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Oregon — Snow today, to-
night and Saturday. Colder
tonight and Saturday. High
25 to 35 today and 18 to 28
Saturday. Low 10 to 20 to-
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BLIZZARD STRIKES OREGON

Search Made For Missing Bend Girl

Dorothy Jean Reeves, 14, Bend high school freshman and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Reeves, who live near the municipal airport in the Butler road area, was reported missing today. Officers were asked to aid in the search when she failed to return home last night.

Dorothy Jean disappeared Thursday afternoon, after calling her mother to say she would not be home until after 5 p.m. She had been scheduled to take part in a school skit in the early afternoon, but did not show up. The girl was last seen in Bend at the Courthouse service station. After information about the girl was sought on a KBNB broadcast, a motorist reported he had seen a girl answering the description hiking east on the Central Oregon highway.

No Home Trouble

The girl's father reported that the youngster had had no trouble at home and was in the best of spirits when she left yesterday morning. A check with school authorities revealed that Dorothy Jean had no cause to worry because of her grades, despite the fact that she was recently out of school for a month, after undergoing an appendectomy.

Fears that the youngster might have met with some mishap were discarded when it was learned that she apparently planned on leaving. She carried a small suitcase, it was ascertained, and had some money.

Dorothy Jean has a brother, Dick, at Fort Ord, Calif., and it is believed she might eventually show up there.

Officers Elected By Geology Club

Deschutes Geology club members at their annual meeting last night reelected officers for 1950, tentatively discussed plans for a field season that will center around exploration of newly-discovered fossil and mineral localities, and considered construction of a club house. The meeting was held in the city hall.

John H. Eaton, who headed the club in its highly successful year just past, was named to serve as president again in 1950. Howard Jenne was named vice-president and Patsy Stewart was elected secretary-treasurer. C. G. Springer led the discussion of plans for construction of a club house, a site for which has been tentatively selected.

A short talk on the geology of the Gateway country, which has been in the limelight in the past year as the result of fossil finds that ranged from two new leaf localities, was given by Phil F. Brogan. He touched on the recent discovery of rhinoceros fossils and the skeleton of a large fish in the Gateway gravels.

Outings for 1950 will be arranged by a scouting committee, and it was indicated that the first field trip of the season would be into the Gateway locality.

Missing Child Hides for Week

Yonkers, N. Y., Jan. 13 (UP)—Authorities said today that home life broken by divorce caused 12-year-old Josephine Leech to run away and hide for a week while an FBI led search for her spread throughout the nation.

Since last Friday, the FBI, police and hundreds of volunteers combed Westchester county in fear that the bobbysoxer had been kidnapped. While all the while she hid in a parsonage basement only seven miles from her home.

She was found in Mount Vernon, New York, last night unconcernedly watching a movie entitled "Black Magic."

She hung her head and refused to tell police why she ran away Jan. 5, but she had left a note in her basement hideaway which read:

"Dear Mom, I think this is the best way because there will be no more fighting."

Police said Josephine apparently entered the parsonage basement through a window and had been sleeping there and bathing in the bathroom. Police found \$1.19 in her pockets.

Chief Operator Gets 30-Year Award



Mrs. Minnie Livingston, chief operator in the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. office in Bend, was honored at a dinner prepared by her fellow operators yesterday. She is pictured here, receiving a 30-year pin from C. E. Johnson, Portland, district traffic manager for the company. At left is Frances Jackson, who was chief operator when Mrs. Livingston entered PT&T service here 30 years ago. Looking on is Mrs. Livingston's son, Oliver, central office repairman for the telephone company.

Recreation Dept. Plans Stamp Club For Bend Juniors

Plans are being made for organization of a junior stamp club as part of the city recreation program. Wayne Hamilton, recreation director, announced today. Youngsters between the ages of 8 and 14, who are interested in stamp collection as a hobby, are being asked to get in touch with Hamilton, and the first meeting of the group will be held, probably next week. Tentative plans call for Saturday morning sessions at the city hall.

In working out plans for the junior organization, Hamilton sought the advice of Charles K. Well, recognized as a local authority on philately, and other adult stamp collectors. Two members of the Bend Philatelic society, Mrs. Harold Rice and Stanley Younger, will act as counselors for the junior group.

Will Fill Need

Organization of such a club will fill a local need that has become apparent, as there have been many inquiries both from parents and children, Well said. As a background for club activities, the youngsters will be instructed in fundamental stamp collecting, with emphasis on the enjoyment to be derived from the hobby. When the club gets under way, printed material on various phases of stamp collecting will be available. Hamilton said that a mimeographed guidebook also will be prepared in his office.

Amateur stamp collectors over 14 years of age will be welcome to meet with the Bend Philatelic society, which has evening sessions each first and third Tuesday at the Well home, 1324 Jacksonville, officers stressed.

Attempt to Wreck Trains Thwarted

Chicago, Jan. 13 (UP)—North Western railroad officials reported today that a deliberate attempt was made to wreck two fast passenger trains as they entered Chicago.

The Twin Cities 400, en route from Minneapolis, and the Valley 403, bound here from Green Bay, Wis., plowed into piles of heavy switch bars, pieces of rail, angle irons and other maintenance equipment on Chicago's north side.

Both trains remained on the tracks and none of the passengers was injured.

The Twin Cities train had 300 passengers aboard. The Valley 400 was carrying 170 passengers.

GAMES CANCELLED

Because of the storm, the Bend-Madras basketball games, between varsity and Jayvee squads, has been cancelled. Russ Acheson, assistant Bend high school principal, announced this afternoon.

State Department Believes Russia "Put on Spot," Result Of Acheson's Latest Charges

Washington, Jan. 13 (UP)—The state department hoped today that it has put Russia on the spot in Asia with its charges that Moscow is trying to steal 2,000,000 square miles of Chinese territory.

Secretary of state Dean Acheson has said the soviet union is in the process of taking over four areas of north China—Manchuria, outer Mongolia, inner Mongolia and Sinkiang. These regions constitute almost half of China's 4,314,097 square miles.

Plans for Annual Red Cross Drive Topic at Meeting

The incorporation of these areas into the soviet union would rob China of rich industrial and agricultural lands and make its economic rehabilitation totally dependent upon Russia.

Acheson made it clear that the United States considers the four areas to be integral parts of China. His words could put the Chinese communists in a political embarrassing position.

Leader in Moscow

Mao Tse-tung, their leader, now is in Moscow for negotiations in which he is expected to agree to increased Russian concessions in northern China. If he does, he will be in the position of ceding to Russia huge areas which the United States insists are part of China.

Diplomatic observers said this would make it increasingly difficult for Mao to convince the Chinese people that the United States is the "imperialist" nation that Moscow says it is.

Acheson made the statement in a speech before the National Press club yesterday. He was slated to return to Capitol Hill tomorrow.

Grand Jury Report Hits L.A. Crime Wave

Los Angeles, Jan. 13 (UP)—A grand jury report claimed today that Los Angeles is suffering an "appalling and fearsome" crime wave, but Mayor Fletcher Bowron said the picture painted by the jury was "rather mild."

The survey, submitted by Foreman Harry Lawson and 18 fellow jurors as the 1949 panel was discharged, cited an "alarming increase" in unsolved murders and other major crimes.

This shows "ineffectiveness in law enforcement agencies and the courts that should not be tolerated," the jury said.

Bowron said this was practically a re-statement of the jury's interim report made in the fall.

In defense of law enforcement agencies, he answered that the city's record of unsolved crimes is lower, percentage-wise, than that of any city in the United States of similar size.

On the whole, the mayor said, the report was "rather mild" and "all for the good."

Trailways Bus Wrecked, 17 Persons Hurt

Government Camp, Ore., Jan. 13 (UP)—Seventeen persons were injured today when a Trailways bus, bound from Portland to Salt Lake City, crashed into the rear end of a snow-plow on the Mount Hood highway four miles east of Government Camp at 11:10 a.m.

State police said the bus, moving through a blizzard near the Wapinitia cutoff, collided with heavy impact into the rotary snow-plow which also was traveling eastward.

Extent of the injuries was not disclosed immediately but fragmentary information from the scene of the accident said some of the casualties were "in pretty bad shape."

Although the bus was not traveling fast, the collision impact was "hard," according to witnesses.

A Trailways company doctor was taken to Government Camp in a relief bus, escorted by Portland and state police. The injured were taken to Mountain View and Darr's resort for emergency treatment. All the 17 injured were bus passengers.

Names Not Available

Pacific Trailways officials reported at noon that names of bus occupants were not immediately available. Myrl P. Hoover, Trailways president, hurried to the scene of the crash from Madras. William Niskanen also left for Government Camp.

Explosion Kills 5 at Vincennes

Vincennes, Ind., Jan. 13 (UP)—Sewer gas compressed by backwaters from the flooding Wabash river may have caused a housing project explosion that killed two mothers and their three children, officials said today.

Indiana state fire marshal Alex Hoagland came here to direct personally an investigation to determine the cause of the blast.

The explosion wrecked a two-family unit in the project just two blocks from where 1,000 soldiers were fighting to hold a levee against flood waters lapping 18 inches from the top.

The unit's concrete block walls tumbled like dominoes as the blast rocked the entire town.

Witnesses said the building was knocked "flat as a table-top." A refrigerator was blown across a street and crushed a parked car. A mattress was thrown a city block.

As fire broke out in the debris, about 250 of the troops raced to aid police and firemen in the search for dead and injured.

The explosion ripped the units of the Bowman terrace housing project shortly before 4 p.m. yesterday.

In the ruins, rescue workers found the bodies of Mrs. Wanda Cooper, 23, and her two children, Charles, 5, and Barbara, 3, and Mrs. Rose Overfelt and her daughter, Vickie June, 18 months.

Authorities said the exact cause of the explosion was not known. Mrs. Overfelt's husband, William, told police he had "smelled gas" for weeks in his home.

Entire Pacific Northwest Feels Winter's Worst Storm; Considerable Damage Listed

Portland, Jan. 13 (UP)—Oregon took a severe lashing from an arctic storm today and the U. S. weather bureau, in an emergency warning, predicted blizzards for the eastern section of the state Friday night and early Saturday morning.

Schools were closed in Portland, Astoria, Monmouth, Dallas, Independence and other Oregon cities as snow and sub-freezing temperatures snarled traffic and clogged streets with ice and slush.

Portland recorded gusts of wind up to 87 miles per hour and the weather bureau said its lines to the coast of Oregon were disrupted, preventing a full assessment of storm conditions.

Warning Issued

Heavy snow fell throughout the Oregon Cascades and on suburban hills surrounding Portland. The weather bureau said Portland may receive as much as a foot of snow by Saturday morning.

In a special bulletin issued from the Portland headquarters at 12:45 p.m., the weather bureau issued emergency blizzard and livestock warnings for eastern Oregon, eastern Washington and Idaho for Friday night.

The Multnomah county sheriff's office reported the temperature dropped 13 degrees in one hour at Bonneville Friday and that it was "snowing hard" there with a 60-mile-an-hour wind.

TRAFFIC PARALYZED

(By United Press)

A sub-freezing, near-hurricane blizzard blasted the Pacific northwest Friday destroying several small craft, paralyzing transportation and disrupting communications in scattered areas.

Several power failures were reported throughout the area.

The coast guard reported a 60-mile-an-hour gale caused "considerable" damage to the fishing fleet in Grays Harbor, Wash. At least six fishing boats were total losses. The larger boats were riding out the blizzard "fairly well," officers said, but all craft suffered some damage.

The weather bureau issued blizzard and livestock warnings for eastern Oregon and Washington and northern and southern Idaho. Officials said the blizzard was moving swiftly and its full force would be felt east of the Cascades Friday afternoon and evening.

Schools Closed

Schools in most coastal counties of Washington and Oregon were closed. Merchants in many cities closed stores for the remainder of the storm.

Weather officials were unable to measure the fall because the gale was blowing the snow almost horizontally.

They described the storm as one of the worst in history.

The blizzard struck the north Pacific seaboard as a bone-chilling Canadian cold wave edged sluggishly out of British Columbia and moved southward toward the Columbia river.

Six-foot snow drifts were reported in several sections of western Washington. One Seattle forecaster reported a snow drift almost four feet deep in his backyard a few hours after the storm hit the city.

All ferries in Puget sound were halted because of high seas. Damage to dock installations could not be estimated.

Portland public and parochial schools were ordered closed at noon today because of heavy snow and icing conditions.

Most rural snowing in the Portland-Vancouver area were closed.

Klamath Couple Injured in Wreck

Dunsmuir, Calif., Jan. 13 (UP)—Mr. and Mrs. George Lewis of Klamath Falls, Ore., and Ralph Harris of Albany, Ore., were injured five miles north of Mt. Shasta late yesterday in a truck auto collision.

The Lewis car, in which all three were riding on a trip to Oakland, was hit head-on by an auto carrier truck which skidded on an icy curve. The driver of the truck was not injured.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis were in serious condition in the hospital at Wood, Calif. Harris was released after receiving first aid.

POWER LINE DOWN

Portland, Jan. 13 (UP)—The Bonneville power administration said today that a 65,000-kilovolt transmission line feeding the Grays Harbor, Wash., public utility district went out at 8:10 a.m. and repair crews were unable to reach the trouble spot in the Pacific Northwest storm.

BPA identified the line as between Raymond and Cosmopolis and said it had been swept by winds of between 50 and 75 miles an hour during a blinding snowfall.

Gale Sweeps Snow Into Deep Drifts

Bend at noon today was in the grip of a blizzard that forced the closing of grade schools, stalled traffic, choked country roads with drifts, tangled telephone and power lines and closed both mills.

Old timers said the storm was one of the worst ever known in the upper Deschutes country. The storm was general over the Pacific northwest, and forecasters said a new disturbance is rapidly rushing in from the north Pacific.

Car Skids Into Roadside Pond, Three Drowned

Kelso, Wash., Jan. 13 (UP)—A young mother and her two small children drowned in a roadside pond today when their car skidded from the Pacific highway in a snow storm.

The Washington state patrol said the accident occurred two miles north of Kalama, Wash., when the car carrying the family of Cpl. Walter Warner, 25, from Pennsylvania on a transfer to Fort Worden, near Seattle, went out of control on icy pavement.

Warner was driving. He said the machine spun into the water and submerged. He managed to climb to the top of the vehicle and was rescued by a passing truck driver, who spotted the skid marks of the car on the highway.

State patrolmen said Mrs. Warner and two small children, whose names were not learned immediately, were dead when the car was towed from the pond.

Warner was hospitalized at Woodland, Wash., suffering from chill and exposure.

Four inches of snow covered the road when the Warner car skidded at about 7 a.m., officers said.

Schools Dismissed

Bend grade schools were dismissed at noon, to make it possible for youngsters living in rural areas to reach home before dark. Because of completed examination schedules, Bend high school was in recess today.

Tangled power and telephone lines kept repair crews busy through the day, as the snow-laden gale whipped through Bend, at times reaching an estimated velocity of 45 miles an hour. That was the maximum reported from the Redmond CAA station.

One of the busiest places in town through most of the day was (Continued on Page 5)

Chamber Names Committee Heads

Committee chairmen who will be in charge of carrying out the Bend chapter of commerce's 1950 programs today were selected by the organization's board of directors at a noon meeting in the Pine tavern.

The committees, their chairmen, and board contact directors, respectively, are as follows: Agriculture, George Ritchie Jr., and Ben Fanning; conventions, Jack Halbrook and Alva Goodrich; forum, Fred Paine and Kessler Cannon; aviation, Ward Coble and Maurice G. Hitchcock; fish and game, Ed Hamm and Richard Brands; irrigation, Robert Foley and Goodrich; civic affairs, Vance Coyner and C. L. McAllister; forestry, William Niskanen and A. J. Glassow; legislation and taxation, George Childs and Carl Erickson; rates and traffic, Gilbert P. Moty and Ralph Adams; membership, Don Thompson and Gordon Randall; roads and highways, Douglas Ward and J. W. Bushong; Deschutes county advertising, Frank H. Loggan and Cannon; school affairs, Joe Slate and Bushong; central Oregon chamber, B. A. Stover and Fanning; retail merchants, Ralph Baker and Pat Cashman; tourist promotion, Al Nielsen and Wilfred Jossy; co-chairmen, and McAllister, contact director; fire protection, Keep Oregon Green and Keep Bend Clean, Everett Hughes and Pat Cashman.

It also was announced to today's session that the chamber's budget committee will meet next week for planning the organization's financial program this year.

Among other actions the board authorized membership in the National Better Business Bureau, an organization which provides information to its members about illegal business practices which exist in their particular areas.