

It's Bad Enough to be snowbound, but there's a gleam of satisfaction in the fact that while traffic has been tied up there have been practically no accidents reported. If snow will prevent accidents, give us snow. But accidents are preventable, anyway.

It's All Here and It's All True THE WEATHER—Tonight and Friday, fair, cold; winds mostly northerly. Minimum Temperatures Today: Portland..... 36 Chicago..... 14 St. Louis..... 12 New York..... 14 Los Angeles..... 48 New Orleans..... 35

PORTLAND TAKES "A TRIP EAST"

THESE downtown views are not of Boston or New York, but show the Rose City wearing her latest imported dress of snow. At the top is part of the fire department which has taken to sleds to answer the numerous chimney fire calls of the past few days. Below are scenes in Washington street, showing shovelers loading huge auto trucks with snow in order to make the main arteries passable for traffic. At the bottom is part of the city delivery equipment of The Journal augmented by horses and a sleigh which enabled this paper to make almost complete delivery in Portland yesterday in the face of the worst snow in the past 20 years.



SNOW HEAPS TACKLED BY CITY LEGION

Shovels, Snowplows and Motor Trucks Combine in General Advance on Obstructed Streets.

Streetcar and Railroad Service Being Restored; Thermometer Reaches Low December Mark.

Under weather conditions ideal for the job, Portland is engaged today in digging itself from under the all-enveloping snow blanket.

With crisp, cold air that keeps the snow from getting soft and slushy and an almost total absence of wind, great progress had been made at noon by the street cleaning forces of the city in ridding the downtown streets of the latest encumbrance of the elements.

Full forces were working again at many of the mills, factories and in the offices. In other normal conditions were expected by noon.

Street car service is expected to be fully normal by Friday morning. Railroad service is rapidly getting back to pre-snow schedules.

SCHOOLS MAY OPEN FRIDAY

Sawmill forces are at work again, but most of the men are engaged in cleaning the snow from the yards, so that trucking can be resumed and the saws may begin operating.

City schools may reopen Friday morning, according to arrangements still being made at noon.

Steamboat service is seriously impeded by the ice in the Columbia and the threat of ice in the Willamette, and practically all boats have been taken off runs until the weather moderates.

The fair, cold weather of today will continue tonight and Friday, according to the weather bureau's forecast. As yet there are no indications of a break toward warmer conditions.

A flood in the Willamette river impends if the snow goes off too rapidly. A chinook and rain would put water into the basement of many a front street building, observers of the moods of the Willamette warn.

SNOW 12.5 INCHES DEEP

The snow fall amounted to 12.5 inches, according to the best estimates of the weather experts, establishing a record which will probably cause the storm just passed to be referred to for many years to come as "the big snow."

This morning it had settled to an average depth of 12.5 inches. The deepest snow previously recorded at any one time was 10 inches, although during the silver thaw of 1916, in 11 days, the fall amounted to 25.8 inches.

The minimum temperature in Portland today was 13.5 degrees above zero, a new record for this early in the season. Only twice since weather records have been maintained has this mark been exceeded. It was 12 above in 1854, on the sixteenth, and 3 above on December 23, 1879.

Officials of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company met this morning with heads of the street cleaning department of the city to perfect plans for pooling interests in the work of ridding the streets of snow.

WORKMEN CLEARING STREETS

In the meantime all the men available are attacking the huge snow piles that stand man-high in all the downtown streets, the accumulation of numerous sidewalk sweepings, and the asphalt and sidewalks are beginning to show again.

A novel sight in connection with street cleaning operations is the use of the tractor, four of which are crawling through the streets for the first time in local history used as snow eradicators.

Two and three grading machines are hauled by the tractors, and their progress at six miles an hour is also great in the cleanup task. Two of the tractors belong to the county and two were secured by the city from a local tractor sales agency.

EX-SOLDIERS HELPING

Gangs of ex-service men, over a hundred in all, under the direction of Superintendent Alex Donaldson of the street cleaning department, are working between Broadway and Fifth street on Morrison, Alder and Washington.

Another large crew of regular city men are cleaning up Broadway south to Taylor and also going north to Stark street.

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Snowbound Auto Party Including Baby Spend Night On River Highway

Engine Heats Car Until Gasoline Gives Out; Women and Baby Suffer but Recover.

Astoria, Dec. 11.—Five Astorians, including a baby, spent Tuesday night snowbound in an automobile on the Columbia river highway at Clatsop crest. They were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Owens and baby and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mountford.

They left Portland about 9 o'clock Tuesday night. Snow began falling at Linton, but they managed to keep going until they reached Clatsop crest, where the Dakota-like blizzard piled the drifts so deep that progress was impossible.

The engine was kept running as long as the gasoline supply lasted to warm the car. The remainder of the night was spent without blankets or robes. Sleep was impossible. Morning disclosed that the party was snowbound, with a drift to the top of the machine.

Owens and Mountford kissed their wives goodbye and started out for help. They were fully 15 miles from any house. They waded through the drifts toward Astoria until they reached a camp of the Warren Construction company. Here two men secured a gasoline can and a party from the company with a car and chains to pull the machine out of the deep snow.

The members of the party were taken to the Warren company's shack, where they were given hot coffee. The women and baby were suffering terribly, but recovered.

HARVARD TO MEET OREGON U. ELEVEN

Crack Eastern Football Team to Play Westerners at Pasadena on New Year's Day.

Pasadena, Cal., Dec. 11.—(U. P.)—The Pasadena Tournament of Roses football committee at noon today voted to extend an invitation to the University of Oregon football eleven to represent the West in the national football championship game here New Year's day.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 11.—Harvard's undefeated football team will play at the Tournament of Roses in Pasadena, Cal., on New Year's day.

The Harvard athletic commission rescinded its previous action in declining an invitation to have Harvard meet an as yet unnamed opponent because of the conflict and restriction on railroad travel. With the coal miners' strike settled, Harvard authorities decided that it would be practical now to have the 25 players make the transcontinental trip.

The Harvard athletic committee at the close of the meeting sent the following telegram to W. L. Leissman, president of the Tournament of Roses:

"In view of changes of fuel conditions cancellation revoked. Team will come."

The University of Oregon in all probability is to be the team that will represent the West in the New Year's day gridiron classic at Pasadena. Official announcement naming the Western team is expected from Pasadena today.

Marion F. McClain, graduate manager at Oregon, received a message from W. L. Leissman, president of the Tournament of Roses committee, Wednesday, which stated: "Expect definite answer from Harvard Thursday. As soon as word is received, committee will name Western team."

The message indicates that Oregon has the inside track.

McClain stated that should Oregon be selected the team will depart for Pasadena in time to arrive there about Christmas day. A squad of 25 players will be taken on the trip.

A dispatch from Seattle quotes Coach Hunt as saying that it would be impossible to get Washington football men in condition for a game with Harvard.

The Oregon players, although they have been working hard, have been keeping in good condition.

Assails Congress Will Stop Credits to Foreign Nations

Washington, Dec. 11.—(U. P.)—Additional loans or extensions of credits by this government to European governments will not be authorized by the present congress, Representative Joseph W. Fordney of Michigan, chairman of the house ways and means committee, declared today. He said he had received indications from various sources that appeals to congress are to come soon from several quarters for financial help from some foreign people.

Sugar Legislation Deemed Necessary By Senator Norris

Washington, Dec. 11.—(U. P.)—Only the wealthy will be able to afford the purchase of sugar if immediate steps to pass legislation to control the market are not taken, Senator Norris (Republican, Nebraska) told the senate this afternoon.

Senator McNary, sponsor of the bill to permit the purchase of the sugar crop to control the market, and to continue the life of the sugar stabilization board, called the measure for passage.

ORDER SENDS MANY MINERS BACK TO JOB

Acceptance of Offer of President Wilson Clears Way for Fuel Production in Coal Regions.

Restrictions Remain for Time, but Relief Will Be Rushed to Sections in Greatest Need.

Washington, Dec. 11.—(U. P.)—"We must all work together to see that a settlement, just and fair to everyone, is reached without delay."

President Wilson today declared in a telegram to John L. Lewis, head of the United Mine Workers. He also expressed appreciation of the "patriotic action" in ending the strike.

Washington, Dec. 11.—(I. N. S.)—The government today turned its attention to bringing the nation back to a normal condition, with the coal strike settled.

The first step will be the removal of restrictions, but Director General Hines declared the public must not expect all of the restrictions to be lifted for several weeks yet. The greatest economy is necessary in the use of fuel, even though the strike is settled, Director General Hines said, and it will be impossible to restore the nation to a normal basis for some weeks to come.

MIDDLE WEST COMES FIRST

The Middle Western states, which have suffered most severely from the coal strike, will be relieved before any attempt is made to remove any of the regulations upon the use of coal.

All available coal will be shipped to these points. The restrictions will be lifted from the railroads before industries are permitted to return to the full use of coal. It is believed that within a week the railroad administration will see its way clear to restore some of the passenger trains that have been withdrawn, in order to meet the demands of the heavy holiday traffic.

WILSON TO NAME COMMISSION

President Wilson will not appoint the commission, which is to investigate and adjust working conditions and wages, until Attorney General Palmer has returned to Washington. There is strong reason to believe that Secretary of the Interior Lane will be named to head the commission, as he is a member of the official family who is familiar with the subject of coal and has served capably as an arbitrator in other matters of this nature.

The president has tentatively selected the members of the tribunal to adjust the coal wage question.

The commission will be composed of one miner, one operator and the third member, representing the public, is to be a business man, it was stated.

The commission must make a settlement in 60 days, and for this reason, it was stated that there would probably be

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GERMANY'S REPLY IS CONCILIATORY

Answer to Demand That Huns Sign Protocol Is Expected to Be Received Today.

Paris, Dec. 11.—(U. P.)—Germany's reply in conciliatory manner to allies' demand that she sign protocol.

London, Dec. 11.—(U. P.)—The Pall Mall Gazette states that announcement of the final ratification of the peace treaty is expected tonight.

This is evidently predicated on the belief that the Germans will sign the protocol. Ratification is to be followed by a demand for the immediate extradition of the ex-kaiser, the newspaper added.

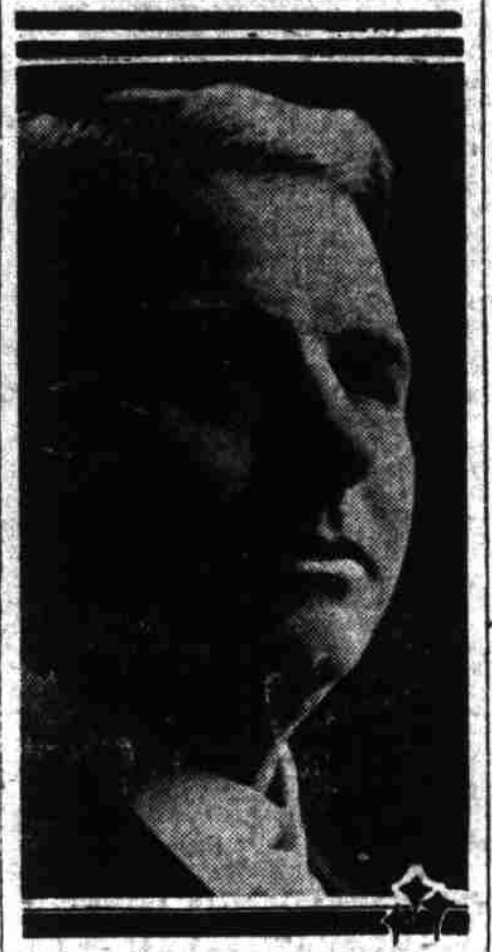
Thomas Kelly, Dublin Alderman, Arrested in Raid

Dublin, Dec. 11.—(U. P.)—Alderman Thomas Kelly, a Sinn Fein leader, was arrested today following a raid upon his residence by the British authorities. The homes of Count Plunkett, M. P., and other Sinn Fein members of parliament were raided at the same time.

Polish Profiteer Faces Firing Squad

Cracow, Dec. 11.—The first Polish profiteer to be executed is M. Brodski, who, found guilty of having stolen and hoarded three truck loads of food intended for the Polish army, was shot by a firing squad. Premier Paderewski has announced a stiffer campaign against all profiteers.

CARL R. GRAY FORMER Portland railroad official, who has been elected president of the Union Pacific.



CARL GRAY HEADS UNION PACIFIC

New Official of U. P. Succeeds E. E. Calvin, Who Had Resigned Presidency.

New York, Dec. 11.—(U. P.)—At a meeting here today Carl Raymond Gray was elected president of the Union Pacific railroad, succeeding E. E. Calvin, resigned.

Portland headquarters of the Union Pacific system had received no information today regarding the election of Gray. It is understood, however, that the new regime becomes effective with the return of the railroads to private management.

Gray, who served as president of the Great Northern railway from May 25, 1912, to 1914, is said to be writing an interesting chapter in his long career as a railroad official by his return to the west coast, the scene of his first big success as an executive.

Gray was born in Princeton, Ark., September 28, 1867, and after being educated in the preparatory department of the University of Arkansas, he entered the railroad world at the age of 18.

He served first with the St. Louis & San Francisco railroad as a telegraph operator and station agent, and in 1886 became chief clerk to the general Western agent at Wichita, Kan. From that post Gray stepped by varied grades into the division superintendency in 1897, to superintendent of transportation in 1900, and to general manager in 1904.

From the senior vice presidency of the road on May 1, 1911, Gray became president of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle road as well as president of the Oregon Electric, all Hill lines. He was named president of the Great Northern system on May 25, 1912, and served until March 10, 1914, when he accepted the presidency of the Western Maryland railway. With that corporation he has served until the present, acting also as chairman of the board of directors.

In Portland Gray held membership in a number of clubs, and his active club work is extensive at Baltimore, Md., where he has made his headquarters since leaving the Northwest.

Dwelling Destroyed By Fire; Deep Snow Blocks Hose Laying

Unable to reach a burning house at 408 College street at 2:45 a. m. today, owing to snow banks, firemen laid down 1800 feet of hose by hand. Nine fire companies were summoned, but none was able to get nearer than six blocks to the house. By the time water could be turned on, the residence had burned to the ground, with almost a total loss estimated to be \$1500. The house was owned by Tom Garland, an attorney, who lives in a small house at the rear.

Carelessness of plumbers who thawed out several pipes Wednesday is declared by the fire marshal to have caused the fire. The plumbers caused a small fire in the afternoon, but put it out themselves. It evidently broke out anew.

The house, built on a side hill, was of three stories in front and one at the rear. The top floor was occupied by Fred Dore, who lost everything. R. F. Williams, Jack Norton and George Gilsan had rooms on the second floor.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Stewart had the rest of the house.

12 Dead and Many Held in Tree Tops In Alabama Flood

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 11.—(U. P.)—All high water records were broken in this section today, 12 are reported dead, thousands are marooned in tree tops, and on house tops, all railroad traffic is stopped completely and street cars and electric power are out of commission.

Rescuing parties are being sent out as fast as possible. Montgomery is practically shut out from communication with the outside territory.

The northern section of the city is entirely inundated and the water is threatening to enter the water sections.

MAIN LINES OF RAILROADS IN OPERATION

Some Delays in Time Resulting Because of Snow Conditions, However; Many Troubles Met.

North Bank Resumes Service to Astoria; Oregon Electric and S. P. Company Trains Operate.

All main line passenger trains on railroads radiating from Portland were operating this morning, although some were delayed as much as 24 hours. Railroad officials are now attempting to re-establish connections with isolated towns on the branch lines.

The eight trains on the O.-W., Southern Pacific and S. P. & S., which were stalled Wednesday morning, were pulled out of snowbound stations and drifts Wednesday afternoon and evening.

Reports received by the O.-W. operating offices this morning said that all main line service was operating, but that none of the branch lines were open except the Heppner line.

ARRIVAL IS DELAYED

Two O.-W. main line trains from the East, which were due in Portland Wednesday, did not arrive until this afternoon. Train No. 5, due Wednesday at 12:30 p. m., arrived at 12:18 today—almost 24 hours late, and train No. 37, due at 7 o'clock Wednesday evening, did not get in until 3 o'clock this afternoon—exactly 19 hours late.

No reports had been received from trains due from the East today at 12:30 and 3:30 p. m. The train due at noon was last reported from Huntington as being nine hours late in arriving there. The Oregon Short Line reports that the train due here at 1:30 o'clock has not arrived at Pocatello but that a stub section running from Pocatello only, would arrive here on time.

The O.-W. train No. 11, due at Union station at 5:15 o'clock this morning, arrived here just before 4 o'clock. Train No. 12, bound from Portland to Astoria, was equally delayed on the trip north.

BEND SHUT OFF

Trains operating eastward from Portland are leaving on time, although

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JOHNSON URGES CASCADE BRIDGE

Washington Congressman Seeks Action From House Interstate Commerce Committee.

Washington, Dec. 11.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—Representative Johnson of Washington will appear before the house committee on interstate commerce Thursday to urge action on his bill granting permission for construction of an interstate bridge over the Columbia river at some point within two miles west from Cascade locks.

A franchise is sought by the Interstate Construction corporation for a toll bridge, and the war department has reported it has no objection.

B. O. Case of Vancouver is here interviewing members of the Washington delegation with reference to the dike project for reclamation of lands on Vancouver lake. He is consulting army engineers to determine whether congressional action is needed.

Meeting an Emergency

Paper mills the country over are running at capacity. Consumption of print paper is 10 per cent more than production, indicating an annual shortage of 200,000 tons. The year's consumption of newspaper is expected to be 35 per cent above that of last year.

Because of the serious shortage of newspaper, the American Newspaper Publishers' association is urging restoration of war time limitations to its use. The Chicago daily newspapers have curtailed their volume. Publishers in other cities are falling in line.

The Journal, which anticipated the war time limitations by voluntarily reducing the size of its editions in 1917, again is the first Portland newspaper to take similar action. The paper shortage has compelled a reduction in size of daily and Sunday editions of the Journal.

The sacrifice has been made in the advertising columns. As heretofore, the Journal publishes all of the news, arranged for the reader's convenience. And it is doing its part in meeting a real emergency.

RESERVATIONS TO TREATY TO COME

Senator Hitchcock Believes Some Compromise Inevitable if the Senate Ratifies Peace.

New York, Dec. 11.—(U. P.)—Senator Hitchcock, administration leader, said in an address before the Southern society last night, that reservations to the peace treaty are inevitable, but expressed belief that some adjustment or compromise might be reached that would enable ratification. He said he believed President Wilson "will ere long be recovered sufficiently again to lead the fight for this great cause."

Senator Poindexter, candidate for the Republican presidential nomination, told the Marquette club that it is time the United States concerned itself more on her own problems instead of those of the world at large.