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TWO DEATHS IN STATE BLAMED ON SNOWSTORM

Three Inches Here Melt as Rain Falls, Wind Change Brings new Flakes

Portland has Heaviest Fall in Three Years With no Cessation in Sight

Shifting from south to northerly, the wind last night turned the rain to snow which by midnight again sheathed the city in a thin covering of white flakes. The mercury at that hour hovered at 31 degrees, five points above where it stood 24 hours before and five above the minimum for Tuesday.

Today either rain or snow may be expected, according to the weather bureau, but unsettled weather with continued cold is held certain. The maximum temperature here yesterday, which melted virtually all of the three inches of snow that fell during the night, was 38 degrees.

PORTLAND, Jan. 18 (AP)—A snow storm that covered Oregon generally today brought the heaviest fall of the flakes recorded in Portland since January, 1930, virtually halting air travel in and out of this city; slowed up train schedules generally in the state; made streetcar movements in Portland slow and irregular, contributed to two traffic fatalities in the state and caused several minor accidents.

Richard Annabill, 27, died in a hospital here tonight from injuries suffered when his truck skidded in the snow and into the path of an oncoming streetcar.

Glenna Zurlueh, 7, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Zurlueh, living near Tillamook, Ore., died in a hospital at Tillamook tonight from injuries she received when she was struck by an automobile while she was boarding a school bus which had come to a stop in the heavy snow in front of her home.

At 5 p. m. the weather bureau reported the total snowfall here since last night had reached 5.4 inches, and the flakes were still piling down steadily.

Hundreds of men were given employment throughout the state keeping highways open. In Portland 200 men were called into service to keep gutters clear and snowplow crews worked continuously to keep arterial streets open. All main highways in the state were reported still open tonight.

The forest service, Oregon Washington divisional headquarters here, reported that in the Columbia national forest in Washington and the Mount Hood national forest in Oregon semi-portable radio broadcasting sets were being used for the first time to keep communication open when telephone lines were snapped by snow-laden limbs.

CONTROL BOARD'S RECORDS OFFERED

Records of the state board of control will be available for the inspection of any committee that is selected by the legislature to investigate the records of the department, William Elzing, secretary, announced in letters sent to the senate and house yesterday.

A resolution asking for a legislative investigation of the board of control was prepared Tuesday by Governor Meier, and later signed by Hal E. Hoar, secretary of state, and Rufus Holman, state treasurer.

The probe will be to do with certain charges preferred by Holman. He alleged in a statement issued here recently that the Elzing administration was "a reign of terror."

Members of the investigating committee have not yet been announced by the presiding officers of the two houses.

Voigt Escapes When Bed Burns

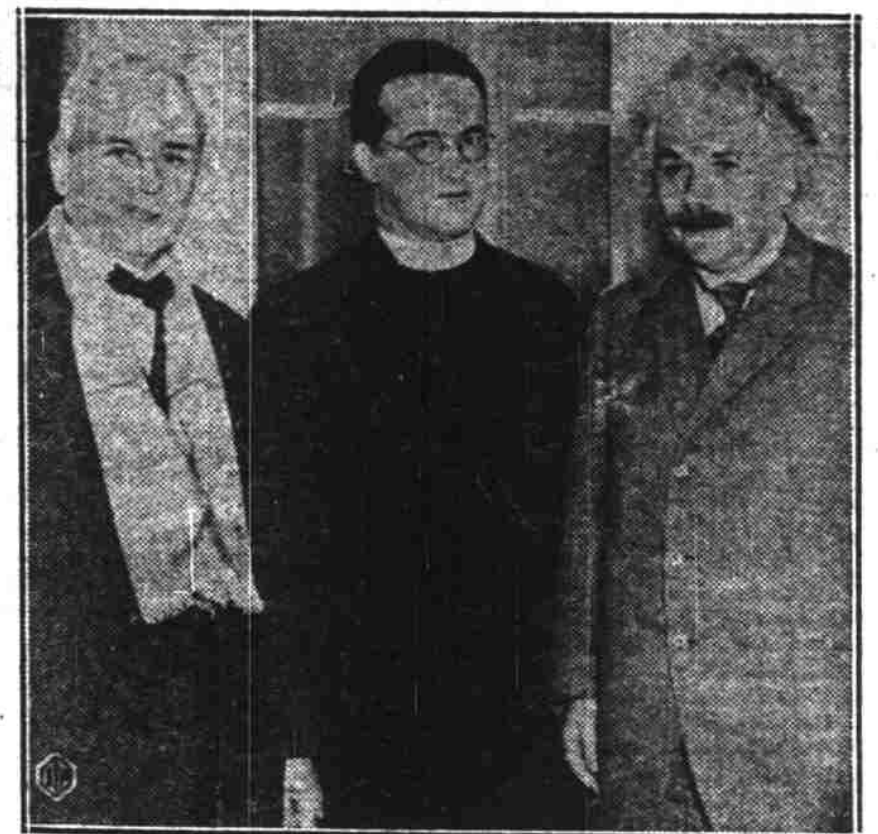
PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 18 (AP)—W. A. Voigt of Portland narrowly escaped being trapped in his burning bed today when the bed clothing caught fire from what firemen described as a faulty electric warming pad. Voigt succeeded in getting out of bed before he was burned and extinguished the blaze before it did much damage.

Chance to Earn Theatre Ticket

A few minutes work and you might be the one to earn a ticket to the Edison Theatre to see Wallace Beery in "Flash."

Turn to the classified page, interesting facts, column four, for particulars.

Average Man Wouldn't Appreciate Conversation of This Noted Trio



This unusual photo shows what probably are the three greatest scientific minds in the world. They are Dr. Robert A. Millikan (left), head of the California Institute of Technology; Abbe Georges Lemaitre, Belgian mathematician who advanced the theory of the expansion of the universe, and Dr. Albert Einstein, of Germany, propounder of the theory of relativity. Einstein recently changed his former views about the universe as a fixed quantity and has now adopted the expansion theory of Abbe Lemaitre. The savants are pictured at the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, where they plan some new experiments.

RELIEF NEEDED IN COUNTY ESTIMATED

2921 Persons to Depend on Public Aid This Year, Shown in Report

Marion county will have 2,921 unemployed families and single residents during this year, with a total fund of \$350,520 needed for relief, according to figures contained in the state relief council report just received by the county court, only \$39,040, or about one-ninth, of this sum will be available.

Marion county's estimated unemployed for the year reaches 6.35 per cent of the state. Multnomah county's unemployed percentage is 35.46, with over three million dollars estimated as the need for 1933 relief.

The maximum unemployed in Marion county for the winter of 1931-32 was 1,600 persons, according to the state tabulation, with dependents numbering 2,400. In June, 1932, the dependent figures were placed at 2,100.

Marion county spent \$36,800 for material relief from August 15, 1931 to July 1, 1932, and other relief expenditures within the county totaled \$10,000. Relief through jobs totaled \$39,200 from the county; and from the state highway labor, \$43,200.

In the amount of \$235,538 have been made to 11 counties, with two counties applying for additional loans.

All counties of the state, save two, have reported to the state committee that they will require funds in 1933 above those available within the counties.

Londos Winner By Queer Hold

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 18. (AP)—Jim Londos of St. Louis, defending his claims to the heavyweight wrestling title, defeating Everett Marshall, of La Junta, Colo., in one hour, 12 minutes, 24 seconds here tonight. Londos was awarded the decision on an "unconscious" hold, described as having the victim's arm raised above his head in chancery.

Yokohama Riot Protested By American Ambassador

TOKYO, Jan. 18.—(AP)—The destruction of valuable equipment and records in a riot of disgruntled employees at the Singer Sewing Machine company's branch at Yokohama today caused American Ambassador Joseph C. Grew to request the Japanese government to make an immediate investigation and to provide adequate police protection for American life and property.

The rioters, nearly 200 strong, swarmed through the building, smashing typewriters and furniture, damaging safes, breaking doors, and windows and tearing up installment sale contracts and other valuable documents.

Richard McCleary, representative of the company's New York headquarters, said the loss was "likely to reach several hundred yen." The yen is worth about 200 American cents.

"I am unable to understand how nearly 200 men were able to assemble and raid the premises in the heart of Yokohama without the police being able to halt them," McCleary said.

W. L. Malone, a member of the Singer staff, said most of the riot-

FARMERS BACK REPEAL OF BUS ACT, DECLARED

School Transportation Law Attacked in McPhillips Bill is Issue Here

Move in Line With Previous Court Test; Jim Smith Wants Tuition Kept

A bill to repeal the school transportation act, slated to be introduced in the legislature today by Representative Arthur McPhillips of McMinnville, will meet with approval of the majority of farmers in this county, County Commissioner Jim Smith commented yesterday when a copy of the bill was presented the county court here.

Considerable objection has been made by taxing groups in this county the past year to both the bus and school tuition laws, and the McPhillips bill brings the transportation matter to a climax.

In Marion county, even with the \$5 reduction per pupil made effective the first of the year, the transportation of high school pupils will cost about \$32,500 for the 1932-33 school year. Non-high school districts, or the farm in sections, pay the burden, just as in the case of the tuition law. Smith Opposed to Tuition Law Repeal

So far, the county court here has heard of no legislative effort to repeal the tuition law, and Commissioner Smith is frankly against such a move, although he would not mind seeing a uniform or maximum tuition charge declared. The tuition law charges non-high school districts for attendance of their pupils in high school districts, the tuition being based on per pupil cost of education in the different high school districts.

High school per capita costs in 1931-32 ranged from \$71.82 for the Stayton school, one of the small high schools, to \$174.42 for Gates.

It is the spread of figures which (Turn to page 2, col. 3)

PRIMITIVE AREA TO BE TALKED FRIDAY

Recommendations on the proposed primitive area to be set off in the Santiam national forest south of Mt. Jefferson will be made by local and forestry officials at a conference at the chamber of commerce at 7:30 o'clock tomorrow night. A section of the forest east of the Santiam highway and south of Mt. Jefferson would be made a sportsmen's area in order to avoid commercialization of the 50 to 60 lakes in that region.

Representing Salem will be Mayor Douglas McKay, the directors of the chamber of commerce, which instituted the move, and to her persons interested in the project. Forestry officials expected to attend include F. V. Horton, assistant regional forester, C. C. Hall, superintendent of the Santiam forest, F. W. Cleator of the forestry service, and Lynn F. Cronmiller, state forester.

Final report of the survey of the area made last summer by Mayor McKay, Henry Crawford and other Salem men, with Cleator, Horton and Hall, will be made at this meeting.

'Unloaded' Gun Again Cause of Serious Wound

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 18.—(AP)—Henry James Cunningham, 26, Portland drugist, was taken to a hospital here today with a serious bullet wound in his left side just below his heart.

Police said Alfred Hennigan, 33, operator of a Portland service station, fired the shot accidentally while he was examining a revolver he thought to be empty.

Hospital authorities reported that Cunningham's condition was critical.

Water Company's Reply is Filed

Respondent's brief in the case of the City of Salem vs. Oregon-Washington Water Service company over the validity of the bond issue authorized by vote of the people in December, 1931, was filed with the supreme court Wednesday afternoon. Ten days will elapse for appellant to answer and then the court will set a date for the oral argument.

Chinese Hold Foes at Bay, Die of Cold

SHANGHAI, Jan. 18.—(Thursday)—(AP)—Chinese press reports said 380 frozen bodies of Chinese soldiers, clad in thin summer uniforms with rifles clasped in their hands, were discovered at their posts on Mount Takushan, in the Manchurian fighting zone, by Japanese scouts. Victims of the tragedy were Chinese volunteers who were being hard-pressed by the Japanese troops in December, the reports said, and withdrew to the top of the mountain where they stubbornly defended themselves in a fortified position for two weeks.

Reports said they repulsed all Japanese attacks.

With the coming of cold weather, a lull in the fighting occurred and the Japanese were reported eventually to have sent scouts who found the position occupied only by the corpses.

BIG SUPER-POWER SYSTEM PROPOSED

Governors of Four States In N. W. Addressed in House Resolution

Introduction of a house joint memorial to facilitate the creation of a "great super-power system covering the entire northwest" was the feature surpassing in interest five bills and a joint resolution submitted to the house Wednesday.

The memorial was addressed to the governors and legislatures of Washington, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming.

Under its provisions, five-member committees from each of the northwest states would cooperate in legislation necessary for construction of interstate dams and distributing systems. The state engineer, attorney general, senate, house and state-at-large would represent each section.

Cooperation for a great development program for employment of idle men in self liquidating water power, irrigation, navigation and flood control projects was suggested. Northwest territory is adapted to creation of extensive power developments for the erection of extensive fertilizer, chemical, aluminum and other heavy industries, sponsors of the measure declared.

A joint resolution by Representative Price of Clackamas and Christian of Wasco counties urged that citizens favor home markets and "Buy American!" Similar advice has been submitted through the senate hopper.

Relief for distressed taxpayers was proffered by Rep. J. O. Turner of eastern Oregon in his proposal to authorize county courts to eliminate the penalty and interest on certain delinquent taxes.

Jocularity enlivened reading of a bill that would prohibit catching of Alesea bay crabs less than seven inches across the back. Estes Snedecor, Multnomah, arose to inquire of Speaker Snell as to specifications on a crab's width.

Hunger Army at Olympia Handed No Satisfaction

CAPITOL, Olympia, Jan. 18.—(AP)—Unemployment "hunger marchers" who stayed over an extended day here today in their demands for immediate relief, were given little satisfaction today as the Washington legislature unemployment committees met with Governor Clarence D. Martin and agreed to strike out a \$10,000 bond issue plan in the administration relief bill.

The lower chamber unanimously approved a memorial urging congress to pass the Hill devalued currency bill and the senate adopted a resolution inviting the Oregon legislature to send a committee to Olympia to meet with a similar Washington body to discuss regulations for fishing in the Columbia river.

The Day in Washington

By the Associated Press
Leaders in congress abandoned plans for balancing budget before March 4, virtually assuring special session.

Fillbuster continued against Glass banking reform bill; efforts failed for peaceful compromise to avoid vote today on debate-limiting closure.

Senator Watson (R. Ind.), proposed treaty whereby world powers would cut armament appropriations progressively five per cent yearly for 10 years.

A conference tomorrow between President Hoover and President-elect Roosevelt on international situation was announced.

REGULATION OF PHONE FIRM IS MEIER REQUEST

Governor Asks Legislature To Memorialize National Congress in Matter

Monopoly so Vast it's Able To Defy States, Stated in Third Message

REGULATION REQUEST NOT NEW IN OREGON
The 1929 legislature adopted a joint memorial (House Joint Memorial No. 8) such as is called for in the message of Gov. Meier to the legislature yesterday.

The memorial after reciting that operating companies are locked together in holding companies, that the service is interstate in nature, and that supplies are bought from subsidiaries all of which makes it impossible for public service commissions to investigate telephone companies adequately, concludes:

"That we do most earnestly petition and memorialize the senate and house of representatives that the congress provide for a congressional inquiry and authorize and direct a nationwide investigation of the telephone utilities to the end that adequate information may be secured relative to service, rates, and of any and all matters pertinent thereto."

Public utilities' holding company officials today again have opportunity to consider the lash of Governor Meier's disapproval, as presented through messages to Oregon's legislature.

The state's head executive presented the third of his short messages to the house and senate Wednesday. His subject concerned the "growth of a telephone monopoly so powerful that it has succeeded in avoiding federal regulation and in defying state control."

Monday of this week Governor Meier unloosed his first message—an attack on power holding companies such as the Insull company, the governor in his message yesterday specifically alluded to.

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Job Consolidation Bill Hits at Hanzen, Einzig

The thrust at appointees of Governor Meier forestalled before the session of the legislature opened appeared yesterday in a bill introduced by Senators Burke and McPhadden. The bill is two-edged, striking at Henry M. Hanzen, budget director and political advisor to Governor Meier, and at William Einzig, secretary of the board of control.

The measure would abolish the office of budget director and transfer the duties to the secretary of the board of control whose salary would be fixed at not in excess of \$3400 per year. Einzig formerly drew \$7000 a year and Hanzen \$6000 a year but these men have taken reductions since last July.

Cartilage of highway expenditures is the subject of two bills, one a resolution by Senator Dunne postponing construction of new highways and major realignment projects in 1933 and 1934. The other, a bill by Senator Spaulding, former member of the highway commission, would re-

IMMEDIATE CASH NEEDS OF STATE WORRY OFFICIALS

Conferences With Bankers Yield no Promise of Adequate Aid at Present; Highway Board may be an Unwilling Lender for Short Time Only; Half Million is Amount Desired at Once; Outcome in Doubt

Oregon may go on Warrant Basis Within ten Days Avers Treasurer Holman; Bankers Chiefly Concerned With Repayment of Over Million Borrowed by State Last October; I. O. U.'s Last Used in 1921

A MAZE of financial problems pressing the state within the next week or two, rather than revenue sticklers of an entire biennium, today puzzles officials and lawmakers at the capitol.

Legislators marked time in consideration of bills yesterday while various members of the powerful ways and means committee, bankers, the governor, state secretary, treasurer and others worried over exigencies of a difficult money situation.

State officials cast about for a short term loan of some \$500,000 needed in the near future. Indications are that an adequate lender will be hard to find.

A conference of highway construction officials and veterans state aid commission heads, bankers and legislators was called Wednesday by State Treasurer Holman to consider possibilities of floating a loan to tide over immediate difficulties.

After meeting with the treasurer the officials conferred with Secretary of State Hoar and Governor Meier for further information on money matters. Exact results of the dollar chasing will be in doubt for several days, it appeared after the numerous sessions.

May Find Solution Of Finance Problem
Portland banking interests that consulted with auditors of the state secretary's office and with the treasurer may find a means of extending further loans to the state, it was hoped. The highway commission also was mentioned as a possible, but unwilling, source for a portion of the emergency funds.

Results of the conferences cast nothing but gloom for the state's chief financial officer, Treasurer Holman.

If the outlook does not brighten in 10 days or so, Oregon may be forced to go on a warrant basis, the treasurer went so far as to predict.

Funds of the veterans' commission are increasingly being tied up by the stringencies confronting that office itself, Holman was informed. The state highway commission, it was pointed out, might be able to carry a loan of some \$300,000 for but 30 days. Private bankers did not feel that they would be able to extend further credit to the state under present conditions.

The lot recovered or expected to be recovered by the police is (Turn to page 2, col. 2)

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Legislative Happenings

Memorial to congress urging payment of soldiers' bonuses unpaid by senate without a record vote, goes to house today.

First action on measures taken in house with passage of two bills, one for repeal of veterans' educational aid, the other changing from five to three the number of directors for non-profit cooperative associations.

Bills introduced now total 124; 75 in house, 49 in senate; ahead of last session at corresponding date.

Governor Meier presents his third special message, urging memorial to congress looking toward investigation and regulation of interstate telephone rates and service.

Senate bill proposes abolition of budget department and combining of duties with those of state purchasing department.