

# CARS AND LIGHTS GRIPPED IN STORM

## Power Company Makes Heroic Fight With All Available Men to Maintain Service.

### NETWORK OF WIRES DOWN

#### Parts of City Will Be Without Electricity for Some Days—Morrison Bridge Sticks—Hall Lines May Resume Today.

The required strenuous effort of the small forces of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company to maintain service on its city railway lines yesterday and to continue its usual service on the street car lines, is a matter of record.

All hands that the company could press into service were used in repairing damaged poles and wires and in maintaining traffic over rail lines that had been blocked by snow.

All the unemployed men who could be recruited were put to work. Clerks and minor officials from the general offices in the Electric building volunteered their services for the outside work. They were put in charge of small crews of laborers engaged in various parts of town in clearing the tracks.

All the regular and substitute linemen in the company were ordered that they could secure from outside sources were put to work repairing broken wires. Their labors were made most difficult, however, by the broken poles that sagged under the weight of heavy icicles suspended both from the wires and from the crossarms of the poles.

It was only by working every man who could be secured every hour of the day that rail service was continued on most of the city lines.

Service on the St. Johns and Mississippi avenue lines was kept open as far north as the Killingsworth avenue until late in the evening.

#### Tangled Network Falls.

Union avenue service was interrupted early in the day when a long row of poles between Almsworth avenue and Portland boulevard snapped, one after another, carrying their burden of ice and snow. The wires, food wires, guy wires and cross-arms all went into the streets. The car tracks became a tangled network of wires.

Fred Cooper, superintendent of the city lines, took personal charge of a crew of men sent to bring order to the confusion. Fact service was restored late in the evening, so that folks living on and beyond Alberta street were able to go home.

Some service was maintained in irregular operation throughout most of the day. Some trouble was experienced on the Portland Heights.

The Rose City Park line was open from East Seventy-second street west until about 3 o'clock in the afternoon, when service was suspended east of East Twenty-eighth street. The Morrison bridge after 12:45 yesterday afternoon, when the bridge stuck, after it had been opened to permit a boat to pass. The boat was closed just far enough, though, to enable people to walk over it. Cars were then operated from East Water and East Morrison streets to the east side of the bridge on the Mount Tabor line, and to East Twenty-eighth and East Gilliam on the Montaville line.

#### Household Lines in Trouble.

The household lines that cross the Hawthorne bridge were in bad shape nearly all the day. The Hawthorne avenue line was open to East Fifth street until late in the evening. The Richmond line was all right, but the Richmond, Woodstock and Mount Scott lines could not run, except for a short period in the morning.

The Irvington cars were running early in the evening.

The difficulty on the rail lines was accentuated by the frequent interruptions in the transmission wires that kept large forces of men, that otherwise might have been engaged in track repair work, busy attending to the lines to light and power wires.

The East Sixtieth-street substation was put out of commission yesterday afternoon, depriving a large territory, Montaville, of power. The trouble in this instance was caused by ice hanging from the main-line poles leading in either direction from the station were broken squarely off at the ground.

Officials of the company said last night that it may be a week or 10 days before this service can be restored. Meanwhile all residents of this district, who extend from the main-line poles to Sandy road, and from East Thirty-fourth street to the city limits, will be without electric service.

#### Columbia Station Out.

The Columbia station that serves the Northwest Portland district and the City of Vancouver, Wash., also was demoralized last night, and that portion of the city may be without service for a few days.

Late last night the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company started men out to walk the lines that have been damaged by the storm. The men will survey the situation the best they can and then report to the company. Instant repairs will be made where possible.

Telephone wires almost invariably went down with the electric wires, so it was impossible to get in touch with the utility district in the usual manner. Automobiles were unable to break through.

Attempts will be made to restore service on most of the streetcar lines today.

The troubles of the streetcar crews have been augmented by the use of automobiles and automobiles stuck in the streets. Frequently, when the cars would come along and cut a way through the snow, a big truck would follow and spread the slush and snow over the tracks again, sometimes packing it down hard, where it was frozen into solid cakes of ice that could be removed only by sticks and shovels.

A big force of men was engaged in pouring salt onto the tracks in an endeavor to melt the snow and ice. Nearly 100 tons of salt has been consumed in this service since the present period of cold weather set in.

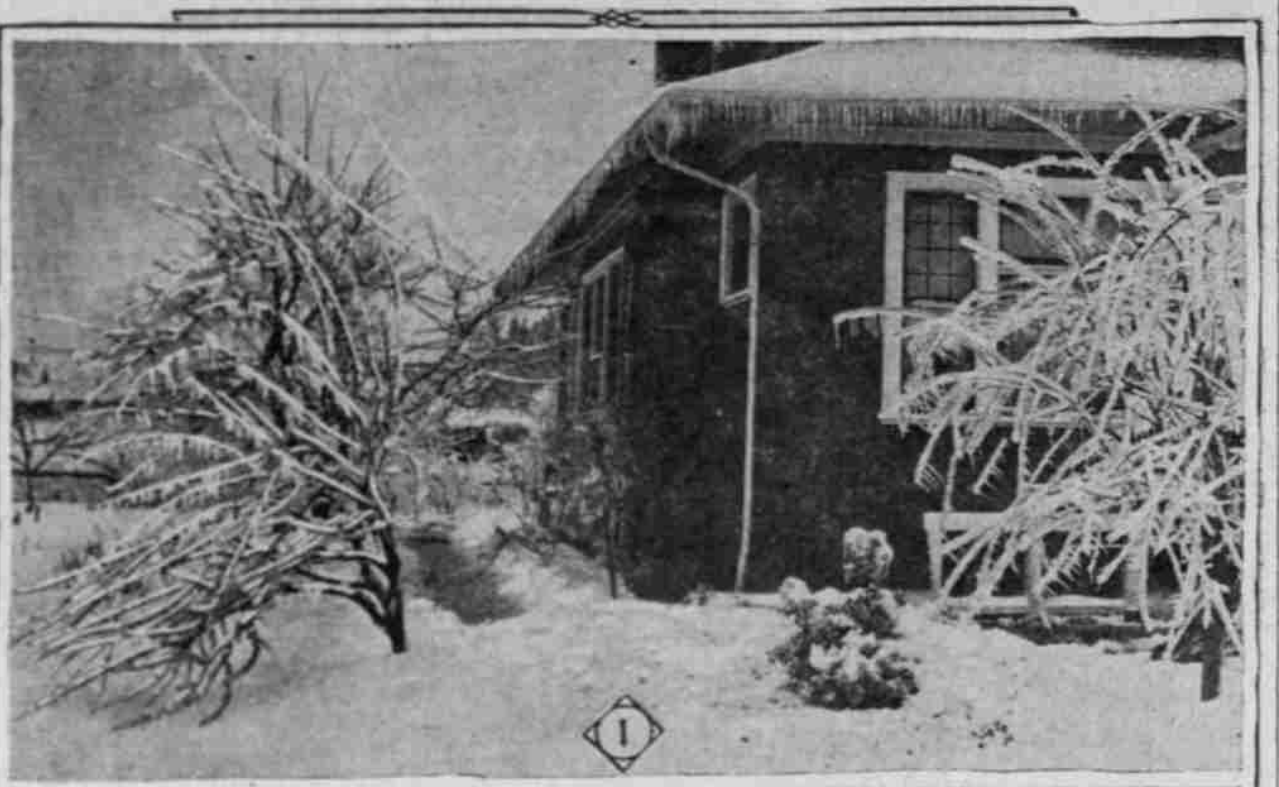
#### Newport Club Holds Outings.

NEWPORT, Or., Feb. 2.—(Special.)—During this last snowfall the Newport Country Club has been making a business of trying out the country on the many hillsides adjacent to this city. The members take along on their trips the cotteage and plenty of eatables and are enjoying the utmost what in this section is a most unusual sport.

#### Rose City Party Postponed.

The party of the Rose City Dancing Club, which was to be given tonight at Christmas Hall, has been postponed until Tuesday evening, February 8.—Ad.

## OREGONIAN PHOTOGRAPHER'S PICTURES SHOW HOW STORM HAS DESTROYED PROPERTY IN THE RESIDENCE DISTRICT.



(1) HOME OF A. G. FAUST, AT EAST THIRTY-NINTH AND FRANCIS. (2) SCENE AT EAST SEVENTH AND DAVIS STREET.

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## MR. DALY GETS BUSY

### Criticism Spurs Official to Send Out Snow Crews.

## 2000 MEN FIND WORK

### Unemployed Used by City and by Corporations to Remove Slush That Still Fills Streets. Auto Trucks at Work.

## ICE-LADEN AERIALS FALL AND OUT-OF-TOWN SERVICE IS PRACTICALLY CUT OFF.

### STORM FELS MANY POLES

## Y. M. C. A. WIRELESS STATION WIRES ARE RESTORED—CREWS ARE KEPT AT WORK REPAIRING DAMAGE, BUT ARE HINDERED.

All telegraph and telephone companies in and near the city have been hard hit by the storm that bears the earmarks of being the worst that has ever visited the city.

All day yesterday telegraph service through the Western Union, Federal and Postal lines were subject to more or less delay and late in the afternoon the Postal lines out of the city were all subject to heavy delay. The service over the Postal lines had, according to the Portland manager, been all right south and east but after 4:30 P. M. the lines were practically paralyzed.

Yesterday afternoon the statement was made by W. A. Robb, district manager of the Western Union, that the lines between here and Seattle had been operated with a delay of five hours. The same delay affected all points in Washington north of Portland and to most of the points between Spokane and Seattle.

Washington Points Heard.

To Spokane and Eastern Washington and the principal points along the line of the O. W. R. & N. the service was reported to be undisturbed.

The eastbound business was handled through San Francisco and was moving in fairly good order. Over to trouble in the neighborhood of Pendleton, the direct Chicago wire was out of commission and the Eastern business moved at a delay as a result of the indirect route which it was handled.

Astoria was cut off from the Western Union service early yesterday owing to the fact that 18 poles of the company's lines fell in the vicinity of Linton. Business that went through that particular service line, a line that served towns in Southwest Washington, was delayed considerably.

Ice-Laden Wireless Aerials Fall.

The 220-foot towers of the Federal wireless station at Lents were stripped of their aerials early in the day, and the Federal company is without a station. A heavy coating of ice caused the wires to fall.

The Federal company is receiving aerial messages from San Francisco at the station in the Board of Trade building, but owing to the high tension necessary for the transmission of messages, sending station cannot be maintained at the downtown offices.

The telegraph service of the Federal company was entirely eliminated early in the afternoon.

Weights Breaks Radio Aerials.

Radio plants all over the city were damaged by the silver thaw and storm, aerials dropping across buildings under the weight of ice on the wires.

The aerials of the powerful Y. M. C. A. plant dropped within three feet of the Broadway trolley wires, but was replaced last night, and the station was operated by the Northwest Electric Company to conduct its business with the White Salmon generating plant. The Northwestern Electric radio was out of commission because of the storm. In dropping, some of the wires set small fires in the homes of the amateur operators, but no damage was done.

Many Wire-Bearing Poles Down.

Practically 1000 private telephones in the system of the Home Telephone & Telegraph Company were put out of commission yesterday, most of the damage being done by branches of trees falling across house drops and cutting off the service.

Only one serious injury has been dealt by the storm to the Home Company, six blocks of fallen poles on Union avenue from Killingsworth and Almsworth avenues putting many telephones out of commission. The Lents district also suffered severely.

Progress in repairing the damage done by the storm is exceedingly slow, according to J. E. M. M. M. M., secretary-treasurer of the Home Telephone Company. He said that the company had 75 men working yesterday, but as there was a shortage of wires and the poles and as there was so much snow on the ground, the work of both repairing and setting the new material where it was needed was unusually slow. The company's men are doing what they can, however, to relieve the condition.

About 2000 Phones Not in Use.

Approximately 2000 of the subscribers of the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph Company are without the use of their telephones this morning. No big damage has been done by falling poles, most of the damage resulting from the breaking of house drops.

The most serious difficulty experienced by this company came as the result of the falling of a line of poles belonging to the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company across the pole lead of the Oregon City line, the accident occurring at the Waverly golf links.

The statement of Fred Spoel, manager of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company, is to the effect that there are about 100 men engaged in repair work and that, barring further difficulty, the expectation is that the interruption of service will be of short duration.

All telephone and telegraph lines seem to be disabled more in the east- and southern portions of the storm-stricken district than in any other portions. There is little trouble on lines beyond Milwaukie on the east side of the river and beyond Oswego where there is practically no sign of silver thaw.

East along the Columbia River the lines are bad and just how far the trouble extends has not been ascertained.

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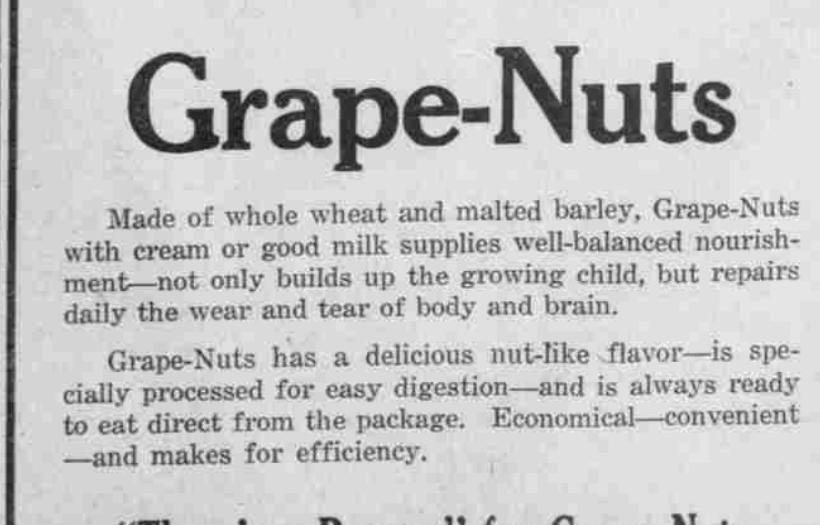
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