

TWO BRIDGES GONE; OTHERS IN DANGER

Disastrous Floods in East Side Streams.

IS RESULT OF HEAVY RAINFALL

Main Line of Southern Pacific Railroad Blocked.

SANTIAM RAGING TORRENT

Carries Away Structures at Jefferson and Crabtree—Bridges Over Molalla and Clackamas Are Threatened by Freshet.

DAMAGE DONE BY FLOOD. BRIDGES WASHED OUT—Jefferson structure over Santiam River on main line of Southern Pacific, and South Santiam bridge, on Woodburn-Natron branch.

Floods in the Santiam and Molalla rivers, caused by the recent rains, have washed away two Southern Pacific bridges and rendered another unsafe.

Passenger trains to California and the Upper Willamette valley are being routed over the West Side division of the Southern Pacific to Corvallis and over the Corvallis & Eastern tracks to Albany.

The Overland leaving Portland yesterday morning had a narrow escape from a disastrous wreck. A scant half hour after the train crossed the bridge 100 feet of the falsework supporting the structure was swept away.

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MOLALLA BRIDGE IS UNSAFE

Trains Cannot Cross Until Present High Water Recedes.

CANBY, Or., Nov. 7.—(Special)—High water on the Molalla River, which has become a raging torrent from the heavy rains of the past few days, has made the Southern Pacific bridge across the stream unsafe.

The Southern Pacific has been at work for some time replacing the wooden bridge across the Molalla with a steel structure, and the temporary bridge to accommodate trains is supported by false work.

SOUTH SANTIAM BRIDGE GONE

Woodburn-Natron Branch Completely Blocked by Storms.

CRABTREE, Or., Nov. 7.—(Special)—The South Santiam bridge on the Woodburn-Natron branch of the Southern Pacific was washed out late tonight by the heavy floods, raised by the heavy rain.

Flood Breaks Log Boom.

ALBANY, Or., Nov. 7.—(Special)—High water in the Santiam River today broke the log boom of P. M. Scraggins & Co. near Lebanon, sending many thousand feet of logs down the river.

RAINFALL OVER TWO INCHES

Effect of Heavy Precipitation on Willamette River.

From November 1 up to 5 o'clock last night Portland had just 3.21 inches of rainfall, but a slight fraction over two inches of this precipitation fell during the last 24 hours of the period.

The recent heavy rains, however, have been particularly advantageous to the river steamboat men. The effect of the rains on the Willamette River is seen in the following table, furnished by the weather bureau at 5 o'clock last night.

Table with columns: Station, Weather, Change in Rain. Rows include Albany, Salem, Tualatin, Barton, Portland.

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REPUBLICANS WIN BY 60 MAJORITY

Returns on Congress up to One o'Clock.

LOSE LESS THAN EXPECTED

Two Labor Democrats Elected in Pennsylvania.

SEVERAL LEADERS BEATEN

McCleary Admits Defeat and Congratulates Opponent—Democrats Gain in Missouri, Illinois and Pennsylvania.

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GOVERNORS ELECTED.

Table with columns: State, Republican, Democrat. Rows include Alabama, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming.

The late returns indicating a plurality of 48 for Sherwood, the Independent Democratic candidate in the Ninth District.

BECKHAM AND HAGER WINNERS

Kentucky More Interested in Democratic Primaries Than Election.

LOUISVILLE, Nov. 7.—With but a few mountain counties to hear from, and these probably decreasing his lead, Governor Beckham has almost certainly won his fight against Senator McCreary for the nomination for the United States Senate in yesterday's Democratic primary.

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CHANLER RUNNING BRUCE HARD RACE

Hughes May Be Only Republican Winner.

HEARST IS FAR BEHIND TICKET

League Cries Fraud, Saying Votes Were Not Counted.

HUGHES ISSUES ADDRESS

Promises to Square Administration With People's Interests and Remove Abuses—How McCleary Got Even With Hearst.

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—At midnight tonight there was still doubt as to who is elected Lieutenant-Governor of New York. Sixteen counties had not reported the official count at that hour, but on the face of the figures in hand at that hour the result seemed to favor Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler, on the Democratic-Independence League ticket.

It appears that outside of the candidates for Governor, and possibly for Lieutenant-Governor, the Democratic ticket is elected. In the New York Chanler's majority over Bruce is 134,941, and this big lead must be overcome in the up-state counties. Among the missing counties is Westchester, which gave Hughes 6000 plurality.

Bruce May Pull Through.

Republican state headquarters, while expressing the belief late tonight that Bruce would pull out ahead of Chanler, would give no figures. Chairman Woodruff said: "On looking over returns from some 40-odd counties, we found that Mr. Bruce had run ahead of Hughes by 500 votes, and I believe he is elected. At the present time I do not care to give any opinion regarding the rest of the ticket."

The Independence League headquarters claim that the whole ticket with the exception of the nominee for Governor has been elected. At Democratic state headquarters no predictions or estimates were given out. Incomplete returns from two-thirds of the counties give Charles E. Hughes, Republican, for Governor, a majority of 32,000 approximately, but the remainder of the candidates are in doubt.

McClellan Bubbles With Joy.

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HITCHCOCK WILL GIVE UP HIS TASK

Broken Health Makes Rest Necessary.

GARFIELD IS TO SUCCEED HIM

Land Commissioner Richards Also to Resign.

NOTABLE CAREER CLOSED

Man Who Cleaned Out Land Thieves, Drove Out Hermann, Scouted Out Tricks of Lawyers, Will Retire on March 4.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 7.—President Roosevelt today accepted the resignation of Secretary E. A. Hitchcock of the Interior Department to take effect March 4, 1907. He simultaneously announced his purpose to promote James R. Garfield, of Ohio, now Commissioner of Corporations, to the office of Secretary of the Interior.

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Ran Down Land Thieves.

Mr. Hitchcock entered the Cabinet on December 21, 1888, coming direct from the court of St. Petersburg. When he retires, he will have served continuously for more than eight years, breaking all records in his department. During his incumbency in office Mr. Hitchcock has had more trials than any of his fellow-Cabinet officers, and it is fair to say that he has surmounted as great obstacles as any of them. Early in his term he mistrusted many of his official advisers, particularly Land Commissioner Hermann. The countless prosecutions and convictions of land thieves that have been brought about in the past year all bear evidence that the Secretary's suspicions were well grounded.

Made Enemies in Congress.

The news of Mr. Hitchcock's resignation will be joyously received by Western Senators and Representatives. In Congress Mr. Hitchcock had practically no friends. So strained became their relations with the Secretary that many Senators and Congressmen refused to call on him in person at the Interior Department or meet him socially. Time and again Western Senators and Congressmen have complained to the President of the manner in which they were treated by Mr. Hitchcock and it is known that some of these complaints have left their impression.

The President for the past year or more has been fully aware of the high tension between his Secretary of the Interior and many of his own friends in Congress, but he was not in a position to remedy the situation.

While Mr. Hitchcock was exposing land frauds and convicting land thieves the President could not consistently ask for his resignation, for he himself enthusiastically upheld the Secretary in this very work. Nevertheless, the President was embarrassed, for he disliked and disapproved of Mr. Hitchcock's manner towards many prominent public men. He probably had this in mind when he suggested to the Secretary that his health demanded that he seek rest. However, the President did not push the matter, and complaints from Senators continued to pour into his ears. Therefore, when Mr. Hitchcock finally tendered his resignation, it was (Concluded on Page 2.)

