

RECEDING FLOODS IN CALIFORNIA GIVE HOPE OF END; 13 ARE DEAD

Railroad Service Being Resumed; Vanderbilt Party Leaves for Santa Barbara.

RIVER HAS NEW CHANNEL

Santa Ana River of Itself Does Work Advised by Engineers but Takes the Railroad Tracks Along.

Los Angeles, Jan. 20.—(P. N. S.)—With 13 dead in southern California, railroad tracks torn up like so much wood, bridges collapsed, houses standing in mid-air and hundreds of orchards heavily damaged, the storm and floods, which since last Sunday have hurled their fury throughout the entire southern half of the state, today had subsided and officials predicted no more trouble.

The known dead are: Mrs. Max Kestner and daughter, San Diego; James McGowan, drowned in Kern county; Philip Bullett, drowned in Kern river; A. Rive, drowned in Ventura river; H. Nithogan, drowned in San Jacinto river; Frank Smith, drowned in Lytle creek; Fred Fyman, drowned in Southfork creek; Jesus Martinez, drowned in Talbert; M. I. Corey, killed in snowstorm at Battle Creek; Jesus Ramirez, small boy, drowned at Santa Ana, while trying to save pet dog. Unidentified man drowned in Tijuana river.

While several railroad lines are still out of commission, the Southern Pacific has a line through to the east and this is being used by both the Salt Lake and the Santa Fe. Both Southern Pacific lines to San Francisco are open, but as yet the San Diego line has not been put back in use. A few of the interurban lines are still incapacitated.

Tearing its way through the sand dunes near Huntington Beach and carrying Southern Pacific and Pacific Electric tracks with it, the Santa Ana river formed a new channel to the sea yesterday. Engineers had advised that the cut be made to relieve the flooded areas. This will now be unnecessary. Automobile roads to San Francisco and San Diego remain impassable today. It is stated that all roads will be in condition again within a few days.

Frederick W. Vanderbilt and party, who were stormbound at Barstow for four days, left today for Santa Barbara after arriving here last night.

New Storm on Way.
San Francisco, Jan. 20.—(P. N. S.)—Southern California is free of flood and storm danger today, according to Forecaster Willson. A new storm is widespread in the north Pacific and may extend into northern California by tomorrow.

Weather Office Coming.
Cottage Grove, Or., Jan. 20.—Cottage Grove is to have a weather bureau. J. S. Benson has offered to take care of the instruments and keep the records and the Commercial club at its meeting Monday night voted to secure the necessary paraphernalia.

Seven California Gas Plants Change Hands

Easterners Secure Southern California Edison Company's Holdings Except Santa Barbara Plant; Big Sum Paid, Los Angeles, Jan. 20.—(P. N. S.)—The outright purchase by eastern capitalists of the Southern California Edison Company's gas plants at Pomona, Long Beach, Venice, Santa Monica, San Pedro, San Dimas, Lodi, Ocean Park and Claremont, was officially reported here today. The Edison company's Santa Barbara plant is not included in the deal. The price paid is variously estimated at from \$2,000,000 to \$4,000,000.

F. R. Bain, president of the Southern Counties Gas company, is among the principal contributors to the purchase. It is understood the properties will be used in the proposed reorganization and development of the Southern Counties gas company from a \$2,000,000 to a \$10,000,000 corporation. It is said that the Edison company has for some time planned to give up its gas holdings and become an electrical organization exclusively.

Samuel Taylor, Lane County Veteran, Dies

Prominent Farmer Living Near Coburg Survived by His Widow and Two Sons, Homer and Harry Taylor.

Eugene, Or., Jan. 20.—Samuel Taylor, pioneer of Lane county, old soldier and prominent farmer, died at his home near Coburg at the age of 70 years. He was known as one of the most well-to-do farmers of the county and owned considerable property in Eugene. He was a veteran of the Civil war and was a member of J. W. Geary post, G. A. R., of this city. He is survived by his widow and two sons, Homer and Harry Taylor, living near Coburg.

Pendleton Prisoner Is His Own Lawyer

Young Italian Contractor Attempts to Prove Innocence of Criminal Intent of Passing Bad Checks.

Pendleton, Or., Jan. 20.—For the first time in years, a prisoner exercised the privilege of arguing his own case before a jury, when Charles Duke, a young Italian contractor charged with passing bad checks, pleaded his innocence of criminal intent. He did not escape conviction but did secure from the jury a recommendation for mercy.

Umatilla Fears Flood.
Pendleton, Or., Jan. 20.—Reports reached this city that the town of Umatilla is between two ice dams in the Columbia and that the river has risen over six feet already. Alarm is felt in event that the upper jam breaks first as the water will rise rapidly and do much damage. The government boat Asotin is breaking the ice to clear a way for escape in case the lower jam breaks.

Pity for Benedict.
Martinez, Cal., Jan. 20.—(U. P.)—Because Horace B. Jones had the bravery to assume the domestic task of supporting a widow and her five children, Judge McKenzie decided to free him on probation on a charge of passing a fictitious check. Jones explained his account had been overdrawn.

UPDIKE BROTHERS OF CHICAGO ARE FACING MURDER INDICTMENTS

Careers of Two Young Men Accused of Plot to Murder Relatives Investigated.

Chicago, Jan. 20.—(P. N. S.)—Indictments against Irving D. and Herbert D. Updike, charging them with conspiracy to murder their father, mother and sister, are expected to be returned today, and the grand jury is continuing its investigation, which may result in startling disclosures, investigating two well known figures in Chicago cafe life in the plot of the brothers to obtain the fortune of their father, wealthy retired Oak Park broker.

The indictments were voted against the brothers yesterday after the jury had considered the case for two hours. Each indictment contains three counts, conspiracy to murder their father, conspiracy to murder their mother, and conspiracy to murder their sister.

States Attorney Hoyne is making an especial effort to unearth the careers of the two young men in cafes and cabarets and is making a strict investigation to learn whether any of their friends had knowledge of the plot to get the \$2,000,000 fortune of Purman Updike. Herbert was a familiar figure about cabarets and his wedding to Nellie De Onsmore, a cafe singer a few days before the murder plot was to have been carried into effect, being carefully scrutinized by the prosecutor.

Mrs. De Onsmore-Updike, who disappeared shortly after the details of the murder plot were made public, and who was sought by federal authorities, who desired to investigate the stories of several trips with Herbert outside of the state before their marriage, has returned to Chicago and is living at a hotel on the south side, where she is being kept under surveillance by the authorities.

Chamber Indorses S. P. Steamer Line
The board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce has indorsed a resolution prepared by its transportation bureau urging that the Southern Pacific company be permitted to continue operation of its steamer line between New York, New Orleans and Galveston. The interstate commerce commission is now investigating the question as to whether the line is being operated in violation of the law which prohibits railroads to own and operate water lines in competition with themselves.

The local chamber takes the stand that the line is an aid to Oregon shippers, and that it "neither excludes, prevents nor reduces competition."

The San Francisco exposition had 50,000 exhibitors, in charge of 400,000 exhibits.

Two Tours Are Plan Of President Wilson

Preparedness Speaking Trips May Also Extend to the Pacific Coast Should Third Trip Be Taken.

Washington, Jan. 20.—(P. N. S.)—President Wilson is personally arranging the itinerary for his speaking tour. He spent nearly an hour on the task yesterday. The difficulty he encounters is the series of social engagements he has booked for the next six weeks and his reluctance to cancel any of them. The engagements are dinners to be given by cabinet members and Speaker Clark and three White House receptions. There was a suggestion today that judicial and congressional receptions will be merged.

It was authoritatively announced at the White House that President Wilson will not speak in Nebraska, Mr. Bryan's home state.

Tentative plans are for the president to make two trips within the next few weeks. On the first tour, which will probably begin January 23, two days after President Wilson speaks in New York, Des Moines, Iowa, will be the furthest point west that will be touched, although Kansas City may be visited.

The president may make a third trip which will take him through the northwest and Pacific coast cities. This tour, if made, will be in April, and will depend upon developments up to that time.

Former Secretary of State Bryan may make a tour in the interests of anti-preparedness following in the president's wake.

Stone Announces Candidacy.
Salem, Or., Jan. 20.—William Stone of Oregon City filed today with Secretary of State Olcott as a candidate for district attorney of Clackamas county.

Earthquakes are most severe where they are most frequent.

NO RELIEF IN SIGHT FOR MINERS CAUGHT IN THE COAST HILLS

Coos and Curry County Districts Buried Beneath the Deepest Snow in 30 Years

Marshfield, Or., Jan. 20.—Anxiety is felt for the safety of many mining men who are scattered in the mountains of southern Coos county and northern Curry county, who are snowed in.

A timber cruiser named Murphy reached Powers Wednesday after a two day's trip on snow shoes from Poverty Gulch. He reports that there is 20 feet of snow on Iron mountain, and from eight to 10 feet on Salmon mountain. These are districts where miners and prospectors are scattered. Snow is so heavy that cabins have been crushed. Any miners who have not sufficient food on hand may starve to death as it is impossible for them to get out and no relief party could reach them. Progress even on snow shoes is hazardous as the trails lead along the ledges of deep canyons, and dangerous places are concealed by snow. Big trees have fallen to such extent that trails are impassable.

Old timers say the snow storm is the worst known here in 30 years. The Smith-Powers company has resumed operation of camp 3 near Powers but loggers are working in three feet of snow at an altitude of 1800 feet. Reports of suffering of livestock continue to come in, and losses, especially of sheep, will be heavy, as they are starving.

Four Injured When Street Car Hits Auto

Harry N. Petch, Assistant Postmaster at Ontario, Cal., Believed Fatally Hurt; Others Sustained Bruises

Ontario, Cal., Jan. 20.—(P. N. S.)—Harry N. Petch, assistant postmaster, was probably fatally hurt, Gordon G. Whyte, manager of a laundry company, was seriously injured, and Harvey White and Harry Hart, laundry employees were slightly injured Wednesday, when an electric car smashed into an automobile delivery wagon belonging to Whyte. Petch and Whyte were caught beneath the car. Petch was unconscious several hours and so frightened that friends were unable to recognize him.

Cushman Spur Planned.
Florence, Or., Jan. 20.—H. P. Dutton, superintendent of the Tidewater Mill company while here this week announced that negotiations are under way with the Southern Pacific to build a spur from Cushman to Florence. As soon as rail connections are made with the Southern Pacific lines the local mill will resume operations.

Easy Way to Keep Your Hair in Curl
If you have trouble keeping your hair in curl, you'll do well to try plain liquid silencer. Apply a little at night with a clean tooth brush, drawing it down the full length of the hair from root to tip. The hair will dry in the prettiest waves and curls that you can arrange and the effect will appear altogether natural. Instead of that dull, dried-out look which the heated iron gives, the hair will be bright, lustrous and beautiful.

Liquid silencer is of course perfectly harmless to hair and scalp, and is neither greasy nor gummy. If you will get a few ounces from your druggist you will find it quite inexpensive to use. (Adv.)

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A suit and extra trousers for the price of the suit alone

\$25 \$30 \$35 and upward

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Hundreds of pairs at less than the raw leather costs.

On tables so you can help yourself.

Store Open Saturday Night Until 10 o'clock

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Over 3000 Pairs Men's Dress and Work Shoes

On sale at following prices:
Men's \$5 and \$6 shoes \$2.98
Men's \$4-\$4.50 shoes \$2.48
Men's \$3-\$3.50 shoes \$1.98

Boys' Shoes
Boys' reg. \$1.50 shoes \$0.98
Boys' reg. \$2.00 shoes \$1.20
Boys' reg. \$2.50 shoes \$1.50
All sizes.

MAIL ORDERS FILLED

CHILDREN'S SHOES

IN STOCK

Tomorrow, special prices as follows:

Children's 10c shoes and pumps \$0.50

Children's 11c shoes and pumps \$0.55

Children's 12c shoes and pumps \$0.60

Children's 13c shoes and pumps \$0.65

Children's 14c shoes and pumps \$0.70

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