

RIVER FLOOD CREST PASSES

PROPHETESS RENOUNCED BY FOLLOWERS

End of World Fails To Materialize Despite All Night Vigil—Another 1000 Years In Pit.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 7.—(By Associated Press)—If the predictions of Margaret W. Rowen of Hollywood, self styled seeress and leader of what is termed the "reformed Adventist church" movement does not develop to the point of realization within the seven days allotted, twelve followers of the California cultist are prepared to renounce her as their leader. This was the announcement of Joe Gammel, leader of the College View group, after the midnight Friday vigil set for the Savior to begin his long journey from heaven to earth.

Members of the cult, gathered in their homes last night, and early today scanned the heavens through a cloudless sky—"cloudless to the unbeliever"—believers of Mrs. Rowen's faith are able to see the cloud and other signs of the coming of Christ. Mr. Gammel explained to the expectant, throng that surrounded his home in College View, a Lincoln suburb. Many persons were gathered inside the Gammel home but only one other of the twelve of the College View believers in the prediction of doomsday was present. That was Mrs. Gammel. Mr. Gammel went to the back porch soon after midnight to see if the first sign of the predicted millennium—Christ appearing as a small cloud—was visible, but on his return did not indicate what visions, if any, he had seen in the sky.

According to the belief of members of the Rowen faith, Christ's first appearance was to have been in the form of a small cloud descending at a rapid rate toward the earth. He was to make several stops, the first on a planet nearest heaven to prepare food for the saints which were to join him and accompany the Lord to earth. The descent was to take seven days and the return trip a like time, it was believed.

Another 1000 Years

Berkeley, Cal., Feb. 7.—Elder P. W. Province, head of the Berkeley group of reformed Seventh Day Adventists who sat up until midnight to await the "end of the world" as prophesied by their

GIESY SPEAKS AT HAYESVILLE ENTERTAINMENT

An address by Mayor J. D. Giesy of Salem on community life and children as an asset to the community was one of the features at the big chicken dinner and community meeting held at the Hayesville school last night. One hundred and eighty-six persons were served at the dinner and over 250 were present at the meeting. Among outside guests were Arthur Edwards and wife of Turner, Gertrude J. M. Page of Salem, Dr. and Mrs. Beecher of Salem. Disciparian Benay of the Chemawa Indian school and W. H. Fox, rural supervisor of Salem.

The Chemawa orchestra rendered several selections, vocal solos by Joe Foley were well received, the Misses Lengren and Bailey accompanying, and Miss Coleen Minnis furnished a reading. "Gully," which was warmly applauded and called for an encore. Eleanor Barth also gave a most excellent reading, and Ewing McCroskey gave his novelty monologue which was so good he could scarcely finish it because of applause between numbers. E. Cooke Patton also put on a nearly an hour's of his famous magic.

It was announced that the Popcorn Parent-Teacher association which met on a play last night at its school house and will repeat it tonight, will give the play again at the Hayesville school on Friday, February 13. Because of the activities the Hayesville club is financially on its feet.

BIG ACRES SUITABLE FOR FLAX GROWING

College Survey Shows Potential Resources For Industry In Valley, Only 2000 Needed By Plant.

Figures just procured by B. C. Miles, president of the new linen and flax products mill to be erected here shortly, the figures being furnished by Professor Hyslop of the Oregon Agricultural college show that there are 247,000 acres of land in the state available for raising high class flax, all of this acreage being in the Willamette valley.

Segregation of the acreage shows that Marion and Lincoln counties are the leading in available acreage. Marion having 40,000 acres and Lincoln 45,000 acres adaptable to flax culture. Multnomah has 16,000 acres, Lane 25,000 acres, Benton 16,000 acres, Clackamas 20,000 acres, Columbia 4000 acres, Washington 36,000 acres.

All told our present proposed plan will result at a maximum only 2000 acres of flax to provide it to its fullest requirements," state Mr. Miles. "The proposed unit, which will be constructed as soon as possible will manufacture only twines, shoe thread, harness thread and similar products, the idea being to make a success out of the first unit before expansion. Money already has been set aside to take care of expansions when necessary and the growth of the business demands it.

Forty-two years ago a man from Belgium introduced the growing of flax in Japan. Last year I talked to that man's son and he told me that Japan now raises 250,000 acres of flax and products from it can be bought in Portland stores.

"So grateful have the Japanese been over the development of this industry that they have erected a monument in their country to the memory of the Belgian who put them on the road to its development."

WALL OF WATER RELEASED BY DAM

Neppel, Wash., Feb. 7.—A dam at the foot of Moses lake here went out today and sent a 15-foot wall of water rolling down Crow creek into the Columbia river at Beverly, 30 miles below. But did little damage so far as could be ascertained.

Several hours after the dam went out the waters were still rolling down the valley of the creek. The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad runs through the portion of the creek valley next the river and inquiries were set afoot as to whether its tracks had been damaged.

Restore Sight to Blind Children Who Marvel Over Beauty of Earth

Denver, Colo., Feb. 7.—The commonplace things of life yesterday became a source of wonder to two children recently operated on in an effort to restore their sight, when, for the first time in their lives, Peter Morrison and Viola Emora, gazed about them and saw—the blue of the sky, the wonders of the city park and even went into raptures over the warm color of bricks.

The children, two of the eleven from the Colorado home for blind and deaf, at Colorado Springs, who underwent optical operations, were driven about the city, able for the first time to stand the strong light of day on their newly awakened and sensitive eyes.

"Would you mind if I ask a great many questions?" Viola asked. "Everything is so strange—so—so—so beautiful!"

"Bricks, bricks," the boy shouted. "Bricks—why, I know the

Veteran of House Tells Congress of Good Old Times

Washington, Feb. 7.—Representative Sherwood, democrat, Ohio, Civil war veteran and at the age of 90 the oldest member of the house, today delivered his "swan song" treating members to reminiscences of yesteryears.

He recalled that it was 52 years since he had entered congress and that only one of his colleagues at that time is alive—"Uncle Joe" Cannon.

General Sherwood, who is an ardent advocate of prohibition modification declared that in his younger days "those two crime breeders, the bootlegger's league and the anti-saloon league, had not yet appeared."

The Ohio representative contrasted the present day with the days when he entered congress. "The country had no automobiles, no wireless, no airplanes, no canned music, prize fighting was not then our popular entertainment. We had no moving pictures. Tainted actresses were not then our popular stars of the stage. We had no jazz music. The glorious old war songs of heroic memory and patriotic inspiration had not been supplanted by 'Captain Jinks and the horse marines,' 'Hall, Hall, The Gang's All Here,' 'Yes, We Have No Bananas' and similar jargon, and the grand plays of Shakespeare and plays of high moral import had not been supplanted by the vulgar and smutty vaudeville."

"Utah was then a territory represented by the distinguished Mormon elder Cannon," he continued. "His four wives, sitting side by side in the members' gallery

FLOOD PASSES PACIFIC HIGHWAY OUT OF WATER

Reports received by the state highway commission from its field engineers indicate that the crest of the flood has passed in the Willamette valley and in no place on the Pacific highway is the water over the pavement, and travel may now pass without delay or danger.

The Coos Bay, Newport and Tillamook highways to the coast have been kept open throughout the period of very heavy rainfall, with but few minor slides.

Rosburg, Or., Feb. 7.—A mammoth slide of rock and dirt is blocking the Pacific highway about one mile north of Myrtle Creek, the pavement being entirely blocked for about 300 yards. The slide occurred last evening shortly after one of the big stages had passed the point.

A big bluff of rock swept across the road into the river and motorists were forced to make the trip south over the old Roberts' mountain route, which is extremely dangerous at this time of the season. The resident engineer states that the highway will be cleared late this afternoon.

AMERICANS PRESENTED TO KING AND QUEEN

London, Feb. 7.—(By Associated Press)—Americans and others who were presented to the king and queen at the formal dinner given by American Ambassador Kellogg and Mrs. Kellogg at Crewe house last evening called today at Buckingham palace and signed the court register as is customary after presentations. Many compliments were heard on the queen's delicate appearance in a gold and diamond tiara, which she wore at the dinner.

BANK BANDITS GET \$3400 CASH

Tacoma, Wash., Feb. 7.—Three bandits this morning held up two employees of the National Bank of Tacoma, seriously wounded one of them and escaped with a satchel containing \$3400 in cash.

The robbery was committed in front of an agency of the bank at 23rd and Yakima streets. Harry Schmidt, manager of the agency, and Ray West, a bank messenger, were taking the cash from the main bank to the agency. As the two men stepped off a street car the three bandits drew up in an automobile and stopped them. Schmidt was shot in the back without warning and the bandits snatched up the satchel and fled in their car.

Schmidt was taken to a hospital where his condition was found to be serious. All available police were sent out in search of the bandits.

Several weeks ago another agency of the same bank was robbed in a similar manner.

Bank Robber Held

Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 7.—John B. Davenport, alias George Williams of Minneapolis, alleged to have been one of the men who robbed the Northwestern National bank of Milwaukee of \$247,000 in Liberty bonds and \$2000 in cash December 8 is under arrest here, it was revealed today.

Better a little well kept, than a great deal forgotten.

LEGISLATURE DILATORY IN ACHIEVEMENT

Only 42 Bills Out of 601 Introduced Acted Upon—Important Measures Neglected.

With the end of the legislative session only two weeks away most of the important legislation slated for introduction is still ahead, some not even having been sent in yet in the form of bills. The speculation is beginning to be heard among the members that the session's business cannot be completed in 40 days and that an additional week or two will be necessary. However, this speculation is based at every session, and doubtless the 22nd assembly will close at the end of the 40th day, or perhaps a day or two later.

Up to date 414 house bills and 187 senate bills have been introduced. Of these only 42 have passed both houses. Eighty-two others have passed the house alone and 46 others the senate alone. The governor has signed 18 measures and 21 bills have been killed by indefinite postponement, five in the senate and 16 in the house. Governor Pierce has vetoed two bills, the port of Portland bill and the Bend water supply measure. The former was passed over his veto. The latter veto has not yet been acted on by the legislature. Only a very few bills have failed on final passage.

Of the measures that have passed both houses a few are of some importance. Representative Woodward's bill requiring the physical examination of school children (Continued on Page Seven)

PIERCE TO ASK WHITE TO QUIT IF CHARGE TRUE

Announcement that Brigadier General George A. White, adjutant general of the Oregon national guard, will be asked to resign if charges made by Major Charles E. Gjedsted, who resigned from the position of White's first assistant last Monday, concerning misappropriation of national guard funds are proven true, was made this morning by Governor Pierce. The announcement came during the course of a conference between the governor, General White, Major Gjedsted and members of the general staff to examine evidence upon which Major Gjedsted bases his charges. Summoned before the general staff last night the major refused to reveal his evidence until he had been given assurance by the governor that the records upon which he is basing his charges would be withdrawn from the adjutant general's office and placed in safe keeping until the case has been determined. This assurance was given this morning during the conference, Governor Pierce announced.

"I am going to take this evidence and lock it up in my private vault. I will be too busy during the next two weeks to go into the matter, but Major Gjedsted must prove his case. If he does prove it I will have to ask you (the adjutant general) to resign; if he does not he will have to suffer the consequences."

Governor Pierce also gave General White permission to release for publication a report on the financial condition of his office compiled by a public accountant, but Major Gjedsted declares that the evidence he has to offer will discount the auditor's report and reveal it to be only superficial.

IDAHO REFUSES TO RATIFY CHILD LABOR

Boise, Idaho, Feb. 8.—The lower house of the legislature today by a vote of 35 to 18 failed to ratify the proposed child labor amendment to the constitution of the United States.

He, who has not a drop of folly in his mixture, has pounds of much worse matter in his composition.

Jack Dempsey And Estelle Taylor Take Out License to Wed

San Diego, Cal., Feb. 7.—Jack Dempsey, heavyweight champion pugilist and Estelle Taylor, motion picture actress, shortly before noon today secured a marriage license at the office of the county clerk here.

"We do not intend to get married until Monday night," said Dempsey after the license had been issued. "We have not yet decided who will perform the ceremony. As it is, we plan on getting married Monday night and then leave for Los Angeles, after which we will plan our honeymoon."

WEEKS DEFENDS AIRCRAFT POLICY OF DEPARTMENT

Washington, Feb. 7.—Making his first public statement regarding the row that has centered about Brigadier General Mitchell, assistant chief of the army air service, Secretary Weeks today declared that those who disagree with General Mitchell had been the targets for unjust and "supercilious" criticism.

Before passing judgment, the secretary said, it would be well for the country to remember that the opponents of the Mitchell air policies included General Pershing and many of the other great figures of the American war army.

"It is incredible," continued Mr. Weeks, "that these officers should wish to take any course relating to the development of the air service which would not be the best interest of the future defense of the United States."

The war secretary's statement was issued while the house aircraft committee was being told by Captain A. W. Johnson, assistant chief of the naval air service that some of General Mitchell's most sweeping statements to the committee about the results of joint army-navy maneuvers could not be substantiated by the facts.

In an indirect reference to the general's charge that officers are "afraid to tell the truth," for fear of discipline, Captain Johnson said he had asked Secretary Wilbur whether there would be objection to giving the committee certain official correspondence and the secretary had replied: "Tell everything you know."

Secretary Weeks did not touch directly in his statement on the question of General Mitchell's reappointment as assistant chief of the air service which is being held in abeyance.

BILL TO ENCOURAGE COOPERATIVE MARKETING

Washington, Feb. 7.—A bill designed to encourage cooperative marketing was introduced today by Representative Dickinson, republican, Iowa. It would provide for expansion of the bureau of economics and marketing in the department of agriculture and for creating of a marketing council to be composed of four members appointed by the president with senate confirmation to hold the positions permanently.

In addition an advisory body would be organized from various cooperative marketing groups.

Oratorical Fireworks Order of the Day in Senate Next Monday

Oratorical fireworks will be the order of the day in the state senate Monday, with at least three measures certain to provoke more or less argument holding places on the calendar for that day. There is strong prospect that the calendar will not be cleared during the day.

Aside from Senator Ritter's bill to take the fish commission out of the hands of the governor, which has been made a special order of business for 2:30 in the afternoon, there are also the banking code and Senator McGladry's measure to amend the workmen's compensation act slated to be fought out. Any one of these three bills contains enough dynamite for debate to tie the senate up for the entire day if the members are given full sway.

It is likely, however, that restrictions will be placed on the debate.

Twenty-eight bills have places on the house calendar for Monday, but most of them are of a minor nature and should be disposed of in rapid order. Representative Carlin's proposal to amend the statutes relating to the removal of county seats may stir up a ripple or two in the middle, as it is said to be the outgrowth of the fight between Ashland and Medford over the location of the county seat of Jackson county, and Representative Woodward's bill pertaining to the sterilization of feeble minded persons is expected to stir up some opposition from the sentimentally inclined.

SHAFT DOWN HALF WAY TO CAVE VICTIM

Troops Patrol Scene To Prevent Interruption In Work of Rescuers of Entombed Man.

Cave City, Ky., Feb. 7.—(By Associated Press)—The measured tread of Kentucky troops beat a staccato today to the picking by miners digging at a new shaft to Sand cave where Floyd Collins, entombed, has lain, pinned by a boulder, for almost 200 hours.

Determined that no efforts shall interfere in any way with the operations, the guardsmen last night ordered Homer Collins, brother of the victim, and John Gerald away from the cave. Gerald led the rescue party which early in the week made fruitless efforts to get to Collins through the cave entrance.

Both men were called to national guard headquarters and officers told them the boring downward was the last chance to reach the cavern prisoner. Their activity, especially Gerald's criticism of the means being employed, made their presence undesirable because it slowed the work. If either man returns he will be forcibly ejected. Both agreed not to offer further interference.

Slowly the shaft was going down. Early today it had gone to the 22 foot level and with at least that much more to go. It probably will be 48 hours before an opening is made.

Testing drilling was discontinued after a diamond drill had reached limestone at a depth of 40 feet. Dr. W. B. Funkhouser, geologist, expressed the opinion that the drill had reached the cap rock of the cave.

Homer Collins, during the night, made a forbidden trip into the cave a few hours before he was called to military headquarters. He found the light near the squeeze still burning, and by turning off all lights outside for a few moments, said he determined that the entombed man's light still glowed.

A truck load of ammunition and other supplies was en route to Cave City this morning.

Additional guardsmen arrived last night and fourteen others were expected today. Large crowds are hampering the work.

A Red Cross hospital unit has been established on the grounds. Physicians are constantly on duty prepared for emergency service.

Expectations are that the Northwestern will resume operations between Salem and Portland early next week, probably Monday. Officials of the company stated this morning that a drop of two and a half feet at Oregon City would be necessary before the boat could be taken down through the locks there. Two and a half feet at Oregon City would mean nearly five feet here, they said.

A drop in temperature last night, with the mercury going as low as 29 degrees at Salem, was believed to mean freezing temperature farther back in the hills, which would cause the water to seep into the streams more slowly than otherwise.

RAINS MOISTEN ALL CALIFORNIA

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 7.—A storm that is manifesting itself in daily or nightly installments has been over California for three days and the end is not yet in sight. Last night it brought generous rains to southern California where rain is badly needed, according to the United States weather bureau, but it sharply accentuated the many flood hazards that it had brought about in central and northern California.

The great water sheds on the east side of the Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys are spilling sheets of water into the rivers and creeks below them, and there were reports from the middle Sacramento, the Napa and adjoining valleys that some of the streams had broken over their banks and flooded the bottom lands.

The rainfall throughout northern California was fairly even last night, ranging from .24 to .32 inch.

PESCAWHA CREW OUT ON BONDS

Portland, Or., Feb. 7.—Captain Robert Pamphlet and his crew of five men of the schooner Pescawha were released from jail here today when bail was deposited on the federal immigration department charge of entering the United States unlawfully. This charge was in addition to one alleging the captain and crew guilty of violating the liquor laws. Bail on this charge has previously been posted.

A full report of the seizure of the Pescawha off the Washington coast by the cutter Albatross, after the Pescawha had rescued nine of the crew of the wrecked schooner Canoa, has been sent to the attorney general's office at Washington, D. C.