



SNOW BLANKET IS OVER NORTHWEST

Zero Weather East of Cascades.

ICE GORGE BLOCKS COLUMBIA

Minimum Temperature in Portland 13.4.

TRAIN SERVICE DELAYED

Nine Inches of Snow in City—Hood River and The Dalles Report Two Feet Snow—Foot Deep in Salem—Rain South of Eugene.

STORM SITUATION IN PACIFIC NORTHWEST.

Portland—Minimum temperature, 13.4, coldest since January, 1897; snowfall yesterday 9 inches.

Hood River—Worst snow storm in years; temperature between 7 and 10 above zero; snow two to three feet deep.

The Dalles—Temperature 8; 24 inches snow, and still falling; all trains delayed.

Fossilton—Temperature 1 below zero; snow still falling with cold northeast wind. No damage to stock.

Baker City—Minimum temperature 10; snow during greater part of day; farmers and miners rejoicing.

Spokane—Temperature 17; 12 inches of snow; cold east winds. Similar conditions prevail over inland Empire.

Salem—Temperature 21; total snowfall 12 inches; Willamette steadily rising.

Corvallis—Minimum temperature 19; five inches of snow.

Albany—Minimum temperature 19; 11 inches of snow; rural phone service discontinued.

Eugene—Cold rains and light snow; Willamette rising.

Roseburg—No snow; heavy rains.

Ashland—No snow; heavy rains.

Seattle—Temperature 17; snowfall 5 inches; car service not slightly delayed.

Tacoma—Temperature 18.7; snow 10 inches deep and still falling.

Bellingham—Zero weather; growing warmer.

Aberdeen—Snow continues; logging camps closed.

Astoria—First snow in two years; heaviest in decade.

At 2:30 A. M. a thermometer at the Oregonian office registered 9.5. There was a slight flurry of snow.

Weather conditions throughout the Pacific Northwest show little change from yesterday. Cold weather continues, reaching zero at points east of the Cascade Mountains and at Bellingham on Puget Sound. Snow covers the whole of the States of Washington and Idaho, Eastern Oregon and the Willamette Valley as far south as Eugene. Cold east winds prevail over the entire country.

In Portland yesterday the government thermometer marked 13.4, the lowest point reached since January 15, 1897, when the minimum was 13 above zero. Nine inches of snow covers Portland. At Hood River the snow is two to three feet deep, and at The Dalles two feet is reported. At Albany and Salem the snow is from 10 to 12 inches deep. The Inland Empire is covered with six inches of snow. Seattle reports five inches, Tacoma 10 inches. Astoria is hearing sleighbells for the first time in ten years.

Ice in the Columbia below the mouth of the Willamette River has blocked the river and stopped all navigation completely. The Upper Columbia is filled with floating ice, and two river steamers are marooned in the locks at the Cascades.

Other than hindering navigation and delaying trains in the Columbia River gorge, no damage is reported from the storm. Stockmen in Eastern Oregon report plenty of feed on hand, and grain growers are rejoicing because the heavy snowfall promises big crop yields next summer.

FROZEN UP AGAIN AT SALEM

Authorities Preparing for Flood When Snow Melts.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 7.—(Special.)—At 5 o'clock tonight the thermometer registered 21 degrees in Salem, or two degrees above the lowest record for this cold snap. The coldest was reached Wednesday night. The warmest was recorded Wednesday afternoon, 28 degrees, though in sheltered spots, the snow melted some. The local observer, M. P. Baldwin, has recorded a total snow fall of 12 inches. The temperature kept close to 21 all day today, with no wind blowing.

No material damage has been done by the cold spell except that street railway companies have had difficulty keeping tracks clear and merchants have been compelled to reduce delivery service one-half. Dairy men notice a large reduction in milk flow, and the local creamery has received no cream for two days. The three primary grades in the public schools have been dismissed until warm weather returns.

The water in the Willamette is rising steadily, owing to rain in the upper river. Tonight the register shows 10

ORIENTAL TRAFFIC FOR ST. PAUL LINE

TRAFFIC ALLIANCE WITH JAPANESE STEAMSHIPS.

Six Modern Steamers Connecting With New Railroad Will Ply to All Asiatic Ports.

CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—(Special.)—The official announcement was made today by the St. Paul road that upon completion of its Pacific Coast extension the company will make a special effort to secure Oriental traffic. It is said that a traffic alliance has been made with the Osaka Eho-shen Kaisha for semi-monthly sailings from Seattle. This company is now constructing six modern, fast steamers for trade to the Orient, and the St. Paul hopes to absorb the lion's share of this business.



Senator Ben R. Tillman, Object of Attack in Roosevelt's Communication to Senate.

now that all other American roads have gone out of it.

The St. Paul road will make a strenuous bid for traffic between the United States, Canada, Europe, China, Philippines, Japan, Russia, Siberia, Australia, Pormosa and Indian Ocean ports. The steamship company with which the St. Paul has effected a traffic alliance has a fleet of 106 vessels, with a gross tonnage of 119,000 tons, and it now maintains a regular service along the Japanese, Chinese, Siberian and Korean coasts.

FALLS THROUGH SKYLIGHT

Ralph Stipe, Telephone Lineman, Slips From Ice-Covered Cornice.

Slipping upon an ice-covered cornice while at work on the roof of the works of the Columbia Steel Company, corner of Tenth and Johnson streets, yesterday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, Ralph Stipe, a lineman, lost his balance and fell off. Eighteen feet below he struck a glass skylight, crashed through it and landed on the floor of a room beneath, sustaining serious injuries.

Stipe, who is an employe of the Pacific States Telephone Company, was engaged in installing new telephone wires when he met with the accident. Had it happened at some other point on the roof he would have fallen a much greater distance to the street and probably would have been killed. Employes of the steel works found him on the floor, bleeding, stunned and suffering greatly. They summoned the Red Cross ambulance and had him conveyed to Good Samaritan Hospital.

The surgeons found that his right arm had been broken, that painful cuts from the glass skylight had been inflicted on his head and in his left hand and arm, and that he had sustained internal injuries. He will probably recover.

HUGE LOCOMOTIVE PLANT

Ten Million Dollars to Be Spent in Construction at Gary, Ind.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—Upwards of \$10,000,000 will be expended by the American Locomotive Company in the construction of its projected plant at Gary, Ind., plans for which are now in preparation, according to statements made here today by the officials of the corporation. The plant the officers say, will be one of the largest locomotive factories in the United States, with a probable output of 1900 locomotives a year. It will also be the first locomotive plant to be erected west of Pittsburg.

CATHEDRAL HELD UNSAFE

Famous Minister of Toledo May Collapse Any Time.

TOLEDO, Spain, Jan. 7.—A board of architects has pronounced the Cathedral of Toledo, one of the largest and most celebrated in Europe, unsafe and liable to collapse. The cathedral services are now being conducted in the Church of Trinity.

PERKINS IS NOMINATED

California Senator Will Have Another Term at Washington.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 7.—George C. Perkins was selected late tonight by the Republican state caucus as its candidate for United States Senator, to succeed himself.

ROOSEVELT'S GUNS AIM AT TILLMAN

Latest Feature of War With Congress.

EVIDENCE OF OREGON DEALS

Senator's Letters Secured by Secret Service.

TILLMAN READY TO REPLY

Since Denial Year Ago That He Was Interested in Timber Syndicate, the Government Has Been Busy With Affair.

CONGRESS AND ROOSEVELT AT WAIL

WASHINGTON Jan. 7.—(Special.)—President Roosevelt has handed the Senate information on the Secret Service which is "one of the hottest potatoes" which have yet come from the White House.

One feature of the letter leads directly to Senator Tillman, whom the President does not like. The Senator said there could be no developments which he would desire to have kept from the public.

The President's refusal to let Attorney-General Bonaparte tell the Senate why the Secret Service had the right to permit the deal to be put through. Other steps may follow.

The House committee tomorrow will recommend that the Secret Service paragraph in the first message be laid on the table and that all personal references in the second message be similarly treated. All of the members personally attacked by the President will make speeches.

AFRICA WILL ENTERTAIN

Dark Continent Notables Getting Ready for Roosevelt Visit.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Peter MacQueen, traveller and lecturer, a personal friend of the President, today told Mr. Roosevelt about the country he will visit in Africa this year. Mr. MacQueen has recently returned from a year of hunting and exploration in Africa, where he climbed within 400 feet of the top of Mount Kilimanjaro, the highest mountain in Africa.

He said that the President would be lavishly entertained at various points of his journey. Sir Alfred Pease will entertain him at his great farm 350 miles inland from Mombasa, while at Nairobi, still further inland, he will be the guest of George McMillan, the millionaire American, nephew of the late Senator McMillan, of Michigan. Mr. MacQueen says he found the President wonderfully informed about Africa, its animals and geography.

WRECK ON G. N. MAIN LINE

Many Passengers Injured, None Fatally, in Montana.

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Jan. 7.—Passenger train No. 3 on the Great Northern was derailed early this morning near Vandalla, according to a special to the Tribune. The train was thrown on its side and a number of passengers were injured. The wounded were taken to Glasgow. It is not believed that any will die, although one or two are seriously hurt.

TRAIN DITCHED BY FIENDS; ONE DEAD

ENGINE ON GREAT NORTHERN PLUNGES INTO BAY.

Fireman Killed; Engineer and Mail Clerk Badly Hurt—Close Call for Passengers.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Jan. 7.—Wrecked by fiends, who threw the switch open, locked it and put out the lantern so that the engine could not see his peril, Great Northern train No. 574, north-bound, left the trestle just south of the South Bellingham yards, at Commercial Point, tonight, at 8 o'clock. The engine lies almost completely submerged in the bay, the mail-car and baggage coach are smashed to bits and the smoker is derailed. One man was killed and two injured.

The dead man is Fireman Ed Stuart of Seattle. The injured are Engineer Jack Bailey, both legs crushed, amputation necessary; Mail Clerk George L. Rhodes, right shoulder dislocated. Both are from Seattle. Express Messenger Nelson escaped injury by a miracle.

The fireman's body sank with the engine and was not recovered. The engineer went under, but came to the surface and struck out for a giling and there clung until he was rescued by a yowher. The passengers were badly shaken up, but none was injured. Seventy-five people were aboard the train. The local police and railroad detectives unite in declaring the wreck was deliberately planned.

FINDS SOCIETY TOO MUCH

Naval Constructor Seeks Divorce to Avoid Balls and Parties.

VALLEJO, Cal., Jan. 7.—Naval Constructor Holden A. Evans, head of the construction and repair department at the Mare Island Navy Yard, who recently came into prominence through the sensational building of the huge naval collier Prometheus, filed suit today for a divorce from Maud Evans.

The complaint sets forth that the plaintiff is entrusted with grave responsibilities by the government necessitating a good physical and mental condition, and that this has been wrecked by his wife's constant presence at social functions in late hours, and that her constant desire for pleasure has caused her to neglect her home, children and husband.

Constructor Evans asks for the custody of their three daughters, whose ages range from 22 months to 10 years. The couple married in Scotland in 1897.

ALL NIGHT RIDERS ARE FOUND GUILTY

Six of Tennessee Murderers Must Hang.

TWO WILL SERVE 25 YEARS

Sentence to Be Imposed Saturday, Then Appeal.

UNION CITY, Tenn., Jan. 7.—With a verdict of guilty, the jury in the Night Riders' trial reported at 8:45 tonight. Garrett Johnson, Tid Burton, Bob Ransom, Fred Pinion, Arthur Clear and Sam Applewhite were convicted of murder in the first degree with mitigating circumstances and "Bud" Morris and "Bob" Huffman, the other defendants, were found guilty of murder in the second degree. Their punishment was fixed at 25 years in the penitentiary.

Death Penalty for Six.

The punishment for the first-named six defendants was left to the court and may be death or life imprisonment, and the court has indicated an intention to pronounce the death penalty. The defense made a motion for a new trial, which was set for hearing Saturday and which will be overruled. Sentences will then be imposed.

The defendants received the verdict calmly. Attorney Pierce then turned to them when it was announced and said:

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FORGERIES AMOUNT TO NEAR A MILLION

CALIFORNIA REALTY MAN USED MILLIONAIRE'S NAME.

Fraudulent Paper Scattered Through Southern Cities in Financing Real Estate Deals.

OAKLAND, Cal., Jan. 7.—F. B. Signor, real estate promoter and mining broker of this city, was arrested tonight on complaint sworn to by James H. Murray, a multi-millionaire banker and mining man of Montana, Salt Lake City and Seattle, but more recently of Monterey, Cal., charging Signor with forgeries aggregating nearly \$1,000,000. Signor is alleged to have forged Murray's name to four notes of \$100,000 each as well as to numerous other negotiable documents. Murray arrived here from Monterey two

TROOPS GUARD PRISONERS

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MARJORIE GOULD HAS GRAND DEBUT

She May Marry English Army Officer.

FATHER'S LAVISH EXPENDITURE

George Gould Spends Money on Music and Flowers.

GREAT SHOW OF JEWELS

New York Society Women Wear \$50,000,000 Worth—Host Pays \$50,000 for Supper and \$25,000 for Favors.



Miss Marjorie Gould, Daughter of George J. Gould, Who Made Debut Thursday and Whose Engagement is Rumored.

weeks ago to investigate the forgery of his name to the notes. He found President W. G. Henshaw, of the Union Savings Bank of this city, held four notes drawn on a Kansas City bank totaling \$400,000. Murray at once pronounced these notes forgeries. Signor had given the notes to Henshaw in connection with the financing of a deal involving a cement plant in Southern California.

Murray also discovered a number of other papers bearing forgeries of his signature both here and in San Francisco, the total amount being \$300,000. Signor has confessed.

THINK HILL IS IN DEAL

Changes in Colorado Fuel Iron Co. Are Laid at His Door.

DENVER, Col., Jan. 7.—The Times today says: Important deals involving the control of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company are being negotiated in New York City. Large interests during the last few weeks have purchased a sufficient amount of the common stock to give these interests control and announcement of the deal is expected soon.

The new interests are believed to be either the Hill roads, which recently purchased the Colorado Southern, or interests identified with the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, of which Charles M. Schwab is the head.

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