

Snow flurries tonight or Tuesday. Not so cold tonight. Southerly winds.



Table listing temperatures for various cities including Portland, Salem, Eugene, and others.

U. S. COURT KILLS 14 HOUR WORK DAY FOR RAILROADERS

Oregon Statute Held to Be in Conflict With Federal Laws and Interstate Commerce Commission Rulings.

O-W. R. & N. IS GIVEN PERMANENT INJUNCTION

Judges Gilbert and Bear Concur in Opinion by Judge Wolverton.

The state legislative act making 14 consecutive hours a maximum day for railroad employes was given a death blow in the United States district court this morning...

The decision was concurred in by Judge Bean and Judge Gilbert, and was based on the contention that the legislative act provisions conflict with the federal statute covering the case...

In their bill of complaint, W. W. Cotton and Arthur C. Spencer, attorneys for the O-W. R. & N. company, said that the company was operating its trains and registering its employes under the provisions of an act of congress on March 4, 1907...

The Oregon legislative act made 14 hours of consecutive work a day for employes of common carriers, except dispatchers and telegraph operators...

The Oregon law imposed a penalty of \$500 for each violation of the act.

Counsel for the railroad contended that the provisions of the act were unreasonable, and that while operating its lines under the provisions of the federal statutes it could not conform to the new state law.

The temporary restraining order was asked for on the grounds that if the law were enforced it would subject the railroad company to daily penalties of thousands of dollars.

U. S. OFFICIALS WHO WERE CASTAWAYS ON ISLAND ARE RESCUED

Men Supposed to Be Drowned When Launch Is Wrecked Picked Up by Cruiser.

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 6.—The cruiser Myer today sent word by wireless to the local immigration office that she had picked up United States Immigration inspectors Gus T. Jones and Dan Kuykendall and Engineer G. Gerolami, who were supposed to have drowned when the immigration launch Elizabeth was wrecked off the Lower California coast on Saturday night's storm...

Few particulars are contained in the wireless message, but Andrea Basile, assistant engineer, who left the Coronado Islands on the disabled launch in the hope of reaching this harbor to procure aid for his marooned companions, is thought to have drowned when the craft went to pieces near Point of Rocks, five miles below the Mexican line.

SUPT. HALE GOES ON CARPET; SMITH TO GO THERE, TOO

Governor Tries to Force Hand of State Treasurer Kay in Reform School Controversy, Lively Session Resulting.

OFFICIAL INVESTIGATION TO BE HELD NEXT FRIDAY

Governor, Friend of Hale, Includes Dr. Frank Smith, Friend of Kay.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.) Salem, Or., Jan. 6.—Affairs at the state training school, which have been in the limelight lately, due to allegations that Superintendent Will S. Hale had purchased a bad lot of 14 dairy cows at \$100 each without authority from the state board, and that conditions were generally bad at the institution, took a sensational turn today when Governor West staged an investigation and then called in State Treasurer Kay, who refused to participate on the ground it was not official. Kay objected because of the absence of Secretary of State Ben W. Olcott, who is in Pendleton.

Then it was decided to hold an official investigation next Friday and Governor West sprung another sensation by including in this investigation the conduct of Dr. Frank Smith, superintendent of the institution for feeble minded.

"Both at Once," Says West. When Kay asked the governor whether he intended to hold both investigations at the same time, the governor replied that it would be better to hold them "all together so as to make comparisons."

It was through Kay's recommendation that the board appointed Dr. Smith, Governor West would not say what the charges were that had come to him against Dr. Smith, but in the motion he made to have the legislature make an investigation of both institutions, he mentioned "conduct." So it may be presumed that the allegations will deal with Dr. Smith's personal conduct.

At the hearing today were Superintendent Hale, Dr. Cornack, veterinarian, who was called when one of the cows died; Father Moore, Catholic priest, who holds services at the institution, and Ralph Watson, the governor's secretary.

FORESEE ESPEE PLAN TO GARNER CENTRAL CALIFORNIA TRACTION

Paul Shoup Confers With the Owners of Stockton, Sacramento and Lodi Systems.

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, Jan. 6.—As a forerunner of possible absorption of many electric lines in northern and central California, the purchase by the Southern Pacific company of the Central California Traction company in Fresno today, following a conference in Stockton between Paul Shoup, head of the Southern Pacific electric lines, and the owners of the Central California corporation.

SUPREME COURT TURNS DOWN HARRIMAN PLAN FOR REORGANIZATION

Proposal to Distribute Southern Pacific Stock to Union Pacific Owners Not O. K'd.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Jan. 6.—In a decision handed down today the United States supreme court refused to sanction the proposed plan of distribution of Southern Pacific stock to the stockholders of the Union Pacific railway. The plan was proposed by the Harriman lines in compliance with the recent supreme court decision declaring illegal the merger between the two corporations.

ZERO DAY STRIKES NUMEROUS CITIES EAST OF CASCADES

Lowest Reported Temperature in Oregon Is at Kamela, Where Altitude Sends Mercury to 40 Below.

ENTERPRISE HAS 20, LA GRANDE 9, BELOW

Palouse, Walla Walla, Eastern Oregon Wheat Districts Say No Damage.

(Special to The Journal.) La Grande, Or., Jan. 6.—From very moderate weather Saturday afternoon the mercury has been dropped rapidly in Union county until this morning just before daylight the mark of 3 degrees below zero was set. It was 9 o'clock before the government weather observer reported above zero weather and it is doubtful if the mercury will get up to 15 above today. Indications for the hardest freezing weather in several years prevail. Already hundreds of water pipes are burst and plumbers are entirely unable to cope with the situation and heavy frost is a night. Absolute lack of wind, however, relieves the situation immensely locally. Forty below at Kamela, the highest O-W. station, was reported this morning.

Helvetia Cutoff Grading Stops. (Special to The Journal.) Oreno, Or., Jan. 6.—Cold weather has put a stop to grading on the light of way for the new electric line to connect the Oregon Electric and United Railways between here and Helvetia. The grading gang, east of town, has been discharged. All the weather moderates. There are two fills to be made, one a

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'YOU'RE INCOMPETENT,' SAYS SEN. ASHURST TO SECRETARY FISHER

Arizona Solon Criticizes Cabinet Officer; "An Insult," Replies the Secretary.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 6.—Senator Ashurst of Arizona called on Secretary of the Interior Fisher to protest against a ruling that overturned previous rulings of the department of 30 years standing. After asking Secretary Fisher a number of questions, Senator Ashurst, smiling blandly and in good humor, told him plainly but certainly he was incompetent for his position.

"Why," exclaimed Secretary Fisher after he got his breath, "that is an insult to a cabinet officer."

"Not at all," retorted the Arizona senator, "I am only speaking the truth. You admit by what you have told me that you know nothing of the conditions in the mining states; that you know nothing of mining law and that you never tried a mining case. I have asked you if you know the meaning of a half dozen terms used in mining and you say you do not. Doesn't that prove you incompetent?"

The secretary used some forceful language but Senator Ashurst maintained his good nature and merely emphasized his original terms used in mining and that the secretary had ruled that there could be no prospecting for valuable minerals as practiced for more than a century; that the miner must discover it on the surface and not sink any shafts.

Fisher's ruling also was protested against by Senator Smoot of Utah.

TO PRINT 10,000,000 PARCEL STAMPS DAILY

Washington, Jan. 6.—All postmasters have been instructed by Postmaster General Hitchcock to forward to the department on January 7 a report of the amount of parcel post business done in their respective offices during the first week's business.

CALIFORNIA IS COLDEST IN YEARS; \$50,000,000 CITRUS CROP HARD HIT

Smudges Avert Danger in Some Districts; Colder Is Prediction for Tomorrow.

NEW COUNTY OFFICERS ASSUME THEIR DUTIES; DAVIS TAKES BENCH

Old Administration Steps Out as Noon Whistles Blow; Deputies Busy.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Los Angeles, Jan. 6.—The coldest and frostiest week known to southern California in two decades is the prediction for tonight by Weather Forecaster Carpenter of the government bureau here. Frost warnings were sent today throughout the citrus belts. Carpenter fears the frost of tonight will be more destructive than any that has ever visited this section.

Los Angeles, Jan. 6.—All southern California is shivering today in the coldest weather of many years. Below freezing temperature prevail in several southern California cities, while ice in gutters afforded an unusual spectacle in Los Angeles.

Orange crops have been damaged in many localities, although many growers, warned of prospective killing frosts, protected their groves by smudges fired throughout the night. The danger was increased by the absence of wind.

Reports gathered here today indicate that the greater part of the citrus crop, however, is safe.

Temperatures ranging from 22 at Santa Barbara to 25 in the altitude bet to the east of Los Angeles increased toward morning. The 1912-13 orange crop is valued at approximately \$50,000,000.

Redlands, Cal., Jan. 6.—Heaviest frost damage in more than a decade is reported in the Redlands orange district today. Many estimates place the crop loss at 50 per cent, but this cannot be determined definitely until the effects of the smudges fired that burned throughout the night are more closely noted.

Frost at San Francisco. San Francisco, Jan. 6.—With a killing frost predicted for tomorrow, San Francisco today is shivering from a bitter cold wind and the thermometer registered 22 5-10 degrees, the coldest snap experienced for a number of years. The United States forecast predicts a lessening of the high north winds. The cold today is shivering from a cold wind out the state, particularly in the San Joaquin valley and southern California. Yesterday's temperature here was 35 degrees.

Today's cold snap was declared by many to be a record breaker, but reference to weather bureau files disclosed the fact that in January, 1888, the thermometer dropped to 28 degrees.

Lemon Crop Damaged. Santa Barbara, Cal., Jan. 6.—Heavy damage to the lemon crop in and around Santa Barbara is reported today as the result of the intense cold. The market stood at 24 degrees at sunrise. According to old records, last night was the coldest Santa Barbara has experienced in more than 25 years.

TEAL HAS MADE MANY FRIENDS BY WORK FOR FREE PANAMA CANAL

President of San Francisco Commerce Chamber Promises Heartiest Support.

AS PASTOR DENOUNCES DANCE HALL IT BURNS

Los Angeles, Jan. 6.—Members of the congregation of the First Methodist church are discussing the coincidence of the burning of the Aldrome dance hall, almost adjoining the church, with the Rev. Charles Edward Locks stood in the pulpit and anathematized dance halls in general.

"Dancing is harmful to the morals, particularly promiscuous dancing in public halls," declared Dr. Locke, just as the glare from the late of the "bunny hug" and "turkey iron" lighted up the stained church windows and the clang of fire engine gongs interrupted the minister's charge. The fire was extinguished with trifling loss.

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PEACE CONFERENCE IS ADJOURNED SINE DIE; MAY BE ABANDONED

Danefff Announces Allies Will Not Accept Terms of Turks; Cash Indemnity Not Allowed

SUFFRAGETTES AFTER CABINET MINISTERS

Clerk's Cigarette Costs Him His Life

(United Press Leased Wire.) London, Jan. 6.—When the conference of representatives of Turkey and the Balkan states adjourned here this afternoon it was uncertain whether the plenipotentiaries would meet again. Nothing was accomplished at today's meeting.

One of the Turkish envoys said the delegates might meet again, but no definite date was agreed upon. This is believed to mean that a resumption of hostilities between Turkey and the Balkan allies is certain.

Reschid Pasha, one of the Turk envoys, said that they had received no orders to make further concessions and Premier Danefff of Bulgaria said that the terms advanced by Turkey were far from acceptable.

At the meeting it was officially announced that no date for a resumption of negotiations was mentioned at today's meeting.

Over Sunday the Turkish envoys were instructed by the porte to concede a large part of Thrace, including Kirk Kilesseh; it was semi-officially reported that the powers have told the Turks that they must yield to all the Balkan demands except that for a cash indemnity.

It is said the Balkan envoys may wait a few days and give Turkey a chance to make further concessions, but the outlook is admittedly gloomy.

Premier Danefff and the Serbian envoys emerged from today's meeting laughing. Danefff said there would be no session tomorrow, as it was the Greek Christmas. Negotiations, he said, were not exactly ended, the allies merely declaring that they would not accept the terms of the Turks.

(United Press Leased Wire.) London, Jan. 6.—That the suffragettes are plotting to kidnap some member of the British cabinet was learned here today following the announcement that Scotland Yard was in possession of reliable information bearing on the plan. It is not known what member has been selected. Friday, however, the suffragettes invaded the office of Home Secretary McKenna, tore open the doors and ransacked the place until ejected by the police. The party included six athletic women, detectives are guarding all cabinet members.

(United Press Leased Wire.) St. Louis, Jan. 6.—A fire which started at the Arlington hotel here last night by a life and started a fire that threatened destruction of the town. The damage is estimated at \$100,000. The fire was caused by a gas stove in the kitchen of the firm's room. The flames, despite a strong wind,



PATTEN HELD FOR TRIAL FOR TRYING TO CORNER COTTON

United States Supreme Court Decides "Corners" in Commodities Constitute Violation of Sherman Law.

RAIDS OF 1910 RESULT IN CONSPIRACY CHARGE

Federal Court Quashed Indictment but Its Decision Is Reversed.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Jan. 6.—Declaring that "corner" in commodities constitutes a violation of the Sherman anti-trust act, the supreme court of the United States today held James A. Patten, the Chicago grain and cotton speculator and his associates for trial in the United States district court of New York. It is charged that the Patten crowd "cornered" the cotton market in 1910.

The New York federal court quashed the injunction against Patten, declaring that the private ownership of large quantities of cotton did not create a monopoly in that commodity. From this decision the federal government appealed to the United States supreme court, with the result that Patten and his associates must now stand trial in New York on the original indictment.

Patten and others pleaded that cornering the market cannot be considered a violation of the Sherman act. In its decision today the supreme court denied this, saying: "It has been shown that there was a conspiracy to corner the market, and this is a subject of interstate commerce. If a 'corner' is effective there could be no trading in that commodity except as the conspirator elected. The Sherman law does embrace the offense charged."

Chief Justice White and Justices Lurton and Holmes dissented from the majority opinion of the court.

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