

DAMAGE BY FLOOD HELD BY FLOOD

Forecast for Crest of Freshet, Which Is Expected Today, Is Given as 20.2 Feet.

OREGON CITY LOCKS CLOSE

Sharp Rise, Due to Heavy Rains, Finds Some Companies Unprepared, but Goods Shifted to Upper Levels Without Loss.

Increasing its depth only four-tenths of a foot between 8 A. M. and 5 P. M. yesterday, as shown by the Morrison-street bridge gauge, when the weather bureau obtains river readings, the Willamette River is believed to have attained almost its maximum height for the present freshet.

The weather bureau forecast is that the stream will reach 20.2 feet above zero today. At 5 o'clock yesterday it was 12.3 feet. The water being in its present running yesterday that both the river fleet, but in the main the loss resulting from the high water was comparatively slight.

The Oregon City locks were closed Sunday night, the water being too high to permit operation longer, and the Yellow Stack steamers Pomona and Grahama were caught above the locks, the water being too high to permit operation longer, and the Yellow Stack steamers Pomona and Grahama were caught above the locks.

In the steamboat dock some offices and freight were mostly shifted Saturday afternoon, but in the lower part of the harbor where deepwater vessels berth it was not thought the water would be lower levels, so the situation yesterday was being held.

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Three conveyors, an electric ramp and 140 horse power were used in shifting it to the upper dock, while the steamer Bailey Gatzert was obtained in which to store about 200 tons, and the steamer Annie Coleman transferred two loads to Municipal Dock No. 1.

At 5 o'clock yesterday there was two feet of water on lower Ainsworth dock, and Fred Wright, chief clerk, who was on duty until midnight Sunday, said he had never seen the river gain so rapidly as it did during the preceding 24 hours.

Because of the amount of cargo on upper Ainsworth dock, the steamer Bear, the only one of the Columbia line ports, will berth at Municipal Dock No. 1 to discharge her inward cargo and to load freight transferred there, but she will sail from Ainsworth dock, as usual, Saturday. W. D. Wells, agent of the fleet, has made arrangements to handle the Bear so she will leave on time.

Fine weather is expected to end the freshet, weather bureau officials saying that the rain has been largely local.

SHANGHAI CARGO VALUABLE

Bankoku Maru Takes 4 Million Feet of Lumber, With General Freight.

As she has taken full lumber cargoes here in the past while in the service of the China Export and Import Company, the present load of the Japanese steamer Bankoku Maru, cleared yesterday for Shanghai, is the most valuable cargo ever shipped from Puget Sound to Vladivostok.

She has 3,700,000 feet of rough green lumber and 200,000 feet of flooring, the material being worth \$37,000, while there is a shipment of close to 800,000 pounds of steel bars, also iron bars, automobile tires, sawmill machinery, groceries, shoes, and a complete outfit of similar equipment, the cargo valued from the lumber totaling about 1500 tons.

The vessel is making her farewell voyage from here under her present engagement, as she has been rechartered to Frank Yarnall, who is to operate between Puget Sound and Vladivostok. She is expected to be shifted through the bridges from Inman-Poulsen's today.

LAUNCH ADRIET IN FRESHET

High Water Does Not Add Materially to Burden of Harbor Control.

Echo is the name of a small launch recovered early yesterday by the harbor patrol from the freshet waters of the Willamette. It was located here soon after daybreak in the lower harbor below the bridges, and it was towed to the station.

Other than submerged logs and snags the harbor patrol has not been called on for extra duty as a result of the high water, though the station watches have been "standing by" continuously to care for emergency work. In the main many household owners are said to be negligent about looking after their property, and the harbor force says that often damage could be averted if owners would attend to mooring lines on houseboats and launches.

TWIN CITIES' CARGO SOLD

Barges Towed to Scene and Work of Raising Vessel Begins.

Wheat, forming the cargo of the sternwheel steamer Twin Cities, which struck an submerged log and was wrecked in North Bend harbor Saturday night, was disposed of yesterday by the insurance interests to a brokerage firm here. The vessel is expected to be salvaged, which will be above water, which will be in a day or two.

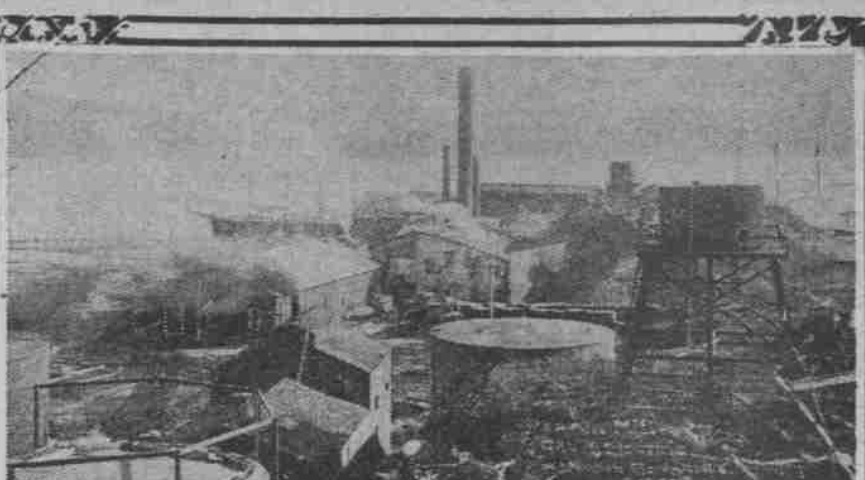
The work of raising the Twin Cities was begun yesterday. Barges of the Diamond O fleet and the steamer Vulcan were sent to land here. The Dalles Columbia line, in charge of operations.

HOUSER LOADED LOST TRAMP

Fenay Bridge Dispatched From Philadelphia Early in March.

More Northwest wheat went into Neptun's lockers with the sinking of the British steamer Fenay Bridge, reported from London in dispatches printed yesterday. She was dispatched from Philadelphia March 5 by M. H. Houser, of this city, and, like other

MILL AT NORTH BEND IS ONE OF MOST MODERN ON COAST.



PORTER PLANT AND STEAM SCHOONER A. M. SIMPSON.

NORTH BEND, Or., March 27.—(Special).—The Porter sawmill, included in the purchase by the Buehner syndicate of the Simpson Lumber Company holdings in this city and about the county, is one of the most modern mills in the Coast section, and although a small enterprise, is capable of turning out 100,000 feet of lumber daily. The mill furnishes fuel for the Oregon Power auxiliary power plant.

The Oregon Power plant has been burned down twice within the past 18 months by fire ignited from sparks flying from the Porter mill burner. The Kruse & Banks shipyard is just south of the mill, and the Buehner waterfront extends north and south from this point, a distance of 2300 feet in total. The saw and door factory is a quarter of a mile north of the mill.

As also was the only carrier sunk of 15 sent away so far this month from Atlantic ports with cereal, the percentage of loss is not viewed as heavy through the German submarine activity. Mr. Houser has one more vessel on the way here, the British bark Inverness, from St. Nazaire, and she is counted on to reach the river between April 1 and 15, while he has the Holt Hill, a fully laden, and waiting to complete her crew.

HOLT HILL LACKS SAILORS

Former Members Refuse Free Outfit and Think "Trick" Is Practiced.

Captain Frederickson, of the British bark Holt Hill, which is delayed here waiting to sign a crew, reported to the Chamber of Commerce yesterday that he had made personal efforts to obtain sailors in addition to having offered to sign with Shillington, or Grant, but that they were far from successful.

The master of the ship said he met two of his old crew yesterday, men who were in the ship when she arrived from Melbourne, and they explained to him the "trick" which was the "trick," it being beyond his comprehension that a skipper would be willing to make such purchases.

SEATTLE, March 27.—The American-Hawaiian liner Honolulu sailed for Vladivostok today with general merchandise valued at more than \$5,000,000 loaded at Tacoma and Seattle, the most valuable cargo ever shipped from Puget Sound to Vladivostok.

NEWS FROM NORTHWEST PORTS.

ASTORIA, Or., March 27.—(Special).—The halibut fishing steamer New England and Star, which have been in the harbor during the recent storm, left today for the banks off the mouth of the river. Carrying a cargo of lumber from Linton, the schooner E. B. Jackson sailed today for Bombay, India.

The tugboat Mark Buncham sailed today for Europe with a cargo of grain from Portland. She was towed to sea by the tugboat.

The gasoline launch Phoenix cleared today for Seattle. The latter vessel, with the Phoenix No. 2, she will tow a barge north from Seattle.

The Italian steamer Georgian arrived from San Francisco en route to Seattle. After discharging fuel oil at Astoria and Portland the tank steamer Olean sailed today for Seattle.

The steamer Schasta and Tamalpais are due tonight from San Francisco. The steamer Carmel and Svea arrived this morning. The former is loading at the American Mill and the latter at the Wilson Mill. The Svea brought up a cargo of general merchandise and produce from the south.

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COOS BAY, March 27.—(Special).—The steamer Breakwater sailed for Eureka and Astoria, and the steamer Columbia sailed for Astoria and Portland. The steamer Tullamook, delayed at Astoria, will leave today for Portland with freight from Portland.

The steamer schooner Speedy chartered for transportation by A. Smith, entered port this morning and is shipping her cargo. The steamer schooner Speedy probably will sail for San Diego before morning. The steamer schooner Speedy, however, the lower bay by rough water, is expected to get to sea soon.

The tanker Whittier was reported off the bar this afternoon, having been waiting for a pilot since yesterday at 2 o'clock. The steamer schooner Hogue and Olympic arrived from San Francisco. The steamer schooner Hogue and Olympic from San Francisco, and the Olympic from San Pedro. The Hogue and Olympic are carrying a cargo of lumber for San Pedro.

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PROMISE TO MARRY DENIED

Rich Pittsburg Recluse Answers Woman's \$500,000 Suit.

PITTSBURG, March 19.—Henry Deniston, millionaire recluse, today filed his answer to the \$500,000 breach of promise suit brought against him by Miss Nettie M. Richardson, a distant relative. Deniston denies that he promised to marry Miss Richardson on July 31 last, and he would marry her "within a month" at that time. He even answered her letters. Her calls on him "annoyed" him, Denison said in his answer.

CATS, DOGS, COYOTES FIGHT

Casualties for All Combatants When Ranger Plays Peacemaker.

WINNEMUCCA, Cal., March 29.—The San Diego forest ranger, who has added to the list of places where rabid coyotes have appeared. The animal appeared on the premises of a ranch, the forest ranger, and attacked two dogs. Several men killed the coyote, the two dogs and half a dozen sheep. The coyote was in convulsions when shot.

King Peter of Serbia is an ardent admirer of the cinematograph, and had a special built cinema theater in his palace grounds before he was banished. A considerable time enjoying the next time.

RUSSIAN CARGOES LARGE

President Farrell Goes North Probably for Ships.

Portland Docks Loaded With Shipments So Cars Could Be Returned, Likely to Be Reloaded Here for Eastern Transport.

Diverting part of the Puget Sound-Vladivostok fleet to Portland so as to load Russian war supplies now held on docks here is a plan under consideration to be under serious consideration.

It was reported along the waterfront a few days ago that railroad interests were seeking space other than on the docks of the waterfront, or elsewhere, so that cars now on the way from the East could be routed to Portland and discharged, rather than be hauled to Puget Sound and remain on tidings there until space was available on docks for the freight.

The departure last night for Seattle of J. D. Farrell, president of the O. W. R. & N., is thought to have a bearing on the present situation, as Frank Wright, head of the corporation bearing his name at Seattle, at present engaged in the shipment of Russian supplies is also director of the corporation. It is also reported that the company is handling numerous trains across the country with Vladivostok as a terminus.

Because of the congestion which has taken many cars out of service, some of the trains have been sent via Portland and the freight discharged at greater capacity than elsewhere, so the cars might be returned to the freight department again, the Russian shipments to be held until the banks have plenty of money and are not holding it.

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PROSPECTS IN SOUTH GOOD

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his idea. In the American Civil War torpedo shells ignited by electricity were successfully used and from that time forth the torpedo has been employed by nearly all nations.

The present-day torpedo is a very different sort of weapon from the one of half a century ago. It is shaped something like a cigar and is about 23 feet long and 21 inches in diameter. Its weight is heavier than a man's, and its construction costs from \$5000 to double that sum. It is made to travel in a certain direction in a fixed time and to explode when it strikes some solid object, such as a ship's bottom. A torpedo of the largest and most modern type will tear a hole in the stanchion ship even built. The nose or "explosive head" of a torpedo contains the deadly charge of high explosive, trinitrolycogen and gun-cotton being often used.

When the torpedo strikes its target a tremendous detonation follows instantly, driving in both the outer and inner "skins" of a vessel. The hole it makes in a ship's bottom varies in size, but is heavier than a man's, and its rate of speed have to be calculated to a nicety before the torpedo is discharged. It is kept to its destined course by perpendicular runners in its tail. The modern "dirigible" torpedo was first used in a naval war during the Russo-Japanese revolution of a quarter of a century ago.

American Beauty to Wed Norwegian. LONDON, March 23.—Another international wedding of note will take place here soon with a beautiful American woman as the bride when Mrs. Alice von Andre marries Baron F. H. H. Wedel, an American Minister to France. Mrs. Andre is the sister-in-law of ex-Senator Chauncey M. Depew and the widow of a wealthy German who lived in Paris. Her husband died in 1911. During her residence in the French capital she met Baron Wedel, a Danish nobleman, probably the foremost of Scandinavian diplomats.

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