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HEAVY RAINS ARE GENERAL IN SOUTHERN PART OF STATE

Bridges Are Washed Out; Swollen Streams Do Much Damage

FEAR MELTING SNOW

Rivers Are Still Rising as Snow on the Mountain Sides Melt Under Rains

GRANTS PASS, Feb. 21.—In the southern section of Oregon 5 inches of rain fell in 48 hours and the Rogue river is reported to be raising one foot per hour.

The bridges on the Redwood highway are washed away and the railroad bridge over the Applegate river is gone. Thousands of tons of rocks have blocked the Southern Pacific tracks near Ashland and 200 feet of track is submerged near Medford, cutting off all rail traffic from the south. Douglas county is partly isolated and Canyonville is nearly washed out.

Flood conditions in the valley towns are feared by tonight as the warm winds are melting the snow and the rivers are by feet rather than by inches.

Portland has had an inch of rain in 24 hours, Marshfield has had 3 inches in 12 hours and there is a spectacular rise of streams notably the Rogue. Willamette an dthe McKenzie.

PORTLAND, Feb. 21.—Flood conditions prevailed in the western and southern sections of Oregon today as a result of torrential rains over the week-end.

Trains from San Francisco failed to arrive in Portland last night because of slides and washouts caused by "swirling" waters when the rivers overflowed their banks.

AVIATORS ARE ASKED TO FLY PLANE HIGHER

Lives and Property Are Endangered by Low Flying

VENICE, Cal., Feb. 21.—(UN) —Low-flying airplanes are so endangering life and property here that citizens have asked District Attorney Asa Keyes of Los Angeles county to take some motion to force aviators to fly higher.

A petition presented to the district attorney said that: Real estate owners were unable to rent their houses because of the menace of low-flying planes.

A plane flying low over one of the main streets several weeks ago narrowly averted a collision with an automobile and did hit a telephone pole.

A "stunt man" missed striking one of the piers "by a foot" and went to his death in the ocean. Two young girls were killed when a plane, flying low, plunged into the surf.

There are several fields near Venice where flyers can kill themselves, if they choose, without endangering innocent persons.

NORMAL ASSEMBLY

The Chinese have respect and admiration for the American people, students of the Southern Oregon Normal school learned today when they heard Mrs. Wilhelmina Arget Singer, superintendent of a normal school in China, speak at a regular assembly of the school.

"The Chinese expect the English to exploit their country," the speaker further declared, basing this assertion upon the landing of troops upon Chinese soil. "You can be thankful that no marines have been placed within the boundaries of China." By special request the visitor addressed the music appreciation class conducted by Miss Marsters.

OREGON TO HAVE THE CHANCE AT BANDIT

Federal Officials Say They Will Turn D'Autremont Over to State

PORTLAND, Feb. 21.—(UN) —Hugh D'Autremont, accused as a train bandit and killer now en route from Manila to San Francisco, will go back near the scene of his alleged crime and face trial on a charge of first degree murder.

This became known here tonight when U. S. District Attorney George Neuner announced that the government will make no attempt to interfere with the state of Oregon in its announced plans for prosecuting D'Autremont.

As a result, District Attorney Newton C. Chaney, Jackson county, will apply to the war department for the prisoner when he arrives in the United States and no similar application will be made by the government.

The reason is that they can be hung under Oregon law, and under federal law would only be sent to jail for 25 years.

Will Arrive Soon
SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 21.—(UP)—Hugh D'Autremont, one of the notorious trio of alleged train bandits which dynamited a Southern Pacific mail train in Oregon, slaying four persons, will arrive in the United States March 16, it was announced tonight by C. E. Cain, chief postal inspector here.

D'Autremont will be questioned closely in San Francisco upon arrival from Manila and then placed in custody of postal authorities from the Northwest to be taken to Portland, where his trial will probably be held.

Up To Gobs
Officers of the transport Thomas are responsible for his delivery here, Cain said. No postal authority is aboard the vessel.

Cain said the postoffice department had information that D'Autremont was in the Philippines as early as last November. The name of the informant, a dis-

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DISCOVERIES MAY CONTROL DISEASE

New Substance That Spies Out Tuberculosis Germs Found

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 21.—(UP) —Eventual control of tuberculosis by a new substance that "spies" out the dread germs at an early stage of the disease has been announced as practically a certainty by Dr. Frederick Eberson, assistant professor at the University of California medical school in San Francisco.

The new blow at tuberculosis is through tuberculin, a substance obtained from tubercle germs. If prepared in a specific form, tuberculin may be depended upon to discover the presence of tuberculosis in the human system, according to Dr. Eberson.

"The difficulty in diagnosing tuberculosis," declared Dr. Eberson, "has been in detecting borderline cases, especially in children. This type of infection is elusive and vague."

It has been for the purpose of discovering a means of distinguishing between healed inflammatory conditions, active tuberculosis, evidence of previous infection and latest tuberculosis that his research has been carried on. With tuberculin he believes he has succeeded.

"When introduced into the skin or underneath the skin, tuberculin has a tendency to form red, angry patches on persons who are carrying tubercle bacilli in their systems, either actively or in a latent condition," Dr. Eberson stated in his report.

"Positive" skin tests were perfectly co-related with the positive clinical and laboratory findings of tuberculosis infection," he stated.

By finding the germs at an early stage, it will be possible to entirely stamp out the disease eventually, the doctor declared.

RAINFALL RECORD

The normal rainfall for Ashland in February is 2.87 inches according to Louis Dodge, local weather reporter, while so far this month there has been a total of 4.81 inches of rain for the month. Of this amount nearly four inches of rainfall during the last four days. This amount however is not unusual as in 1919 the rainfall for the month exceeded five inches.

So far this season, the rainfall totals 21.17 inches of rain and the season does not end until September first. The normal rainfall, the weather man further reported for the season is 20.56 inches so that with several months still to go, Ashland has already exceeded that which could normally be expected.

With train service held up from the north at Medford, and from the south by slides through the Siskiyou and with the stage lines making desperate efforts to go both North and South Ashland at noon today was as near isolated from the outside world as it has been for many years.

Unprecedented rains through southern Oregon, raised streams into raging rivers, undermining bridges and generally tied up traffic.

Between Ashland and Medford, the water stood over the road several feet deep in places and many motorists were stalled as a result. At Jackson Hot Springs the heaviest damage was done, when the flood gates at Emmigrant dam were thrown open, allowing the water to sweep down through the lower places, upsetting some of the cabins at the popular resort, and at a late hour last night, bedding and all perishable articles were removed from the buildings by O. H. Franklin who with his son worked tirelessly throughout the day, transferring people and valuables from the marooned resort.

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Trains Held Up
According to telegrams received this morning by George Kramer, ticket agent at the Southern Pacific depot, the water in Rogue River valley is receding fast but not enough to permit of heavy repairs before 7 o'clock this evening that these new vessels, together with the large volume of new construction now on hand will run the naval estimates of the coming year well above the present year's estimate of \$290,000,000.

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The new fiscal year, he declared, will find work begun on three new cruisers, one of 10,000 tons, and the other two of 8,000 tons each, nine destroyers and six submarines, all at a total cost of \$48,250,000. The appropriation for the preliminary work on these ships and progressive work on ships already under construction

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ASHLAND ISOLATED, TRAINS AND STAGES DELAYED BY RAINS

Bridge at Gold Hill Delays Traffic in the North and Slides in the Siskiyou Delays Stage and Tourist Traffic to the South. Train Service Held up at Medford by Bridges Being Washed Out.

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NO MAIL TODAY

"What are you doing for mail today, Mr. Wagner?" was the question asked postmaster F. D. Wagner about noon. "We are doing without," was the reply.

No mail in Ashland since eleven o'clock yesterday morning, was one of the results of the flood conditions that have partially isolated Ashland. The postmaster made a trip to Medford yesterday and secured the letter mail from train No. 13, but all trains since that time have been held up at Gold Hill.

Local mail has been dispatched as usual, as well as the regular service between Klamath Falls and Ashland, and one trip with mail for Medford has been made. It is expected that regular mail service will be established some time during the night with the resumption of the regular railroad traffic.

GREAT BRITAIN PLANS BIG NAVY PROGRAM

Plan on Building Eighteen New Vessels During Next Year

LONDON, (UP) — Progressive naval construction "according to plan" will be carried out by Great Britain during the coming fiscal year, H. C. Bywater, well-known British naval expert declared in a recently published article here.

Bywater declared that the British Admiralty's building program for 1927-1928 has been completed and includes provisions for the laying down of 18 new ships during that period. It is estimated that these new vessels, together with the large volume of new construction now on hand will run the naval estimates of the coming year well above the present year's estimate of \$290,000,000.

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"STALLING" TACTICS OF MEDFORD WINS

Last Four Minutes of Play Marred by Usual Tactics

Resorting to the "stall" during the last four minutes of play the Medford high school basketball team succeeded in nosing out the Ashland high five Saturday night on the Medford armory floor by a score of 16 to 18. The game was close with both sides making desperate efforts to score, and was featured by roughness, when one Medford player and both of Ashland guards were removed for roughness.

Medford started the game off with a couple of baskets before the local team steadied down. Coach Cripe sent in Roy Parr, veteran center at this stage of the game, and from this time on the tide turned in favor of the locals with the opponents on the defensive a majority of the time. Ashland's inability to shoot baskets during the first half, lost them many chances to score, and the game stood nine to nine at the half way point.

Coming back in the second half Ashland took the lead, only to have it evened up by two free throws by Dew, of Oregon Historical Association, after gave them a one point margin.

At the start of the third quarter Ashland again took the lead, only to be passed when Archer of Medford in a shot from the middle of the floor, brought the score up to sixteen to eighteen. Here it remained until the final whistle brought to an end, the stalling tactics of the Medford squad.

For Ashland, to single one man and say he was an outstanding star would be doing an injustice, to the other members, but special mention should be made of the work of Roy Parr, for while he did not play such a sensational game the mere fact that he was on the floor, lent encouragement to the other members of the squad, and they exerted themselves to keep pace with their team mate. Al Parr was again high point man scoring eight of the sixteen Ashland points. The Ashland guards Hill and Abbott done much to keep the score down, and are deserving of a lot of credit. From the splendid showing the team has made in every game this year and particularly in Saturday night's game, they are deserving of more support from Ashland fans than they have been receiving. They will again play Medford a week from Friday at Medford and the following night will meet the same team at Ashland.

Saturday night's line up was as follows:

Medford	Ashland
Melvin (6)	F Nutter (4)
Archer (5)	F A. Parr (8)
Laing (2)	C Garnett
Anderson (1)	G Abbott
McDonald	G Hill

Substitutes: Dew (4) for Melvin, Leedom for Nutter, Roy Parr (3) for Garnett, McGee (1) for Hill.

Dave Stritmatter, of Corvallis, referee.

FIRST SPRING FLOWER TO BE IN BLOOM SOON

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—The earliest Spring flower blooms the last week in February or the first of March says a bulletin from the American Nature Association. The name is the skunk cabbage. The skunk cabbage, although its blossom has an unpleasant scent, is, nevertheless, a flower, and, by reason of its hardihood in braving the cold long before any of the other flowers have commenced to push themselves above the earth, it is deserving of all the honors which the name of first spring flower may carry with it, the bulletin declares.

Trailing arbutus is claimed by some to be the "first flower." It can be found in March and even, on rare occasions, in the latter part of February.

St. Helens—Knights of Pythias will spend \$30,000 on modern lodge building.

THRILLS WILL BE PROVIDED IN DANGEROUS AERIAL STUNT

Roy Dean, Movie Dare-Devil, to Make Straight-Jacket Escape

FOR SPRING OPENING
Legion Signs up Free Street Act to Precede Show Next Week

Roy Dean, former stunt man in Hollywood, has been signed by the American Legion committee to stage a thrilling aerial exhibition on Main street next Tuesday and Wednesday nights in connection with the big Spring Opening to be held at the armory on those two nights.

Strapped in a regulation government straightjacket, Dean will dangle head-first from the top of the Elks building and attempt to release himself from the straight-jacket while in this perilous position.

Published for movie dangerous stunts on land and in the air, and his big free street exhibition next week promises to be a breath-taker.

Wing-walking is one of the stunts which Dean has done in the movies, and he has also attempted the straightjacket feat while dangling from a swiftly moving plane. He is declared to be one of only two persons who have ever accomplished the straightjacket escape while hanging down from a racing plane.

The legion show in all particulars promises to be the greatest civic event ever staged in the city. Along with the style review and exhibits of merchants in all lines of business, the Legion committee has signed up six vaudeville acts which promise to be far better than the average.

On the opening night there will be a country store, at which many valuable merchandise prizes will be given away. A new Ford coupe will be given away the second night, while a big free dance will be staged the second night after the regular style review and vaudeville program.

Every indication points to a record breaking crowd on both nights of the show, with merchants and townspeople generally showing increasing interest in the affair as the date draws near.

WORK ON THE LARGEST BRIDGE STARTS TODAY

First of Suspended Span Measuring 450 Feet to Be Placed

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 21.—(UP)—The feat of flinging the first of the two double cantilevers across the \$5,000,000 Carquines bridge on the northern arm of San Francisco bay will be attempted here today, if the weather conditions permit. The bridge is the largest highway structure in the world.

The two suspended spans are 450 feet each in length and each will weigh 750 tons. Putting them in place is considered a most delicate engineering accomplishment.

A sudden turn of the tide, an unexpected wind, a fog bank or any other sudden change in weather conditions might send the huge cantilevers crashing into the swirling waters of Carquines straits.

All precautions are being taken. A weather bureau sub-station has been established at the bridge to aid the builders in the task of installing the suspended spans.

NO GAME TONIGHT

Due to the tie-up in highway and rail traffic, the Portland City Stars were unable to reach Ashland and the scheduled basketball game with the Normal school tonight has been indefinitely postponed.

The Rebel Pitcher

