

WILLAMETTE RISE 12 FEET IN 36 HOURS

Change of Nine Feet at Oregon City Most Rapid Recorded Since 1883.

SALEM IS AFFECTED MOST

Increase in River Greater Below Dam Because of Backwater From Clackamas and Head for Power House Reduced.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The rise of the Willamette river during the 24 hours from Tuesday night to Thursday morning was the most rapid since 1883, according to records kept by the Crown Willamette Paper Company.

The company receives river readings from points up the river, as well as from points in the vicinity of the mill. At Salem the rise in the river during the 24 hours was 12 feet, and just above the falls here the Willamette went up five feet in that period and nine feet below the falls.

The lower river rises more rapidly than the upper because of the backwater from the Clackamas river readings late today show that the lower river is 2 1/2 feet above low water, while the upper river registers 1 1/2 feet above low water.

RIVERS SWELL; BRIDGE GONE

Train Service Reported Still Paralyzed by Numerous Slides.

RAY CITY, Or., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Train service on the Tillamook line is still paralyzed by the numerous slides which occurred during the three-day storm that culminated Tuesday night. Rain for that day was estimated at four inches and, with an 80-mile gale, considerable damage was done generally throughout the county.

Rehabilitation of railroad communications with Portland is not expected for several days, possibly a week, but the locals to Madras went into operation today. The train that left here for Portland Tuesday morning is stalled at Wheeler, where particularly heavy slides occurred. The bridge near Wilson is also out.

The Southern Pacific line to Tillamook, which was blocked by slides in the mountains east of Tillamook early in the week, is still out of commission for through traffic, although trains are being run from Portland as far as Tillamook without interruption. It is expected by the railroad officials that the line will not be reopened before the first of next week.

STOCK IS KILLED BY STORM

Considerable Damage to Property at Tillamook Reported.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Considerable damage to stock and property has resulted from Tuesday's storm. Many hogs pasturing on the lowlands have been drowned, but the extent of the damage has not been discovered yet, as many of the county roads are impassable. All streams are over their banks; telephones and telegraph service was out Tuesday and yesterday, and the high plants flooded up to the boilers Tuesday night so that no current was furnished from 2:30 P. M. to 8 A. M. Wednesday. The rain was believed to have been the heaviest in 25 years.

ELMA LOOKS LIKE SEAPORT

Mile of Water Separates Southern Part From Aberdeen.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Elma, 16 miles east of here, today looks like a seaport town with practically the entire valley surrounding the south part of the town covered with water from the overflow of the Cowlitz and Chehalis rivers. The Grays Harbor County Fair grounds are also under water, and traffic between here and South Elma has been suspended, there being almost a mile of water between the two places. A passenger ferry is being operated by a South Elma man.

TUALATIN FLOWS ONTO FARMS

Families Are Marooned and Bridge Is in Danger of Going Out.

GASTON, Or., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The heavy rains which began last Sunday night have swollen the Tualatin river north of town until it is about a mile wide, and farmers on the low land report that their cellars are full of water.

Damage Slight at Kelso.

KELSO, Wash., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—After a ten-foot rise in the preceding 24 hours the Cowlitz river at Kelso reached its highest point midnight Tuesday, being 16 feet, and has been falling slightly since. Little loss resulted from the flood in the Cowlitz. Train service has been re-established through Kelso, although all trains are late. The washout along the railway at the Ostrander bridge has been repaired.

Genesee Has 10 Inches of Snow.

GENESEE, Idaho, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—It snowed hard here Monday and a fall of about 10 inches covered the ground. A heavy chinook wind has been blowing and the snow has nearly all melted and the streets are flooded. It rained during most of the night.

Centralia Has Cessation in Storm.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The cessation of rain and change of temperature today caused the floods in Centralia to become history. The rivers and streams are all receding and the submerged portions of the city are draining rapidly. It was feared that old Fort Brest, erected on the banks of the Chehalis in 1854, would be washed away, but it was ascertained this morning that the structure would withstand the ravages of the river.

TRAINS RUNNING ON TIME

Congestion in Postoffice Worst Feature of Washington Tiemp.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 23.—

All transcontinental trains in the State of Washington are reported moving on time today. Two days of cool weather have sent the rivers back to their natural courses.

The most serious injury wrought by the recent storm was the delay to Christmas presents, as the postoffice clerks, even with extra hours, may be able to work up all the delayed mail before Saturday.

DEFENSE FILM STIRRING

"BATTLE CRY OF PEACE" WINS APPLAUSE AT HEILIG.

Soldiers and Veterans See Lesson of Preparedness and Views of Experts Are Emphasized.

Tremendous interest was aroused at the private exhibition of the "Battle Cry of Peace," the elaborate screen propaganda designed to awaken public sentiment in favor of an adequate Army



Norma Talmage and Charles Richman in "Battle Cry of Peace."

and Navy and Coastal defenses, which was given at the Heilig last night.

The exhibition was attended by the troops of the National Guard stationed in Multnomah County, six companies of the Third Infantry and Battery A, Coast Artillery Corps, officers and ladies from Vancouver Barracks, Spanish-American War Veterans and the Grand Army Veterans.

Hispanic American flags draped the boxes, and guns of various types were placed about the theater.

An excellent orchestra kept up a never-ceasing play of martial music. The wildest enthusiasm reigned, with continued applause from the soldiers as the splendid picture was unfolded.

Particular interest was attached to last night's exhibition, since practically every man who appears in uniform is either a member of the National Guard or Regular Army. The big guns of the facts around New York are shown in action, one of the dreadnoughts is seen firing, a submarine goes through its evolutions and the state militia are out in full force.

The drama of war's terror is based for the most part on Hudson Maxim's book, "Defenseless America," and, like it, carries for a text the necessity of arming the American people to the realization of their weakness in case of invasion by a foreign power.

The picture will be on exhibition at the Heilig all this next week, beginning at 7:15 P. M. The night performances begin at 8:15 o'clock.

STEVENS GETS GOLD BADGE

Firemen's Gift to Marshal Presented by Mayor.

Fire Marshal Jay Stevens received last night from the men in the district his second assistant fire chief a handsome gold badge in recognition of his efficient service and as a Christmas appreciation. Mayor Albee made the presentation and accompanied it with timely talk. Other speakers included Commissioners Baker and Bigelow and members of the Public Safety Commission.

GRIP COSTS MANY LIVES

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more accurate, to relatives of the old-fashioned grip.

Although the epidemic is the most serious since 1891, it is remarkable because in no culture yet examined by the health department has the organism of true la grippe been found.

Isolation of every victim of the epidemic—forcible isolation by employers, if necessary, of every employee who attempts to work while suffering from the grip—was urged today by Dr. Kneib, A. Meyer, superintendent of the Cook County Hospital. He said:

"I believe there are at least 60,000 persons seriously ill with grip in Chicago today. We have from 40 to 50 cases that come to the County Hospital every day. Because of the contagious nature of the disease, we attempt to take in only the most serious cases. The others simply receive first treatment."

PARTY DELEGATES MUST PAY EXPENSES

Aspirants Are Numerous Despite Repeal of Law Allowing \$200 for Conventions.

FILING INQUIRIES MADE

Of Number Allotted to Oregon, Two Will Be Elected From Each of Congressional Districts.

State at Large to Vote Four.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Delegates who may be elected to the different National party conventions for the nomination of Presidential candidates must pay their own expenses in attending the conventions next year, as the old law allowing them \$200 each was repealed by the last Legislature.

That this will not deter aspirants from seeking to represent their respective parties is indicated by inquiries which have been received by Secretary of State O'Leary within the last few weeks from persons seeking information concerning the manner in which they may have their names placed on the primary ballot.

The primary election for selecting the National party delegates from Oregon will be held May 19 next. Candidates will be permitted to file their petitions or declarations of candidacy in the first of the precincts in each of at least seven counties in the state, if the candidate is running in the state at large.

When the delegate chooses to be a candidate from his Congressional district, then his petition must represent electors residing in at least one-fourth of the precincts in each of at least seven counties in the state. If the candidate is running in the state at large, he must represent electors from at least one-fourth of the counties in the district. Not more than 500 signatures are required on any petition, and no fee for filing is charged.

Names Must Represent Electors.

If the aspirant decides to circulate a petition, not less than two per cent of the electors of his political party, based on the vote cast for Representative in Congress by such party, in the state at large or in the district from which he seeks the election, must be obtained on the petition. The names on the petition also must represent electors residing in each of at least one-fourth of the precincts in each of at least seven counties in the state, if the candidate is running in the state at large.

Under the present statute, candidates for delegate must choose whether they will run from the state at large or from the Congressional district in which they happen to reside. Aspirants for delegate now have the option of filing a declaration of their candidacy with the Secretary of State or of filing a petition. The cost of filing declarations is \$15.

SECONDARY STUDY GROWS

Three Hundred Oregon Schools Offer Work Above Eighth Grade.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Three hundred Oregon schools are now offering work above the eighth grade, Superintendent of Public Instruction Churchill announced today. Of this number 44 offer one year of secondary work, 43 offer two years, 24 offer three years and 165 offer four years of high school work.

MR. WEST IS WRONG

Charge That Lincoln Lands Not Assessed Unfounded.

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MARSHES TAXED 6 YEARS

State Commission Says It Is Unable to See Good Reason for Suggestion of Failure to Perform Its Duty.

In its communication replying to Mr. West, the Commission says that it has not performed its full duty in "unable to see any good reason for a suggestion, direct or indirect, that the matter of assessment and taxation of these lands."

MAN WITH PISTOL FELLE

Husband Gives Chase to Caller Attempting to See His Wife.

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MAN WORKS AS HORSE

Animal Drops Dead, Driver Takes Place in Shafts.

COLUMBUS, Ind., Dec. 17.—William Sanford heard there was work in the Shelbyville canning factory. He hitched his horse to a spring wagon, took his wife in the seat beside him, whittled to his dog and started out. Twelve miles from Columbus the horse fell dead. Sanford pulled the carcass to one side

SLAIN WOMAN'S SON JAILED

Alleged Slayer Causes Arrest of Andrew Kuehne.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—According to District Attorney John Irwin, no date for the preliminary hearings of A. Ernest Lawrence and Mr. Mrs. Guy Hunter has as yet been set. Lawrence and the Hunters are being held, charged with the murder of Mrs. Alma Kuehne on her homestead last Monday morning.

As the grand jury reconvenes next Monday, it is likely these cases will go directly to the grand jury without any preliminaries.

Indian Trapping Beaver Fined \$15.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 23.—

(Special.)—Raymond Boone, of Lacamas, bagged nine raccoons while on a hunting trip this week. William Wilson, another hunter residing in Coville County near the Lewis County line, trapped a fine beaver. Game Warden Wynne, of Chehalis, in turn caught Wilson and obtained possession of the hide Wilson, who is an Indian, pleaded guilty to a violation of the game laws before Justice Lotz, of Vader, and was fined \$17.

In the fiscal year ending with June, 20 much better success was achieved in the time of perilling by wireless telegraphy.

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