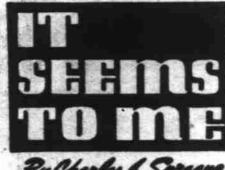
Heaviest Snowfall of Winter Covers West Oregon



By Charley A. Soraque

Some months ago I told about the discovery of dawn redwoods in the heart of China. They had just been visited by Dr. Ralph W. Chaney of the University of Cali-fornia, professor of paleontology. But China is a long way from Oregon, and one naturally would assume that a few surviving remnants of old forests would have little connection with Oregon. So it might seem; but such is not the case as will be discovered

by reading the latest pamphlet report of the Condon lectures: "The Ancient Forests of Oregon by Ralph W. Chaney (State System of Higher Education, Eugene; \$1.00). The lectures were given in Eugens and Corvallis in 1946. In the interval between their delivery and publication Chaney visited China; and has revised the text of his lectures to relate the dawn redwoods of China whose fossils may be found in the rock exposures of the John Day region are identical with the living primitive redwoods (Metasquoia) of China; and are not the same as the ern Oregon. "In the ravines of Shui-hsa-pa (where the dawn redwoods survive) we may see how the forests of Oregon appeared long before man came to live here.'

In an earlier epoch, the eocene, Oregon's forests had been of more tropical character. tropical character, with tree like ferns and palms, due undoubtedly to a sub-tropical climate. In the

be host to the Oregon Baptist Conservative conference Tuesday and Wednesday, with nearly 400 dele-Most of the churches are of the crash the border into Czechoslo-

"disfranchised" group whose dele- vakia. gations were refused seats at last November's Oregon Baptist state the occupants of the truck engagconvention in Portland. The ouster ed in a gun fight. Two of the was said to be over the issue of contributions to missionary pro-Addresses will be given by Dr.

Edward B. Hart, pastor of First Baptist church, Corvallis; Dr. John Houser, First Baptist, Lebanon; Dr. Gabriel Guedj, pastor of First Bap-tist, Fresno, Calif., and Dr. Vance Webster, pastor of First Baptist, Resolution Calls The provisional counseling com-

mittee is headed by the Rev. Ken-neth Tobias of Bend, who will preside at the sessions. The Rev. Lloyd T. Anderson will be host pastor. Registration will begin at a.m. Tuesday.

(Other church news on page 3.)

Dean Acheson Takes Oath

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 - (AP) Graying, mustached Dean Acheson, 55-year-old lawyer and diplomat, became secretary of state in a solemn White House ceremony today, and immediately faced swelling demands here and abroad for clarification of President Truman's new program to raise world living standards.

Mr. Truman himself was reported as saying that if living standards in Asiatic countries could be raised 2 per cent U.S. production could not eatch up with demand for 100 years. In the forefront of those who

want to know precisely what the Truman administration is planning came Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich), who issued a statement saying he could not pass judgment on much of Mr. Truman's "new aid programs until I know concretely what he had in mind."

Animal Crackers By WARREN GOODRICH



"Wow! He just placed an order for a full length mirror!"

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Chiang Kai-Shek Retires as Leader of Chinese

day that the Oregon house of representatives is determined that public welfare no longer will be

By a 2 to 1 vote, it decided to

refer to its tax committee the bill

placing all liquor revenues in the

general fund. Its alcoholic control

chairman, whose stand was sup-

ported by several members who

said they favored the bill but

thought the tax committee should

study it before final action is

The re - referral motion was

approved 39 to 19, but not one of

any opposition to the bill itself,

Representative Moore is known to

A battle over the issue became

er Supply company Thursday fil-

chutes dam near the site of a pro-

Five bills were passed in the

house Friday and sent to the sen-

ting on quarter horse racing: les

the state tax gasoline sold to the

federal government except that

revenue semi - annually instead

The senate took no final action

Friday, most of its activities be-

ing confined to a squabble over

whether a proposed interim hous-

ing committee should specifically

One would provide each state

policeman a \$5,000 insurance pol-

Nine new bills were introduced

which create a potato marketing

control authority, to become active

price of the Oregon Blue Book,

and require examinations of min-

ors before they are sent to cor-

Twenty house measures will

Among them are bills requiring

county surveyors to be registered

engineers or surveyors; having li-

cense numbers assigned perma-

nently to car owners rather than

to vehicles, and staggering renew-

als throughout the year; continuing permission for school districts

to incur indebtedness up to 10

per cent of their valuation, and

providing for an interim commit-

The house will resume at 10:30

. m. Monday, the senate at 11.

(Additional details on page 4)

Venezuela, El Salvador

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 -(AP)-

The United States granted full

diplomatic recognition today to

new governments in Venezuela

and El Salvador which seized

power last year by foribly means

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Jan. 21-

(A)-Three persons were killed and

nine injured when a B-29 crashed

it has condemned.

DIE IN B-29 CRASH

Win U.S. Recognition

tee on low cost housing.

come up for final vote in the house

dropped in the senate hopper.

aid to girls in institutions.

Bills Introduced

rective institutions.

committee reports.

No Final Action in Senate

of annually.

No Opposition Indicated

Apply for Dam Permit

into the decision.

Plan to Divorce Welfare from Liquor Fund Finds Supporters Peace in

Truck License System Reduces Revenue 30% dependent upon liquor revenue, although it refused to be hurried

Despite a 12 per cent gain in 1948 motor vehicle registrations, revenues from license transactions were 30 per cent below the previous year, Secretary of State Earl T. Newbry reported Friday. Registrations of all types of vehicles on December 31 aggregated China; and are not the same as the 600,400, a gain of 64.600 over the 1947 figure. Fees from all motor passage without further delay. al region of California and south- vehicle and drivers transactions were \$4,315,529, compared with

> The drop in revenues was due to a change in the method of assessing trucks and buses adopted by the 1947 legislature, Newbry said. Trucks are now licensed on Trade Fire

a flat fee basis, but pay a use tax based on weight and mileage to the public utilities commissioner. Drivers' license transactions, after a full year of the staggered flayed the earmarking of funds They revised it after conferring renewal systems, totaled \$475,615. or 39 per cent over 1947. This gain combined with the loss in Oregon's unbalanced budget." He miles southeast of Nanking. registration fees, put gross reve- was joined by Rep. Carl Francis

\$5,865,632 a year ago.

On Deschutes

MADRAS, Jan. 21 -(AP)- This The incident was touched off town appeared today to like the tween fish commission officials when a German truck, possibly idea of a new \$12,000,000 hydro- and members of legislative fish electric plant on the Deschutes ings and machine tools, tried to river near here.

Harold J. Eidemiller, director of to prohibit private power dams ficial replied: the Jefferson Water Conservancy on the Deschutes. district, said the specifications for the dam apparently do not threaten the fishing value of the Metolius river.

The dam would not back water ed application for a preliminary p as far as the Metolius, he said. permit for a \$12,000,000 Desup as far as the Metolius, he said.

BEND, Jan. 21-(AP)-The chair- posed PUD project. man of the Central Oregon PUD refused today to say whether the PUD would oppose the application ate. They would let Multnomah of three power companies to build county acquire Columbia Pioneer a \$12,000,000 dam on the Deschutes cemetery; allow pari - mutuel bet-

The PUD which was formed ong ago, but never actually oper- used in ships and aircraft; permit ated, has an application on file to summonses to be served by any build a dam of its own on the competent person over 21, and re-Deschutes. The application, filed quire the highway commission to their resignations to the acting eight years ago, would take precedence over the new one.

BANK DEPOSITS DROP PORTLAND, Jan. 21 -(AP)- Bus-

Salem's every-other-day snowstorms provide new fun for the kids

every time the snowflakes fly. Putting finishing touches on their

snowmen, snowballs and general snow activity. (Statesman photo). returning from the crash scene.

iness-as reflected in bank deposits- wasn't as good in Oregon last year. State Superintendent of Banks A. A. Rogers reported total deposits declined \$53,000,000 dur- investigate Portland's situation. plete calm. of republican leaders held prison- ing 1948. Loans and discounts But eight new measures were

Move for Managing Editor, The Statesman There was every indication Fri-

NANKING, Saturday, Jan. 22 (P)- President Chiang Kai-Shek retired from his historic role as China's leader yesterday and his successor reportedly agreed to send peace delegates to meet the communists. committee had urged the bill's

Vice President Li Tsung-Jen. thrust into leadership of stricken Motion to refer the bill was China when Chiang relinquished made by Rep. Ralph Moore of his 22-year command of the govtation with his top advisers. One of these advisers said Li had agreed to send the delegates. Ambiguous Statement

When Chiang flew away from Nanking late yesterday he left Rep. Lyle Thomas of Dallas op- behind a statement so ambiguous posed the re - referral, calling for that officials of his crumbiling reimmediate action instead, and gime held it up until midnight.

generally. Such earmarking, he with Chiang by telephone at his said, gave rise to "the myth of ancestral home in Fenghwa, 210

As finally released, the official nue collected by the motor vehicle of Dayton, who said the bill had translation in English said:

"With the hope that hostilities may be brought to an end and the people's suffering relieved, I have

decided to retire. "As from Jan. 21. Vice Presithe members so voting indicated dent Li Tsung-Jen will exercise the duties and powers of president

Meantime, with actual debate Wishes for Lasting Peace The text of nearly 400 words

on the floor at its usual earlysession minimum, legislators were continued with a review of looking forward to a show-down Chiang's devotion to the governfight on a private power - PUD- ment and wishes for a lasting fishing issue. A conference be- peace. Asked whether a surrender deal

committees is to be held early ascendant communists or what next week regarding a measure would happen next, one high of-"Frankly, we don't know. It all

depends on what we are able to do now.'

certain when the Northwest Pow- T. V. Soong Fired No sooner had Vice President

Li taken over than he accepted the resignation of T. V. Soong, Chiang Kai-Shek's millionaire brother-in-law, as governor of Kwangtung province. He appointed the Cantonese war hero Gen. Hseuh Yueh as governor. Soong was reported leaving immediately by air to proceed to

the United States. Madame Chiang, Soong's sister. is in New York, where she declined comment.

Premier Sun Fo and his entire cabinet also immediately tendered pay cities their share of highway president but were asked to re-

> SHANGHAI, Saturday, Jan. 22 -(AP)-This great commercial city, afire-through the flames and ice whose firm support two decades ago helped establish Chiang Kai- He was taken to a hospital, serishek as China's leader, today took his vague "retirement" with com-

opinion was proved in Shanghai's distant windows; and resounded general apathy regarding his re- throughout Astoria. Two Maids and Their Snowman | policeman a \$5,000 insurance policeman a policeman a state | general apathy regarding his reicy. Others would increase state | tirement—whether it be temporary or final.

in the house, including those County Court Cool commission; set up a state rent To Plan Delaying when federal control ends; in-changes in Laws crease from 25 to 50 cents the A stop-gap proposal from As-

on state laws dealing with counfrom Marion county court. The measure would specify that

such bills, which are based on population figures, be amended to provide that the population figures for 1940 federal census be The court, however, felt that

two years' respite might be more confusing than helpful, and the U.S., Britain Ready laws would still require changes. Stadter, jr., to proceed with the task of preparing new bills at the present legislative session to alter laws referring to counties with 100,000 population or more.

Israel, Egypt Hold Showdown Talk

RHODES, Jan. 21 -(AP)- Acting U.N. Mediator Ralph C. Bunche brought the heads of the Egyptian and Israeli delegations to- States. gether tonight for a show-down on the armistice talks...

one way or another may be ex- dan next week at the same time the chimney. snowman above are Virginia,, 41/2 years, left, and Margaret, 51/2 five miles east of the Great Falls pected shortly in the negotiations full (de jure) recognition is given years, right, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. George Lefley of 2266 Mission st. Friday's snow, while it lasted, was reported excellent for Falls-(Tribune)-Reporter said on over final demarcation of Israelishors. She said it didn't mind that, snowmen, snowballs and general snow activity. (Statesman photo). Egypt boundaries.

Acting President of China



became acting president today following Chiang Kai-shek's departure from Nanking. Chiang left the Chinese capital city amid reports that he was quitting the presidency for good. (AP Wirephoto to The Siatesman).

2 Men Found Alive in Wreckage of Airliner snow-storm. Ernest L. Foskett, 74, died of a heart attack at Seattle while shoveling snow. Charles

today in the crumpled wreckage of an Alaska airlines DC-3 transport plane and rescue crews said a third might still be living. Six persons were aboard the craft when it piled into a hillside on

the Kenai peninsula last night. First reports from the rescue crews said all had perished. Then came

Man Burned in Launch Blast

ASTORIA, Jan. 21-(AP)-A launch exploded here today, seriously injuring a boatman who was plummeted into an ice-packed river flaming in gasoline. But middle-aged John Pember-

ton, whose nickname is "Tiger John," managed to swim-his hair floes until he was hauled to shore. ously burned. The blast blew the cabin com-

pletely off the \$15,000 launch. The fact that Chiang long since Arrnow No. 2; seared the paint had lost the support of public from an adjoining launch; broke

Revolt Seen in North Korea SEOUL, Korea, Jan. 21-(AP)-The

information minister of south Korea said today he had reliable reports that an army revolt against A stop-gap proposal from Asports that an army revolt against the north Korean communist re-Kimmell which would postpone gime had been in progress for two for at least two years the deadline days at the border town of Haeju. The minister, Kim Don Sur. Set July 14-16

Monday, as a result of "do pass" ties of 100,000 population or over said fires were observed and gunreceived a cool reception Friday fire broke out the night of January 19 and were continuing. Haeju is near the west coast just north of the 38th parallel which separates the American - sponsored southern republic from the Soviet - sponsored northern govern- stage for the third successive year ment. Each regime claims sover- a community festival on the geneignty over the whole country.

It asked District Attorney E. O. To Grant Status to Israel, Arab State

formed sources said tonight Britain is ready to recognize the Jewish state of Israel and the United Owl Doesn't Give States to recognize Arab Trans-

Such a move, intended to ease middle east tension over the Palestine situation, involves a major U. S. government officials in

His action indicated that a break is likely to recognize Trans-Jor- said it had apparently come down gaining involved.

word there were indications of life in the wreckage. Saws, crowbars and axes were rushed in so the rescuers could break open the wreckáge.

ka airlines as Roscoe Spears, Dillingham, Alaska; co-pilot Robert
Stevens, Seattle; Stewardess Lu-Stevens, Seattle; Stewardess Lurina Nims, Everson, Wash., and Stanley Hillman of Anchorage, one of the three passengers.

the stewardess. The report of a gas. possible third survivor was not expanded. The reports were coming by ra-

dio, relayed by a rescue squadron B-17 circling the scene. Sleeping bags and other equipment were dropped to the crews before dark. They said they intended to work through the night.

nearby lake to aid in the rescue not "dare" to skip hearings. He work, flipped over on its back but said Pepper's plan is doomed. no one aboard was hurt.

Salem Cherryland Festival asso-

tively dated this summer's festival for July 14-15-16. The board decided definitely to

in 1947 revived a custom of earlier presented at the hearings," Salem days. (The board met for luncheon at the Senator hotel. Directors also directed Presi-

dent Sidney L. Stevens to call a meeting of heads of all civic organizations, within the next two weeks, to discuss ways and means can be, because industrial peace of underwriting a "bigger and LONDON, Jan. 21 -(AP)- In- better" show for this year.

A Hoot for Snow

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 21 -(AP) revision of British policy. It would The winter's heaviest snowstorm be a minor shift by the United here chased a small brown owl indoors

Mrs. Frances Phibbs found the Washington said the United States bird sitting on her piano. She

Before turning the owl loose

6 Inches Blankets Portland

Salem Shakes Off 2-Inch Covering

More snow and colder tempera-tures was the forecast for the Sa-lem area Saturday after the city had successfully sloughed off a two-inch snowfall Thursday night and Friday.

Most of the night's intermittent snowfall was gone from streets and unprotected areas by late afternoon Friday with some patches still clinging in shaded spots. Snew forecast for early Saturday was expected to be light, but a minimum temperature near 24 degrees was predicted.

Meanwhile the whole northwest area from Seattle to Grants Pass was counting up the inches of snow which fell in the winter's worst storm. Three inches of snow at Spokane was added to 13 inches already on the ground. Portland had six inches and expected to have eight by late Saturday-most since the January storm of 1943.
Astoria was blanketed with six inches, Tillamook 4, Medford 4, Grants Pass 3, Dallas 5. Request Travel Cut

Oregon state's highway commis sion was urging everyone to hold travel to a minimum as ice and snow-packed roads made highways hazardous. Some pupils in Salem schools

got an unexpected vacation when buses did not run Friday morning because of slippery roads. They were operating again in the afternoon to take home any who got to school. The lack of transportation was

announced over area radio stations but apparently few heard it. Dallas schools dismissed an hour early to give bus drivers more time to

negotiate the snow-packed routes. City Transit line buses also had their trouble Friday morning because of the snow and slush. Buses were unable to negotiate Lincoln street hill on the Saginaw street loop or the Hansen hill in the Liberty district. On some runs High street was skipped on the return Power Demand Jumps

Regional power shortages didn't improve Friday as power demands jumped by 155,000 kilowatts and flow of the Columbia river at Bonneville dropped to 85,500 feet a Three deaths were attributed in

directly Friday to the northwest's while shoveling snow. Charles Fisher, 83, Ocean Park, Wash., was found dead on the beach near his home after he had apparently lost his way in the storm. Rollie E Gaar, 63, Portland, apparently died of heart attack after a two-mile walk from his home toward a gro cery store.

Morse Aids in Peter Palmero, 35, San Francisco, and Capt. R. D. Land, pilot of the plane, were brought out alive.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 -(A) A drive by Senator Pepper (D-The search parties—both the Fla.) to ram a Taft-Hartley re-Tenth Rescue squadron and the peal bill through the senate labor airline have crews at the scene- committee without hearings apsaid they could find no trace of peared today to be running out of

Pepper himself stayed in the fight and he claimed some support in the committee. But two of his democratic col leagues in that group came out for hearings on the repealer. They and the five republican members who

want hearings constitute a majority of the 13-man committee. A ski-equipped Alaska airlines plane, attempting to land on a told reporters the labor unit would And Senator Hill (D-Ala.), an-other member, predicted that the committee will arrange for lim-

ited hearings at a meeting Monday. Hill said he will support a motion by Senator Morse (R-Ore.) to start them next week and wind up by March 1. (In a telegram to the Statesman Friday night, Morse said final acciation's directors Friday tenta- tion will be taken on his motion

at a special meeting of the committee Monday. "My motion pro-vides that the committee should plan to spend the month of March a community festival on the gen-eral lines set since the celebration evidences and recommendations

("That will give us plenty of time to give fair consideration in this session to a well balanced la bor bill." "It should be a bill as nearly nonpartisan as it possibly should be recognized as an economical problem rather than political," Morse added.)

Weather

Willamette river -6 of a foot.
FORECAST (from U.S. weather reau, McNary field, Salem): Mor cloudy with a few snow flurries morning, clearing considerably in afternoon. High today near 46. L tonight near 24.

SALEM PRECIPITATION (Sept. 1 to Jan. 22)

ensuing oligocene trees of temperate zone type appeared. They (Continued on editorial page) FRANKFURT, Germany, Jan. 21 -(AP)- U. S. troops and Czechoslvak guards were disclosed today to have exchanged fire in a fron-Conservative tier incident. division 26 per cent below the nothing to do with taxes. U. S. army headquarters an-nounced no Americans were previous year. wounded. American officials said they did not know whether any Czechs were hit. They accused the **Baptist Meet** Czechs of firing first. The clash occurred last night near Schirnding, directly opposite Idea of Dam Set in Salem the Czechoslovak border town of Eger, 75 miles northeast of Nuernberg. Salem First Baptist church will Estimates of the number of shots fired ranged from 20 to 200.

loaded with smuggled

fired back.

countries.

er by the Dutch.

First German border police and

persons in the truck were wound-

ed in that exchange, Thirty min-

utes later American constabulary

troops reached the scene and

"were fired upon from the Czech

side of the border," the army an-

nouncement said. The Americans

For Indonesian

Liberty by July '50

LAKE SUCCESS, Jan. 21 -(AP)

A watered down resolution cal-

ling for Indonesian independence

by July 1, 1950, was placed be-

fore the security council today by

the United States and three other

The resolution which Cuba,

China and Norway joined the U.S.

in sponsoring, calls on the Dutch

and the Indonesians to halt imme-

diately all fighting in the Indies

and demands immediate release