

Chapter 96390 **1920**

GRAND VIEW PARK

Border of Fairfield, North Caldwell and Singac, NJ.
Little Falls Road and Main Street.



3/20/2025

1923—1935

**A Million Dollar
Amusement Park**

Bigger, Better Than Ever

GRANDVIEW PARK

Singac, N. J.

**FREE FIREWORKS
FREE BALLOON ASCENSION**

**Baseball Every Saturday and
Sunday Afternoon**

HILL'S MAMMOTH CIRCUS

In The

Wonderful New Arena

Seating 5,000 People

OPENS For the Season TODAY

Jersey Journal, NJ. Sat. 5/12/1928.

“Grand View Park opened in 1923 on a 35 acre parcel of land. Its rides included the Thriller and Skyscraper roller coasters, a carousel, whip, scooter, whirlpool, whirl-the-wind, airplane swings, frolic, flier and Venetian swings. The park also featured a dance hall, restaurant, kiddie playground, and a long boardwalk along a 918 feet of river bank. Canoeing was along 900 feet of the river. They had two cement swimming pools; one 150 x 300 and a 200 by 225.” (Jeffrey Stanton - 9/2013)

1935, one dollar admission.



The roller coaster had burned down in 1935.



Albert Pierce and wife Minnie on his left.

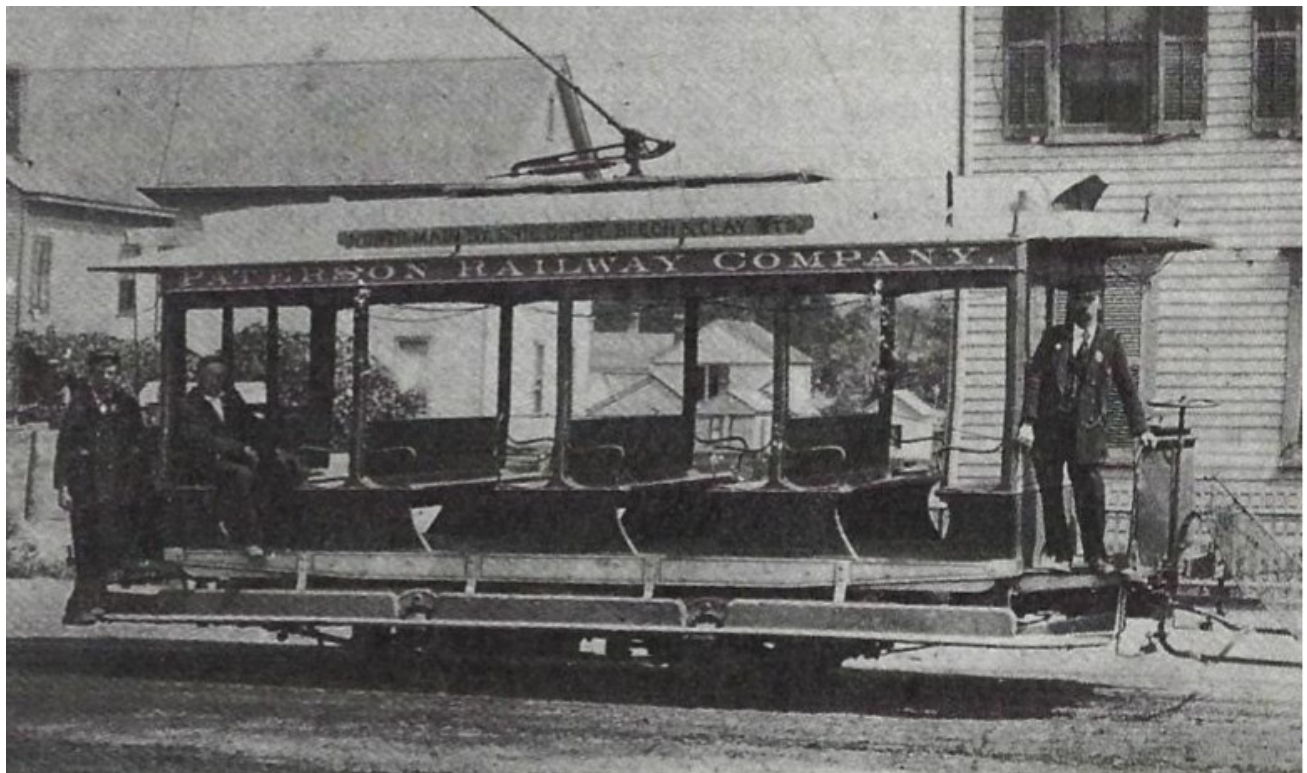
The other person might be her sister Lulu or their nurse Mary Golt.

Photo might be taken at Coney Island NY ??



In 1923-1935, Grand View Park could be reached by Singac NJ Trolley. People came by trolley or railroad lines in Paterson, Clifton, Nutley, Rutherford, Newark and Jersey City.

The cost from Clifton to Singac to Grand View was 10 cents. The trolley stopped 3 blocks from the park gate. Admission was one thin dime.



Roscoe De Baun wrote about Grand View Park in his 1957 book about Fairfield NJ.



Roscoe William DE BAUN

12/16/1887—2/25/1958 (70)

His parents were John William 'Bill' DE BAUN 1858-1932 and Abigail Martha 'Abbie' Kimball 1863-1939.

Roscoe's grandfather John W. DE BAUN's sister Amelia DE BAUN married our **William Davis PIERCE** in 1869 in the Pine Brook church on Hook MT Road.

Roscoe was not blood to we 2025 Pierce's but was an in-law thru William and Amelia Pierce. He was highly esteemed in small town Fairfield. More about Roscoe on his own chapter button.



Albert Pierce, rear.
wife Minnie, left.

Probably her sister
Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth HOULISTON Bush
wife of Frank Ernest BUSH.

2 Bush boys,
Which one looks younger to you?

Frank Herbert 'Herb' BUSH 1902-1961
and
Henry Morris 'Morris' BUSH 1900-1976

Received photo around 1982 from
Morris' daughter Mrs. Madge BUSH
Schlapfer.



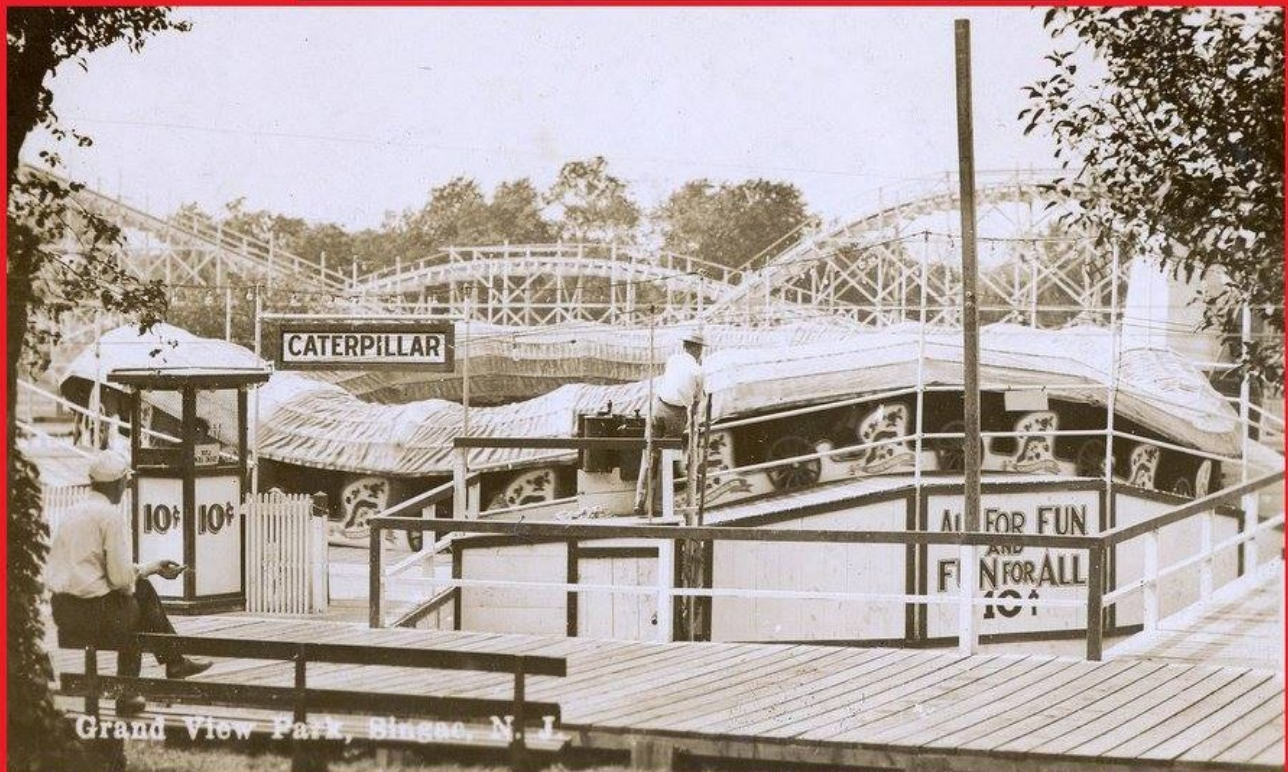
Thriller before Michael Jackson.

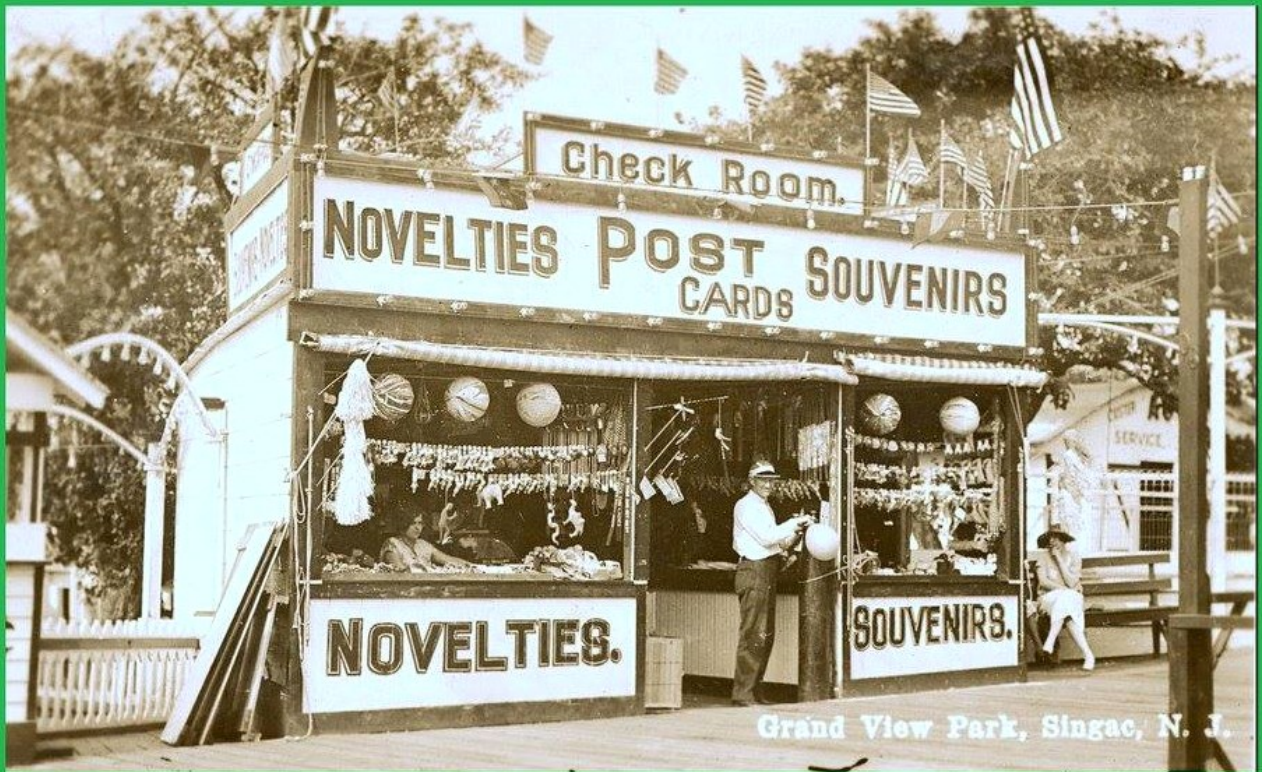
Trolley's brought people from Paterson, to Little Falls across the Beattie's Mill, into Singac and then to the foot of Grandview Road.



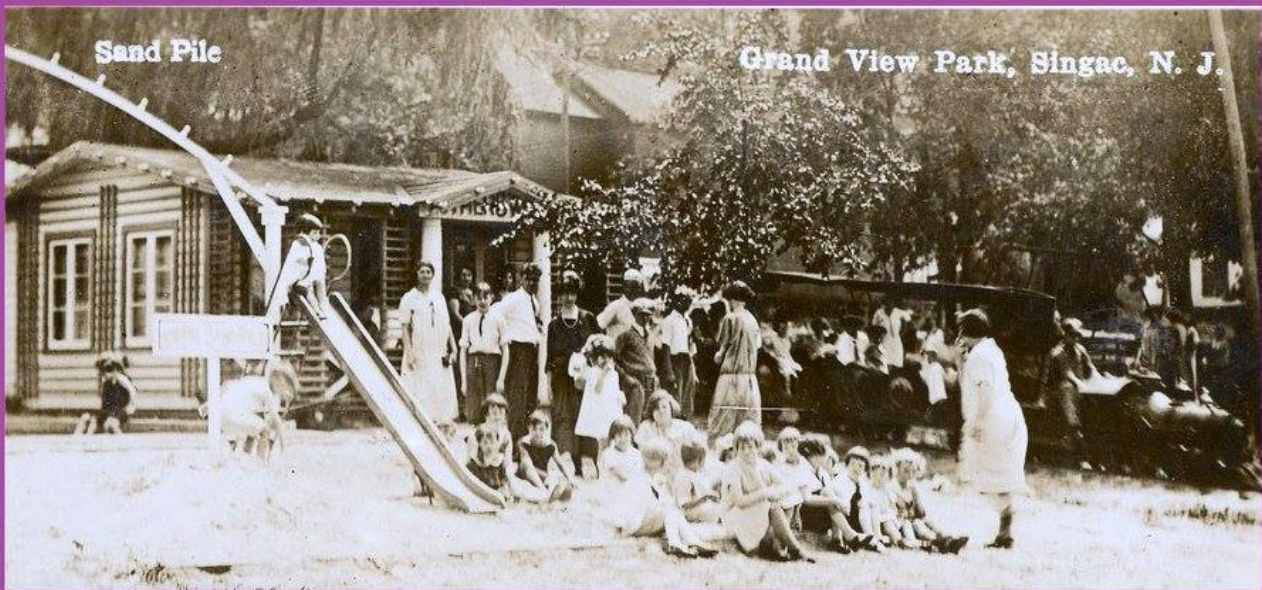
Grand View Park
Richard Gibbs photo, 2015

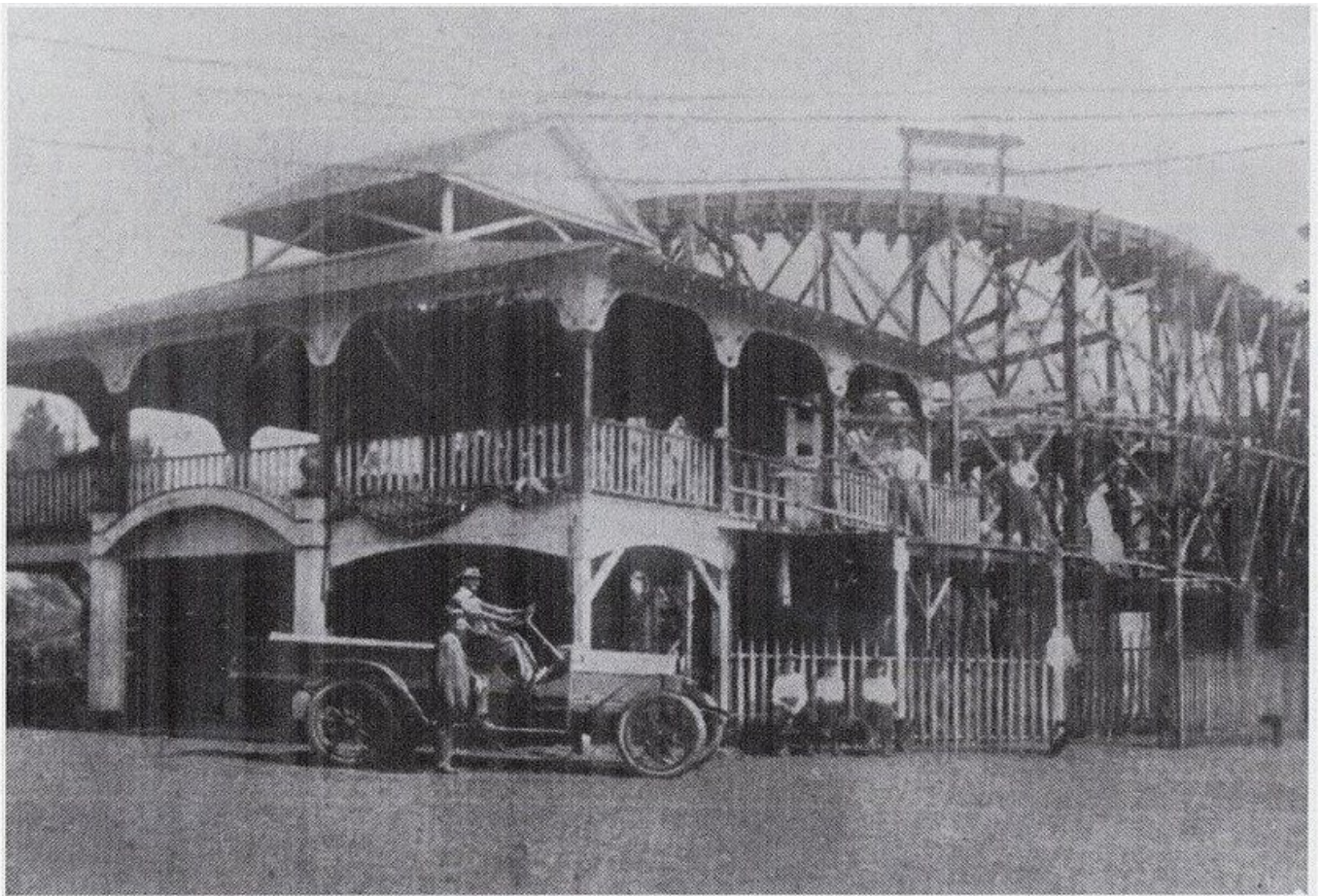
Grand View Park, Main Street and Little Falls Road, Singac, NJ





Little Falls Library, postcards, as of 2013





1925 Lots for sale.

"RIVERVIEW"

A New development on the Passaic River, Fairfield Rd.; next to Grandview Park, Singac, N. J.; lots for every purpose; summer bungalows and all year homes; easy terms. Special sale May 29, 30 and 31; write for booklet.

J. T. SEELY,
Realtor,

Remaine Bldg., Paterson, N. J.

Jersey Journal 6/6/1925

I imagine that Albin Pierce was familiar with the area since his grandfather Albert lived at 90 Pier Lane, Fairfield NJ.

DIGLIOS GIVE 500 KIDDIES AN OUTING

Children Are Taken to
Grandview Park, Singac,
For Day. 1929

About 500 small boys and girls of the Fifth Ward were given an auto-bus outing at Grand View **Park**, Singac, yesterday by the Joseph Diglio Democratic Association, 340 Fourth Street. The busse: left the club house shortly after 10 o'clock and on the way to the place of pleasure the kiddies were treated with fruit-cake and candy.

Mrs. Frances Diglio, wife of the standard bearer of the association, headed a committee of ladies who with several male members looked after the juveniles and saw to it that they had

all the fun possible. Joe Diglio went along himself and did his share in making the outing the success it turned out to be.

Bryan McMahon, manager of the park got up a set of games for the youngsters and saw to it that all enjoyed the various **amusement** devices and side shows the **park** contains. Sandwiches, cake, ice cream, milk and fruit were served ad lib throughout the day and the juveniles agreed to a boy and girl when they reached home shortly before nine o'clock last night that they knew better than ever before what it was to enjoy a perfect day.

Jersey Journal, NJ 7/26/1929

1930

Highland Council 297

Plans have been completed for the coming bus ride to **Grandview Park**, Signac on Sunday, Aug. 17. Busses will leave the council chamber, Forrester's Hall, 106 Summit Av., Union City, (near 5th St.), at 9 a. m. A large delegation is expected to attend this great event. There will be prizes for the ladies, children and the men. Various games will take place. A baseball game between Reliable Council 169 and Highland Council 297 will be held in the afternoon. A trophy will be presented to the winners of this contest. Adolph Krage is the chairman. In case of rain, this ride will be held the following Sunday.

Jersey Journal 8/14/1930

Reliable Council 169

All members of the council will attend the bus ride to **Grandview Park**, Singac, Sunday, Aug. 17. Busses will leave 227 Washington St., Hoboken, at 9 a. m. sharp. George W Piper, 1009 Willow Av., Hoboken, is the chairman.

1930

Elks Take Cripples On Outing Tomorrow

The crippled children in the various institutions around the county will be the guests tomorrow of the Crippled Kiddies' Outing Committee of Jersey City Elks, No. 211, according to an announcement today by former Gov. A. Harry Moore, chairman of the committee. At noon members of the committee and volunteer members from the Elks' Lodge will call for the children at the institutions and drive them to **Grandview** Park in Singac.

At the park the children will be taken on all of the rides and amusements and, according to Chairman Moore's announcement, will be given "two feeds," one when they reach the park and one just before they start home in the evening.

Jersey Journal 7/14/1930

East Rutherford News

James Jackson and Miss Florence Clark are in charge of the annual picnic of the John Wesley Church which will be held on Thursday at Grandview Park.

Jersey Journal 8/4/1930



In the late 20's, the largest swimming pool of the era (100 by 200 feet) was built in Grandview Park, ft featured a large pavilion with lockers and lounge chairs for sunbathing. The white sandy beaches were terraced and people canoed on and swam in the Passaic River.

There were two pools. Around 1959-1962, we used the deserted larger pool (this one) for baseball. Usually just 7 kids. Only Joey Pitti hit a homer out of the cement pool.

We used the smaller pool, that hat 20 foot high walls, for softball. Too many homers. We had only one softball. So after a homer, we had to climb over a high wall to search in the overgrown woods for the ball. Hence, we mostly used the larger pool which had low walls.

The photo of Mary VINCEK (who later married Frank ANDRASIC) at the Grandview pool was taken June 20, 1930 when she was 19 years old.

STAN POREDA AND LA ROCCO BOX TONIGHT

Local Heavyweight and
New Yorker Clash in Fea-
ture Bout at **Grandview**
Park in Singac.

Hoping to further establish himself as the outstanding young heavy-weight in the glove game, Stanley Poreda, clever local lad, will encounter George LaRocco, rugged New York warrior, in the featured ten-round bout at **Grandview** Park, Singac, tonight. Poreda ranks among the three or four most promising youngsters in the heavyweight ranks. To retain his high rating, he must dispose of LaRocco.



"The Polish Giant"



28—11 record

Because of his brilliant record, Poreda is favored to triumph tonight. He has been going great guns, and in his most recent battle licked Emmet Rocco at Cleveland. However, he is not holding LaRocco lightly. Since his battle with Herman Heller, he has not been underestimating the ability of his foes. He held Heller lightly, and was surprised with a knockdown that almost cost him the fight. However, he managed to rally and win. And he learned his lesson.

In four-round contests, Sonny Bach, Hoboken heavyweight, will meet Roy Lazer, Paterson sharpshooter; Sammp Rello, local lad, will clash with Jimmy Wilson, of West New York; Vic DeMave, brother of West New York; and Jimmy Perone, Paterson youngster, boxes Jack, will tackle Georgie Brown, Young McKee of Ridgewood.

Eager to continue his string of victories and also to establish himself as a drawing card in the Paterson district, Stanley Poreda, Jersey City's outstanding heavyweight, will clash with George La Rocco of New York in the featured ten-round bout at the **Grandview** Park arena in Singac tonight.

Jersey Journal 7/20/1931

1935

Legion Show to Be Staged Tonight

An amateur boxing tournament, under the auspices of American Legion Modest Van Haelst Post 108, **Singac,** N. J., and sanctioned by the New Jersey A. A. U. will be held at Grand View Park Stadium

Jersey Journal 7/29/1935

About 7,000 stadium seats.

1935

ARSON FIRE

TRENTON. (AP)—Vice-Chancellor Bigelow granted writs of habeas corpus to Harry Wainland of North Caldwell, Leo Seldner, of Singac and Edward Cook, of New York, held as material witnesses in the arson case against Dan D. Goldbaum, operator of Grand View Amusement Park, North Caldwell. Goldbaum is charged with starting the fire which destroyed the roller coaster at the park.

Jersey Journal 9/10/1935