

RICH FARM LANDS ARE UNDER WATER

Sacramento River Never so High Before—Feared That Levees Will Give Way.

NO TRAINS COMING NORTH

Fearful Traffic North of Redding Cannot Be Resumed for Ten Days.

One Train Has Started by Way of Ogden and O. S. L.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 21.—From all down-river points comes alarming news that the Sacramento River is higher than ever known, and that the situation all along the levees is appalling. There is already suffering, and every able-bodied man is assisting in the fight against the water that is pouring into the branches and inundating thousands of acres of the finest farming land in the state.

Special dispatches to the Union from Freeport, Courtenay, Walnut Grove and Franklin state that the river has reached the highest stage ever recorded, and it is predicted that the terrible scenes witnessed during the tremendous floods of 1904 will be surpassed.

Sea Sixty Miles in Extent.

Standing on the levee near Courtland one may see for 60 miles to the southeast across an unbroken sea of water which extends clear to Stockton. Thousands of cattle are being sheltered on top of the levees, as there is no other place for them, and if the water does not fall soon an indescribable condition of disaster is considered inevitable.

This morning the blockade on the Southern Pacific lines was made complete when the line to the east was rendered helpless by a washout of 200 feet of track at Applegate, but during the afternoon the situation changed for the better when, with the report that the Applegate washout had been repaired, came another stating that it was expected the track would be open through to Stockton.

No Trains North for Ten Days.

A trestle was placed in the gap at the Applegate washout this afternoon and more trains were dispatched East. One of these, a Portland train, will be sent to Utah and via the Oregon Short Line. The Placerville line in full operation again, but no trains are operated on the Marysville branch further than Wheatland.

On the Portland line no trains are running beyond Redding, the tracks being out at Keswick, Campbell and Kennett, and it is not expected that travel can be resumed beyond Redding for at least ten days.

SOUTHERN ROADS SUFFERED

Hundreds of Men Working to Mend Damage Done by Storm.

LOS ANGELES, March 21.—For the first time in years all rail communication with San Francisco and the north is severed today as a result of floods and consequent washouts and landslides. The general railroad situation is disastrous in the extreme. All three transcontinental lines are affected—the Southern Pacific, Santa Fe, and Salt Lake. The Santa Fe, however, suffering least. The Southern Pacific coast line is blocked by a big cave-in at Santa Margarita tunnel, north of San Luis Obispo, and traffic will be suspended many days. The valley line is closed by a slight San Fernando tunnel, and no trains can pass for several days. In addition, slides have occurred at Tunnel No. 17 and at Tehachapi.

The Santa Fe and Southern Pacific eastern lines are open and traffic unimpeded. Congestion of passenger and freight traffic to the north is of the worst. Movements of mails is also badly interfered with. The Santa Fe is transferring passengers to a boat at Stockton and expects to maintain traffic between there and San Francisco by that means.

The Salt Lake line is in worse shape than ever. For weeks all through traffic on the Clark road has been suspended owing to the destruction of eighty miles of roadbed in Meadow Valley Canyon in Utah. Hundreds of men have been working incessantly in an effort to bridge the gap. Yesterday notice was received that rain is again falling there and that there will be no hope for repairing the line for through traffic by April 1. The road may not be restored in months. The damage in Meadow Valley Canyon has, it is stated, already exceeded \$2,000,000. The management of the road is reported to be considering the making of a new survey and an entire abandonment of the damaged portion is under discussion.

HISTORIC FORT SWEEP AWAY

Iron Structure Built by General Sutter Is Destroyed by Flood.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 21.—It is reported here that all the districts in Sutter County have been flooded. Near Meridian the water is in the second stories of the houses. Many families are said to be in want. Efforts will be made to send them relief. Probably all the stock in those districts has been drowned. The people of Yuba County district, above Marysville, are reported safe.

HEAVY DAMAGE AT STOCKTON

Railroad Tie-Up Is Complete, but Streetcars Still Operate.

STOCKTON, Cal., March 21.—The flood is over here, and business has resumed. Normal conditions will prevail in a day or two. The cars of the Old Line Street Railroad Company are again running, though they have to go through water a few inches deep in the northern part of the city. It is impossible to give anything like an accurate estimate of damage now. However, it will run into six figures. The city is a heavy loser, owing to the damage to the streets.

The city was not without electric light, except for a very short time Tuesday night, when the local powerhouse became flooded. There is much inconvenience, but no actual distress. Stockton is amply able to cope with the situation without aid from the outside. There is still no train service, as the flood has washed out considerable track in the city limits north

of town and bridges have been rendered unusable. The entire country is under water from Banta to Lathrop. Pledrivers are at work on some Southern Pacific bridges. The water at San Joaquin bridge registered 32.5, or eight inches higher than ever before known. When the levees in that locality went out it soon relieved the pressure on that big reclamation southwest and west of Stockton were saved, though Bouldin Island was reported under water this morning. Robert Island, Union Island and Rindge Syndicate reclamation are safe.

OGDEN LINE ALONE IS OPEN

Southern Pacific Will Send Portland Passengers by Way of Utah.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 21.—The only railway lines open for travel tonight from this city were the Ogden Route and a roundabout journey to Los Angeles. A train was started east on the Ogden Route at 9 o'clock tonight. Orders were issued early today to stop selling tickets to Portland and travelers for the north were offered the choice of being returned to their starting points at the expense of the company, or continuing their journeys at Ogden.

Reports were received at the general office of the Southern Pacific stating that it was snowing hard on the Shasta Line and that there was every indication of another heavy rain setting in. Instructions were sent out to agents to look after all detained passengers and to provide them without money with food. People held up on the Shasta Route were offered the choice of being returned to their starting points at the expense of the company, or continuing their journeys at Ogden.

LUCIN CUT-OFF IS REPAIRED

Delayed Passenger Trains Are Again Crossing Salt Lake.

OGDEN, Utah, March 21.—Train service on the Southern Pacific west of Ogden was nullified last night by the washing out of a part of the Ogden-Lucin cut-off across Great Salt Lake. A heavy wind storm lashed the water into mighty waves that moved the huge boulders that had been placed to protect the embankments and trestling on the west approach to the lake. At midnight the tracks at Rambo, 25 miles west of Ogden, were submerged, and since then no trains from the West have reached Ogden.

Water Spout at Huntington.

HUNTINGTON, Or., March 21.—One of the heaviest rainstorms of the season visited this vicinity Tuesday evening at 7:20 o'clock. This was preceded by an electric storm. Burnt River Canyon, five miles from town, was visited by a waterspout which caused five small washouts. The railroad track near the China garden, one mile from town, was covered with two feet of dirt and rock by a slide.

Only Local Trains at San Jose.

SAN JOSE, Cal., March 21.—Snow fell on Mount Hamilton Range last night. Trains, except to local points, are tied up. Owing to the mass of debris that is pressing against the county bridge at Hamilton avenue, it probably will be blown up today to prevent the vast damage that would be done should it go out.

NO TRAINS FROM THE SOUTH

Southern Pacific Will Start One to Ashland This Morning.

There will be no California trains in today, on account of the floods and storms in Southern Oregon and California. The Cottage Grove local will run as usual and there will be a train in from Ashland about 9 o'clock this morning. A train will leave for Ashland this morning at 8:30 and it is thought it will be able to go beyond that point, but just how far the tracks are clear is not known here, owing to serious wire trouble. This will be the extent of train service over the Southern Pacific out of Portland on the main line today.

Storms to the south and east have cut off telegraphic communication with Portland to a large extent. Three miles of wires on the Oregon Short Line have been laid low and communication in that direction is difficult. Wires are down to California and the Western Union reports it is out of commission south of Dunsmuir.

Long distance telephone service to California points is impossible and Portland is almost isolated from the south, owing to high water. Damage to wires has been heavy.

The Postal Telegraph Company reports one wire working to San Francisco.

ARBITRATION BOARD BUSY

Gathering Evidence From Railway Men and the Telegraphers.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 21.—The board of arbitration resumed its inquiry into the controversy between the Southern Pacific Company and telegraphers in the Federal Building today with the examination of J. S. Quire, train dispatcher at Sacramento. At the conclusion of Quire's cross-examination, the board announced that its attempt to reach an equitable solution of the question of increased wages, it would hear evidence as to the compensation paid locomotive engineers, firemen, passenger and freight conductors and brakemen, since this class of employees was engaged in running trains as well as operators and dispatchers.

Governor Crawford Denies Charge.

HURON, S. D., March 21.—Governor Crawford of South Dakota, today issued the following statement in regard to the charges made by Secretary of the Interior Garfield, alleging fraud on the part of Governor Crawford in proving up on public land in South Dakota: "I state most emphatically and unequivocally that I never either directly or indirectly made any agreement by which I was to acquire title to Government land through others, no matter what Congressman Mann or others say."

Neglected Colds Threaten Life.

(From the Chicago Tribune.) "Don't trifle with a cold. It is good advice for prudent men and women. It may be vital in the case of a child. Proper food, good ventilation, and dry, warm clothing are the proper safeguards against colds. If they are maintained through the changeable weather of Autumn, Winter and Spring, the chances of surprise from ordinary colds will be slight. But the ordinary light cold will become severe if neglected, and a well-established rule is to get to the germ of diphtheria what honey is to the bee. The greatest menace to child life at this season of the year is the neglected cold. Whether it is a child or adult, the cold slight or severe, the very best treatment that can be adopted is to give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is safe and sure. The great popularity of this remedy is attested by the fact that its sale of this preparation has been attained by its remarkable cures of this ailment. A cold never results in pneumonia when it is given."

Lipman-Wolfe's Friday Bargain Day

100 Covert Jackets, Reg. \$15 Val., \$8.75

100 Women's smart new Covert Jackets, 22-inch length, made of extra quality covert cloth, tight-fitting style, fly front, trimmed in several individual styles; all satin lined. Actually selling regularly at \$12.50 and \$15.00. Extra special for Friday Bargain Day, only **\$8.75**



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A CHARMING array of A Trimmed Hats in the season's new mushroom and drooping shapes; also toques and other effects in chip and fancy straw braids. Flowers, foliage, ribbons, etc., are used extensively in trimming them. Every new Spring color; copied after high-priced models. Actual \$5.00 values for **\$2.95** only.

750 Yards Wool Dress Goods

Reg. \$1.25 Val. 69c Yd.



For Friday only—44-inch all wool Chiffon Panama Dress Goods in novelty hem-stitched stripe and solid colors—cream, black, brown, gray and reseda green. An extraordinary bargain for Friday only at **69c** yard.

50c Suitings 43c Yard

Black and white Suitings, 36 in. wide, in shepherd plaids, all sizes; regular 50c value. **43c** Special, per yard. A dozen other special values on display at Friday Bargain Day prices.

THE GREATEST GLOVE BARGAIN EVER OFFERED IN PORTLAND

1200 Pairs of Superb Quality Regular \$1.50 Kid Gloves, 79c



FOR Friday Bargain Day, we offer positively the greatest Glove Bargain that any Portland store has ever presented—a Glove value that ought to sweep every pair from our counter before Friday noon. Come before your size is gone.

100 dozen newly-arrived 2-clasp Kid Gloves, in black, tan, brown and white, in sizes from 6 1/4 to 8. Every pair fitted. Every pair new and perfect, made of finest elastic kid. We most strongly advise every woman to be as early as possible if she wishes to secure her size and color. The values offered are so great that we cannot guarantee any size to last all day. Greatest values ever offered at only **79c**

No Phone Orders; None C. O. D.

LADIES' NECKWEAR 35c Val., 27c

Ladies' Neckwear in all the newly received Spring styles. For Friday and Saturday only all our regular 35c Neckwear for **27c**

250 AUTO VEILS 85c VALUE AT 63c

250 Auto Veils, 3 yards long, just received in all new colors—pink, blue, white, champagne, navy, brown, green, gray, reds and tan, 1 1/2-inch hemstitched. Regular 85c value, for Friday Bargain Day **63c**

3000 Yards Black and White Silks, Reg. \$1 Value, 85c

For Friday only, we offer 3000 yards of the very newest Novelty Black and White Check Silks, for jumper suits. This is the most popular silk novelty of the year, and regular \$1.00 value for only **85c**

Ladies' 25c Summer Vests 19c



Ladies' Vests, low neck, no sleeves, either trimmed or plain, mercerized tapes, 25c quality, special **19c**
Ladies' Vests, low neck, sleeveless, lisle or cotton, lace trimmed or plain, **25c**
33c quality, each **25c**
Ladies' Vests, low neck, sleeveless, fine mercerized crocheted yokes, 50c quality for **35c**
Ladies' Vests, high neck, long sleeves, medium Spring weight, 65c quality **50c** for **35c**
Ladies' Swiss ribbed Union Suits, low neck, no sleeves, umbrella drawers, lace trimmed. 85c quality for **63c**

Great Sale Novelty Mounted Bar Pins

No costume is complete without one of these beautiful little pins, mounted with brilliant stones, used for the collar, waist, ribbons, etc.



75c and \$1 Pins 48c
Medium size, assorted stones, set in sterling silver; a neat Collar Pin.
Regular \$1.50 Pins 87c
A little larger size, set with white stones, pearl, turquoise, etc.; mounted in sterling silver.
\$1.75 and \$2 Bar Pins 98c
Breakless Bar Pin, set with all the desirable stones; three sizes to select from. Just the pin for all purposes.
\$2-\$2.25 Bar Pins \$1.23
The best hand-finished pin, set with assorted stones; any color you like; mounted in silver; will not break; very handsome.
\$3-\$3.50 Bar Pins \$1.48
Largest size Bar Pin, finest mounting, assorted styles. Never sold before for less than \$3.00 and \$3.50.

3500 Ladies' Handkerchiefs, \$1 Value, 39c



For Friday Bargain Day only, we offer 3500 Ladies' all pure linen, hand-embroidered Handkerchiefs, scalloped and hemstitched, exquisitely beautiful in texture and pattern and regular values to \$1, for only **39c**

20c Hose Supporters, 12 1/2c

Good, strong Pin-On Side Supporters, in black, blue, white, red, pink and lavender. Excellent 20c value for **12 1/2c**



35c Supporters, 23c
Four-strap Pad Supporters, good strong belt; extra quality elastic web; assorted colors.
75c Supporters, 43c
Fine satin top military pad Hose Supporter, with extra strong web and belt; assorted colors; 75c value.
75c Supporters, 48c
New circular Pad Supporter, one of the best numbers made for service and comfort; all colors; 75c value.

MUCH LAND IS REOPENED

Large Area in Northwest Found Not to Contain Coal.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 21.—The Secretary of the Interior today restored to entry a large quantity of Government land which was withdrawn last Summer on the supposition that it contained deposits of merchantable coal. In all 750,000 acres are restored in Oregon and 200,000 acres in Washington. The Geological Survey, after examining, reported its inability to find

coal indications in this land. The land now becomes subject to entry under the general land laws.

Oregon land is in the Portland, Roseburg, Dalles and La Grande districts; the Washington land in the Seattle, Olympia and North Yakima districts.

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