

AQUEDUCT FUNDS ENOUGH TO RUSH WORK TO FINISH

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BOND SYNDICATE BACKS DOWN

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WHERE CITY GETS MONEY ASSURED FOR AQUEDUCT

Aqueduct balance on hand.....	\$270,000
Sinking fund balance.....	65,000
Fall sinking fund.....	230,000
Purchase by bond syndicate.....	530,000
Purchase by New York Life Insurance Co.....	500,000
Purchase by Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.....	500,000
Purchase by Merchants Bank & Trust Co. of Los Angeles of special issue (Series H, ordered by city council).....	100,000
Total.....	\$2,315,000

In addition to the foregoing amount, there has been subscribed by the banks of Los Angeles more than \$500,000, which the city will use if it is found necessary; but it is not believed the local banks will be called on to help, with the exception of the Merchants Bank & Trust Co., which, it is said, is not only willing, but anxious to take \$100,000 of the bonds.

The threatened crisis in the Los Angeles aqueduct situation averted, the uncertainty attaching to it was entirely dispelled last night when it was announced, semi-officially, by one of the city council members, that an active part in engineering the bond problem, that the banks of Los Angeles will not be called on to provide money for the Owens river aqueduct, although these banks would not yield as high a rate of interest as the local capitalists could secure from other forms of investment, but their loyalty to the city and their generous response to the appeals of the aqueduct management not only demonstrated the city's ample ability to finance its own great projects, but undoubtedly exerted a tremendous influence in New York and caused the bond syndicate to recede from its position. Since its first refusal to make further payments under the contract, on the basis that it has paid in excess of its installments, it has waived its option and agreed to purchase \$400,000 of the bonds outright, whereas, by the terms of its option the payment on the December installment would have amounted only to \$510,000.

The city has agreed to accept the offer of the New York Life and Metropolitan Insurance companies to purchase \$500,000 each of the aqueduct bonds, if these companies will consent to certain slight amendments to their proposition, which undoubtedly they will, and this means that Los Angeles will receive at least \$1,500,000 from New York, with prospective interest of \$2,000,000 from that source alone within the next week or ten days.

In addition to the amount now practically available in New York, there is an aqueduct balance and present and fall sinking fund which amounts altogether to \$865,000, plus the \$100,000 which will be received from the Merchants Bank and Trust company of Los Angeles for the "Series H" issue, and will bring the present total up to \$2,315,000. It is the consensus of opinion, however, as far as concerns the aqueduct, by numerous inquiries yesterday, that the aqueduct work should be continued at the maximum speed in order to complete the project in '12, and the maximum plan calls for the expenditure of at least \$400,000 a month, according to the aqueduct officials, and the present available fund of \$2,315,000 will not permit of the maximum progress.

Administrative officials and others are reticent to discuss the present situation, but indicated yesterday that they are not disposed to insist on the local banks purchasing the bonds when it is quite evident there will be no difficulty in raising the money in the east, so this is taken to mean that an effort will be made to provide all the capital necessary from the sale of bonds outside of Los Angeles. This desire, it is said, is not due to any reluctance on the part of Los Angeles financiers to subscribe for the bonds, but merely to a public desire to keep all of the surplus cash available for future enterprises "on tap" in Los Angeles, hence to float the bonds in other markets.

Regardless of the disposition of the few little difficulties which still appear to be involved in the project, there is no reason to fear for the outcome, and the aqueduct work is practically certain to be resumed on the maximum scale, for it is believed public sentiment favors this plan and that if the little money needed to make up the maximum fund is not forthcoming from the east, it is believed every effort will be called on to provide the difference, which difference (amounting approximately to \$500,000) they have already agreed to furnish, if it is necessary.

The city so far has given no option on its harbor and power bonds, and is free to invest its sinking fund, as it accumulates, according to the best judgment of the city officials.

Point by point the New York bond syndicate has receded from its position, until now it is believed Los Angeles have scored in practically every contention which they made, and the case is said to be almost without a parallel in the history of the money markets of the east.

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FLOODS SWEEP 3 STATES; DAMAGE TO PROPERTY GREAT

Kentucky, Indiana and Arizona Are Struck by Terrific Cloudbursts

STORMS PARALYZE TRAFFIC

Towns and Farms in Blue Grass State Suffer Millions in Destruction

[Associated Press] HENDERSON, Ky., July 16.—Reports reaching here today from Henderson, Union and Webster counties indicate that damage approximating \$2,000,000 was done by a cloudburst last night. It is estimated that 50,000 acres of pooled tobacco in Henderson county alone have been destroyed and one tobacco plantation of 200 acres is a total loss.

It streams are out of banks and many bridges have been carried away. The tracks of the Illinois Central railway near Highland creek are under water for two miles.

No lives are reported lost, but hundreds of cattle, sheep and hogs were swept away.

Many fields with the entire crops of tobacco, corn and wheat are ruined. It has rained nearly every day for three weeks and last night's storm continued from 10 o'clock until daylight.

RAIN FALLS 18 HOURS IN INDIANA; CROPS RUINED

Most of Bottom Land Corn Is Washed Away

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., July 16.—Rain which has been falling for eighteen hours has flooded this section of the country and has done great damage to crops. Hundreds of acres of wheat in shocks have been washed away and most of the bottom land corn is gone.

To the north and west of here many of the telegraph and telephone wires are out of commission.

A washout on the Monon railroad near Ellettsville, Ind., delayed traffic several hours.

WIFE OF TWO MEN SEEKS ANNULMENT OF ONE MARRIAGE

Learns First Husband Lives and Declares Cancellation of Second Ties Necessary

Mrs. Esmeralda Bresler Learns Startling Facts from Chance Meeting with Schoolmate

Discovering that she was the wife of two living men, the last of whom she believed had killed himself years before, Mrs. Esmeralda Bresler, 2932 Echo Park avenue, began suit yesterday to annul the second contract, with the intention of returning to her first husband if he will welcome her.

A chance meeting with an old schoolmate on the streets of Los Angeles a few days ago, according to her story, led indirectly to her ascertaining the truth.

Fifteen years ago Mrs. Bresler, then the young wife of John Sample, a farmer near Preemption, Ill., left home and husband as the result of a sudden quarrel. The baby she placed with a neighbor while she walked to the station, two miles away, to purchase her ticket. Returning, the baby was gone, and she had not the courage to enter her own home to recover it.

Two years later she received news of the death of her husband. She was told he had shot himself and the baby was in the care of a good family with whom he had placed her.

Years passed. Meanwhile the mother traveled in many states, following her profession of nurse in Nevada, in a small, out-of-the-way mining hospital, she first met Solomon Bresler, and he, being in comfortable circumstances, proposed that they go to Los Angeles and get married. She agreed, and the ceremony was performed here August 4, 1909.

At the meeting with the schoolmate, news of her first husband's death was now a grown girl filled the mother with yearning, and a letter was written to the daughter, Miss Eunice Sample of Moline, Ill. The reply received, according to Mrs. Bresler, of June 15 revealed that her first husband was still living.

"Accidents will happen," said Mrs. Bresler, speaking of the affair yesterday. "I have already had a divorce, as does Mr. Bresler. But there was only one thing to do. He made no objection, but said for me to go ahead and do what I thought best."

"No, he has never suggested a divorce after the annulment and a remarriage with him, nor have I."

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NEW YORK, July 16.—Twenty persons were injured, only one seriously, in the first commercial trip today of the new monorail service between City Island and Barlow, in the suburbs of the Bronx.

Howard Tunis, the inventor, who was manning, broke a rib, and one passenger broke a leg. The latter was the only one of the injured to go to a hospital.

Although described as a monorail, the only car the company yet owns did not depend for its stability on a gyroscopic. For support and traction it ran on a single rail, but twin guide rails overhead hung between pillars and lateral braces on either side of the right of way held it in balance.

While the car was running thirty miles an hour one of these guide rails worked loose and the car tilted forty degrees, piling the frightened passengers in the lower angle. The pillars at either side of the car prevented it from toppling entirely.

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