

SNOW BEGINS TO COVER PORTLAND

Continued Fall and Rises in Temperature Are Predicted by Official Forecaster.

KIDS HOPE FOR SLEIGHING

School Children Pray for One Day of Real Sport Before Returning to Arduous Tasks in Classrooms.

Snow began falling last night at 6 o'clock and fulfilled the prognostications of the official forecaster.

Predictions for today are snow and slight temperature rise. Yesterday's temperatures were slightly higher than the day previous, a minimum of 25 degrees being recorded.

Just enough snow fell early last night to tempt the school children, who were praying for one day of real sport before they have to return to their arduous school tasks.

SOUTH BEND COVERED BY SNOW
Depth Is Three Inches and Entire County Is Affected.

SOUTH BEND, Wash., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Snow began falling here at 11 o'clock today. At 6 o'clock tonight the depth was three inches and snow was still falling. The fall has been general over Pacific County.

Williams Harbor and the county have had the worst rain and wind storm in a quarter of a century, followed by freezing weather and snow.

Mercury at Kelso Drops to 18.

KELOSO, Wash., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Kelso and the adjacent country have been hit by a cold wave which has dropped to 18 degrees on two nights and the ice has become thick enough to permit skating. There has been no snowfall up to the present time in this vicinity, although on the higher levels a few miles back in the hills there has been some snowfall.

Astoria Has First Snow.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Astoria today had her first snowfall in two years. It was little more than a flurry and continued only a short time, but the children were very happy to have a heavy fall before morning.

Aberdeen Sees Real Snow Again.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Half an inch of snow, the first in two years, fell here this afternoon. It is still falling. Last night's temperature was 21 degrees. Coasting is proving a popular attraction with youngsters.

Snow Is Falling at Carlton.

CARLTON, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Carlton today got a white New Year's day if the snowfall, which started this morning, keeps up and the cold weather continues. A fall of one inch had been recorded before the day was over, and it is still snowing.

La Grande Says Cold Snap Broken.

LA GRANDE, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The barometer of the present cold snap is broken, though the good sleighing is not hindered. The thermometer still hovers below normal winter weather.

GRANT LAND TAX HOLDS

DOUGLAS COUNTY WINS SUIT FOR \$125,000 DELINQUENT.

Decision Said to Mean That \$125,000 Can Be Recovered From Oregon & California Companies.

DOUGLAS, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Holding that the acts of the tax-paying officers of Douglas County were regular in every particular, Judge Hamilton today rendered a decision in which he held that the Southern Oregon Company was liable for the payment of delinquent taxes in this county amounting to \$125,000 and covering a term of five years.

Judge Hamilton holds that the tax, being property levied, is a lien against the land, a definite charge, not against the individual owner, but against the land itself.

Under the decision Judge Hamilton is of the opinion that the delinquent taxes will have to be paid. The same ruling would also apply to the delinquent taxes due from the Oregon & California grant lands in this county for the years 1913 and 1914, and totaling \$194,767, although the latter was not a party in the case at issue.

If sustained by the higher courts, this decision means that Douglas County eventually will recover \$349,767 of delinquent taxes from these two corporations. Coos and Lake counties are in a similar situation to recover almost equal amounts each.

The question of taxes was raised on the Southern Oregon Company's demand in the complaint filed by Douglas County in an effort to collect the delinquent taxes. It was maintained by the company's attorney that the tax-paying officers erred in making the assessment and that payment of the taxes should be delayed pending the outcome of suits filed in higher courts.

LANE ROADS RANK HIGH

Percentage Highest in State, Exclusive of Multnomah, Columbia.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Lane County has the highest percentage of surfaced roads of any county in the state, exclusive of Multnomah and Columbia counties, according to the annual report submitted by H. W. Liddy, County Surveyor, today. Columbia county, however, has but 229 miles of county roads, while Lane County has 1247 miles.

In Lane County 1247 miles are surfaced with crushed rock or broken stone, while 432 miles are gravel and 27 miles are plank. A total of 327 miles of surfaced roads.

5 JITNEYS CARY 288,000

In Going 175,000 Miles, 14,000 Gallons of Gasoline Are Used.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Passenger, 244,999; miles, 175,000.

MILK FAME ACUTE

Seriousness of Situation in Germany Is Pictured.

MANY BABIES DEPRIVED

Estimated Supply in Berlin Sufficient Only for Children Up to Four Years Old—Tickets to Obtain It Being Issued.

PHYSICIAN, WHO ALSO WAS IN MINISTRY, DIES AT 64.



Dr. Charles M. Holloper, 64 years old, died yesterday morning at his home, 518 Bowdoin street, as the result of a paralytic stroke in June. He had resided and practiced in Portland since 1895.

Dr. Holloper was born in Wood County, Ohio. There he spent his boyhood and received his early education. He later studied for the ministry and devoted a number of years to the work in Nebraska.

He was prominent in Masonry, being a member of Mount Hood Lodge. Dr. Holloper is survived by his wife, two sons, and two daughters. He was a member of the Portland Board of Health, and was a member of the Oregon Medical Association.

The funeral will be held from Chambers' chapel at 2 o'clock today.

and 1500 passengers a day on the five cars. In the summer we carried between 1500 and 1800 passengers daily.

ENTERPRISE IS RESCUED

HELPLESS GASOLINE SCHOONER IS TOWED TO MARSHFIELD.

Craft Lies Battered by Gale at Sea Three Days, After Anchor Chain Parts and Engine-Room Floods.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Battered about the sea 29 miles from Heceta Head for three days without food or water, the gasoline schooner Enterprise was picked up last night by the steamer Willamette, southbound, and towed to the jetty at Marshfield.

The schooner had suffered no material damage, her engine-room having been flooded and her power connections extinguished. The crew, Captain Parker, Engineer Parker and Deckhand Miller, were out of food and water for two days, but their privations and exposure had not seriously affected them.

The Enterprise was bound for Waldport, and Monday night found her two miles from the jetty. While anchored at night the storm increased to a 75-mile gale, and the anchor chain broke. The engine was started just as the Enterprise entered the first line of shore breakers, and the schooner put out to sea 20 miles. Heavy seas dislodged a ball in the engine-room and extinguished the power.

Half a day will suffice to put the Enterprise in seaworthy condition.

OWL CARS ARE PROMISED

Spokane Companies to Await Ruling by State Commission.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Washington Waterpower & Spokane Traction "owl" cars will continue to run on the present schedule, the last cars on all lines leaving the center of the city at 12:30 A. M.

Both companies today revoked their announcement that the late cars would be discontinued after January 1. The decision to continue the late service is made in view of the complaint to the State Public Service Commission by Commissioner Fassett, made Thursday at the order of the City Council. The present schedule will be continued until the Public Service Commission directs otherwise.

PRICE OF THE OREGONIAN

The price of the Oregonian today, including the news and all special sections, is 5 cents. The postage is 3 cents additional. It may be bought wrapped, stamped, and ready to mail for 10 cents. Say no more. See that it has a PINK wrapper.

TEACHER SUES FOR PAY

Board Says James West Would Have Lowered School Rating.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—James West, an instructor, today sued for \$1200 salary alleged to be due as result of a cancelled contract, against the Oregon City School District. J. E. Hedger, George A. Ward, Oscar D. Eby, Harold A. Bonds and J. O. Staats, the directors, are named as defendants.

If Mr. West had taught, members of the board say, the High School could not have met the requirements of a standard school.

First Mayor of Kelso Is 86.

KELOSO, Wash., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Judge J. G. Jones, for many years past a resident of Kelso, engaged today in the conduct of his business, and the first Mayor of the city, celebrated his eighty-sixth birthday today. Despite his age the Judge is active and spends daily in charge of his store on Front street. He has 50 living descendants, 34 of whom are great-grandchildren.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Seriousness of the milk situation in Germany was outlined in a statement issued by Dr. Edmund von Mach, chairman of the Citizens' Committee for Food Shipments, in commenting upon the tentative refusal of Great Britain to guarantee safe transportation of condensed milk and milk products into Germany and Austria-Hungary.

"It was only after incontrovertible representations of actual milk conditions in the central empire had been made to Secretary of State Lansing that he took up the matter with our Ambassador to England and France," said Dr. von Mach.

Governmental recognition was given to the milk shortage, he declared, by the principal saloons for the last drinks of the pre-drought period, there was much less disorder than might have been expected.

It was a very little leave taking for the saloons. Double shifts of bartenders worked without ceasing to appease the thirst of the multitudes who came to toss off a good-bye drink or two.

Many a galloping headache this morning will testify to nightcaps drunk not wisely, but profusely.

But these headaches are as nothing to what they might have been. Far be it from such!

Some Bars Exhausted Early.

What they might have been can only be judged from the fact that many of the principal saloons had to close as early as 8, 9 and 10 o'clock because munitions were exhausted.

Others had managed to stock up with additional liquors, so-called by courtesy, and compel the remark to see the old year out and go down with colors flying to the end.

The gentle cocktail and other mixed drinks did not survive the night. A thirsty man with a friend or so standing by would fight his way through three lines of intransigent waiters and try to get the bartender's eye.

"Gimme two gin fizzes and a martini cocktail!"

"Sit, your feller, you take beer or straight whisky, or make room for someone else!"

No time to waste mixing cocktails when it was all the bartender could do to juggle the whisky bottle fast enough to meet demands.

At the Lotus, the Waldorf, Stutt & Howland's and other high-class saloons, the electric mixers used in stirring up cocktails and mixed drinks, were taken off the bar before 6 o'clock. After that it was about as much as a man's life was worth to mention cocktails to a bartender.

Price of Flasks Soars.

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business generally, with the consequent large increase in traffic, are giving a better color to the general economic condition of railroads, but at the same time organized labor is threatening them with the fever of labor troubles.

Prosperity Seems Assured.

L. R. Johnson, Norfolk & Western.—The outlook for the coming year is for great activity in business. When the war ends, there will be another period of industrial adjustment, which, however, may be less disturbing to business than that of 1914. The United States should then be of as great service to the nations at peace as to those now at war, and will be called on to serve those which have been debarraded during the war from utilizing our resources.

The period of prosperity seems reasonably assured, and we may look for the successful funding of the larger part of the existing short-term obligations of railroad companies, which it is, of course, most desirable to accomplish.

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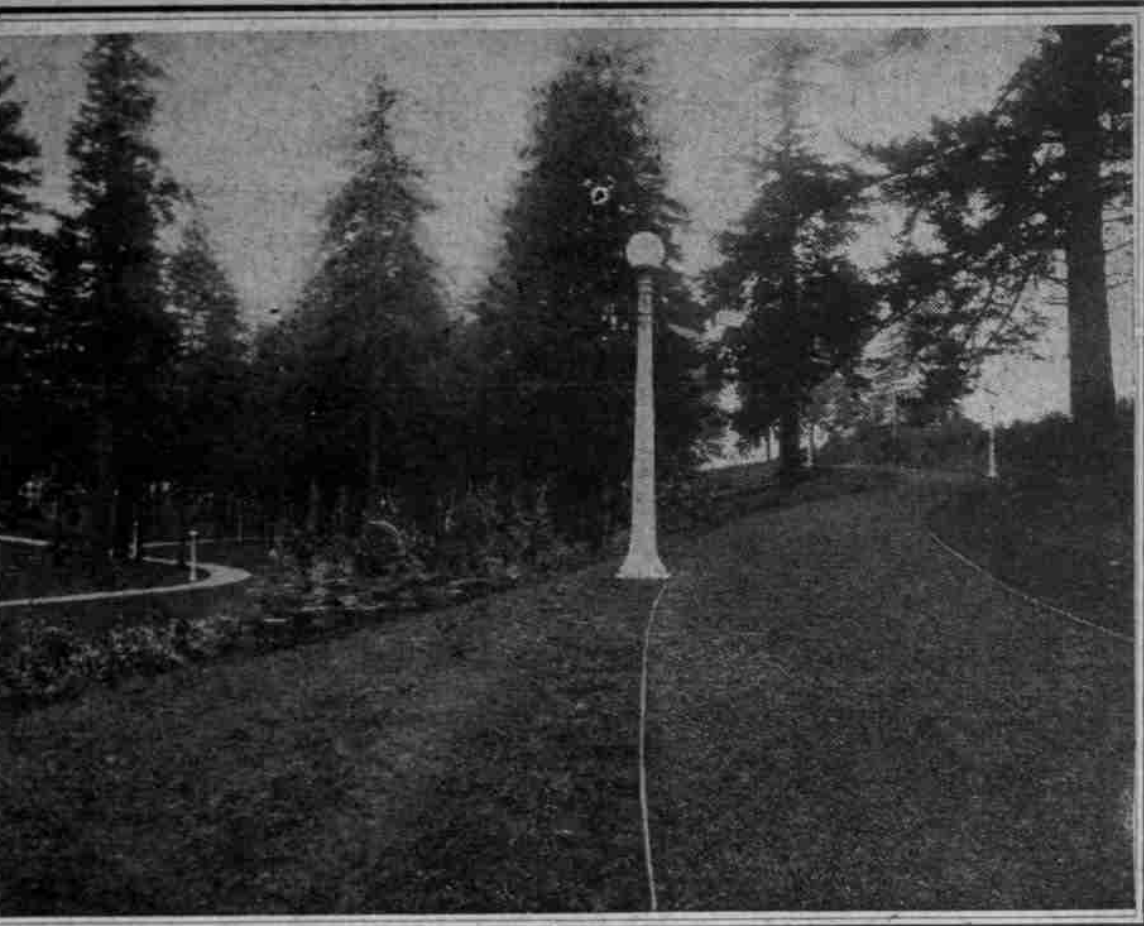
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Nook in Laurelhurst Park

Showing Mayor Albee's Home in the Distance

LAURELHURST PARK is the scenic beauty spot of Portland. It lies in the very heart of Laurelhurst, the addition of beautiful homes, and in the center of the best East Side residence district and is destined always to be the veritable home park of the city.

Nature herself is responsible for the development of LAURELHURST PARK, for Nature provided the gigantic growth of fir trees and ideal contour of ground—affording an opportunity for man almost without effort.

Here thirty-one acres of magnificent woodland and park have been given over for park purposes. Park superintendents, landscape architects, city engineers, landscape gardeners and other experts have been beautifying this delightful spot for the past three years and have made it the show place of Portland.

And now, the city has put an army of men at work installing the crowning feature of this sylvan glade—the beautiful artificial lake originally planned for this park, with accompanying cascades tumbling over a winding course throughout the entire length of the park, giving a perpetual rainbow effect through the rippling waters. This little brooklet will be spanned at intervals by artistic rustic bridges.

Serpentine paths run throughout the park. Along these the view is exquisite—opening up constantly changing sylvan vistas, inviting pedestrians to explore their cool depths.

At irregular intervals vast quantities of plants and shrubs of many sorts have been set out and beds of flowers are growing. Every hillside and terrace has been made an artistic part of a general planting scheme.

Laurelhurst is the most beautifully lighted park in the city, and at night resembles a veritable fairland. To thoroughly appreciate the park, you should visit it during the evening.

Every homesite located in Laurelhurst in the immediate vicinity of this glorious haven of woodland and park is sure to increase in value many times over during the next two or three years.

That this fact is realized by shrewd buyers is evidenced by the wonderful building activity now going on in Laurelhurst at this point, where sightly locations can still be purchased of the Laurelhurst Company for extremely low figures, on easy terms, with second-mortgage privileges to responsible parties. If you desire, the Laurelhurst Company will build your home for you at actual cost price and will furnish the money with which to build it.

Nearly are also found some of the most unique and artistic homes ever built in Portland, costing from \$4000 to \$30,000, which, on account of the present low price of labor and materials, are being offered at ridiculously low figures on easy terms.

Won't you let us help you into a home of your own on the border of this scenic oasis? Come in at 270½ Stark street, Main 1503, A 1515, and talk it over with us and let us show you LAURELHURST in our autos without any obligation.

PAUL C. MURPHY, Sales Agent for Laurelhurst.

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