



CALIFORNIA ROADS BLOCKED BY SNOW

Slides Tie Up Trains on Two Lines.

STORM IN SIERRAS FURIOUS

Western Pacific Not to Resume Service Until Today.

SHASTA LIMITEDS HELD

Traffic for 72 Hours Is Paralyzed and Fierce Wind and Falling Temperature Add to Difficulties of Railroad Companies.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 19.—(Special.)—Two slides, a 72-hour snow storm worth millions of dollars to ranchers and miners and a derailment were the causes that contributed today to the paralysis of the Western Pacific's Overland Route and the Southern Pacific's Overland and Shasta routes, stalling 12 limited trains from 12 to 48 hours.

At midnight last night the Southern Pacific succeeded in opening its lines, but the Western Pacific closed up tightly, canceled all trains and announced that it would not be open for traffic again until Monday. The west-bound limiteds, stalled in the mountains, were returned to Winnemucca where passengers were transferred to the Southern Pacific. The eastbound de luxe trains were returned to Sacramento, where transfers were also made to the Harriman road.

Furious Storm Rages.

Altogether railroad traffic conditions today represented one of the most difficult situations local officials have contended with in many years.

Instead of a betterment of conditions last night, the Sierra storm was raging with all the fury that characterized its beginning; the snow continued falling steadily, a vigorous wind continued drifting the snow and the thermometer dropped as low as 14 above zero.

The Southern Pacific's first real difficulty with the storm on the Shasta route occurred early yesterday morning, although it was then thought to be only a minor one. As the southbound Shasta Limited approached Keswick, which is on the California side of the state line, a few miles from Dunsmit, an 80-foot snowfield shot down the mountain, carrying with it trees, rocks and brush, and not only tearing away a portion of the track, but burying a considerable portion of it also.

Rotary Fails to Open Way.

Friday night's limited, already many hours late, was blocked, unable to move, and stayed north of the slide. A rotary plow succeeded in clearing some of the debris, but its work was ineffectual and railroad officials noting that the damage was much greater than had been expected, ordered a shoveling track constructed around the slides. This was completed late last night, enabling the Shasta Limited of Friday and that of yesterday to resume the run to the city. Yesterday's north-bound limited also succeeded in passing the scene of the slide.

One Car Blocks Line.

A single car was derailed and it toppled in such a position to obstruct all traffic. The work of lifting the wreckage was performed in the teeth of a blinding snow storm, and not until 9 o'clock last night was the track finally cleared. In the meantime four westbound transcontinental and four eastbound trains were stalled in the storm, in addition to two westbound and one eastbound mail train.

Southern Pacific traffic conditions were almost normal today, although there is no reason to expect trains to keep close to schedules as long as the storm keeps up. The order has gone forth that every train moving between Colfax and Sparks must move slowly and no effort made to force the usual speed.

The Western Pacific had barely succeeded in clearing a path through the snow that beset its route Friday morning when a snow and landslide occurred 25 miles north of Oroville. This closed the line.

Ranchers and Miners Benefit.

While traffic has been temporarily crippled by the storm, railroad officials declare the abundance of snow and the existing low temperature mean millions of dollars to ranchers and miners. It insures an adequate water supply for Spring and Summer, and with a low temperature, the snow freezes and backs rapidly. The benefit of this is reached in the Spring, when it resists the sun's rays better, and instead of washing down the mountain sides in torrents, trickles slowly. The snow at Truckee is the first of any depth for a long time and will result in the opening of the season.

DOOR OF NASSAU SHUT TO WILSON

JANITOR DEMANDS PERMIT; IS CALLED IGNORAMUS.

President-Elect, Who Is ex-Officio Chairman of Trustees, Finds Red Tape in Way.

PRINCETON, N. J., Jan. 19.—(Special.)—Admission to Nassau Hall was refused today to President-elect Wilson, who, as Governor of New Jersey, is ex-officio chairman of the board of trustees of Princeton University, because he had no permit to visit the building. Afterward he tried the door, but it was locked and he turned away in disgust, with the remark, "There's an ignoramus over there and a locked door here."

The Governor was taking a regular Sunday morning walk and this time was accompanied by Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Toy, who is a visitor at the Wilson home. They directed their course to the university campus, the Governor pointing out special features of the ancient pile, the President-elect excused himself and ducked into the basement and asked Samuel Davidson, official janitor of the gymnasium, to be permitted to visit Nassau Hall.

The janitor replied that he must have a permit. The President-elect, not to be deterred by the refusal, tried the door anyway, without success.

SUFFRAGE VICTORY SEEN

New York Legislature Expected to Vote to Submit Amendment.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 19.—After years of effort, the advocates of woman suffrage believe a constitutional amendment, which, if approved by the people would give the women of New York State the right to vote, will be passed by the Legislature this coming week. The measure will be made a special order of business in the Assembly Monday night, and the Senate promises to consider it Tuesday.

A difference of opinion exists among the leaders as to whether the amendment will deal with the question of naturalizing women.

Governor Sulzer and Senator Wagner, the majority leader, have informed the suffragists that they can have what they want in the amendment, and representatives of the suffrage organizations interested have been asked to make a recommendation concerning the naturalization clause.

ALBANY Y. M. C. A. TO BUY

Property of Alco Club to Be Bought by Young Organization.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 19.—(Special.)—The Young Men's Christian Association, which was formed in this city recently, made arrangements at a meeting of its board of directors last night to purchase outright the property until recently occupied by the Alco Club. The property is owned by E. W. Langdon, ex-president of the First National Bank of Albany, and now a resident of Portland.

The Alco Club had a contract for a deed with Mr. Langdon, and recently turned this contract over to the Young Men's Christian Association. The new association took charge of the property under this contract.

D. O. Woodworth was made a member of the board of directors of the association, succeeding C. H. Cusick, who resigned.

ALTERNATE STOPS LIKED

Street Railway Company Will Extend System This Week.

Stops at alternate blocks only will be introduced by the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company on Sunday road this week. The system has proved so successful on the Mount Tabor line, where it was introduced a week ago, that the company has virtually decided to make it universal throughout the city. It will be introduced gradually, however.

Hawthorne avenue will get the benefit of the new service followed by its introduction on Sandy road. It may not be started there for a week or 10 days.

WILSON GETS GUIDEBOOK

President-Elect Assiduously Studying Washington Geography.

PRINCETON, N. J., Jan. 19.—President-elect Wilson disclosed today the fact that he has obtained a guidebook of Washington and is reading it assiduously in spare moments.

Mr. Wilson will be virtually a stranger in Washington when he takes office. He has visited there little since his youth, and never has seen some of the Government buildings, erected within the last 15 years. When he steps into the White House on March 4, it will be the first time he will have seen the interior of the executive mansion.

MINIMUM WAGE RESISTED

Women Delegates Says Employers Would Make It Maximum.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 19.—The San Francisco Labor Council, on recommendation of its law and legislative committee, went on record last night as opposed to a minimum wage for women workers and to the idea of a commission to investigate the employment of women, as proposed in several bills before the Legislature.

Women delegates to the council declared employers would adopt the minimum wage fixed by law as the maximum in practice, and were unanimously opposed to the proposed act.

LEVY MAYER GOES ON SECRET MISSION

Jewish Syndicate Will Aid Russia Is Report.

BIG WAR LOAN IS PROBABLE

Czar's Empire Would Be Ready to Cope With Triple Alliance.

PASSPORTS ARE PROBLEM

Wealthy Chicagoan to Meet United States Ambassador at Paris and Go as Member of His Party to St. Petersburg.

CHICAGO, Jan. 19.—(Special.)—Levy Mayer left Chicago this afternoon on a secret financial mission to Russia.

To escape the strict passport regulations against the admittance of Jews into the Czar's Empire, which in the past have kept out such prominent Chicagoans as Julius Rosenwald and Nelson Morris, he has arranged to meet Curtis Guild, United States Ambassador to Russia, in Paris. He will travel from there as a member of the diplomat's party, and arrangements have been made through the State Department that there shall be no interference with his passage across the Russian border.

Efforts were made today to confirm the report that Mr. Mayer was going as the envoy of a powerful syndicate of American and European Jewish bankers, with whom the Russian government is said to have been endeavoring to negotiate an enormous loan which would put Russia in a position financially to cope with Austria and Germany in case war should break out as a result of the rupture of peace negotiations in the Balkans.

Russia in Need of Money.

Mr. Mayer would not admit that such was his mission.

It is known, however, that Russia would be in great financial straits should there be a great continental war. In the past money for Russian campaigns has been supplied mostly by Jewish banking houses. In spite of this the Russian treatment of the Jews, not only of her own land, but of other countries as well, has been such as to provoke resentment among

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STEAMER ELDER IS DAMAGED IN GALE

DINING SALOON FLOODED AND PASSENGERS TERRIFIED.

Five Coastwise Vessels, Buffeted by Seas, Limp Into San Francisco, 24 to 48 Hours Late.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 19.—Five coastwise passenger vessels and nearly a score of smaller craft, all bound from Northern ports to San Francisco, arrived today after weathering one of the roughest storms ever known off the North California coast. Most of the vessels were from 24 to 48 hours late as a result of the heavy southwest gale Friday night off Cape Blanco.

The most damage done by the storm was to the steamer Geo. W. Elder, which brought 78 passengers from Portland. Her stern was splintered by the high seas tumbling upon her after deck, and her main deck and dining-saloon were flooded to a depth of four feet. For a time the passengers were in terror.

The steam schooner Nann Smith, with a lumber cargo consigned to this port from Coos Bay, lost her deck load-valued at \$50,000. A half dozen passengers were flooded out of their quarters.

SCHOOL GIRLS RUN CAFE

Klamath Falls Students and Teacher Make Living Cost Low.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Jan. 19.—(Special.)—The home economics department of the Klamath County High School has been giving practical demonstrations this year of how to contend with the high cost of living. Miss Carpenter, who has charge, with the assistance of the pupils, has furnished a cafeteria lunch to some of the teachers and pupils and others who wish to avail themselves of it. The fare is excellent and the cost very low, considering the present prices of edibles. Wednesday she entertained the Art Needlework Club at a special luncheon. The menu was:

Fruit cocktail, salmon loaf, creamed potatoes, hot biscuit and butter, jelly, Bavarian cream, coconut cake, coffee, and cream and sugar.

The cost for the 12 guests was \$2.30.

BRIAND LIKELY TO ACCEPT

Minister Delays Answer to Fallieres Until Today.

PARIS, Jan. 19.—Although M. Briand, the Minister of Justice, on whom President Fallieres imposed the task of forming a Cabinet, was busy throughout Sunday interviewing political leaders, he had not completed his arrangements tonight and cannot give a definite answer to the President until tomorrow. However, his acceptance of the Premiership now is regarded as certain.

President-elect Poincare attended today the professional jubilee celebration of his old teacher, the Academician Ernest Lavisse, at the Sorbonne.

STATE INSTITUTIONS ASK FOR \$2,859,293

Two Oregon Schools Want Increases.

ASYLUMS DESIRE \$1,084,053

Joint Ways and Means Committee to Act First.

ONE BIG BILL IS FAVORED

Appropriations for All Except for University of Oregon and Agricultural College May Be Under Single Measure.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 19.—(Special.)—The ways and means committees of the two Houses of the Legislature will be confronted by institutional requests for appropriations amounting to \$2,859,293, according to estimates of cost which have been compiled by the various boards, superintendents and institutional heads.

Some of the institutions will ask for increased maintenance appropriations. The University of Oregon for the biennial period coming desires a biennial increase in its maintenance appropriation of \$100,000. That University now has a biennial maintenance fund of \$250,000, but an annual increase of \$50,000 is asked, which will bring, if granted, the total biennial maintenance appropriation up to \$350,000.

Big Amounts Asked.

The Oregon Agricultural College also desires an annual increase in its maintenance fund of \$50,000, which will bring to a total of \$845,000, not including a logging engineering course, for which an appropriation of \$85,000 is asked, not including a number of experimental stations, which if all granted, would amount to \$1,084,053.

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DIVORCE INDUSTRY APPEARS DOOMED

NEVADA LEGISLATURE BENT ON AMENDING LAW.

Lengthening of Legal Residence Required Affects 500 in Reno, Waiting for Decrees.

RENO, Nev., Jan. 19.—(Special.)—The fate of the Reno divorce colony rests in the hands of the Nevada State Legislature, which convenes tomorrow. It is said Governor Oddie in his message will recommend that the six months' residence requirement now in vogue be amended to make the period one year. This will kill the divorce industry in Nevada, as it did in South Dakota.

No change in divorce laws other than extending the residence period is contemplated. There are fully 500 would-be-divorcees in Reno and a change would seriously affect them. They would be compelled to lengthen their stay to secure decrees.

Those who have studied the personnel of the Legislature declare that the anti-divorce amendment will carry both Houses easily.

An effort to counteract the sentiment has been made by threats to open the gambling question again, but this has been merely a flash in the pan and has created no stir. The Reno divorce colony appears doomed.

REGISTERED MAIL TAKEN

Robber Breaks Into Mail Car, Intimidates Clerks and Escapes.

ANNISTON, Ala., Jan. 19.—A lone highwayman rifled the mail car of Southern Railway passenger train No. 12, near Riverdale, Ala., early today and escaped with what are said to be valuable registered packages. Two mail clerks were in the car.

It is believed the robber boarded the train at Lincoln, Ala., where a stop was made for water. Soon after he gained entrance to the mail car through an end door and quickly covered the mail clerks, E. L. Cragmen and Bailey, with a revolver.

According to reports received here, the robber demanded that the clerks hand over to him all the registered mail. As the train slowed down for the Riverside stop the robber leaped from the car and escaped into the rugged country of that section.

Cragmen furnished a description of the robber, and railroad detectives, aided by residents of the Riverside section, searched the country without avail.

ROAD MODELS REACH LANE

Eugene Judge to Urge Better Highways in His County.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 19.—(Special.)—A half a dozen models of different types of roads were received by County Judge Thompson from the Department of Agriculture at Washington. Road supervisors of Lane County will be invited to visit the courthouse and inspect the models there. The models show the ordinary dirt roads, macadam roads and gravel roads. There are also models of the construction of the bituminous road, and models for the construction and drainage of hill roads.

Judge Thompson has been trying for a year to get these models, and thinks now that he has them, that he will be able to secure a larger degree of cooperation on the part of the rural road supervisors in the construction of good roads for Lane County.

BISHOP IS NOT CONFIRMED

Divorced Clergyman Chosen by Kansas Rejected by Vote of Church.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 19.—That Rev. Percy H. Silver lacked the votes of two bishops to confirm his appointment as bishop coadjutor of Kansas was announced today by Rev. Daniel S. Tuttle, presiding bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church of America.

The diocese of Kansas now may call Rev. Mr. Silver's election null and proceed to a new choice. Of the 98 bishops canonically entitled to vote, 48 sent consents and 32 non-consents. Fifty consents were necessary to confirm the selection. The bishops, it is said, objected to Dr. Silver because he had been divorced.

1000 STUDENTS MAY GO

Princeton Men Plan to Attend Inauguration in Force.

PRINCETON, N. J., Jan. 19.—When President-elect Wilson arrives in the railway station in Washington on the night of March 3, he will be greeted with a Princeton "locomotive" cheer, issuing from the throats of a thousand Nassau undergraduates, according to plans made by the Princeton University Woodrow Wilson Club.

Active preparations for the trip will be begun here tomorrow, when those in charge of the arrangements will start a canvass to ascertain how many students will attend the inaugural ceremonies. It is expected a thousand will go.

LEGAL SUICIDE IS URGED

Proposed Utah Law Would Let Condemned Criminals Kill Themselves.

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 19.—The method to be used hereafter in putting criminals to death in Utah has become a widely-discussed topic since the Legislature convened two weeks ago. The intent idea expressed is that condemned criminals be allowed to take their own lives, after they have exhausted every means to have the death sentence set aside.

Judge Thomas Marlneux, an attorney of this city, has issued a statement in which he sets forth what he terms the advantages of the Chinese custom permitting a condemned criminal to commit suicide.

EVIL SPIRIT BALKS SHADE OF DR. JAMES

Philosopher Trying to Send Message.

BOY PSYCHIC IS HIS MEDIUM

Secret Sign Is Proof Absolute, Says Friend.

EARTHY ONES SAP FORCES

"Dear Hyslop: Write Paper Against Woman Suffrage; Don't Let Your Wife See It." Is One Communication Received.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—(Special.)—William James, who was professor of philosophy at Harvard when he died, August 26, 1910, and who before his death promised his friend, Dr. James H. Hyslop, of the American Society for Psychical Research, that he would strive to send such messages from the spirit world as would demonstrate indubitably the truth of spiritualism, has been trying once more, according to Dr. Hyslop, to communicate with Hyslop and others.

This time, the spirit of Dr. James warns his friend Hyslop of an evil spirit or influence, a "poltergeist," which cunningly leaves razor blades and matches in places where they might do the most harm; an evil shade which lurks in the dark and hurls inkstands and heavy stones at the heads of true believers. The spirit of Professor James is exercised over the wickedness of the poltergeist and struggles incoherently to warn Dr. Hyslop.

Fifteen-Year-Old Boy Is Medium.

Professor James has been communicating lately through the medium of a 15-year-old boy, who, as Dr. Hyslop says, is the son of a clergyman known on both sides of the Atlantic, and who is apparently normal in every way except for the psychical control under which he falls when the light is turned out.

Through this curious boy Professor James in the last year has sent many messages. Dr. Hyslop writes in the Journal of the Psychical Research Society.

On December 19, 1911, Professor James communicated, says Dr. Hyslop, through the boy medium, who was gazing into a crystal.

Hyslop Reports Dialogue.

It was then that he warned Dr. Hyslop against the poltergeist, or wicked spirit. Part of the dialogue between Professor James and Hyslop, as carried on through the entranced boy, was as follows:

"Here is Professor James. Good evening, Hyslop."

"Good evening."

"Do you recognize the papers?"

"Yes."

"Just"—a few words unintelligible—"would you like to see Hodgson?"

"Yes. A man with not much hair, blue eyes, long face, sober-looking; looks like a thinker."

"A beard?"

"I can't see now. He has turned his head. It is dark."

Spirit Mentions Sign.

At this point Dr. Hyslop asked Professor James to give distinct proof of his identity. James replied:

"I took you to Paradise and you (pause). Hang it all, I took you to lots of places. I took you once into my study and we agreed on a sign. You remember?"

Hyslop didn't remember, and the spirit of James, apparently vexed, called excitedly: "Hyslop, Hyslop, your undivided attention, undivided. Hands off the table!"

The spirit continued rapidly: "Better summon my friends to make an agreement and not follow my example of locking up my paper, on which all hangs. Now that I am dead I cannot describe it. Wait till I can find it. If you find the paper, at the top you will find it bearing my sign; at the top a coat-of-arms of the Duke of Fairfax, with two swords crossed above a helmet and an arm holding another like my sign; the picture to the left, myself, my wife to the right, mother in the middle. Ready?"

Picture Warning Given.

Then came the warning about the poltergeist.

"Let of that I find another picture taken at night by a flashlight—a clever idea of mine. When it is flashed, have an instrument attached to the table of mine. The picture is of one who calls himself the Nameless One—horrible! Don't look at it too long, but only in short spells. You will see why it is horrible. Is it too fast?"

"No," replied Hyslop.

"Ready? The earthly persons writing caused me all the trouble. It saps my forces, keeps me away from objects. Publish that paper, but don't give the answer. Cross it out."

The boy medium conveyed at the same time other messages from Professor James. One was:

"Dear Hyslop—Write a paper against woman suffrage. It is my desire that you do this. Your W. W. S. and B. W. 'BILL JAMES."

"P. S.—Don't let your wife see it." Throughout various séances this (Continued on Page 2.)

