

CHESTER TIMES – February 5, 1915 – MANY RUSH TO OLD BRIDGE – Fully One Thousand Curious Spectators Watch the Picture Men Take Scenes of Kentucky Feud

A thousand people, it is estimated saw 75 moving picture people work yesterday near the old Upland covered bridge, in a plan to evolve films for the production of an interesting Kentucky feud story. Camera men and actors were busy until three o'clock in the afternoon, when, after working up "mob scenes," the players and operatives returned to Philadelphia.

Today only the "main cast" will be on the job, that is, provided the light is sufficient to make today's pictures of sufficient clearness to harmonize with those obtained yesterday.

"If we get through our work today on the "20 years later" portion of the story, the bridge may be blown up tomorrow," said the assistant manager of the syndicate. "Otherwise it may not be demolished for our climax until Monday."

A. A. Allcutt of 214 Lloyd Street, expert agricultural blaster for the DuPont Powder Company, will dynamite.

HISTORY OF OLD BRIDGE – A new concrete structure is to be erected in place of the present covered bridge, which is a landmark in this vicinity. Access to figures regarding its exact age, are not obtainable historically, but from some of "the oldest inhabitants" the structure is fully 70 years old. It is stated by one who is acquainted with such data that "undoubtedly this bridge was built after the great freshet in Chester River of 1843, when practically all country bridges there were swept away. That was 72 years ago. Many gray-haired men and women, who are reaching the three score and ten mark of life, say: "It looks the same now, as when they were little children."

Frazier Brothers, contractors, are to build the new structure.

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