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THE WATERS ARE OUT

Death Dealing Floods and Storms Throughout the Country.

A JOHNSTOWN HORROR FEARED

The Capital of Queensland is Forty Feet Under Water and People are Taking Refuge in the Hills.

Associated Press.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 7.—The flood that threatened disaster to Pittsburg and Allegheny has it is thought, been checked by the cold weather and at midnight the worst was believed to be over. The lower parts of Allegheny and the south side are submerged, and the damage as far as known, is not large, but poor people who were forced to leave their homes suffer greatly from the cold. The high waters seriously affected the railroads, and nearly all through trains are delayed. The famous Connemaugh river overflowed so that it has broken the embankments in several places, causing fear and consternation among many who reside along the stream. Trouble is expected at Johnstown, over thirty miles of telegraph line on the Franklin division of the Lake Shore road is destroyed by last night's storm. Dispatches from various points throughout the west end of the state, indicate a serious condition of affairs. At Oil City, Parker's, Warren and Freeport, on the Allegheny river the flats are submerged and the water is still rising.

Brisbane, Queensland, Feb. 7.—The city continues completely isolated by the floods. In the region about the wide bay, hundreds of houses have been demolished by the rushing waters, and thousands of destitute people have taken refuge in the hills. Business here is completely suspended. The water is forty feet deep in the principal streets of the city tonight, and in the suburbs covered with buildings sixty feet high, five hundred houses have been demolished. Hundreds of families have lost their houses and are left homeless and have deserted the city, leaving in boats to seek safety and shelter on higher ground. This is the greatest disaster in the history of the colony.

Portland, Feb. 7.—The indications are for Western Washington: Rain or snow; slightly warmer. For Eastern Washington and Eastern Oregon: Snow; nearly stationary temperature. For Western Oregon: Snow or rain; warmer; gales along the coast.

Chatham, Mass., Feb. 7.—The steamer Cattage City, from Portland, Me., for New York, is ashore on the outer bar, and the sea is very rough. She is pounding heavily. She has passengers and a valuable cargo. No boat has been able to get near enough to her to render assistance.

New York, Feb. 7.—The Norwegian bark Alice, in ballast, came ashore at Long Beach Life Saving Station last night. Before an attempt could be made to rescue the crew, five had attempted to land in a boat which was capsized and all were drowned. The remaining eleven members of the crew were rescued by a life line.

AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

How the Big Machine in Washington Is Grinding out Legislation.

Washington, Feb. 7.—The speaker laid before the house today a communication from the secretary of the treasury in reply to the resolution of the house requiring him to inform that body why work on some new public buildings and work on the extension and improvements of unoccupied buildings authorized during the and why more than $8,000,000 of appropriations remained unexpended during the last two years. It appears, he says, from the report of the supervising architect that this legislation has entailed such a large quantity of ntw work in his office as to make the quantity of work entirely disproportionate to the force employed in his office. Congress failed to make the increase in the force demanded by the office while the facts showed that it was absolutely necessary.

The military force of the United States, according to the latest returns is 112,496. Every state and territory, with the exception of Utah, has an organized militia force.

The bill for the relief of the assignees or legal representatives of John Roach, deceased, to pay the balance of $8,165 due on the United States ship Dolphin, was taken from the calendar and passed.

Oates reported that the Homestead touble is accompanied in presentation to the house by minority reports expressing the same general conclusions in a different way. The hope is expressed that the thought of the age may devise some means which will secure the equitable division of the profits between employe and empolyer. In conclusion the opinion is expressed that the evils disclosed by the investigation are entirely beyohd the reach of the federal power and remedies, if any can be devised, must originate with the state government.

Culbertson of Texas, introduced a bill previously made public repealing the Sherman silver purchase act and substituting the old bond act and providing for the bullion that has accumulated under the Sherman act.

A SHIP CAPSIZED.

Port Towhsend, Feb. 7.—The barkentine Retriever, arrived at Hadlock this morning from San Francisco. She reports seeing a double-deck vessel bottom up, thirty-two miles southwest of Cape Flattery, last Friday. Shipping men are in a quandary about the identity of the vessel. In some quarters it is believed to be the British St. Mungan, 135 days from Santos, Brazil, for this port. The vessel is 90 days overdue. An unauthenticated report is to the effect that there are two derelects off Cape Flattery. Recent arrivals report unprecedented storms off the Oregon and Washington coasts during the past week.

ANOTHER UNION OUTRAGE.

Tacoma, Wash., Feb. 7.—A gang of twenty Union sailors boarded the steam schooner Signal this morning at Seattle, and put pistols to the heads of four non-union sailors and the watchman, and under threat of death, took them off the vessel. Captain Bendegare was asleep at the time and knew nothing of the affair until some hours later. This is the result of the trouble between the Coast Seamen's Union and the non-Union sailors, the former declaring that non-Union men must leave the ships. Kidnaping outrages of this kind are becoming quite common on the Sound.

Doings of Our City Fathers.

The regular meeting of the city council was held last night. There were present Councilmen Bergman (in the chair) and Lewis, Thomson, Barker, O'Hara, McGregor and Webber.

PETITIONS—For liquor licenses, from August Danielson, Johnson & Carlson, Alex. Campbell, R. L. Jeffrey, Oscar Wearen. All granted.

A petition asking for payment haulage bills was referred to the street committee.

PROPOSITIONS—From the West Shore Mills Co., offering to provide light for the city jail for $15 per month. Referred to committee on public property.

The report of committee of ways and means on the report of the city treasurer, was then read. It advocated no increase in the treasurer's salary, but the consideration and payment of any legitimate expenses he might be put to in the future, and an allowance of $150 for past extra services and assistance.

This report brought out a good deal of discussion pro and con, during the course of which the ability of Mr. Wise in his position as city treasurer was commended by every speaker. There was a diversity of opinion, however, in regard to the raising of the salary, and many of the councilmen contended that the official should have known on his election what his duties were, and how far his salary would cover them. The report was adopted on the following division: Ayes, Lewis, Thomson, O'Hara and Bergman; nays, Barker, McGregor and Webber.

The report of the committee accepting the cemetery bulkhead was adopted.

A report was received from J. F. Grosbaur, chief of the fire department, giving a detailed account of the indebtedness of the various fire companies as follows:

Engine Co. No. 1.....	$ 321.81
Engine Co. No. 2.....	475.50
Engine Co. No. 3.....	370.93
Total.....	$1168.24

The report was referred to the committee on fire and water. It recommended that the city take on itself the burden of payment of this indebtedness, and stated that the members of the various companies did not feel like meeting it themselves.

A report from the street committee giving the result of an interview with Mr. Barney Gallagher, concerning the triangular piece of property at the corner of Hemlock and Fifth streets, and stating that he would sell the lot to the city for $500, with the condition that a new bulkhead be built. The communication was referred back to the committee with power to act.

The various pay rolls for the month of January were presented and ordered paid.

A report was received from the city attorney stating that suits had been begun enjoining the collection of assessments on Court street by P. Boelling, Jas. Quinn, the Rodgers Trust Company, J. W. Babbidge, Irene C. Parker, and twelve others.

The report was accepted and the attorney was instructed to defend the suits.

The ordinance appropriating $100 for the attorney for clerical assistance in the matter of the injunction tax suits was lost.

The ordinance authorizing the auditor to issue warrants for assessments on the West Ninth street sewer improvements was read a third time and finally passed.

It was unanimously resolved on motion of Councilman Barker, that the committee on fire and water be and are hereby authorized to purchase two non-interfering fire alarm boxes—one to be placed in the vicinity of the Clatsop mill, and the other at the eastern end of the fire alarm.

It was unanimously resolved on motion of Councilman Lewis that the committee on streets and public ways be and are hereby instructed to place the roadway to Alderbrook in temporary repair, and that the city attorney be instructed to prepare an ordinance appropriating the sum of $150 out of the road fund therefor.

It was unanimously resolved on motion of Councilman Barker that the committee on fire and water be and are hereby instructed to advertise for bids to furnish wire insulators and brackets and put up said wire so as to extend the fire alarm telegraph from its present eastern end to the Astoria Box Co.'s mill.

The contract for painting the roof of Engine house No. 2 was awarded to J. Brown.

A communication was read from W. Hampton Smith speaking about the Benton street sewer evil. It was referred to the street committee.

After some of the city's monthly accounts had been passed for payment, the council adjourned at 9 o'clock, the earliest hour of dispersing for several months.

OUR AMENDED CHARTER

The Principal Alterations Made in It at Salem.

RECORD OF A DAY'S WORK

Some Important Legislation in Both Houses, and Many Bills of Vital Importance Have Passed.

Associated Press.

Salem, Or., Feb. 7.—The main change in the amended charter for Astoria, provides for the improvement of streets by allowing the council to district the city, and by providing that improvement may be made in any given district by assessing the cost against the property benefited, not to exceed 50 per cent. of the value of the property, and providing also, that certificates may be issued running for a period of ten years, during which property owners may make payment. That is the principal amendment, but there are several minor ones. The delegates made no additions, to the bill as sent, but struck out several sections.

The senate this morning passed the following bills:

Stelwer's for the protection of stock raising.

Hirsch's providing for development and efficiency of the state reform school.

Bancroft, for the issuance of sewer bonds, etc., by cities.

Crosno, to appropriate money for the completion of the state agricultural building.

The house passed the following bills:

Bell's relating to larceny in house or boat or public building; passed.

Senate amendments to the bill incorporating Astoria.

Gullixon's bill to increase the pay of the militia when in actual service.

Gullixon's bill for the efficient organization of the militia.

Wilkins' bill to amend the act creating a board of railroad commissioners, reducing their salary to $2000.

Probably the most important bill passed by the legislature at this session, went through the senate this afternoon. It was Lawton's house bill relating to assessment and taxation. Willis' amendment to have the assessment made as on property owned March 1st, of each year was adopted on its final passage. The bill was passed by a vote of 18 yeas to 10 nays, 2 absent. It now goes to the governor. The bill as passed, repeals the mortgage tax law and the clause allowing deduction for indebtedness.

In the house this afternoon, Kendy's bill No. to establish a jute mill at the penitentiary for the employment of the convicts in the manufacture of grain bags, was taken up. After consideration the bill was taken up and passed by a vote of 48 to 9.

INDIAN MURDERS CONFESSED.

Pine Ridge Agency, Feb. 7.—Bear the Runs-in-the-Woods, policeman, brought in this morning one of Two-Sticks' sons who was one of the murderers. He confessed as follows: Two Sticks his father and others agreed to go to the beef camp and kill the cowboys. They slipped into the dug-out while the men slept and each selected a victim an at a signal coup they killed them. The cook was not killed at first, and attempted to crawl under a box, but they shot him in the head, dead. The cowboys were Burnett and Boyce aged 13 and 16 years, respectively, and Bacon an Kelley. The bodies were brought here by Old Man Bacon. The dying Indian says that the men were killed because they were white.

DISASTROUS FIRE IN BOSTON.

Boston, Feb. 7.—The shoe district of Boston was visited by a disastrous fire tonight. The total loss is estimated at upwards of $300,000. The firms who suffered are George Clark & Company, B. Daniel B Company, Sterns Shoe Company Riley & Company, Haynes, Sparrow & Company, and Simmons, Hatch & Whitten.

MITCHELL COMING AFTER CORBET

New York, Feb. 7.—A cablegram received today from London states that Charley Mitchell with Millionaire Abbington will leave for America tomorrow. Abbington will back Mitchell for any amount to fight Jim Corbett for the championship of the world.

MRS. WHITNEY BURIED.

New York, Feb. 7.—The funeral of Mrs. William C. Whitney, wife of ex-Secretary Whitney, was held this morning at St. Bartholomew's church. Among those present as pall-bearers, were President-elect Grover Cleveland and Cornelius Vanderbilt.

A POPULIST ELECTED.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 7.—Wm. V. Allen, populist, was elected United States senator on joint ballot, at noon, receiving 70 votes to 57 for Paddock. The independents and democrats voted for Allen.

LUCKY IF TRUE.

Tacoma, J. D. Rainey, ex-chief of the fire department of this city, claims to have fallen heir to the estate of Robert Raineyo f Texas. The estate is worth about one million dollars.

ADAMS MAY BE SECRETARY.

Boston, Feb. 7.—It is reported that Cleveland has offered the secretaryship of state to John Quincy Adams.

A VERDICT OF GUILTY.

Ellensburg, Wash., Feb. 7.—After being out about four hours, the jury in the case of Cal Hale, on trial for robbing the Roslyn Bank, last night rendered a verdict of guilty as charged. His attorneys gave notice that they would move for a new trial. A jury is now being selected for the trial of Tom Kinsey, another of the alleged gang.

NO CIGARETTES IN PENNSYLVANIA.

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 7.—The house today passed a bill prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes within the commonwealth.

OUR DAILY MARINE COLUMN

The Columbia came down the river at 3 o'clock yesterday morning, and after taking on several sacks of oysters and a general cargo left out for the south.

Captain Holmes, the oldest of the clipper masters between the Pacific coast and New York, received his usual farewell from the veterans of the water front when the Charmer tripped her anchor in San Francisco yesterday.

Captain Holmes is well-known to many Astorians. He has been around the Horn more times than any sailing vessel master afloat, it is safe to say, although he himself has lost track of the exact number. He first came out as master of the little ship Elizabeth Willetts, early in the fifties, and barring a year he spent in running to the Fraser river in the boom time, when freight commanded $8 a ton, he has been going back and forth ever since. He brought out both the Seminole and Twilight, long since past deep-water days, on their maiden voyages, landing the former here in ninety-seven days, a record she has never approached since. The captain is an ancient mariner now, well along toward eighty years, but when he says anything on the bridge the foremast hand buried deepest in the forecastle can hear every word.

The steamer Queen arrived in yesterday morning from San Francisco with seventy tons of freight for this city and several passengers.

Captain Schnauer, of the ship John Ena, has a curiosity in the shape of a chart from Cape Horn to Tasmania, via the Cape of Good Hope. The tale of the ship's fruitless week of battle with ice and gales in an endeavor to round the Horn has already been published. When finally forced to turn back Captain Schnauer had no chart, but sooner than try the stormy point again he made one on half a dozen sheets of blotting paper, using his geographical knowledge and charts of either end of the route as gauges. The course was pricked off on the blotters from day to day, and when Tasmania was sighted the Captain was delighted to find that the edges of his rough work on the blotter fitted the edges of the Australian chart as though the whole were the work of the hydrographic office. The Ena proved herself a remarkably fast ship, logging over 300 miles in twenty-four hours on several occasions, and once the figures reached 330, which is pretty close to some of the old Thermopylae's historic feats. The run to the eastward without a chart, however, is the most remarkable feature of the voyage, and it is an effort that the best navigators would hesitate a long while before undertaking.

There is much speculation as to who will be the new bar pilot in San Francisco, to succeed William Damett. The pilot board meets on Monday next. In addition to Captains Erskine and Houdlette, already mentioned, there is a dark horse in the fight.

When the stevedores discharging the China knocked off work at 5 o'clock Monday evening at San Francisco, their foreman ordered the cargo plank in use at the forward hatch, hauled ashore. It was a heavy, awkward slide, but there were men enough to handle it, and it was sliding in easily until the rope sustaining the ship end of it parted. The slide was tilted at an angle of nearly 35 degrees at the time, and the smooth end slid along the dock with the rapidity and resistless force of a locomotive. Half a dozen of the men hauling on the dock end were knocked down and badly bruised, but all were able to help themselves up except Joseph Cartright, a stevedore. He sustained a fracture of the skull and other injuries of such a serious character that his recovery is pronounced doubtful.

The tug Lorne returned from Bonilla Point on Sunday morning, says the Victoria Colonist, and reports the weather far too stormy to do any work on the wrecked steamer Michigan. The old schooner Bonanza, which has recently been fitted up with machinery by Captain Whitelaw, is ready for service, and will probably be taken down to the wreck as soon as the weather moderates, by which time the vessel might be badly broken up.

Hostesses giving dinners should consider the effect on the complexion of the color selected. Beautiful as yellow is in candle shades, flowers and embroidery, it needs toning to take away a certain brassy effect on the skin. Green, also, should not be the color through which light passes directly on the women's faces. The popularity of violet and heliotrope feasts possibly lies in the fact that no shade is more softening and becoming in combination with gas and candle light. A violet dinner has the table scarf lightly embroidered with blossoms in natural colors, with napkins and doylys similarly decorated. Bunches of violets in cut glass bowls stand irregularly about the board, and the candles in the branching candelabra of silver or china, are violet shaded with violet shades. A few loose violets are in the finger bowls, and the ice is served in little urns of violet satin, whose covers are bunches of the flower. The tinting of the actual viands to carry out the color scheme of the feast is no longer considered good form.

Mrs. Van Rensselaer Cruger's dining room is a noble apartment, hung in dark crimson satin brocade. When brilliantly lighted it is said to enhance the fairness of every woman who enters.