

SPRING FLEES AS SNOW CHILLS CITY

Five Inches Slow Traffic in Portland and Forces Pedestrians to Be Wary.

YOUTH COASTS ON HILLS

Slides Are Brought Out Early by Children and Real Winter Fun Starts—Groundhog to Forecast Future Weather Today.

All yesterday morning the clouds "washed their garments" in snow which is to say that Portland tucked up its overcoat collar and waded to work and play through about five inches of sure-enough snow, the first of the season.

Unsheltered shipyards were forced to discontinue work during the forenoon, with only machine shops and covered yards in operation. By noon most of the workmen were enabled to return to their accustomed tasks.

The small boy, and his little sister as well, made the most of it. With green grass growing all around, and the fruit trees swelling ambitiously but a few short days before, the stranger in the city would have wondered that slides were unknown vehicles of juvenile transportation in the City of Roses.

But the streets denied the assumption yesterday, when Portland children hunted hills for coasting, and told one another on many strange varieties of the genus sled or sledge. They did not overlook the fact, either, that snow is adapted to the spheroidal form and can be hurled with pleasing results—for all save the target.

Silver Thaw Unlikely. The Street-Cleaning Bureau turned to work at an early hour and crosswalks and sidewalks felt the scrape of shovel and plow again. There was some talk of the silver-thaw danger, as the snow altered to a light drizzle, but the weatherman says that chances for this unpleasant demonstration of old King Winter are slight, indeed.

The weatherman says that today will be warmer, entering with a temperature between 33 and 34 degrees, and featuring a light snow, and that probably will change to rain as the day progresses.

Which is interesting, inasmuch as today is famed in American lore as "groundhog day." If the astute animal see his shadow as he emerges for a slant at the weather, he is said to retire hastily to sleep away six weeks more of winter.

To the contrary, if the day be cloudy, as Weatherman Wells assures us, the groundhog will hop-scotch about in lively manner, nibbling a little early grass and remain with us—serene in his inflexible instinct that the weather will be fine henceforth.

ASTORIA HAS FIRST SNOWFALL

Rainfall During Last 17 Days in January Totalled 6.11 Inches. ASTORIA, Or., Feb. 1.—(Special)—Astoria had the first snow of the present winter today. This morning the ground was covered to a depth of about half-an-inch. The temperature was warmer by five degrees than yesterday and the greater portion of the snow disappeared.

MERCURY DROP AT LA GRANDE

Ten to 20 Below Zero Weather Experienced in Union. LA GRANDE, Or., Feb. 1.—(Special)—Trains dragging over the road with difficulty and many hours late, especially from the East, stuck driven to feeding sheds, plumbers suddenly made the most of the hour, and farmers rigging up temporary sleighs summarize the Wintex situation in Union County and surrounding country. The sudden drop of the mercury yesterday morning created considerable inconvenience.

MERCURY RISES AT PENDLETON

Farmers and Stockmen Rejoice Over Light Fall of Snow. PENDLETON, Or., Feb. 1.—(Special)—Pendleton today enjoyed a relief from the near-zero weather of Thursday, with a rise of ten degrees in the temperature. Late this afternoon the snow, which so far in the present storm has missed Pendleton, started to fall. Farmers who have been hoping for a blanket of snow to protect their wheat and stockmen who have been worrying over a possible shortage of water in the hills next summer are rejoicing over the weather.

BAKER WEATHER MODERATES

Cold Snap of Short Duration, Temperature Up to 33 Above. BAKER, Or., Feb. 1.—(Special)—The intense cold snap in the Baker Valley

DID PORTLAND YOUNGSTERS STAY INDOORS WHEN THE FIRST SNOW FELL? WELL, SCARCELY!



1—Taking Turns. 2—The Warrior Face of One Who Attended a Snow Fight. 3—Two Girls Who Wish It Would Snow Often.

FARMERS WELCOME SNOWFALL

Blanket on Ground Will Protect Wheat from Frost. WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 1.—(Special)—Though the mercury was still low, snow started falling this afternoon, and indications were for a heavy blanket by morning. The snow is welcomed by the farmers, who say that it will do the wheat much good. In addition to protecting it from any lowering of the temperature it will add moisture.

TEMPERATURE RISES AT ALBANY

ALBANY, Or., Feb. 1.—(Special)—Albany's first snowfall of the winter came early this morning. An inch of snow fell. A heavy rain soon followed, and the ground was clear of snow by noon. A heavy snowfall is reported in the mountains of this section of the state. The minimum temperature here last night was 25 degrees above. This was four degrees higher than that of much of the winter here.

HOOD RIVER WELCOMES SNOW

HOOD RIVER, Or., Feb. 1.—(Special)—No snow previous was ever more welcome than the five-inch blanket that covers mid-Columbia strawberry districts today, relieving growers from fear of damage by the sudden freeze following uninterrupted Spring-like weather since last fall. The snow's depth increases with altitude and promises of a water famine for the Hood River irrigation system this summer are vanishing.

FALL IN CASCADES HEAVY

HOOD RIVER, Or., Feb. 1.—(Special)—A heavy snow in the Cascades to the northwest of Mount Hood will hamper the Oregon Lumber Company's crews, who began work the first of the week. Onwardists, who feared a shortage of water the coming season because of lack of snow in the mountains, are hopeful.

SNOW WELCOMED BY FARMERS

McMENVILLE, Or., Feb. 1.—(Special)—Six inches of snow, which fell here last night and today, has relieved the anxiety of farmers regarding the wheat crop. Fall-sown grain has been thriving in this vicinity and there was danger from freezing and thawing. The snow, the first of the season, will afford the wheat ample protection.

SHIPPERS CLOSED BY SNOW STORM

ABERDEEN, Wash., Feb. 1.—(Special)—Harbor shippers were forced to close today as the result of a two-inch fall of snow last night, which quickly turned into slippery slush and made work about the ships dangerous. Rain fell during the afternoon, and the cold spell appears broken.

SNOWFALL AT EUGENE LIGHT

EUGENE, Or., Feb. 1.—(Special)—There was no snowfall in Eugene today. The weather turned warm during the night and a light rainfall was recorded during the forenoon. The minimum temperature for the winter, 22 degrees, was recorded Wednesday night.

GRANTS PASS SNOWFALL LIGHT

GRANTS PASS, Or., Feb. 1.—(Special)—There was a very faint trace of snow at Grants Pass early this morning, but the tops of the surrounding hills showed a light fall of snow. There was light rain at intervals during the day, but the sun shone much of the time.

CHURCHILL TO RUN

State Superintendent Is Candidate for Re-election. In the thrift campaign and the Junior Red Cross work. "The war is also teaching us the lesson that every person must be intensively trained for the work he intends to do. For this reason schools and all agencies of education must be maintained in order that our young men and women may have the best preparation possible when called upon to serve the Nation."

OREGON SYSTEM APPROVED

Indorsement by United States Bureau of Education Cited—Harmony of Action in Schools One of State's Achievements. SALEM, Or., Feb. 1.—(Special)—Superintendent of Public Instruction J. A. Churchill today made formal announcement of his candidacy for re-election. He will seek nomination on the Republican ticket at the primaries in May.

ENDEAVORERS TO GATHER

Oregon State Convention Opens at Baker, February 15. BAKER, Or., Feb. 1.—(Special)—On February 15 the Oregon State Christian Endeavor convention will begin its sessions in Baker at the Christian Church. The convention will bring about 150 delegates here who will be entertained in the homes of local people.

CHEHALIS-CENTRALIA RATES RAISED

CENTRALIA, Wash., Feb. 1.—(Special)—Following an increase in gas rates in Centralia and Chehalis granted to the North Pacific Public Service Company by the Public Service Commission, the new tariffs of the company were received by the City Commission yesterday. The increase is approximately 15 cents per 1000 cubic feet.

COVE HAS REAL WINTER WEATHER

COVE, Or., Feb. 1.—(Special)—Cove experienced a genuine wintry day and night, January 30 and 31, for the first time since the winter of 1913-17. A six-to-ten-inch snow is covering the rain-saturated grain fields. Cove's combination Fall and Spring weather substitute for winter was so decided during Christmas week, that peach trees on the Otho Eckersley place almost in the center of Cove, were showing color.

ARMY MAY GET SEIZED LIQUOR

YAKIMA, Wash., Feb. 1.—(Special)—A carload of whiskey seized last summer at Ellensburg as contraband, en route from Montana to Seattle, probably will be turned over to the medical department of the Army. It is stored at present in the basement of the Federal building here, in custody of the Federal Court.

TWO FATAL ACCIDENTS REPORTED

SALEM, Or., Feb. 1.—(Special)—Two fatal accidents were reported to the Industrial Accident Commission for the week ending January 31, these being Fred H. Miller, shipbuilder, Portland, and Clarke Correll, logger, Seaside. All told, 412 accidents were reported during the week, of which 550 were subject to the provisions of the act.

FOREST GROVE HAS 6-INCH FALL

FOREST GROVE, Or., Feb. 1.—(Special)—Six inches of snow fell here last night. It was the first of the season.



J. A. Churchill, State School Superintendent, Who Announces His Candidacy for Re-election.

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