

STORM TOLL MAY REACH TOTAL OF MILLION DOLLARS

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waukie and Oswego, broke loose during the storm, tore down the river and jammed into the Hawthorne bridge.

LOGS GO ADRIFT

Part of the boom stuck here, the rest broke loose and drifted down to the Burnside bridge where it split and the front part stuck on the west side of the draw.

Five more booms came down during the night and stuck on the west side of the Burnside draw, completely blocking it. The east side of the draw is still clear and there is a tremendous current here according to Karl Smith of the harbor patrol. Most boats can get through all right.

The Bellwood ferry was out of commission all day from a broken axle. Last night one of the diggers, located near Oregon city, broke loose and sailed down the river as far as the ferry. It broke into several pieces owned by Nickum & Kelly and did \$150 damage to the houseboat of James E. Craib.

The railroads were not the only ones to suffer in the region surrounding the Columbia river gorge, where the storm center appeared to be, for the telephone company was having grief of its own. Between East Thirty-third street and Trenton street more than 400 poles were while in the eight miles between Troutdale and Corbett only 20 poles were left standing. All lines to the east were out.

A construction crew tried to make Crown Point late Sunday afternoon, but was forced by the high velocity of the wind to return. No estimate of the damage done there was available save that it was bad.

MANY SMALL LINES OUT

North and south the smaller lines went out early in the day, leaving only one line from Portland to Salem and Albany besides the heavy duty line to Seattle and San Francisco. Vancouver was isolated, as was Gresham. Reports sent to the office of the company say three miles of line and poles had gone out this side of Gresham.

To facilitate the work of restoration repair crews were ordered from all parts of the Northwest. Fifty men were ordered from Salem, 20 from Medford, 14 from Vancouver in addition to one crew from Tacoma and one from Astoria. They were reported to be on the way to Portland.

WIRES AND TREES DOWN

Both the police and fire departments were kept busy answering calls of all sorts. Wires and poles were down in heavy lots in all parts of the city Sunday afternoon and evening. Both the police and fire department telegraph systems were out of commission at times. The district in the eastern portion of the city were the heaviest sufferers.

CITY REPAIR MEN BUSY

Effort to expedite repairs was begun this morning by departments of public works and public utility. Crews were kept at work all during the night to clear catch basins that had become clogged.

So great was the volume of water from the Kings Heights sewer that the catch basin was unable to take the flow. To add to the trouble a slide blocked the intake. As a result the water followed the ditch in which the sewer had been laid, washing the newly filled sewer before it.

Where the sewer crossed the St. Helens road, at Nicolai street, a slide 100 feet wide and two feet deep covered the street, blocking all traffic from Linton and the lower Columbia river highway. Commissioner Barber and O. Laugaard, city engineer, made an inspection of the damage this morning and found the sewer had been uncovered for more than 1000 feet. In one place the earth had been washed from under it for a distance of 100 feet. It is estimated the cost of repairs will be \$4500.

Up in Slavin's gulch the culvert under the Corbett street fill choked up with leaves and other debris threatening for a time to wash out the fill. Prompt action on the part of the night crew in partially opening the culvert prevented the fill from going out.

SLIDE DAMAGES STREET

In various parts of the city where small sewers laid several years ago were the only way the excess water could be drained, the ground was flooded. In Overlook the streets were veritable canals during the rain. A portion of Madison Drive, 200 feet west of Overlook boulevard, slid into the gulch to the westward. The slide took out a section of the street measuring about 30 by 40 feet.

The district roughly bounded by Pine, Nicolai and Tenth streets and the river was flooded because of the failure of the old sewers to take the water.

The weather man said the silver thaw at Portland and vicinity was much heavier than is usually experienced. About noon Sunday, he said, the temperature was 29 degrees above zero, but that three points below freezing made it possible for the silver thaw to get in its destructive work and it was not until 2 o'clock in the afternoon that the warming up process manifested itself. At 6 o'clock Sunday night the thermometer had climbed to 28 degrees.

WATER OVER ROAD

Water began to pour over the Linton road at Bach creek, near the Lewis and Clark bridge, early Sunday evening, and before 7 o'clock the stream was 18 inches deep and 200 feet across. Two automobiles were washed from the pavement before traffic was diverted. The machines were abandoned by the occupants, all of whom escaped.

Stones and driftwood were washed over the street and in the current is undermining the fill. Traffic to Linton now is directed over

CITY IN DARKNESS

Many parts of the city were in partial or total darkness Sunday evening as the result of falling wires and poles. With the exception of a small section in the business district every arc light in the city was darkened when the power was shut off as a matter of precaution to eliminate a chance of fire or electrocution.

STORM WARNINGS GIVEN

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The outstanding feature of Sunday's thaw was the fact that it was so early and so comfortable, in its early arrival. The storm has been regarded a condition in the past that belongs strictly to the winter months.

In the past silver thaw conditions have timed their visits for after the holidays, January and February being their regular months, and while that of Sunday early it was just a case in which rain and the proper temperature was experienced.

From reports much have been felt in the swimming baths of the Windemuth company went adrift at an early hour this morning. Towboats succeeded in making their way to the coast and anchoring them safely at the dolphins on the site of the summer moorings at the foot of the island.

WIDE STORM SCOPE IMPERILS LIVESTOCK

Travelers from trains stranded up the line. O-W-R. & N. passenger trains, west-bound, were routed over the North Bank Saturday night and Sunday morning, crossing the river at Fairbridge. These trains are known to have passed through Grand Dalles, opposite this city, but nothing has since been heard from them.

North Bank wires are out of commission. So far as is known from No. 17, the Oregon & Washington limited from Chicago, left here two hours late Saturday night. It reached Bonneville, where it was stalled by the deep snow. Train No. 1, the accommodation, leaving here Saturday afternoon, got as far as Cascade Locks, and is reported to have been stalled by the snow. The train was ordered out to follow the relief train and clean up this wreck, it was reported here.

STEAMER TEAL SENT OUT

The steamer J. N. Teal left here early Sunday morning with orders to pick up passengers from the O-W, E. & N. More than 60 automobiles are reported stalled in the snow along the highway between here and Cascade Locks. The garages here hauled cars all day Saturday and Sunday night until the snow made the highway impassable. Scores of cars are marooned in the streets of The Dalles. Some of them are completely submerged in the snowdrifts.

The Bend branch train from Portland, which left there Saturday evening and usually passes here about 9:30, is reported southbound near Maupin, in the Deschutes river canyon, about 45 miles south of here.

HIGHWAY CARAVAN EN ROUTE

Great anxiety is felt over the safety of the Dalles-California highway pathfinding caravan, which left here last Monday, and which was due Saturday. The caravan was marooned Saturday night in Madras, but a telephone message from there Sunday morning said that the caravaners left in an effort to reach The Dalles Sunday night. They have a desolate stretch of country to cross which is in the path of the blizzard, and great fears for their safety are felt.

Representatives of Portland newspapers, the Spokane Chamber of Commerce and other organizations are in the party. Rain is said to have driven off the snow at Madras and points south, but the weather unless relief can be brought by boat. A milk shortage developed here Sunday, ranchers being unable to traverse the roads with the usual supplies. One man came in with a load of milk

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The present depth is the greatest in the history of the local weather bureau for a corresponding date, according to Observer C. C. Garret. Temperatures ranging from 16 to 21 degrees above zero have prevailed through the storm, with the thermometer registering 16 degrees at 6 p. m. Sunday. Observer Garret reported a falling barometer at that time and it was stated that indications were that it meant warmer weather, with a possibility of a chinook today, although, he said, it was difficult to determine the probability of this in the absence of the reports of the other stations.

SNOW 19 INCHES DEEP IS RECORD AT WALLA WALLA

Walla Walla, Wash., Nov. 21.—Eighteen and nine-tenths inches of snow on the level at 6 o'clock Sunday night brought the snowfall here from the storm which prevailed over the Northwest during the last three days up to "The greatest depth known in the history of the weather bureau, with the single exception of the winter of 1918-19 when depth of 27.5 inches had fallen February 4.

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Waters covers the tracks of the Airline-Monmouth branch in many places but no washouts have been reported. The Luckiamute river is 10 inches higher than at any time within 10 years and the south. North Head reported that the Salem-Dallas highway is flooded in spots but automobiles were making the trip safely this morning.

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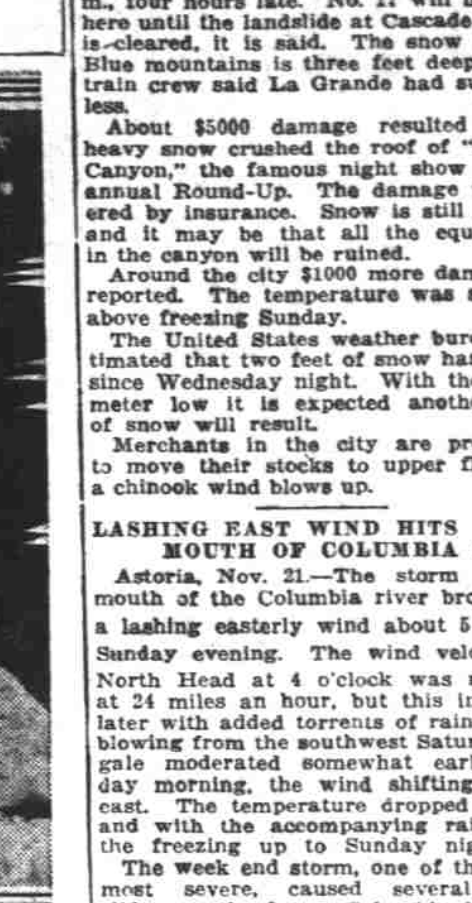
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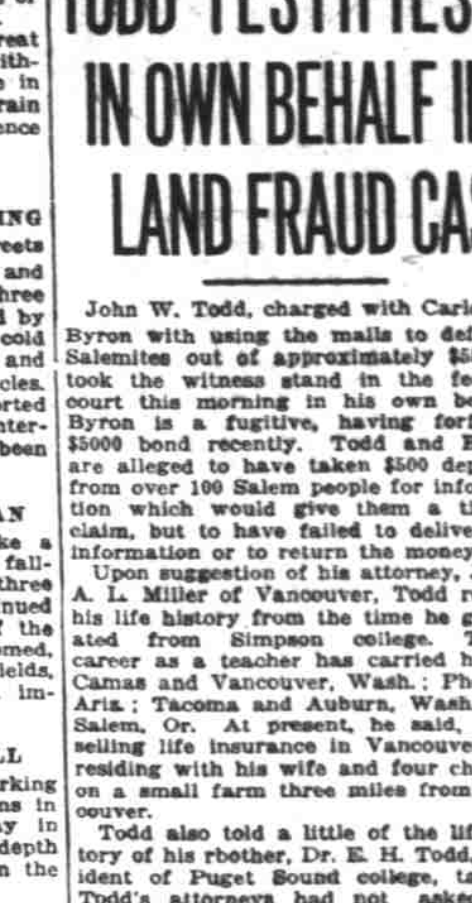
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