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SEVERE STORM DOES LITTLE DAMAGE IN THIS SECTION

EARLY TWO AND ONE-HALF INCHES OF RAIN, HAIL, SLEET AND SNOW AND HEAVY WIND

COOS RIVER RISING VERY RAPIDLY TODAY.

TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE LINES DOWN AND MAIL BADLY DELAYED AS RESULT OF GALE

LOCAL RAINFALL. Yesterday 2.41 inches. For week 6.88 inches. Since Sept. 1 40.38 inches.

The above figures tell the story of the worst weather Coos Bay has known in many a day.

Yesterday was one of the worst days that even the older residents can recall, the rain, cold and wind making it most disagreeable.

Yesterday was not quite a record breaker for local rainfall, although the precipitation for the 24 hours ending at 4:45 o'clock this morning was 2.41 inches. On January 19, 1911, the total rainfall was 4.66 inches.

Today nearly all the wires are down in every direction. Manager Schetter says he has little hope of being able to restore service here and Roseburg for a day or two.

The telephone company's toll lines were all down this morning and they were uncertain when service could be restored.

Last night the electric light wires were threatened by the hard wind.

This morning the gas company offered from the storm and the gas had to be shut off for an hour or two. This caused grief for the times, for it put its linotypes out of commission for quite awhile.

Bad East of Here. While the storm was severe around Coos Bay, it is said to have been very bad east of here.

Manager Schetter of the Western Union says that when the line to Gold's went down last night it was snowing and blowing hard here.

There is considerable snow in the mountains and if it turns warm as the sunshine this morning indicated it had freshets.

Damages Home. The wind broke in one of the large front windows of the A. Z. downs home on South Broadway last evening.

As a result, considerable damage was done. The draperies and curtains were blown down and torn and soaked before temporary window could be substituted.

Boathouse Torn Loose. W. P. Miller's boathouse, the launch Beaver, three other small launches and a few rowboats were torn loose from their moorings at the Railroad dock shortly after supper last night and blown across the bay onto the mudflat.

It was discovered there about 9 o'clock and after an hour or two of hard work, it was brought back, all were safe.

Coos River Rising. The crew on the Rainbow on the Allegany run report a raise of about ten feet in North Coos river, most of it occurring last night.

Herbert Rogers reports that the South Coos River is also rising rapidly. He says that the storm was the most severe that he can remember since 1885.

Many logs are coming out. Tom Coke recalled today that the last few days have been the worst he has experienced on the bay since the storm of 1887 or 1888.

It started January 9 and the wind was much more severe than it was this time. A terrific snowfall closed the old Coos Bay wagon road for three months. Coos Bay not receiving any mail for that time. He said that in the bay, snow piled up nearly 27 feet high.

PEEPING JACK AT EASTPORT

STRANGE INDIVIDUAL APPEARS AT J. E. FITZGERALD HOME AND IS SCARED BY SHOT—NO CLUE TO IDENTITY.

"Jack, the Peeper," who has been bothering Marshfield people for some time has moved to Eastport.

Last night he was discovered at the J. E. Fitzgerald home, but made his get away. Mr. Fitzgerald saw him about fifty yards away and shot in the air to scare him.

Previously he had been prowling around the Fitzgerald house. Marshal Carter has not been able to find any clue as to his identity.

NO MAIL IN TO BAY TODAY

Big Slide East of Sumner Blocks Old Coos Bay Wagon Road.

No mail reached Coos Bay today and it is uncertain when it will get in, the storm having made conditions along the old Coos Bay wagon road the worst they have been in many years.

A big slide occurred a short distance the other side of Sumner late yesterday and the outgoing mail last evening had to return to Sumner and was still there at noon pending the clearing of the slide.

Operator George Carleton was talking with Sitkum this morning for a few minutes and the mail had not reached there then.

The storm east of there was severe, snow and wind and rain causing havoc.

The mail will not reach here even tomorrow.

LAUNCH SINKS WITH CHEESE

C. E. Broadbent Loses 150 Cases When Launch Strikes Snag.

(Special to the Times) COQUILLE, Jan. 18.—The launch Mabel W., loaded with 150 cases of cheese, struck a snag in the river near here yesterday and sunk.

Later she was pulled over on the snag on her side and an effort was made to get the cheese out. Whether it is all damaged and how bad is not known.

The cheese belonged to C. E. Broadbent and was being taken to Bandon for reshipment by steamer.

PETER BLAKE PASSES AWAY

Old Resident of Coos County Succumbs Suddenly to Heart Trouble.

Peter Blake, an old resident of Marshfield, died suddenly at noon today at the home of his niece, Mrs. Wm. Blanchfield, in South Marshfield.

He had not been feeling well for some time and late yesterday complained of a pain in the chest. Mrs. Blanchfield administered to him and he was soon relieved and today arose as usual and ate his breakfast.

About 10 o'clock he complained of not feeling well and went to bed. Mrs. Blanchfield was preparing a warm drink for him to overcome a chill and while she was down stairs he passed away.

Mr. Blake was about 78 years old and had long been a resident of Coos Bay. He had made his home with Mrs. Blanchfield for some time. Besides her, Peter Dolan of Marshfield and Wm. Dolan of Gardiner, nephews, are the only near relatives surviving.

The funeral arrangements have not been made yet.

VICTIMS PAY GIVEN WIDOW

Seeley & Anderson Company to Pay Humphries' Salary to His Family.

(Special to the Times) BANDON, Jan. 18.—Settlement has been reached between Mrs. Humphries, whose husband was killed in the logging train wreck and the Seeley & Anderson Co., whereby Mrs. Humphries receives an amount equal to her husband's wages, \$80 per month, from now until her children become of age.

NORTH BEND HIGH WINS DEBATES

Captures Coos Bay District High School Championship Last Night—Also Won the Honor Last Year.

The North Bend High school last night won the debating championship of the Coos Bay district, its teams being the only ones to win both contests.

North Bend won from Myrtle Point at North Bend and also from Bandon at Bandon.

Marshfield won from Coquille in Marshfield and lost to Myrtle Point at Myrtle Point.

Bandon won from Coquille in Coquille.

Last year North Bend also won the Coos Bay district championship but lost the Southern Oregon championship to Grants Pass.

This year, the North Bend team will have to meet the Southern Oregon championship team before April 1 and debate the question, "Resolved, that the United States should maintain a large navy."

In case North Bend is victorious, she will have to debate with another championship team for the state championship.

Prof. Morris and Messrs. Swartz and Richkopf who represented the Marshfield High school at Myrtle Point were unable to return today noon owing to the flood in the Coquille.

Supt. Raab and George Dewey and Lyle Chapelle who represented North Bend at Bandon passed through here today en route home.

Debate in Marshfield. In spite of the storm the Marshfield-Coquille debate last evening at the High School building was well attended, more than 80 people being present.

The Marshfield team won by a decision of two to one. Mr. Tiedgen, who acted as chairman, in a few introductory remarks stated how the debates were conducted. He said there were five

debating districts of Oregon, of which Coos county is one. There is no restriction as to the number of High schools in each district participating. Each High school participating has two teams, an affirmative and a negative, and all debate on the same question: "Resolved, that immigration to the United States should be further restricted by an educational test."

The Coquille negative team debated last evening with the Marshfield affirmative team. The members of the Coquille team were Miss May Lund and Miss Jamme Lowe. The Marshfield team consisted of Leslie and Chester Isaacson.

The program was opened with a piano solo by Miss Mary Kruse, which was very well rendered and evoked much praise.

Then followed the debate. Leslie Isaacson speaking first, was followed by Miss May Lund. Chester Isaacson and Miss Jamie Lowe spoke, after which the first two had six minutes for rebuttal.

Each debater was allowed fifteen minutes for constructive argument, and the principals were then given six minutes for rebuttal.

The decision was two to one for the affirmative, the judges being E. McDaniels of North Bend, L. F. Falkenstein of North Bend and Thomas Griffith.

At North Bend. At North Bend the Myrtle Point negative team lost to the North Bend affirmative team. There was a fair attendance despite the inclement weather. The North Bend team consisted of Misses Irma Chase and Ruby Watkins while the Myrtle Point team consisted of Miss Dixon and Dora Harrison. Both teams did well. The judges were J. Lee Brown, C. A. Schilbre and Rev. H. J. Rutledge of Marshfield and decided two to one in favor of North Bend. Dr. Stemmler of Myrtle Point accompanied the team to North Bend.

ARRIVE TODAY ON REDONDO

Steamer in Early Today from San Francisco—Will Sail Tuesday Morning.

The Redondo arrived in early this morning from San Francisco with a large cargo and a fair passenger list. In the freight cargo were about 89,000 fire brick for the new pulp mill.

The Redondo will sail Tuesday morning for San Francisco.

Among those arriving on the Redondo were the following: H. E. Bultmann, E. R. Nienstadt, R. R. Disingan, Mrs. Estelle Wiseman, Mrs. John Biasca, John Biasca, A. H. Guerin, C. L. Hooper, R. Montgomery, A. Johansen, C. T. Guerin, W. R. West, M. Wiseman, G. H. Guerin, E. Hagemester, A. V. Carlson, Mrs. A. V. Carlson, Miss E. Carlson, J. R. Stevens, F. Ryan, and 15 steerage.

LEAVE TODAY ON BREAKWATER

Steamship Sails This Morning for Portland With Good List.

The Breakwater sailed at 6 o'clock this morning for Portland. The outgoing passenger list was not large. She had a fair cargo of freight.

Among those sailing on the Breakwater were:

J. R. Anderson, E. Dolan, Ed Allen, L. R. Galt, C. J. Darke, H. V. Wood, J. D. Greenberg, Walter Greenberg, Albi Greenberg, Leslie Greenberg, W. S. Willard, C. W. Eller, Mrs. J. Jones, E. Elven, O. Rannlyk, P. R. Nichols, T. Nelson, V. L. Forsythe, T. Tomson, V. B. Graham, J. F. Woodard, Joe Phillips, Tim Reardon, G. A. Lowland, Mr. Hunt, Mrs. B. Schuyler and infant, H. Boneclet, Mrs. H. Boneclet, O. Appleby, H. Peterson.

TRY TO HASTEN JETTY MATTER

Hugh McLain Will Take Up Project When He Goes to Washington.

When he goes to Washington next Friday as the official Democratic messenger of the Oregon Democratic voters, Hugh McLain will try and do some missionary work for the Port of Coos Bay.

Before leaving he expects to confer with D. C. Green and others of the returning delegation and then determine what to do.

If he finds it advisable, Mr. McLain may try a new means of getting action looking towards the jetty improvement. He may take it up direct with Speaker Champ Clark and endeavor to have a provision inserted for an appropriation of at least \$500,000 to start the work on the jetty.

This might be possible if the bill has not gone to conference and providing Senators Bourne and Chamberlain and Congressman Hawley could be induced to aid such a move.

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COQUILLE RIVER FRESHET IS BAD AT MYRTLE POINT TODAY

RELATIVES DIE NEAR TOGETHER

Former Coquille Residents Are Doubly Bereaved at Oakland, California.

(Special to the Times) COQUILLE, Jan. 18.—Word has been received here of the death of Tommy, the 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Peart.

The little boy died at the parents home at Oakland, California. Death occurred Sunday, January 12. Two days after the receipt of the news of Tommy's death a dispatch was received announcing the death of Miss Etta Dean, Tommy's aunt.

Miss Dean died at the same place on January 14.

GIVE DETAILS OF ACCIDENT

Miss Gwynedde Tower Loses Right Hand and Foot as Result of Accident.

A copy of the Humboldt Times of Eureka, California, giving details of the tragic accident which befell Miss Gwynedde Tower, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morton L. Tower, at Eureka, last Sunday afternoon, was received by I. R. Tower last evening.

The paper confirms the reports of the accident as given in the Times last Monday. It is stated that she survived the operation well and is getting along as well as could be expected.

Just how the accident occurred could not be ascertained. It occurred just before 6 o'clock on E street, between Henderson and Groto, Eureka. The motorman claims that the young woman was lying face downward on the track and did not see her in time to stop the car until it had passed over her.

The street car crew were forbidden to talk by the officials of the company, but as near as the Times could ascertain, she was lying face downward with one arm and one foot across the rail.

The Times stated that she had been subject to fainting spells and it was presumed that she had been overcome while crossing the street en route to her home from a visit with a friend, the daughter of Dr. Wallace. A physician happened to be on the car and he rushed her to the hospital, where the double operation was performed within an hour. The right foot had to be amputated a little above the ankle and the right hand a little above the wrist.

Although horribly crushed she was conscious when picked up and called for Dr. Wallace, the father of her friend. Her parents were greatly shocked by the horrible accident, her father fainting a number of times.

The paper gives a three-column account of the sad accident. It is believed that she will recover all right. When Miss Tower came here last summer from Eureka to visit her grandparents, Major and Mrs. Morton Tower, at Empire, she had been suffering from a severe nervous spell but I. R. Tower stated last evening that he did not know that she was subject to fainting spells. However, she was much improved in health when she left here just before Christmas. She has two sisters, one younger and one older than herself.

That she is recovering will be most gratifying news to the many friends of herself and her family on Coos Bay.

O. A. TROWBRIDGE HEADS WEST SHORE COMPANY OF BANDON—EWING BURIED.

(Special to the Times) BANDON, Jan. 18.—The West Shore Oil Company held their annual meeting here and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, O. A. Trowbridge; vice president, E. M. Gallier; manager, W. H. Button.

Directors—A. McNair, J. W. Haunmerberg and E. Dyer.

News of Bandon. Bandon had a Spring day Thursday, with snow, hail and rain and stinging cold.

The schooner Oregon arrived on Thursday from San Francisco. The steamer Fifield was harbored here Thursday.

The mail did not arrive Thursday. Lewis Ewing, who was drowned, was buried Thursday. The officials here could not locate his folks.

MRS. WM. MOBLEY of the Creamery is a Marshfield visitor today. WALTER WALLACE of Ross Inlet is spending the day in town. G. A. BONEBRAKE of Ross Inlet is in town on business.

MRS. C. H. DUNGAN, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. M. R. Smith, will return home today. JESSE SMITH and son, ENOCH, of South Coos River are town visitors today.

Water Reported to Be Eight Feet Over Wagon Road Bridge Below Town.

TRAINS AND BOATS UNABLE TO GET THERE

Thousands of Logs Floated Out of Broken Booms—Severe Wind.

The Coquille river today is giving evidence of a bad freshet. The river is rising here rapidly and it is difficult to estimate just what extent it will reach.

At Myrtle Point the rise at noon was extraordinary. It was stated that the water was eight feet over the wagon road bridge and that the structure was in danger. The river is full of logs above Coquille, brought out by the freshet and booms being broken. In consequence of the many floating logs, boats are not plying between Coquille and Myrtle Point.

S. D. Harper of Marshfield telephoned F. S. Dow at noon stating that the river was higher there than it had been in a long time. Myrtle Point was completely shut off from Coquille by railroad, launch and wagon road and Mr. Harper and fifteen or sixteen other men figured that they would have to remain there over Sunday. Some estimated that at least 6000 logs were coming down the river.

At Coquille last night, the storm was the worst known in years. Mr. Knowlton, an old resident of Coquille, said he could not recollect such a severe storm. One of the big plate glass windows of the Farmers and Merchants' bank was blown in. Many people who were attending the Bandon-Coquille debate became frightened at the force of the storm and left the hall.

At Bandon, the wind blew a perfect gale and razed all phone lines and did other damage. The freshet had not reached the lower Coquille at noon, but the river was rising rapidly and the many logs and snags threatened to tie up navigation. No mail was received by either Coquille or Bandon today except that from Coos Bay.

Agent Miller, Trammaster, Moore and Engineer Whereart of the local railway left this afternoon for Coquille to try and keep the damage to the local railway to a minimum. This morning's train could not run through to Coquille and it may be a day or two before the trains can get through.

Today there was no means of getting either way between Coquille and Myrtle Point.

GET MEN TO GIVE UP JOB

I. W. W. REPORTED TO HAVE STOPPED MEN EN ROUTE TO RAILROAD CAMP NEAR MYRTLE POINT—APPEAL TO OFFICERS.

Local members of the I. W. W. this morning intercepted about 15 workmen who arrived on the Redondo to go to work for Willett & Burr on the Smith-Powers extension beyond Myrtle Point and succeeded in having about half of them "desert." The men are alleged to have told the newcomers that there was a strike on there and that conditions were bad, etc.

The matter has created quite a stir around town and today it was stated that an appeal would be made to the city authorities to curtail the activities of the I. W. W. in interfering with men this way in the city. They are said to have induced a number of workmen who were brought here on the Nann Smith to stop here instead of going to Myrtle Point to see conditions for themselves.

Mr. Burr of Willett & Burr is now at Myrtle Point looking after affairs. So far, the company has not been impeded much by the trouble said to have been started by the I. W. W.

Creek to Winchester Creek has been increased from 4100 feet to 4600 feet. Porter Bros. will bore the tunnel themselves.

It was stated today here by parties who are in close touch with the railroad situation that the Portland and San Francisco Coast Line company recently incorporated at Portland is a project in which W. J. Wilsey and his backers are interested, although his name does not appear as one of the incorporators. Mr. Wilsey is expected here soon to join J. M. Eddy, who has been on the Bay some time.

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MAKE TUNNEL 500 FT. LONGER

Report That Southern Pacific Changes Grade Near Black Creek Bore.

Parties from Gardiner report that the Southern Pacific has changed the grade on its line between the Umpqua so that the length of the tunnel from Black