

California's Flood Breaks Meridian Levee

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The northern tip of the stricken area.

Thievery at Redding
A posse was organized at Redding by Sheriff W. W. Sublett to seek thieves who he reported had pilfered several abandoned and abandoned homes in the area.

American Legionnaires were deputized for emergency duty in Colusa by Sheriff George R. Henry, and men fought to close a break in the Sacramento river levee a mile west of the city.

Conditions in the area north of Colusa improved with clear weather and the flood waters drained off to move toward new danger points downriver.

The river at Colusa, some 50 miles above Sacramento, the state capital, stood at 29.2 feet at 12:30 a. m., equalling a mark set in 1967. Men worked feverishly piling dirt levees to stop leaks in the levee. Flood stage is 29 feet.

Valley Families Flee
The levee at Meridian, 10 miles below Colusa, gave way shortly after midnight and began flooding a valley 16 miles long and five miles wide.

Thirteen breaks in the Sacramento levees in the Butte City, Glenn-Princeton areas north of Colusa were reported yesterday by Floyd Nolta, Willows aviator who flew over the region.

Shuttle Service Planned
Southern Pacific company announced today it would resume service over its main line north to Portland tonight with shuttle service by bus around the remaining washouts and slides in northern California.

The company said this would be slower than regular schedules but faster than present flood service via Reno, Alturas, Calif., and back to Klamath Falls.

Early this morning, the railway said, damaged lines were repaired between Sacramento and Redding on the western valley line, and north of Dunsmuir. It said the east valley line would be open about noon.

Washouts and slides still block the line between Redding and Dunsmuir. This will take several days to repair. Meanwhile trains will be run on a consolidated schedule, passengers will be shuttled by bus between Redding and Dunsmuir, and mail and express by truck.

Bus service will continue to furnish transportation between San Jose and Santa Cruz for several days until blocked rail lines are repaired.

The Northwestern Pacific reported it was operating on its steam line between Sausalito and Eureka with bus shuttle service around tied up sections of rail.

COLUMBIA ENTRANCE SEES 50-MILE-AN-HOUR WIND

PORTLAND, March 1.—(AP)—March came to Oregon today like an untimely cross between a lion and a lamb.

Southeast storm warnings were hoisted at the mouth of the Columbia river and along the Washington coast. Small craft warnings flow along the Oregon coast. The wind reached a velocity of 50 miles an hour at the entrance to the Columbia.

Elsewhere in western Oregon light rain resumed after slacking momentarily yesterday. Most eastern Oregon points were dry for the 24-hour period ending at 4:30 a. m.

The federal weather bureau said the middle and lower Willamette river would rise slightly today but would fall at all stations except in the Portland harbor by Saturday night. The Willamette at Portland and the Columbia will rise somewhat for the next two days.

The bureau predicted rain in the west portion of Oregon and rain or snow in the east tonight and Saturday. Snow over the Cascade mountains; slightly warmer weather in the east portion tonight and fresh to strong southerly wind off the coast.

OREGON EVENTS FLASHED FROM WIRE SERVICE

HILLSBORO, Feb. 29.—(AP)—Purchase of the People's Water and Gas company water system by the city of Hillsboro for \$160,000 was completed yesterday.

PORTLAND, Feb. 29.—(AP)—Clarence Nalling, 25, negro porter at the Union station, suffocated as he slept in his burning bedroom early today. Sheriff's deputies said a cigarette apparently set the bedclothes on fire.

GRANTS PASS, Feb. 29.—(AP)—Rugcutters at Grants Pass high school have been called on the carpet.

A special student executive board meeting appointed a committee to draw up a resolution banning jitterbugging at student dances.

PORTLAND, March 1.—(AP)—The government gave rural mail carriers an extra job today. Postmaster E. T. Hedlund said they would cooperate with the forest service and state agencies in reporting forest fires.

PORTLAND, March 1.—(AP)—Portland's old maid, debutante and glamour girl didn't do so well yesterday, the extra day in leap year. The marriage license bureau handled only one application. Licenses totaled 91 last month.

SKATING

Every Wednesday and Saturday nights, 7:30 p. m. Roseburg Armory. Saturday afternoon, 1:30 to 4:00. Personal help to all beginners.

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WASHINGTON, March 1.—(AP)—All insured savings and loan associations in the Pacific northwest made more loans in January than in the corresponding month a year ago. Oregon associations granted 142 loans for \$239,650 compared with 63 loans for \$181,293 in January, 1939.

STAG PARTY ARRANGED AT ROSEBURG COUNTRY CLUB

The men of the Roseburg Country club will enjoy a Dutch food and stag party at the clubhouse tonight. Club members will have the privilege of inviting guests, according to "St" Ballard, president, who reports that an interesting evening is assured.

Sen Is Born—A son, Ronald Anthony, weighing seven pounds, was born to Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Head, of Anchor, Ore., February 26th, at the Coquille hospital.

MARKET REPORTS

WOOL

BOSTON, March 1.—(AP)—The Commercial Bulletin will say tomorrow:

"The wool trade has passed through another dull week. Very little wool has been sold either in the east or in the west. Prices are consequently little better than nominal and quotations are difficult to make with assurance, but the market is, if anything, on the soft side."

"Outstanding in the west has been the sale of a Montana halfblood and fine clip at 28 cents, which is in figured would mean a clean cost at Boston of about 80 cents."

"Foreign markets are quiet. South Africa and South America are pretty well cleared of wool, with prices still above the parity of this market."

"Reports from New York indicate little new actual business but note a better attitude on the part of buyers and there is a feeling that business presently will show a reviving tendency."

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PRODUCE

PORTLAND, Ore., March 1.—(AP)—NEW POTATOES—Fries da large, \$2.50 2 lbs., small \$2.45 box.

Other produce prices steady, unchanged.

LIVESTOCK

PORTLAND, Ore., March 1.—(AP)—(U. S. Dept. Agr.)—HOGS—Market active, steady; good choice 165-215 lb. drivers mostly 6.15; few 125-145 lb. weights 5.55; packing sows 4.50-5.50; choice feeder pigs quotable at 4.55; medium grades salable down to 4.00.

CATTLE—Cattle market steady; medium good fed steers 5.00-5.50; common grades down to 4.00; few common heifers 5.65-5.75; good fed heifers quotable at 5.25; cutter common cows quotable to 7.00; good beef bulls to 5.15; common dairy type bulls down to 5.50; medium good vealers 7.25-10.00; choice grades 11.00.

SHEEP—Market nominal; some interests quoting choice fed, woolled lambs to around 9.50; but other interests bearish; wool's actual top woolled lambs 9.00 paid early; late top horn lambs 8.50; springers quotable to 11.00; fat ewes eligible to 4.50 or above.

WHEAT

PORTLAND, March 1.—(AP)—Open High Low Close
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ANNOUNCEMENT

Anyone interested in Piano-Accordion lessons—See Mr. Hiner Saturday, March 2nd, at the

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Elkton

ELKTON, March 1.—Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smith, of Portland, visited the Earl Griffith home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gay Catlin motored to Oakland Sunday to get Mrs. Catlin's mother, Mrs. Sarah Smith, for a visit.

Mrs. Clara Smith and Royal Bensen were Roseburg visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Charles Henderson and Marybell Henderson were shopping in Eugene Saturday.

Mrs. Helen Wise, of Grants Pass, was a week-end visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Harlan and Mrs. Verma Daniel.

Ed Phillips, Lefty Coffman, and Ed Schneider spent the week-end in Portland with relatives. The young men are enrolled in Camp Elkton.

Mrs. Minnie Lane, of Newport, was visiting in Elkton Friday evening and Sunday. Mrs. Lane, who taught in the Elkton grade school several years ago, attended the Douglas county rally with the Elkton teachers.

Mrs. Ella Fenley was attending to business affairs in Roseburg Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Levenson, of Scottsburg, were in Elkton Monday as they were on their way home from Roseburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd McMichael and W. J. Harlan were attending to business matters Saturday in Roseburg. They brought home lumber to build six new seats for the Church of Christ. The ladies of the Willing Workers club raised the money for the lumber by making quilts.

Mrs. Griffith and son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Griffith of Scottsburg, spent Sunday at the R. G. Griffith home.

R. S. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Haines, Vera Haines and Iris Haines were attending to business matters in Roseburg Monday.

Mrs. Dorothy Ann Moore, of Klamath Falls, and Miss Katherine Acott, of Portland, visited their grandmother, Mrs. Verma Daniel, and aunt, Mrs. Lucella Harlan, Sunday. Miss Acott also visited the home of Mrs. Mabel Elmsdon.

John Sawyer's cousin, a cousin on the Oliver Haines place Saturday.

Clair Haines and Mrs. Harry Bowman were attending to business matters in Roseburg Saturday.

Don Pontius and his mother, Mrs. Pontius, spent the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vern Pontius.

August DeGnath and Lloyd Mize were Roseburg visitors recently.

Mrs. H. L. Bensen, Walter Sanders, Jr., Loyal Bensen and Royal Bensen were Eugene visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Della McDonald entertained the Economic club of the Keweenaw at her home Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. H. B. Cox, of Lakeside, is visiting the home of Mrs. Marietta Haines, Mrs. Jean Hines and children. H. B. Cox and Lawrence were with Mrs. Cox but returned home the same day. They came Tuesday.

Mrs. Earl Griffith and Billy Griffith were attending to business matters in Eugene Monday.

Wilbur

WILBUR, March 1.—Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Deantoff of Oakland, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Chapman of Roseburg, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sands.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Adair and family of Roseburg were guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Baird Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan J. Wickham of Portland were visiting relatives

Janitor Dies in Plunge Down Elevator Shaft

SEATTLE, March 1.—(AP)—Scott W. Howard, 45, night janitor in the railway exchange building, plunged three floors to his death early today when he stepped into an empty elevator shaft on the fifth floor.

Howard did not fall all the way to the bottom because his heel caught between a post and the wall of the shaft. He was killed by a fall of about 20 feet.

Authorities said they believed he opened the elevator shaft door on the fifth floor, believing the elevator was there and stepped inside without looking.

The elevator had stopped at the floor above.

Gambling Czar Again Accused of Tax Dodging

CHICAGO, March 1.—(AP)—William R. Skidmore, described by the county prosecutor as a kleptomaniac in Chicago's organized gambling, was indicted a second time yesterday on charges of evading federal income tax.

The indictment, returned by a special grand jury before Federal Judge Charles E. Woodward, alleged he unlawfully attempted to evade \$295,648 in taxes for the year 1938.

Last September another indictment charged him with attempting to evade \$219,117.53 in taxes for the years 1933 to 1937 inclusive.

Prominent Lawyer, War Veteran Kills Himself

NEW YORK, March 1.—(AP)—Wilton Lloyd Smith, 45, a socially prominent lawyer and clubman, was found shot to death yesterday in his penthouse apartment, and the police termed it a suicide.

Smith, born at Elmira, N. Y., was educated at Princeton and Harvard. He was an artillery captain in the world war. He had been president and a director of the Pacific Land company and treasurer of the Sun Insurance office, Ltd.

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Finns Battle Heroically to Save City of Viipuri

Ministries were authorized to issue notices later of products, the sales of which would be restricted. First of the ration cards were expected to be for bread.

The decrees were part of the general belt-tightening program announced yesterday which included a gold revaluation bookkeeping operation that put a 22 per cent higher value on France's gold supply and provided nearly half of a fifty billion franc (about \$1,200,000,000) addition to her war funds.

Other decrees suppressed the sale of luxury chocolate and breads; ordered prices maintained at the level of Sept. 1, 1939; provided for rationing of gasoline on a monthly basis; ordered restaurants to limit meals to two plates of which only one can be meat.

(Parity of the franc as of November 12, 1938, when it was devalued, was approximately 2.45 cents, but foreign exchanges yesterday quoted it at about 2.23 cents.)

The state elections division has heard reports that other measures would be filed. The union control would be filed. The union control, passed by the voters in 1933, might be on the ballot again in November, this time was an initiative to write it off the books.

There is a ham 'n' eggs organization in Oregon that may try to put the \$20-a-week Thursday plan into operation via the initiative route.

certain air base, a traffic junction, and enemy trains."

"Both in the home area and the war zone there were numerous fierce air battles." The Finns said that "several hundred enemy planes were estimated to have flown" over the home area.

"According to information available so far," said the communiqué, "an aggregate of 14 civilians were killed and 16 wounded." The greatest loss of life was said to have occurred at Savonlinna.

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