

STORM GRIPS CHICAGO; TRAFFIC IS CRIPPLED; FOUR DEATHS OCCUR

Cold Causes Great Suffering Among Poor; Blizzards to Westward.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 23.—Traffic of all sorts was badly crippled here today by the storm. Urban surface lines, the elevated suburban trains and the railroads were all late. Trucking was done under conditions of great difficulty. The streets were slippery with ice and there were many accidents. The cold was bitter. Among the poor there was great suffering. Charitable organizations were swamped.

To the westward there were two blizzards raging. One storm centered over Montana, the other over Arkansas. Zero temperatures were reported in both sections.

The storm was interfering seriously with telegraph communication and detailed reports of conditions in the surrounding territory were lacking. Chicago, however, was at the edge and center of the storm. Trains were stopped at the station and at points in the storm's direct path. From Montana came reports of 40 below zero weather, though there the temperature began to rise as the blizzard moved westward.

Locally four deaths were attributable to the severe weather. Zero weather prevailed throughout the middle west. The blizzard was centered over Illinois, Missouri, Indiana and Iowa and was one of the worst of the winter.

Places and laborers were rushed from here this afternoon to relieve marooned passengers.

Ohio Hit by Storm.

Cleveland, Ohio, Feb. 23.—Railroad traffic throughout Ohio was demoralized today by one of the worst snowstorms of the winter. Trains were reported stalled in several sections of the state. In some places the snow drifts were 10 feet high.

A 40-mile wind prevailed at Cincinnati and Dayton was almost isolated. The thermometer registered two degrees above zero in Cleveland.

ARREST THREE MEN AS ROBBER SUSPECTS

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 23.—An all-day and all-night hunt starting early Sunday morning by two automobile posses of deputy sheriffs, resulted in the capture last night of three suspects in connection with the robbery of the Seattle-Tacoma interurban near South Side station Saturday night, when the robbers secured about \$500.

Many believe the three bandits were the same men who held up the Great Northern train Friday night at Bellingham and killed three men who resisted them.

Posses in command of Under-Sheriff McCormick and Deputy John W. Roberts, covered the chase ended at 3 o'clock this morning.

SECOND ATTEMPT AT JAIL BREAK FUTURE

San Francisco, Feb. 23.—As a result of their second attempt last night to saw their way out of the county jail, Frank Williams, James Wilson, George Jones and a negro known as Buchanan, were under extra guard today and had been denied all prison privileges.

The quartet, being known as desperate men, were not allowed to attend a moving picture show given in the jail in honor of Washington's birthday. While the show was holding the attention of nearly three hundred in prison they were sawing industriously at their cell lock.

When the slight scraping of one of the saws betrayed them they were nearly cut off their way from the cell. The three white men are under sentence of 15 years imprisonment each for robbery.

There's a Reason For Aches and Pains

Often some unsuspected habit, such as coffee drinking, is the root of the trouble.

The average coffee drinker who suffers from sleeplessness, headache, indigestion, nervousness or heart trouble usually says, "Coffee doesn't hurt me," until some day Nature hauls him up with a jerk.

It's poor business to trade health and a clear brain for a few cups of coffee.

The pure food-drink

POSTUM

Postum is made of prime wheat and a small portion of molasses. It has a delicious Java-like flavor, but none of the drugs, "caffeine" and "tannin" which make coffee a health destroyer.

If your own judgment leads to a trial of Postum, for, say 10 days, and you begin to sleep soundly, digest food better, and your nerves get steady, these signs of returning health will show

"There's a Reason" for POSTUM

Postum now comes in two forms.

Regular Postum—must be well boiled. 15c and 25c packages.

Instant Postum—a soluble powder. A teaspoonful, stirred in a cup of hot water, makes a delicious beverage instantly. 30c and 50c tins.

The cost per cup of both kinds is about the same.

—sold by Grocers everywhere.

APPROPRIATION FOR NORTH JETTY FIRST, S ADVICE OF J. N. TEAL

Effort to Secure Money for Dredge Would Only Create Opposition in Congress.

Joseph N. Teal, who went to Washington, D. C., to urge the importance of having the government put a dredge on the Columbia bar, has just returned and said today that consistent and persistent work is necessary if congress is to be persuaded to authorize a continuing contract for the construction of the north jetty.

"The department admits the importance of having a dredge at the mouth of the Columbia ultimately," said Mr. Teal today, "and this alone is a great step in advance. The department should be on the continuing contract basis. There is no question but that the getting of the north jetty on a continuing contract basis is the fundamental thing. Everybody familiar with the project knows that the jetty is the basis of all subsequent improvements."

Department Back Project.

"We have the department now insisting to congress in the strongest manner possible that this particular project of all in the United States should go on the continuing contract basis. If success is won it means the authorization of an expenditure of approximately \$5,000,000 just as rapidly as possible."

It means also, that at the next session of congress in December, an appropriation for a Columbia river bar dredge can be sought. Under those circumstances, with the department urging it, there is no reason why the desired dredge cannot be secured.

"Then we will be in position to have the north jetty completed within a period of three years after the appropriation has been made, and the construction of a dredge within four or five months of the time we could get it under any circumstances."

Dredge Would Create Opposition.

"With us urging a proposition of putting the north jetty on a continuing contract, to urge an additional appropriation when it reaches the senate would only create opposition."

And what we want first is the north jetty finished and to secure the continuing contract for the jetty is only the most consistent and persistent effort."

Mr. Teal, while in Washington, looked into several other matters for the chamber of commerce and will make a full report to the chamber within a short time. Among them will be reports on the progress of trust legislation, the proposition to dissolve the Southern Pacific and Central Pacific and a discussion of the water power development of the west.

N. P. OFFICIALS INSPECT ASTORIA DIVISION

To inspect the Astoria division of the S. P. & S. railroad by daylight, President L. C. Gilman took Jule M. Hannaford, president, and George C. Slade, first vice-president, of the Northern Pacific, left on a trip to Astoria and Seaside last night, traveling in a special train. The party returned in the morning.

The Northern Pacific, being half owner of the S. P. & S., is interested in the dock and terminal work contemplated at the mouth of the Columbia in anticipation of the installation of the steamships now being built in Philadelphia.

Hurt by Explosion.

La Center, Wash., Feb. 23.—After blasting some stumps on his land a few miles east of here E. Hazen dropped some hot coals into one of them. The coals exploded some left over powder and Mr. Hazen's face and head were badly cut and burned. He was taken to Portland for treatment by a specialist in the hope of saving his eyesight.

WILL LIPMAN BACK WITH LATE NEWS ON DRESS AND BASEBALL

Hats Small, Skirts Cut With Respect for Tango, and Federals to "Stick."

Manufacturers are looking forward to one of the biggest kind of seasons; hats will be small this spring, skirts will be cut with all due respect to the tango, colors for garments will be of daring combinations and the Federal league is here to stick.

This is some of the information brought back from New York by Will Lipman, general manager of Lipman & Wolfe, who returned today from a month's buying trip throughout the east. He announced that he has placed orders for spring, summer and some fall merchandise.

"Everywhere in the east I found that the slogan is 'optimism,'" said Mr. Lipman. "The manufacturers are looking forward to the season with great enthusiasm. The bugaboo of the tariff has passed. The situation has taken care of itself and instead of slack times which were so persistently prophesied, has come good times and better business."

Wool Raisers Need Fear Nothing.

"The western people who raise wool need have no fears. The ready-to-wear garment makers use the greatest amount of raw materials of any industry in the United States outside the steel industry, and they are already preparing for a rush business. There never has been a season when merchandising brought such satisfactory wholesale prices and goods were so scarce as this one. In fact, the fall output has virtually been sold out already."

"There is also, of course, much low and medium-priced wool and cotton goods being brought to America from Europe, but this will have no effect on American manufacturers. For instance, the fabric mills of Massachusetts, which claimed they would have to close if the tariff were reduced, are now working with increased capital, more employees and are paying increased wages. That is answer enough to the question as to what the tariff would do."

Wonderful Color Combinations.

"The fashions this spring will be radically different. The dominant note will be originality. There will be daring combinations of colors and blending of shades hitherto never attempted. The dominant colors will be the tango, Copenhagen blue, wistaria, rose, Indian red and serpent green, not forgetting the 'tete de negre,' a chocolate shade, the color of the lighter darkies."

"The skirts continue the clinging styles, but roomy enough for the tango. Hats are small with an absence of elaborate trimming due in a great measure to the law prohibiting the importation of aligrettes."

"Ribbons will be used as never before, for millinery, dress trimmings, etc., and beads for necklaces are creating a perfect furore."

"This year artists have put in much time designing exquisite apparel for young girls, and by the way, don't forget that the Federal league is here to stick!"

DWIGHT GEER IS SUMMONED SUDDENLY

Aurora, Or., Feb. 23.—Dwight Geer, a son-in-law of the late F. X. Matheis, died suddenly Saturday night at Butteville, where he and his brother-in-law, Al McCully, had been visiting with relatives. They were about to return to Mr. McCully's home across the Willamette. As Mr. Geer stepped into the rowboat he fell into the water. He was unconscious when picked up, and efforts to resuscitate him were futile. Dr. B. F. Gleay, of Aurora, who was summoned, said death was due to heart failure.

Mr. Geer was 50 years old, and his home was near Wilbur, Wash. He was formerly Miss Philomena Matheis, and five children, three of whom are in California, and two in Washington state. Funeral services have not been arranged.

WASHOUGAL WANTS STATION NEAR TOWN

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TIME EXTENDED FOR COMPLETE RECORDS OF O. & C. LAND CASE

Great Mass of Documents in Connection With Appeal to High Court.

Because the record is so large and its preparation involves so much work, Judge W. D. Fenton, appearing for the Southern Pacific company in the forfeiture suit of the government against the Oregon & California railroad, this morning asked Federal Judge Wolverton to extend the time for its completion until March 31.

The record goes to the United States circuit court of appeals at San Francisco for the use of that court in deciding the railroad company and other defendants' appeal from Judge Wolverton's final decree of last July 1, forfeiting 2,300,000 acres of land in the Willamette valley for the government because the railroad company, in disposing of the land, had violated the terms of the grant.

The request was granted, but it was only over the vigorous protest of B. D. Townsend, special assistant to the attorney general, who has been handling the land grant litigation for the government. Townsend asserted that the case had already been held up too long and said that an extension of two weeks was all that was necessary.

Judge Fenton explained that the record of all the proceedings in the case is by far the biggest of any ever sent to the United States circuit court of appeals from a federal court of the northwest.

Of the evidence taken before Miss Margaret E. Fleming, special examiner, the actual labor of which involved printing some 150 volumes, between 550 and 650 pages. There are whole volumes of the complaint, the briefs and arguments put forth on the demurrer, Judge Wolverton's lengthy opinion on the demurrer, a final decree of over 800 pages, the final decree of July 1, 1911, forfeiting the grant of nearly 3,000,000 acres, in addition to some 200 documents, more than 200 photographs and a dozen large maps that could not be printed and have to be included as originals.

Fred Raab, assistant to Mr. Townsend, and himself, Judge Fenton said, had seen at San Francisco the documents for months. Hundreds of pages are devoted to technical descriptions of the lands, section by section, and this description had to be verified exactly by the government's land department and records in the land department of the railroad company at San Francisco.

OREGON RECLAMATION CLAIMS RECOGNIZED

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Washington, Feb. 23.—Senator Chamberlain today received an encouraging letter from Assistant Secretary of the Interior A. A. Jones, relative to the government's recognition of Oregon's participation in reclamation fund. Jones states that the petition from the Owyhee irrigation district for taking over the Owyhee project and the reclamation fund towards Oregon's participation in reclamation fund. Jones states that the petition will be placed on file and as soon as funds become available the government will proceed to recognize by itself and the reclamation commission.

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INITIATIVE MEASURE MAY BE MEANS OF REDUCING EXPENSES

Committee of Seven, Representing Various Interests of State, to Investigate.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.)

Salem, Or., Feb. 23.—With various and sundry office seekers shouting about the excessive cost of state government and the growing of many useless boards, commissions and offices, Governor West announced today that he intends to appoint a commission of seven to investigate and recommend what boards or commissions or offices should be abolished, consolidated or reorganized to effect a saving in state government without sacrificing efficiency.

The governor said this commission, which will represent the various interests of the state, will be appointed within the next few days. Its recommendations will be embodied in an initiative measure or presented to the next legislature. It is probable the measure will be initiated.

If this is done, then those who are clamoring for reduction in the cost of government will