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## STORMS SWEEP COASTS

WORLD'S LATEST NEWS HOT FROM THE WIRE

**Astoria Is Flooded; Rebels Gain In Mexico; West Invokes Military Code; Steamer Oklahoma Foundered; Labor Leaders Convicted**

(By courtesy of the Reno Gazette the Examiner is enabled to publish the following late press dispatch news, thus giving our readers the latest important general news of the world during the present delay in mail service.)

**PORTLAND, Jan. 7.**—Pacific Coast is swept by severe storm today, which started off Vancouver Island hitting the entire coast except Southern California. Lowlands in Western Washington are flooded and railroads tied up. At Astoria, Oregon, basements are flooded, sewers blocked, streets torn up and many houses endangered by mud slides. Twenty vessels are bar bound in harbor, some of them having been there six days.

**OJIMAGA, MEX., Jan. 7.**—Fighting here has been discontinued pending the arrival of reinforcements for both sides. No material advantage has been gained by either side during fighting but Federals lost most men near Torren and after three days fighting Rebels gained a decided advantage and are preparing to attack the city.

**PASS CHRISTIAN, MISS., Jan. 7.**—After conference here with John Lind, special envoy to Mexico, President Wilson announced that there would be no change in policy of the United States toward Mexico.

**NEW YORK, Jan. 7.**—A terrible

storm has swept Atlantic Coast this week and many vessels are foundered, the principal disaster occurring to tank steamer Oklahoma which went ashore 100 miles off Sandy Hook Sunday. The ship broke in two pieces while riding on crest of two waves. Only thirteen of a crew of thirty-eight men were saved.

**SALEM ORE, Jan. 7.**—Governor West has invoked military code to prevent prosecution of soldiers caused by liquor laws and gambling who were ordered to the Copperfield district by the Governor to stop disorder. Martial law was proclaimed in the district by Miss Fern Hobbs the Governor's private secretary. Governor West threatened to take like action for similar reasons at Huntington but a compromise was effected the saloon men agreeing to sacrifice all their gambling devices and observe the law.

**CHICAGO Jan. 7.**—The court of appeals here confirmed the conviction in Indianapolis Federal Court of twenty-four Union Labor Leaders of conspiracy to transport dynamite. Six convictions were reversed and cases remanded for new trial. The six reversals are Olat A. Tvetmoe, of San Francisco; Wm. McCain, of Kansas City, Mo.; Fred Sherman, of Indianapolis, Ind.; Wm. Bernhard, of Cincinnati, Ohio; James E. Ray, of

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## CENTRAL OREGON IS SETTLING UP

State Engineer Says District is Favorable For Dry Farming.

The following is part of a lengthy article written by State Engineer John H. Lewis, appearing in Irrigation Age: Throughout much of Central Oregon, which ranges in elevation from three to four thousand feet above the sea level, the precipitation varies from about eight to fifteen inches. This district which has long been famous as being the largest area in the United States without railway transportation, is now being rapidly settled, due in part to the active railway construction now under way, to the reduction of from five to three years' residence required for homestead entry, to the increase from 160 to 320 acres allowed to each entryman on non-irrigable land, and primarily to the fact that the precipitation in this vast empire is believed to be ample for dry farming purposes.

## EARLY PIONEER OF OREGON DIES

Joseph W. Cooksey, Formerly Local Stockman, Dies in California.

Joseph W. Cooksey, one of the earliest pioneers of this portion of Oregon, passed away on January 2, 1914, at his home at Porterville, Calif. He ceased as a son-in-law of Mrs. Eliza Venator of this place, he having married Mary, eldest daughter of Mrs. Venator, in this county a number of years ago. Mrs. Cooksey alone survives her husband, there being no living children of the union.

About four years ago he suffered a sun stroke which it is believed was the primary cause of death. He was 69 years of age.

Mr. Cooksey passed through the Goose Lake Valley before there was a permanent resident here. He located in Harney in 1866, engaging in the cattle business. Having extensive interests, his acquaintance extended over the southeastern portion of the state, and he will be well remembered by the older residents of Lake County. In 1882 he sold out his business in Oregon and removed to Arizona, later removing to Porterville, where he had resided since 1898.

## C. J. SMITH WANTS TO SUCCEED WEST

Governor Says He Will Take Stump For and Against Candidates.

A news dispatch from Salem says that Dr. C. J. Smith, formerly State Senator from Umatilla County, but now of Portland, will soon announce his candidacy for Governor on the Democratic ticket, with the indorsement of Governor West and the request that Smith be given the support of the executive's following in the State, is the declaration made in inner political circles here.

Repeatedly in the last few months the Governor, in declaring to friends that he would not be a candidate for re-election or for any office, has stated that he would have a Democrat candidate in the field for Governor. That candidate, say politicians, is none other than Dr. Smith. To friends in discussing the State political situation the Governor has also signified the intention of entering the campaign at the coming general election as a stump speaker for and against candidates.

The mountain road between Lakeview and Paisley is now open, a number of teams having passed over it during the past week. The snow on the Summit is about three feet deep, but it is expected that the road will be kept open during the remainder of the winter.

## COUNTY ATTORNEY IS DISAPPOINTED

Railway Troubles Delay Arrival of Bride-to-be of O. C. Gibbs.

A sad disappointment was in store for County Attorney O. C. Gibbs when the train failed to reach here last Wednesday evening. His bride-to-be, Miss Golden J. Cameron, of Washington, D. C., was enroute to Lakeview on the train, and Mr. Gibbs had all arrangements made for the wedding which was to have taken place on New Year's day. He had perfected all plans in a very quiet manner, only a few of his most intimate friends being in on the secret.

Since the discontinued operation of trains, Miss Cameron has been delayed in Reno, and will arrive here on the first train. The many friends of Mr. Gibbs sincerely trust that all things will end well, but this little disappointing experience will doubtless make him a firm believer in the old adage "the course of true love never runs smooth."

## LYTLE ASKS FOR DOUBLE DIPPING

State Official Proposes Plan to Combat Scabies in Importing Bucks.

Action must be taken through official sources to combat the spread of scabies among sheep imported into Oregon, according to W. H. Lytle, Secretary of the Oregon Live Stock Sanitary Board. Mr. Lytle has written Governor West asking the latter to issue a proclamation requiring the double dipping of range bucks imported.

At a meeting of the board in Portland recently, it was voted to ask the Governor to order that no rams be imported unless they shall be dipped twice after their arrival here under the rules and regulations of the United States bureau of animal industry and under the supervision of either state or federal officials.

Scabies, which is a disease both infectious and contagious, is said to exist in practically all other states and during the fall season past sheep in certain sections of this state have been exposed. The only positive means of preventing future infection is declared to be double dipping. Importers of range bucks in general, are declared to be agreeable to the proposed proclamation.

## JEWELRY STORE CHANGES HANDS

Gardner and White Buy Local Business From A. Kaufmann.

A. Kaufmann, jeweler, last week sold his stock of jewelry to O. M. Gardner, city superintendent of schools and C. A. White, who for the past few months has been employed by Mr. Kaufmann. The business will be conducted at the old stand in the Hayes & Grob building, the quarters having been greatly remodeled and improved since the change.

Mr. Kaufmann located in Lakeview about three years ago and during his stay here has established a good business, being held in the highest confidence and esteem by his many patrons. He holds 160 acres of land in the Chewaucan Valley and after a trip to that section will leave for California to spend the winter. He states that failing health was the reason for disposing of his store here.

The business has fallen into the hands of competent directors and will doubtless be conducted in a manner worthy of the public's patronage.

Notwithstanding the peculiar local weather, reports come from the desert that conditions there are the most favorable for sheep than they have been in years. The light snows followed by rain affords ample water for the stock and it is said that green grass is starting, making the very best of feed.

## TRAIN TOMORROW NIGHT

DELAYED SERVICE WILL BE RESUMED THIS MORNING

Unprecedented Storms Have Caused Several Days Cessation in N.-C.-O. Activities --Ravages of Elements Repaired In Reasonable Time

Due to washouts of track on the Nevada-California-Oregon Railway, the full extent of which cannot be ascertained, train service between Lakeview and Reno has been paralyzed since Tuesday of last week, that being the last date of the arrival of a train here.

The only communication we have had with the outside world during the present condition has been by way of Klamath Falls, which has been meager owing to the routing of all incoming mail by Reno over the N.-C.-O. Fortunately the stage line west has been giving excellent service as has all star routes operating into Lakeview, with the exception of one brief delay on the northern occasioned last week by the washing out of a bridge.

Up until yesterday morning the matter of train service being resumed was a matter of conjecture, but according to authentic information gained at that time train Number 1 will leave Reno this morning, reaching Lakeview not later than tomorrow evening. Tuesday evening a portion of the train crew, including Engineer Anderson, Fireman Poindester, Conductor D. E. Patterson, Section Boss Carroll and Morris Lamb who have been held up at Likely since Wednesday of last week arrived on a speeder from that place. Before leaving Lakeview yesterday

morning Mr. Carroll was in communication with Superintendent Will Dunaway at Reno and was informed by that official that train No. 1 bringing the mail would leave Reno Thursday morning. He was not certain about the train reaching Lakeview on the same day but had all confidence that it would arrive here not later than tomorrow (Friday) night.

As near as the crew has been able to learn the principal damage done to the track was about a mile south of Doyle where two fills one to the extent of 600 feet and the other 200 feet were completely washed out. Considerable damage was also done near Purdy about seven miles south of Plumas and there were two washouts near Murray this side of Hot Springs. The extent of damage done the track on this side of Likely was practically confined to a small bridge in the head of Pit River canyon and a hill at Davis Creek, but both of these were to have been repaired by last night.

In the face of all adverse conditions it would seem that we are to have resumption of service as soon as could be expected, and that no unnecessary time is being lost in bringing this about. We predict, however, that upon arrival of the first train that a more enthusiastic welcome will be accorded the N.-C.-O., if such a thing is possible, than was on Railroad Day, January 7, 1912.

## LIGHT CHILDREN HOSTS AT DINNER

Number of Young Guests Enjoy Repast at Hotel Lakeview.

That which was a fitting climax to holiday gaieties in Lakeview was the dinner served at the Hotel Lakeview on New Year's day at which Amos and Aenid, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Light, were host and hostess to a number of young friends.

At 1:45 P. M. the guests began to assemble in the parlor of the hotel, and at two o'clock they marched in couples to the dining room where a most elegant repast had been prepared for them. Coming down the stairs keeping time to the airs of a wedding march, music for which was furnished by Mrs. George Chandler, the little tots presented an appearance that gladdened the hearts of onlookers.

The menu included such good things as roast pig and roast turkey with cranberry sauce, fruit cake, plum pudding, grape juice punch, all accessories and then some on the side being provided. Aside from the many goodies prepared for the children the train which did not reach Lakeview the night before was bringing other delicacies not procurable in the local market. During the course of the meal Mr. and Mrs. Light personally administered to the wants and whims of the little guests.

After dinner the children retired to the parlor where a few hours were spent in games and various modes of amusement. Each guest was presented with a ticket to the Snider Theater, a little token which was the remaining factor in a memorable event long to be cherished in their childish hearts.

Those present were: Milton Smith, Ruth Koozer, Frank Harrow, Hester Smith, Ross Paxton, Harold Fitzpatrick, Fern Ahlstrom, Hillard Bailey, Lucile Simmons, Wilma Grob, Rhess Duncan, Shelly Bailey, Ethel Fitzpatrick, Bessie

## PRO TEM CHANGE OF MAIL ROUTING

Unsettled Conditions In Local Service Due to this Alteration.

Postmaster Ahlstrom received a telegram Tuesday evening from chief clerk of the Railway Mail Service at San Francisco stating that the Nevada-California-Oregon Railway had reported that the road would not be able to carry mail to Lakeview for two weeks, and upon this advice had routed mail to this point by way of Klamath Falls. The telegram was dated January 6, 1914, but according to later information that trains would resume today, mention of which is made elsewhere in this issue, it is believed that the railway's report was made when damage was first done to the track.

Mr. Ahlstrom, while aware of the idea of bringing in mail by way of the west, yesterday replied to the Railway Service to send nothing by way of Klamath Falls other than first-class matter and part of daily papers. Owing to bad condition of roads the western stage now with regular mail has about all it can handle and if additional business is added the service will doubtless be over-taxed. However, it is believed if the N.-C.-O. resumes service today most all of back mail will be brought in without change in routing.

## But One School.

It is the imperative duty of all school boards of our public school system to admit to the schools within their districts all children residing therein, between the ages of 6 and 21 years, without discrimination as to color or race. When the legislature has not passed an act authorizing them to do so, school boards, created for carrying on the public schools of the state, have no lawful power to provide separate schools for the education of the white and colored children. Such is the finding of the Supreme Court in a case brought up in Klamath County over two children of Indian blood.

## EARTH CONSUMES MUCH MOISTURE

Weather Conditions Are Peculiar For This Season of the Year.

It would be impossible to estimate the amount of precipitation fallen in this part of the county during the past several days. One fortunate condition is the absence of any frost in the ground, which has allowed the earth to take up nearly all the moisture. Had this been otherwise and the ground frozen an unusual flood would have been inevitable, and besides all the water flowed into the lake without beneficial results to the country. Very little snow has melted in the mountains.

Almost continuous rains up to late last evening had practically bared the ground in this valley, and a slow rain beginning Tuesday night fell during the greater portion of yesterday, until in the evening when this changed to snow with a result of about two inches of the beautiful in the streets this morning. The weather is extremely warm for this season of the year, a condition which the older residents declare is unprecedented.

In round numbers and conservatively speaking Oregon's farm products for the year 1913 reach the grand total of \$250,000,000, which is \$50,000 greater than any previous year.

## Mrs. Eliza Venator Dead

Mrs. Eliza Jane Venator, mother of Attorney J. D. Venator and Mrs. L. Vanderpool of Lakeview, died late last evening at the home of the latter in this city. Deceased was aged 83 years, 8 months and 20 days.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock from the Methodist Church, with Rev. Geo. H. Foese officiating. Funeral will be conducted under auspices of Oriental Chapter No. 5, Eastern Star, of which order she was a member.

Obituary notice will follow in Examiner next week.

## CHRISTMAS FIRE RECALLS TRAGEDY

False Alarm at Calumet, Michigan, Reminder of Silver Lake Fire.

The recent holocaust at Calumet, Mich., when 74 lives, mostly children, were needlessly sacrificed owing to a false fire alarm, while attending a Christmas eve celebration, recalls to the minds of many of the older residents here a tragedy very similar at Silver Lake on Christmas eve, 1894. Sixty-four persons, said to be more than the total population of Silver Lake at that time, were either burned to death or lost their lives in attempting to escape from the burning building during Christmas festivities. Ex-Sheriff William B. Barnes, who drove the stage at that time between Silver Lake and Paisley, stated that nearly every family in that region lost some member or relative. The upstairs of an old building being used for a town Christmas tree and entertainment, was crowded with people. A man said to have been under the influence of liquor stepped upon his chair and knocked over a large hanging lamp with his head. The explosion which followed suffocated most of those in the room.

A number reached the windows and climbed out on a shed adjoining, but this roof caved in with them and they were nearly all seriously injured. As the door opened inward the crowd against it prevented it being opened at all until too late. Although there were some medicines in the town the nearest doctor was then in Paisley, 65 miles distant. It took him two days to reach Silver Lake. There were no telephones in the country at that time. A hospital was made out of the saloon below and the unfortunate victims given the best care possible. All the ashes and remaining parts of the corpses were buried together in the Silver Lake cemetery in one tomb.

Mr. Barnes declared that his wife had been invited to take part in the exercises, but had gone instead to visit relatives elsewhere.—Klamath Falls Northwestern.