

CALIFORNIA STORM IS FATAL TO THREE

Terrific Deluge Responsible for Drowning of Two Capitalists and Laborer.

DAMAGE TO ROADS \$500,000

Railroads Either Tied Up or Seriously Interrupted by Swollen Streams—Unidentified Boy Reported Swept Away.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 26.—Three men—two capitalists and a laborer—were drowned; a boy was reported to have lost his life in a terrific storm that swept from their homes; buildings were damaged, and steam and electric railroad traffic was either tied up or seriously interrupted in Southern California today as the result of the rain which deluged this section in the last 24 hours.

The deaths were those of Louis Jones, a retired banker of Montecito; Hugh Spear Haven, a Chicago capitalist, drowned near Monrovia, and Rico Rodriguez, who sank in the floodwaters of the San Gabriel River near Whittier.

Mr. Haven, who had come to Monrovia to pass the winter with his wife, was drowned when he attempted to jump a storm drainage ditch and fell in. His body was found with his right hand caught in the woodwork of a bridge near the scene of his death.

An unidentified boy was said to have been swept into the Los Angeles River and drowned when a cable upon which he had been leaning gave way.

For ten miles along the Rio Hondo, near Montebello, ranchers were marooned by flood waters which reached a depth of six feet in their homes, forcing the occupants to refuge on second stories. All were rescued.

The Southern Pacific, the San Pedro, Los Angeles and Salt Lake and the Santa Fe all were stopped by the force of rain which changed ordinarily sluggish streams to swollen and menacing rivers.

Damage to highways in Los Angeles County alone will reach \$500,000. With the entire country literally soaking, the forecast for tonight and tomorrow was "more rain." Already the precipitation to date is 13.92 inches, or nearly twice the normal for the 24 hours ending at 5 o'clock this afternoon the precipitation was 4.60

STORM HITS NORTHWEST

Worst wind in the history of the town. Ranchers in various sections were affected by the storm, some losing hay which was blown away, while light land grain of others was blown from the ground.

Numerous towns report small buildings damaged, some destroyed, while heavy rains or light showers followed the gale.

The barometer at Astoria dropped to the low record mark, indicating a terrific gale is raging out on the Pacific.

Storm Warnings Still Out. Brief to high southerly winds along the coast were forecast last night. Weather bureau officers said there were no alarming conditions threatening.

During the day the highest wind at North Head was 56 miles an hour. The barometer was 29.26 last night. South-west storm warnings were ordered continued at all stations in the district for 24 hours.

In Portland the highest wind for 24 hours ending last night was 39 miles. It was from the east and southeast.

According to the reports filed at the Merchants Exchange, no vessels passed into the river or sailed yesterday.

Rainfall Above Normal. In the past 24 hours the record of 10.58 inches, which was reported from the United States Weather bureau last night, has been exceeded only four times. These times were January, 1886, 13.27 inches; January, 1887, 13.71 inches; January, 1887, 12.31 inches; and January, 1890, 11.13 inches.

The normal rainfall for January is 6.50, and the average for the month to this date is 5.43. The total rainfall since September 1 exceeded the normal several days ago.

HOME WRECKED, THREE HURT. Bursting of Gravity Pipe Line Damages Tacoma.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 26.—Loss of about \$20,000 was caused today by the bursting of the city's 36-inch high-pressure pipeline from the Green River waterworks to the J-street standpoint. The collapse was the result of last night's storm, succeeding a slight fall of snow early today. For three hours afterward 5,000,000 gallons of water played havoc with nearby homes and streets, and train traffic was tied up seven hours.

Two weeks will be required for repairs. Several women and children were rescued under exciting circumstances from the rush of waters, which wrecked four homes.

Six hundred feet of track of the Northern Pacific was covered by caves, shutting off all train service of the Northern Pacific and the W. W. E. & N. lines south of Tacoma. Five hundred men were put to work to clear the railroad tracks.

by 12 inches and 12 feet long and carried it through a window of the ironworks into the center of the pattern room.

Nine Western Union poles were blown down and service was crippled. Seventy-five telephones in Baker are out of commission today and electric light wires also suffered.

The cornice was blown from the Courthouse, big plate glass windows were smashed by the dozen, several residences were unroofed, porches were torn from residences and in four cases brick chimneys crashed through roofs.

The Standard Oil warehouse was wrecked, the city barns demolished, the cathedral glass windows demolished and trees were uprooted right and left. One residence in South Baker was turned around and blown into the next lot.

One freak was that scores of bulb lenses in a big electric sign were unfastened from their sockets by the wind and scattered around over a roof.

DRAW BRIDGE BLOWN OPEN. Corvallis Homes Lose Screens; Wireless Station Gone.

CORVALLIS, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Marooned on the draw of the new steel bridge across the Willamette River, the city lost its wireless station today, was the experience of George Way, a Japanese, who started across when the gale was at its height.

Screens were blown away, limbs of trees were broken and the roof of the State Insane Asylum, 29 yards in roofing of the main building were carried away, scores of windows broken by the force of a small railroad engine in the asylum farm was wrecked. A big tree at the Salem Woolen Mills was blown down, crashing through the employes' library.

The Oregon Electric station at Hazelton, two miles south of Salem, was blown from its foundations. Telephone, telegraph and electric light wires in all parts of the city were blown down.

WRECKAGE TELLS OF STORM. Beach Combers of Bay City Find Mahogany "Driftwood."

BAY CITY, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Evidence of the terrible storms at sea are indicated by the wreckage scattered along the beaches near the mouth of the bay. Beach combers have been picking up a lot of mahogany lumber which evidently has been washed from some passing steamer.

Conditions on the railroad to this district have not been much improved. The prospects are that the road will be tied up for a week longer and possibly more. The daily rains are causing more slides and delaying the opening of the road for transportation.

ASHLAND SEES FALL OF SNOW. Big Power Line Over Siskiyou Is Out of Commission.

ASHLAND, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—An intermittent snowfall, accompanied by a brisk gale, brought snow this morning. Two inches fell, but it soon disappeared.

Conditions of fresh snow are reported at Siskiyou summit, and the Oregon-California power line over the mountains is out of commission. The high wind yesterday did considerable damage to roofs and glass fronts at Eagle Point.

Sailing Vessels in Storm. SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 26.—The severest storm on Puget Sound since the establishment of the Seattle weather bureau is in progress. At 4 o'clock this morning the wind blew 40 miles an hour at Cape Flattery and 54 miles at Seattle. Several sailing vessels are being driven back to the coast. For many weeks a succession of storms has raged off the Pacific Northwest coast, all incoming vessels reporting trouble.

The financial loss has been insignificant. Phone Systems Damaged.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—The heaviest wind experienced here in many years swept this section of the state early this morning. Two small sheds were blown down in this vicinity.

Three of the big poles supporting the power line were blown to the ground, temporarily.

High Tide Backs Up. ABERDEEN, Wash., Jan. 26.—Three inches of rain fell here in 21 hours. The wind reached 60 miles and the gale increased this afternoon. No damage is reported. All wires are working and flood conditions have not begun to appear, although the wind is backing up an eight and a half-foot tide. The normal rainfall for January is now 20.75 inches.

Buildings Leave Foundation. HARRISBURG, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Several buildings here and in this vicinity were moved from their foundations and a large barn owned by George McCarty's farm was blown down during the storm last night. Awnings were stripped, and the town has been without light or power since 11:30 last night.

Building Wall Falls. COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Wind yesterday blew the north wall of the new banks building to the ground. It had just barely been rebuilt after the same kind of an incident a week before. Several light sheds which had withstood the elements for years, went down.

Water Tower Falls. JUNCTION CITY, Or., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—The high wind last night wrecked the 90-foot tower of the Junction City waterworks and leaves the city depending on wells for its supply. This puts the school temporarily out of commission, as the school is heated with hot water.

WINNERS OPEN FIGHT IN MOYER'S BEALF

Federation Asks That Indictments Be Quashed, Alleging Grand Jury Error.

30 OTHERS ARE ACCUSED

Lawyers for Labor Leaders Charged With Conspiracy to Interfere With Non-Union Employes Protest "Secret" Session.

HOUGHTON, Mich., Jan. 26.—The Western Federation of Miners began its fight in the courts today in behalf of its president, Charles H. Moyer, and its 30-odd officials and members who are under indictment here on the charge of conspiring to interfere with nonunion employes of the Michigan copper mines.

When the strike cases were called in the Houghton County Circuit Court counsel for the Federation asked for a motion to quash the indictments on the ground the special grand jury had been illegally summoned and that its deliberations had not been conducted in secret.

Judge O'Brien announced that he would set tomorrow afternoon for hearing arguments on the motion. August W. Kerr, E. W. Legendre and E. A. McNally will appear as attorneys for the union and Prosecutor Anthony George Miles, who was one of the grand jurors, will represent the state.

Venue Change Plea Expected. The Federation lawyers are expected to renew their demands for a copy of the testimony before the grand jury, made today. Mr. Miles said that an attack also would be made on the form of the indictments. After this preliminary skirmish the next move of the union forces probably will be an application for a change of venue in all the important strike cases pending before the court.

"Moyer, Mahoney and other officials will be here when they are needed," Mr. Kerr said. "The strikers who were indicted jointly with Moyer, with one exception, appeared today and were released under the same bond and return to court next Monday. The exception was Sydney Fisher, who has renounced his membership in the Federation and has returned to work in the mines. He entered a plea of not guilty and furnished other bonds."

Special Prosecutor Nichols said tonight that he did not take the motion to quash seriously. He said the law provided that the Attorney-General of the state could go before the grand jury while it is in session. Governor Ferris appeared before the jury only during a recess, he added.

Jail Sentences Given. Two strikers received jail sentences today for carrying concealed weapons and at the same time Judge O'Brien served notice that anyone convicted in his court on that charge would be dealt with in a similar manner.

Eleven women relatives of strikers appeared as defendants in strike cases and pleaded guilty. Three had been convicted in a Justice Court on a charge of using indecent language. Three were charged with intimidation. All were released under suspended sentence. George Miles, who was convicted of assault upon a union man at the September court, was sentenced to 30 days in jail. He has been in jail 46 days.

Mike Knez, a striker, was arrested today under an indictment for perjury. The offense is alleged to have been committed at the inquest into the murder of James Pollack, a deputy sheriff, at which time he repudiated a confession he is said to have given to the juror Lucas. The special grand jury did not meet today but will resume its sessions on Wednesday.

Ten strikers returned to work today in the Mohawk and Ahmeek mines, according to information from company sources.

THREE DIE IN AVALANCHE

HOUSE SPLINTERED AS 300-FOOT SLIDE CRASHES. Surviving Inhabitants of Storms in Constant Dread as Result of the Thaw Now in Progress.

STORRS, Utah, Jan. 26.—With a roar that could be heard for miles an avalanche, sweeping down the mountain side, today instantly snuffed out three lives and seriously injured three other persons. Four houses were thrown to splinters. Every tree in the path of the icy mass was snapped off at the roots.

The bodies of Mrs. Anna Packovich and two Greek minors were found shortly after they met their deaths. All had been trapped in their homes, where they were crushed almost beyond recognition.

An hour after the slide came, E. T. Thorne was rescued six feet below the surface of the snow. The debris had packed in such a way that he escaped suffocation. He suffered internal injuries and a broken leg.

Shortly before his rescue two Greek laborers were uncovered. Both were badly bruised and nearly suffocated. When the avalanche started Mrs. A. P. Webb was standing on her porch with an infant in her arms and two children by her side. They fled along the mountain side, and although showered by flying particles of snow and ice as it swept it by, they managed to flee from its path.

The avalanche descended a distance of only half a mile from near the end of the canyon and stopped at the edge of this coal-mining camp. It measured 300 feet in width.

Tonight the inhabitants are in fear of further disaster, as an unusual thaw has loosened the snow, which is packed from six to ten feet deep on the precipitous slopes.

Immediately after the avalanche had subsided the entire population turned out with picks and shovels and sounding poles to recover those buried beneath. The three dead and three injured were all located with their sounding poles and uncovered in less than an hour.

Strike to Be Arbitrated. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 26.—Arbitration was agreed upon today by millwrights and the striking hoistery workers as a means of settling the strike, and the 3500 strikers, mostly women and girls, are expected to return to work tomorrow. The strike has been in progress for more than a month.

County. So far the petitions are not being signed up here, for the reason that the people want to know how and where this money will be expended.

"They want to be assured that each part of Clackamas County will receive its portion of the road funds. Until all this has been cleared up the voters are withholding their signatures. The people of Sandy and vicinity say they are not opposed to road construction and will vote the bonds when assured that there will be a fair distribution of the money."

H. M. Kramer, author and ex-news-paper man, will lecture Tuesday night under the auspices of the Sandy Workmen's Club in Shelley's hall. His topic will be, "Rags and Rainbows."

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Sipman Wolfe & Co. Merchandise of Merit Only

Clearance of House Dresses and Aprons

\$1.00 and \$1.25 House Dresses 69c. Made of percale, with white ground and large dotted figures, with round neck, in yoke effect with pleats over the shoulder—belted waist line—short sleeves and plain skirt. Or with high neck and long sleeves in black with white figures.

\$1.50 House Dresses, Clearance 98c. Made with large collar and rever effect in front, fancy bandings on collar, sleeves and down front of skirt. Piped waist line and plain skirt. Come in black and white, light blue and white and navy and white checked percale. All sizes.

85c Coverall Aprons, Clearance 59c. Gingham, percale and chambray cover-all aprons, made with round neck and short sleeves. The gingham and chambray aprons have turnback collars and cuffs of plain or checked material and piping. Percaloes are trimmed with plain piping. All with belt across back. Large variety of colors in light and dark, with dots, figures and stripes.

35c Fitted Work Aprons, Clearance 25c. Of extra quality percale, in fitted style with bib over shoulder, buttoning in back. All with pocket. Plain colors, figures, dots, stripes and checks, in light and dark colors.

\$1.50 Apron, Skirt and Cap Sets, Clearance \$1.19. Very practical for house wear—includes a coverall apron, with skirt and cap to match. Comes in navy blue in figured and checked designs, or with light grounds in striped effects in blue, gray and pink.

35c Tea Aprons, Clearance 25c. These are made in round styles with scalloped edges, with embroidered design across front, or plain with pockets and initials. Hemstitched strings. Fourth Floor.

Clearance of Cluny Scarfs and Squares. 35c Each, Instead of 50c. This sale consists of a variety of scarfs and squares suitable for dressing tables, dining tables and buffets. Made of fine quality materials and edged with pretty patterns in German Cluny lace. The scarfs are 18 by 50 inches and the squares 30 inches.

Scalloped Embroidered Edge Lunch Cloths. Regular \$1.75, \$2, \$3.50, Clearance 98c, \$1.19, \$2.59. These cloths are made of fine linen-finished cotton, having attractively scalloped edges and elaborately embroidered centers. In sizes 45-inch, 54-inch and 72-inch. Basement.

The Smartest \$3.75 Tailored Waists for Women. Clearance, Tuesday, \$1.50. Linen, madras, cheviot and soisette—the materials best suited to the tubbing process which tailored waists are subject to. Smartly tailored mannish styles with pleated or tucked fronts—some with plain backs and others with plain yoke across the back. Long sleeves and turnback cuffs. They are shown in a variety of colored stripes, such as cool blues, rose tints, tans, browns, greens, black and combination effects. Third Floor.

Cotton Messaline Petticoats, Clearance \$1.23. Petticoats fashioned on simple styles—and made of a good quality cotton messaline that looks like silk, but wears better than the best of silks. Has a deep flounce with a tucked or pleated ruffle at the bottom, also a deep dust ruffle. In navy blue, white, Copenhagen, emerald green, American Beauty and Nell Rose. Third Floor.

French Lecture Tuesday. "Par Les Champs et Par Les Greves," Phonograph Hall, 11 to 12. Pictorial Review Patterns. The Fashion Sheets and Patterns for February now on sale. Second Floor.

75c to \$1 Venise Lace Collars. Clearance 49c. Large and small styles in new shapes and pretty patterns that are suitable for dresses as well as suits. In white and ecru.

Women's Hand-Made Night Gowns. Reg. \$6.50. Clearance \$4.65. Of long cloth and fine sheer materials—made in the slipover style, with kimono sleeves. Exquisitely hand embroidered in floral and conventional designs, showing punch work and close patterns. Embroidery on the sleeves and front of gowns. Round or square necks, finished with hand-embroidered eyelets, ribbon run and scallops. Fourth Floor.

Neckwear, Ha't Price 50c to \$10, Now 25c to \$5. Odds and ends of neckwear, consisting of chemisettes, fichus, Dutch collars, jabots and small lace collars. In all the newest shapes and made of fine, soft materials with trimmings of laces and embroideries.

25c Embroidered Handkerchiefs for Women, 17c. Pure linen handkerchiefs, made with a narrow hemstitched hem and attractively hand embroidered in the corner. First Floor.