

### Many Missing In LA Floods

#### 26 or More Dead; Bridges Collapse and Several Are Washed Away

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flooding, but the county engineer reported all were safe.

More than a hundred thousand workers were sent to their homes when stores, plants and factories closed until the flood emergency is over.

One man was dead and two others were missing in Ventura, where sheriff's officers went to the rescue of 30 other persons marooned in a lowland school house.

Twenty-five hundred men, women and children were evacuated from four hundred homes in Azusa in the foothills tonight as a precautionary measure should it become necessary to release flood waters from San Gabriel dam No. 1 in San Gabriel canyon.

The American Legion was mobilized to assist the Red Cross in caring for the families, mostly from the Mexican quarter of the town.

All residents of Irwindale, below Azusa, also were ordered from their homes. More than 200 of them were cared for by the Pomona Salvation Army.

William J. Fender, manager of the Universal City studios, said eyewitnesses told of seeing bodies in the flood waters after a 250-foot concrete bridge over the Los Angeles river near the studio was washed away.

Fender said he saw ten houses, a restaurant and the Lakeside golf course, across the river from the studio, washed away.

A southbound stage carrying 21 passengers to Los Angeles was partly buried by a landslide 12 miles south of Gorman on the Ridge route 60 miles north of the city. No one was injured and the passengers were being returned to Bakersfield.

Four persons were reported missing when a power pole fell, crushing a section of a bridge at suburban Bell. Sheriff's deputies sought a motorist who was reported to have been swept away when he drove his car into a wash at nearby Muscatel.

Henry M. Baker, assistant manager of Pacific Coast Red Cross headquarters here, said tonight 4,500 persons were being cared for by the Red Cross in the Los Angeles area. Some 3,000 of these were in the Long Beach section, 500 in north Hollywood and 300 in Moorpark.

Three of the estimated seven to fifteen persons who were plunged into the rising Los Angeles river from a 300-foot pedestrian bridge as they watched the swirling waters were rescued tonight.

Adm. Claude Block told Long Beach police tonight an elderly man, whose name was not given, was rescued by a shore boat of the battleship Utah three miles at sea. He had grasped a timber from the collapsing bridge and was catapulted into the ocean by a river moving at the rate of 25,000 feet a second.

Police at the coast city identified the bodies of the missing persons as John Croft, 50; P. E. Kay, 24, both of Long Beach, and Lynn Stewart, 24, a visitor from New York.

Eye witnesses told varying stories of the number dropped into the river from the center of the bridge and how they were dropped after plings gave way.

Most of them agreed a woman and small boy and two or three children men of the navy were among those who were engulfed when the bridge collapsed.

H. D. Merabon said there was a sharp warning crack and the crowd watching the river in its race to the sea rushed for the approaches. Then the center of the span, which was 25 feet wide, shot up into the air and collapsed. The victims were lost to sight immediately in the swirling waters.

Heavy rains extended from Ventura, to the northward, to San Clemente, south of Los Angeles on the coast highway, and back to the coastal range to the east, necessitating the evacuation of many homes and toppled others into the flood waters.

Railway traffic out of Los Angeles was halted by undermined bridges and landslides that blocked their tracks. Principal highways in all directions were closed. Air service was at a standstill.

Schools and stores were closed and thousands of automobiles were stalled in flooded streets. Flooded storage reservoirs were overflowing, releasing their waters into already swollen rivers.

Should the heavy rainfall continue, it was feared that all checks on flood water would be rendered futile.

The sheriff's office tonight ordered evacuation of approximately 5,000 families in suburban Bell Gardens, between the Los Angeles and Rio Hondo rivers.

More than 500 of the refugees were fed at relief stations set up by posts of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Bell. Cots and bedding were assembled and other preparations for their care were made.

**Gale in Roseburg Sector Damaging**

ROSEBURG, March 2-(P)—A summer home on the Susan Creek region 20 miles east of here was wrecked, a forest service telephone line snapped and 40 or 50 trees strewn across the North Umpqua road early Tuesday by a windstorm. V. V. Harpham, supervisor of the Oregon national forest, said today. The report was delayed by broken communication lines.

### Shovel-Leaning Is Denied as Griffith Replies to Board

#### E. J. Griffith, Oregon WPA administrator, challenged today criticism from the state board of control on the amount of work done by WPA workers.

He declared the criticism was "incorrect and unfair to the men and women who have been forced by circumstances to work on WPA projects."

"In not a few instances we have taken over a project that previously had been bid on by private contractors and we have actually done the work at a lower cost to the taxpayers than would have been the case if the job had been under private contract," Griffith said.

"We discharge professional workers as rapidly as we discover them," he added.

### Gestapo Continue To Hold Minister

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spokesman for religious opposition elements.

Niemöller was fined \$600 for speaking disparagingly of reich personages, between the battling protestant churchmen and liberals. If he did not pay the fine, he would have to serve three months in prison.

Some members of his family thought if he were released now, the gestapo (secret police) might arrest him again.

This fear seemed to have some foundation in remarks dropped by certain nazis. They said that although Niemöller's trial was over and his sentence liquidated, "it nevertheless would be dangerous to allow a man so obviously opposed to the nazi regime complete liberty to resume his activities."

It was pointed out that the gestapo at any time, has the right to take a citizen into "protective custody" when public welfare seems to require such detention, even if the citizen has just been released from jail.

### File Initiative to Restrain Picketing

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dues which labor unions could collect, give members authority to inspect union books, and permit employers to operate an open shop if the majority of employees desire.

Organizations and individuals signing the new measure were: Associated Farmers of Oregon, Inc., by H. L. Shoemaker, Hood River, president.

Oregon Farm bureau, by Mac Hoke, Pendleton, president.

Eastern Oregon Peck league, by George N. Peck, Lexington, president.

Hood River Growers club, by R. W. Hazeltine, president.

Ralph W. Perry, master of the Pine Grove grange, Hood River, and candidate against Ray Gill for master of the state grange.

John O. Farr, Jefferson, master of the Marion county Pomona grange.

J. C. Barrett, Heppner, executive director of the Oregon Wool Growers association and ex-state senator.

Chester Fitch, Medford, president of the Southern Oregon Fruit Growers league.

Earl Newby, Talent, prominent member Oregon state grange.

### 80-Ton Block of Marble to Come

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road. Special derricks were used to lift it to a car on the incline and the railway, which carried it from the quarry to the site.

The carved group will require three blocks of similar size.

Allan H. Toole, clerk of the construction works on the capitol, said the 80-ton block of marble would be sawed into several smaller blocks for transportation here.

But Paul Traglo, who has had charge of trucking all of the marble used on the capitol to the construction scene, is ready to tackle the job of moving the big block if it comes all in one piece, he said Wednesday.

### Astoria Busy as Troll Work Nears

ASTORIA, March 2-(P)—Docks here hummed with activity today as trolling fishermen repaired or rebuilt several hundred boats while others built new craft in preparation for the troll fishing season, expected to open off the Columbia River's mouth in two or three weeks.

Meantime in Seattle representatives met with buyers to set flat prices and although some Seattle trollers already have started fishing, the bulk of the Columbia fleet indicated it would not begin until the price settlement was reached.

### 20 "Traitors" Plead Guilty

#### Krestinsky Only One to Protest His Innocence; Trotsky Is Named

MOSCOW, March 2-(P)—Twenty of 21 defendants in Moscow's greatest treason trial today pleaded guilty to far-reaching charges which included plotting to overthrow the soviet union, overthrow the regime, restore capitalism and murder Russian leaders.

But the twenty-first, Nicholas Krestinsky, once soviet ambassador in Berlin, pleaded innocent in a desperate repudiation of a confession of guilt in which he and his accusers among the co-defendants called each other "liars."

Leon Trotsky, former bolshevik leader now living in exile in Mexico, was named as one of the instigators of the plotting.

The trial is before the military collegium of the supreme court.

US Ambassador Joseph E. Davis was among the members of the diplomatic corps who, with representatives of soviet public organizations and newspapermen, witnessed the proceedings.

Those accused in the plotting, which the indictment traced back in part 20 years when Trotsky still was in power, included men once high in soviet affairs.

It was charged that upon instructions of the intelligence services of foreign states hostile to the USSR the defendants organized a group of plotters under the name of the "Bloc of Rightists and Trotskyites."

Confessions were cited in which it was alleged there were plots in which:

1. Japanese Plot Charged. Japan undertook to render armed assistance to overthrow the soviet power in return for which she was promised the soviet maritime province in the far east.

2. An "Independent" White Russia was to be created under a Polish monarch.

3. Ukraine was to be surrendered to Germany after defeat of soviet Russia in a war with Germany and Japan.

4. Uzbekistan and Turkmenia were to be separated from the soviet union with one scheme for that to become protectorates of Japan and Germany or Great Britain.

5. Georgia, Armenia and Azerbaijan were to have been cut off for the "foreign states."

The local YMCA plans to send several swimmers to the State indoor meet at Multnomah club in Portland this weekend.

Forbes Mack, present holder of the Northwest YMCA junior breaststroke title and also the state champ in the same event, will attempt to win the senior breast stroke championship, Jerry Mulkey, who holds the state title in the backstroke for juniors, will defend his title.

Robert Niemeyer, who won the 50-meter outdoor freestyle championship last summer, will compete with the 16-year-olds; Ned Burns, local freestyle star, will enter the 220-yard race, and Herb Hoffman, another freestyler of note, will enter the 100-yard freestyle.

### Lewis Silent on Martin Warning

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., March 2-(P)—John L. Lewis had "no comment" tonight on a statement by Governor Charles H. Martin of Oregon that the committee for industrial organization leader would receive a "warm reception" if he visited the state.

"I hope he stays out of here," Governor Martin had said.

Lewis arrives her today from Miami and said he would leave tomorrow morning. He did not divulge his destination.

### The Call Board

**HOLLYWOOD**  
Today—"London by Night" with George Murphy and Rita Johnson and "Life Begins with Love," Jean Rogers and Douglas Montgomery.

Friday—Double bill, "Range Defenders" with the Three Mesquiteers and "Hold 'Em Navy" with Lew Ayres and Mary Carlisle and John Howard.

Today—Special return engagement Will Rogers in "County Chairman."

Saturday—Dolores Del Rio in "International Settlement."

**ELSINORE**  
Today—Double bill, "Sweet Faye" with George Murphy and "Double Danger" with Preston Foster.

**CAPITOL**  
Today—Double bill, the Mauch twins in "Penrod and His Twin Brother" and Bill Boyd in "Cassidy of Bar 20."

**STATE**  
Today—Walter Wanger's "Vogues of 1933" featuring Warner Baxter and Joan Bennett.

Friday—Four acts eastern circuit vaudeville and Warner Oland in "Charlie Chan in 'Charlie Chan on Broadway.'"

Saturday midnight—William Powell and Myrna Loy in "Double Wedding."

### Deer Counted by Ranger in Plane

PORTLAND, March 2-(P)—The forest ranger said today Eldon Ball served on the Ochoco forest at Prineville had demonstrated feasibility of using an airplane for annual deer census work in open eastern and central Oregon country.

It said Ball covered approximately 125 miles of winter range in a small monoplane and counted 97 deer and 7 coyotes. He also reported 16 coyotes had been killed from the air near a band of sheep, and five or six were killed each flight.

### Schaffer Pleads Guilty; Paroled

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enough, one of Schaffer's attorneys.

Judge McMahan declared that such officers should be "indicted for malfeasance in office" and Dist. Atty. Lyle J. Page said that if Goodenough pleaded guilty to the witness' names, they would be called before the grand jury.

Goodenough said the witnesses preferred not to testify but would do so if compelled.

"If the facts are proved as stated," Dist. Atty. Page said, regarding the statements about the officers, "I can assure you indictments will be forthcoming."

The picket-chasing incident was presented by A. B. Banks, Teamster agent, the district attorney declared.

Judge McMahan remarked that from testimony he had heard "Banks started the whole thing" and should be indicted on a riot charge.

Schaffer stated to the court that while pleading guilty to the assault and battery charge, he did not actually beat anyone "in that sense of the word."

Referring to statements that the CIO had inspired the brewery picketing, to which the AFL Teamsters objected, Schaffer asserted he was pleading guilty to a radicalism which destroyed things" and said he did not have any local record "of assault and battery against anybody."

Dist. Atty. Page agreed that Schaffer's "record here has been good."

### Boycott in South Is Branded Bluff

PORTLAND, March 2-(P)—Don Helmick, executive board member of the CIO International Woodworkers of America, returned today from San Francisco, where he said the CIO had "completed plans for a broad retaliation against the AFL lumber boycott."

Meantime, Kenneth McIntosh, official of the West Oregon Lumber company, said the plant, scheduled to reopen tomorrow, will remain closed, until next Wednesday unless its CIO plant committee could lift an AFL boycott on its products.

Local No. 2532 of the AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers union here issued a statement today warning of a threat of a CIO boycott on AFL lumber a "bluff," if the AFL's refusal to lift the boycott not refuse to handle it because they would "break their contract" with employers.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 2-(P)—Mayor Angelo J. Rossi today was handed by an AFL committee a two-page explanation of the AFL's refusal to lift the CIO boycott on the San Francisco bay region boycott of CIO lumber from the Pacific northwest.

### Academy Awards Banquet Delayed

HOLLYWOOD, March 2-(P)—Storm conditions tonight caused postponement for one week of the annual 13th movie awards of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

The postponement from tomorrow night to March 10 was announced by Howard Estabrook, first vice-president of the academy, after it was ascertained that the 13th movie awards directors, producers and technicians who had reservations were marooned by flood waters and would not be able to attend.

### Tilley to Retire; 20 Years With AP

PORTLAND, March 2-(P)—Tom C. Tilley, who has served 22 years in the traffic department of the Associated Press, will retire on pension Saturday to his 50-acre ranch on the Sandy river.

A telegrapher since the early '90's, Tilley served in Cuba in the Spanish-American war.

His field maintenance duties will be taken over by C. E. Hanson of the Portland bureau.

Mr. Tilley was at one time Associated Press telegrapher in The Statesman office.

### Mrs. D. Campbell Called by Death

EUGENE, March 2-(P)—Mrs. Dugald Campbell, known for her friendship to University of Oregon students and faculty members, died today.

She was born in Scotland. Surviving are two children, Dr. Ian Campbell of the California Institute of Technology faculty, and Dr. Flora Houck of Los Angeles.

### Teamsters to Defend Rosser

#### Claims Much of Trouble Inspired by Agents of Business Men

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fended by Vanderveer, he said. The attorney said Rosser was "no more guilty of arson than you or I," and added, "Of course we will defend him."

"But as to the others, I can not say," he declared. "We certainly will call the sheep from the rats. Those who have indulged in unauthorized violence, and none has been authorized to use such tactics, must shift for themselves."

SEASIDE, Ore., March 2-(P)—Monroe Sweetland, executive secretary of the Oregon Commonwealth federation, charged today in a speech to 70 sawmill and timber workers that governor Charles H. Martin and Portland Mayor Joseph K. Carson were responsible for industrial strife.

Sweetland declared both men, "Sworn to uphold the law of the land, flouted and condemned federal agencies holding the key to peace."

PORTLAND, March 2-(P)—While trial on two union leaders got under way here today, four men were bound over to the grand jury at The Dalles.

Fred B. Upson, business agent of the AFL teamsters at The Dalles, David Rutz, teamsters' business agent in eastern Oregon; Bill Larose and Arthur Lowther were arraigned in justice court and bound over to the grand jury at The Dalles under \$15,000 bond each on charges of malicious destruction of property.

Dist. Atty. T. Leland Brown said Larose and Lowther admitted participation in a plot to damage tractors by placing abrasives in the motors. Damage was estimated at nearly \$5000.

A union demand for a closed shop on a certain project was refused, Brown said, by a contractor who owned the tractors.

Levi Martinson, shoe repair shop employe, testified here today he was told, "Boy, you're going to get hurt," and was struck from behind.

"I felt like a pile driver hit me," Martinson told a jury of eight women and four men in the trial of 23 men, business agent of a local AFL shoemakers' union, and Roy Harkin, union member, charged with assault with a dangerous weapon. Martinson was employed in a shoe store involved in a labor dispute.

The defense said it would plead self-defense, claiming Martinson attacked the defendants.

### Nine Are Injured In Truck Mishap

EUGENE, March 2-(P)—Nine men were injured, four seriously, when a truck operated by the San Orino Construction company, used in building the new Willamette Pass highway east of Oakridge, "jack-knifed" this afternoon, throwing the nine men out into a ditch.

One of the injured, John A. Arnold, was run over by the truck and was expected to die, according to physicians in attendance. Others seriously hurt were E. F. Johnson, R. E. Embry and Keith Thompson. All the injured were brought to Eugene for treatment.

Details of the accident were meagre.

### WPA Worker Held Guilty on Count

ROSEBURG, March 2-(P)—A circuit court jury's verdict on file today convicted William Chandler, 53, WPA worker, of assault with intent to commit rape and contributing to the delinquency of a five-year-old Redemptor girl. He was accused of luring her into a vacant building and giving her liquor. Chandler said he had no recollection of the acts.

### Chamber Meets Tonight

WOODBURN—The Woodburn Community Chamber of Commerce will meet Thursday night, March 3, in the American Legion room at the city hall, Quincy Scott, cartoonist of the Oregonian, will be the speaker. Dinner will be served at 6:30 by the American Legion Auxiliary.

### Demo Lead, Multnomah

PORTLAND, March 2-(P)—Democratic registration in Multnomah county, climbing to \$2,274 topped the registration by 2,012.

### THE PICTURE YOU WANTED TO SEE AGAIN!

**HOLLYWOOD**  
FAMILY NIGHT 48c  
TWO FEATURES  
Jean Parker "London by Night" with Douglas Montgomery  
"Life Begins with Love" Rita Johnson

### Will Rogers The COUNTY CHAIRMAN

by George Ade  
KENT TAYLOR • EVELYN VENABLE  
MICKY ROONEY • LOUISE DRESSER  
BERTON CHURCHILL  
STEPHEN FETCH

### Hold 'Em Navy

**HOLLYWOOD**  
FAMILY NIGHT 48c  
TWO FEATURES  
The Three Mesquiteers  
RANGE DEFENDERS  
And 2nd Feature  
"Hold 'Em Navy"

### West Navy Yards May Be Assisted

WASHINGTON, March 2-(P)—A group of Pacific coast representatives joined today in a move to improve navy yards in the west and to obtain for them a share of new naval construction contemplated in the \$800,000,000 navy bill.

Chairman Vinson (D-Ga) of the house naval affairs committee told the group, headed by Representative Magnuson (D-Wash.) he was in accord with their requests for a six per cent differential for the Pacific coast navy yards. Vinson said he would propose the amendment to the navy bill.

Apparently, Mrs. Landry was the last person to report sighting the big, twin-engine plane. It was caught in a sudden fierce storm and turning back from a flight to Los Angeles to seek haven at Fresno. The plane, with six passengers and a crew of three, left San Francisco last night for Albuquerque, but headed for Los Angeles instead of Las Vegas, Nev., its regular course, because of bad weather.

Despite storm conditions and soggy terrain, at least four planes and a small army of foot searchers deployed over a wide area around Huntington and Shaver Lakes, 35 miles northeast of here, where the liner was believed to have crashed.

Myer's radio voices picked up in Oakland and a report that the plane had been sighted under conditions indicating little injury to its occupants heartened the searchers for a time but neither apparently had any connection with the missing ship.

The big plane, a Transcontinental & Western Air Liner, left San Francisco last night for Albuquerque with six passengers and a crew of three.

Because a storm was coming in from the south, the plane headed toward Los Angeles instead of Las Vegas, Nev., its regular course. It met the storm over the Tehachapi mountains, the natural dividing line between northern and southern California.

Pilot John D. Graves, receiving directions to hunt an emergency landing, turned back northward. Apparently the plane hovered over the Fresno area for an hour or more, and then began making widening circles as the storm crowded it gradually eastward, into the craggy peaks of the Sierra Nevada, only a few miles from the ordinarily safe and warm valley.

Numerous persons reported sighting a plane, presumably the distressed ship, to the east of Fresno. A highway crew at Shaver Lake reported hearing "a loud crash" and thought it might be a clue to the plane's fate.

Aboard the luxurious \$105,000, 2 1/2 year old skyliner were passengers Tracy Diriam and Mary Lou Diriam, Stanford University students; Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Watts of Las Vegas; Victor Krause of Lincoln, Neb., and H. N. Salisbury, TWO pilot on leave.

Besides Graves the crew was made up of first officer C. W. Wallace of Tucson, Ariz., and Stewardess Martha M. Wilson, of Philadelphia.

### Boy's Writing on 3rd Ransom Note

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y., March 2-(P)—A note in the school by handwriting of 12-year-old kidnaped Peter Levine, begging "dad" to pay out the \$60,000 ransom demanded, turned up today as the father continued his fruitless efforts to communicate with the abductors.

"Dear dad," he wrote, "please give them the money. I have a bad cold, Peter."

This, the boy's first known communication with his father, was scrawled on the back of a third ransom letter, reported on found on a vacant lot adjoining the synagogue of Rabbi Abraham Nowak, and in its very rear end had a throat-catching quality.

### North California Gets Heavy Rains

SAN FRANCISCO, March 2-(P)—More rain was in prospect tonight for northern and central California where torrential downpours last night flooded many areas and halted transportation to southern California.

Storm signals flew along the California coast, warning of strong southerly winds which sent high seas battering against shorelines during the day.

The Southern Pacific company cancelled all through trains tonight between here and Los Angeles because of flooded tracks and damaged bridges.

### Woman's Club to Meet Friday at Paul Acton Home, Salem Heights

SALEM HEIGHTS—The Women's club will meet Friday at the home of Mrs. Paul Acton for the regular monthly meeting instead of at the community hall. Prof. James Mathews will be the speaker.

Mary Elizabeth Kells will sing. All women of the community and especially the newcomers are invited.

### Ar Certificate

No 118  
This Certificate entitles you to one week's Set of Four Pictures upon payment of only 39c (46c if by mail).

Be sure to order Set No. 1—if you have that or subsequent sets, order the next numbered Set of Four.

### Mystery Light Possible Clue

#### White Object and Earth Scar Also Reported in Same Region

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the scar clue highly important, pointing out it was in a direct line with the plane's flight as reported last night by Mrs. C. G. Landry, wife of a power company official who said she saw the ship at 9:30 last night.

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