.00

We will display on center table about eight dozen shirt waists in percales, linites, flaxen and lawn waists; not a waist in the lot is worth less than \$1.50 up to \$2.50.

Saturday special, \$1.00

Handbags, \$1.00

Extra special values in handbags in seal leather and moire; actual values to \$2.25.

Saturday special, \$1.00

Umbrellas, \$1.00

26 and 28-inch paragon frame umbrellas, good rain proof top, in about twenty different style handles, ladies' and gentlemen's.

Saturday special, \$1.00

Furs, \$1.00

Ordinarily it would come to your mind what can I get for this price, but we have about twenty pieces in Coney, black and brown; stoles that regularly sell at from \$2.25 to \$4.00.

Saturday special, \$1.00

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Untrimmed Shapes—About six dozen pressed shapes in French felts, velvets, satins, most all colors.

Saturday special, \$1.00

Extreme special values in Tailored Suits, Long Coats, Rain Coats Dresses and Skirts

Trimmed Hats at Actual One-Half Price.

On and after Saturday, December 9, you can have your railroad fare for the round trip refunded. Get rebate book and learn how.

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The J. T. Broadley flower store is now in the M. F. & H. store, across the street from former location.

Choice lots of cut flowers, bulbs, ferns, palms, etc., always on hand.

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4 acres and new house, \$1600.
20 acres near Eagle Point, \$2500.
20 acres 3 miles out, \$290 per acre.

160 acres on Williams creek, \$7500.
80 acres near Central Point.
Tent and furniture for house-keeping.

MISCELLANEOUS
Furniture for sale.
Houses to rent in different parts of this city.

TRADE
10 acres near Central Point,
412 acres near Roseburg, will take part in trade.
330 acres near Albany.
Large house in Seattle.
80 acres near Grover for house and lot.

EMPLOYMENT:
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Women to cook on ranch.
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